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**August 31, 2020**

## Annual Nano Brewfest in Newport Cancelled Due to COVID-19

NEWPORT, NH—The Newport Area Chamber of Commerce has announced that “after much deliberation between the Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors, breweries involved, community members & leaders, and past patrons, we made the difficult decision to officially cancel our 7th Annual Nano Brewfest for 2020.”

Originally scheduled for June, the Chamber had initially postponed moving the yearly event to September. “We worked diligently, following the State’s Fairs and Festivals guidance, to create a small and unique brewfest experience that patrons would love,” said the Chamber in a press release. “We were excited to adapt this year’s event to something manageable under new guidelines, yet providing our community at least one event in a year where virtually all other events were canceled.

“Unfortunately, in this COVID-19 world, things change quickly. With the 100 person mask mandate, it became virtually impossible to hold a brewfest where people must wear masks at all time, unless seated. We analyzed the finances and had explored cutting our already small 150 patron maximum down to between 70 - 80. Sadly, the Chamber would have lost significant money. Being a non-profit, that is a risk we just could not shoulder.”

The Chamber added that “No one is more disappointed in this cancelation than us. We love bringing people together on the Newport Town Common, inviting folks to our beautiful town, and promoting what Newport has to offer. The Chamber would like to thank our great breweries who were scheduled to make the trip to Newport, and showcase their best,

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**Members of several law enforcement agencies were called to the area of North and Chellis in Claremont on Thursday (Courtesy photo).**

## Incident in City Ends Peacefully

CLAREMONT, NH—On August 27, at approximately 9:55 a.m. a report was made to the Claremont Police Department that a resident of an apartment building in the area of North Street and Chellis Street was possibly having a mental health crisis. Upon arrival of Claremont Police, the officers located the individual and started a dialog with this person. “Due to the nature of the call and the scene, the Claremont Police Department evacuated several houses and asked a nearby child care center to shelter in place,” said Claremont Police Chief Mark Chase. “This business was later evacuated. The Claremont Communications Center sent a CODE RED announcement that was sent out to the community about this situation and to avoid travel through this area.”

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**Nano, from A1**

small batch beers. Thank you to Concord Craft Brewing, Northwoods Brewing Company, Proctorth Brewing, Stripe Nine Brewing Co, Hobbs Tavern & Brewing Co, Big Water Brewery, Hoptimistic Brewing, Aigean Ales, Swift Current Brewing Co, Belgian Mare Brewery, Canterbury Ale Works, Contoocook Cider Company, Frogg Brewing, and Chris' Wicked Ice Cream for committing to our Nano Brewfest and supporting us. We hope you, in turn, support these smaller New Hampshire breweries and businesses. And though we all share the disappointment, we also understand the importance of the mask mandate, social distancing, and sanitation. It is going to take all of us to get through this.

"Also we would like to thank the support of the Newport Police and Fire Departments, the Newport Select Board & Town Manager, our business community, sponsors - LaValley Building Supply, Sugar River Bank, and Avery Insurance, patrons who had already purchased tickets, our band scheduled to attend - Turner Round, and all those who have been

interested in our event. Also thank you to Gov. Sununu's office in working with us with guidance during these confusing and complicated times."

For those patrons who had purchased tickets, those accounts will be refunded in full.

"We deeply apologize having to cancel this year. Please know we tried all we could to make this work; unfortunately we could not. It is our hope the Summer of 2021, life will be back to normal. And if so, count on the Newport Area Chamber of Commerce to present our 7th (almost annual) Nano Brewfest, just as we have before, in a non-pandemic world."

**Investigation of 'Untimely Death' of Infant Continues**

CONCORD, NH -- Attorney General Gordon J. MacDonald, Colonel Nathan A. Noyes of the New Hampshire State Police, and Claremont Police Chief Mark Chase announced information regarding an active investigation involving the death of a child in Claremont last week.

Claremont Police responded to a 911 call from a residence on Winter Street in Claremont at approximately 7:40 a.m. on Sunday, August 23. Once at the residence, police found an infant (7 days old) who was in medical distress, and who was later pronounced dead at the hospital, said authorities.

On August 24, New Hampshire's Chief Medical Examiner Dr. Jennie Duval completed the autopsy of the child. At this time, the cause and manner of death are being withheld pending further investigation, said authorities in a press release.

Additional information will be released while maintaining the integrity of the investigation, said the At-

orney General's Office said last Monday.

**Incident, from A1**

This situation extended into the afternoon and at approximately 5:30 pm it came to an end with the resident agreeing to obtain further help from a mental health team, said Chase. This situation ended peacefully and the area was made safe for the residents to return and it was reopened to the public.

"The Claremont Police would like to thank the NH State Police Crisis intervention team as well as the locally assigned NH State troopers as well as the Sullivan County Sheriff's office," said Chase. "These agencies aided with this call as well as additional calls that occurred in the community during this crisis. We would also like to thank the community for their assistance during the event and allowing the officers to work through this call."

Due to the nature of the call, no names will be released at this time and the incident remains under investigation.

A second CODE RED alert was sent to area residents to let them know that the situation had been resolved and that those in the area could return to their normal activities.

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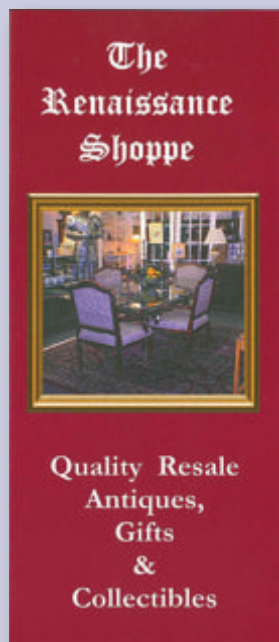
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*The Renaissance Shoppe  
opened in 2004!*

#### But how did it get started?

- Joanne Hughes (Shoppe Co-Founder) had moved to New London from New Jersey in 2003 and was eager to develop a high quality re-sale shop that would benefit a local non-profit organization, something she did for a hospital in New Jersey and was passionate about continuing.
- Soon after her arrival to our community, fate stepped in when Joanne met Michele Holton (Shoppe Co-Founder), a local real estate professional and avid supporter of Lake Sunapee Region VNA & Hospice, including Chair of the Board at the time.
- Joanne shared her vision, Michele was a fan... and the rest is history... the Shoppe has raised more than \$2 million in support of home care and hospice services!



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# Letters to the Editor

## Rights and Democracy Endorses Draper for State Rep, District 5

### To The Editor:

Rights and Democracy (RaD) is a non-profit organization whose mission is to build a grassroots movement to counter the influence of money in politics and promote justice for those who have been neglected and disempowered by the system. This includes advocacy for economic justice and fundamental human rights such as healthcare for all, quality education for all, and a fair living wage.

The Sullivan County chapter of Rights and Democracy is pleased to endorse Liza Draper in the race for State Representative District 5 (Claremont Ward 3). Liza's platform makes her an ideal RaD candidate. She is committed to fight for economic justice for the people of Claremont. Her priority issues are equitable education funding; affordable healthcare, including resources for mental health; affordable childcare; and promoting a cleaner, safer, and more inclusive Claremont.

Liza's background positions her well for this candidacy. She spent years as an educator at the Maple Ave School. She also has substantial experience working with local non-profits. She knows firsthand the hard realities of daily life in a community that has been neglected by Concord for far too long. Claremont needs voices in the statehouse to fight for a fair future for itself and all of Sullivan County, and Sullivan County RaD strongly believes Liza Draper is that candidate. We hope you will consider voting for her on Tuesday, September 8.

**Rights & Democracy, Sullivan County Chapter**

## Supports Draper for NH District 5 State Representative

### To The Editor:

This letter is in support of Liza Draper for NH District 5 State Representative (Claremont W-3). As someone who represented Ward 3 for 12 years ('06-'18), I am certain that Liza Draper brings the experience, skills and dedication needed to make an excellent legislator.

Liza has a passion about education & public health, as well as an unparalleled commitment to social justice. She will be a strong voice for working families, especially in regards to accessing affordable healthcare & equitable school funding. I am convinced that Liza will be an articulate spokesperson in Concord regarding issues such as ensuring a living wage, as well as race and gender equality.

Liza has been a taxpayer and resident of Claremont for almost 20 years, and in that time has been an active participant in a spectrum of community initiatives and projects ranging from her children's PTA, to being a Fiske Free Library Trustee, and volunteer with the Claremont Farmers' Market to name a few. In 2019, she was recognized as Volunteer of the Year, by the NH Coalition against Domestic & Sexual Violence.

It is imperative that this election cycle we especially send our best to Concord. Liza Draper is that person and will make us proud! Join me in electing Liza Draper as the next State Representative for District 5 – Claremont's Ward 3.

**Raymond Gagnon, Claremont, NH**

## Irwin Running for Sullivan County Commissioner, District 2

### To The Editor:

I will get right to the point. Nothing is more important than coming up with a "cure" or solution to eliminate the coronavirus or COVID-19. Every effort needs to be expended to bring our economy back, to get people back to work, and to educate our children in safe, healthy schools. It is the greatest test I have faced in my lifetime, the Vietnam War notwithstanding.

To that end, we need leadership at the National, State, and Local levels. It is imperative that everyone vote in September and in November. Period.

While County Government is less engaged in legislation to address these issues (it's the Delegation who serve in the NH House who legislate), it still plays a significant role in the lives of our citizens and implements many of the laws and regulations passed in Concord. I want to be part of the process and thus, am running for Sullivan County Commissioner, District 2. District 2 towns are Newport, Croydon, Grantham, Springfield and Plainfield. However, as Commissioners we work for all 15 Sullivan County communities. It is the highest voter getter in all of the communities combined who wins the title of Commissioner. I need you! I need your family! I need your friends!

Finally, here are some reasons I believe I will make a good commissioner:

- 6 years on the County Finance Committee – working with the County budget and keeping the base tax rate down.
- 8 years in the NH House of Representatives – supporting legislation that helps our communities and the working families and the retirees.
- 21 years as a Selectman in Newport, continuing efforts and supporting budgets that help stabilize our tax rate while still improving the quality of life for our residents and visitors.

Working with Creative Placemaking to elevate the arts, promoting programs and exhibits to attract more visitors (even from within the County), and finding ways to expand this great resource as an economic engine, creating jobs and supporting all the businesses in the county. Working with Vital Communities on the Route 11 corridor to expand opportunity across the county by uniting communities along Route 11 and creating a "brand" that supports economic development, bringing more opportunity for our citizens and stabilizing/expanding our tax base

With your VOTE, I can make a difference. Help me put Sullivan County on the map! Thank you.

**Virginia O'Brien "Biddy" Irwin, Newport, NH**

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## Letters, from A4

### Supports Ray Gagnon for Sullivan County Commissioner Seat

#### To The Editor:

On Sept 8, I am asking you to write-in Raymond Gagnon for the District 1 Sullivan County Commissioner position at the upcoming November election.

Ray Gagnon has over 40 years’ experience as a manager with local, county, state, and federal government systems, and has demonstrated a common sense approach to government. He has a track record of supporting & crafting fair county budgets and innovative programs such as instituting a treatment & job training program at the County Jail, and maintaining the continuance of the County Public Transportation System. I know he will be a positive, full time Commissioner regarding the challenges facing Sullivan County.

In addition to having been a Sullivan County State Representative for 12 years (‘06-’18), he has also been a Claremont City Counselor & Mayor, as well as the presidentially appointed U.S. Marshal for NH under President Clinton. As a representative, he has chaired the Delegation, and served on the finance committee that worked with the commissioners in developing sound frugal county budgets. Ray Gagnon knows how County Government works and the issues they face. Also, Jeff Barrette, the outgoing commissioner, has endorsed Ray.

Whether you vote absentee, or in person this year, I ask you to write-in Ray Gagnon for District 1 Sullivan County Commissioner for the Sept 8 Primary.

**Judith Kaufman, Sullivan County Democratic Chair**

## NH Delegation Announces \$11 Million in CARES Act Funding to Help Protect and Care for N.H. Nursing Home Residents

WASHINGTON, DC— Saturday, U.S. Senators Jeanne Shaheen (D-NH), a senior member of the Senate Appropriations Committee, and Maggie Hassan (D-NH) and Representatives Annie Kuster (NH-02) and Chris Pappas (NH-01) announced \$11.4 million in funding through the Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security (CARES) Act to help New Hampshire nursing homes during the COVID-19 pandemic. Specifically, the funding will help hire and train staff, as well as purchase PPE and testing. The New Hampshire delegation voted for the CARES Act and stood firm during negotiations to make sure additional funding was provided to health care providers and nursing home facilities.

“Nursing home residents are by far the most vulnerable population to COVID-19 in New Hampshire and every effort must be made to keep them safe,” said Senator Shaheen. “This funding will immediately be put to use to hire additional trained employees and protect residents and caregivers from COVID-19. The CARES Act was a broad bipartisan agreement that has provided substantial relief to New Hampshire to address many challenges from COVID-19. Mitch McConnell needs to immediately bring the Senate back to once again work across the aisle to deliver help to the many Americans who are hurting.”

“Here in New Hampshire, the COVID-19 pandemic has taken its greatest toll on residents and employees of nursing homes and long-term care facilities, and my heart goes out to all the families who have lost loved ones,” said Senator Hassan. “Nursing homes must receive additional support to keep residents and employees safe as the pandemic continues, and I am pleased that nursing homes in our state will receive this much-needed federal funding to help with staffing, testing, and personal protective equipment. I will keep pushing the administration to strengthen its public health response to this pandemic and for Congress to pass additional relief, including to meet the needs of those most vulnerable to COVID-19.”

“Though we have worked hard to prevent the spread of COVID-19 and keep our communities safe, Granite Staters living in nursing homes and long-term care facilities remain extremely vulnerable to the virus,” said Representative Kuster. “This CARES Act funding will provide nursing homes in our state with much-needed support and resources to help with staff training, testing, and personal protective equipment...”

# FINANCIAL TIPS

## PART 2 >>> Helping to Care for Aging Parents

**Tips on helping elderly parents find resources and assistance, as well as information you can use to make sure they have adequate financial counseling to help protect their assets.**

*(Continued from last week's issue.)*

Many adults are finding that their aging parents are in need of health care assistance. Luckily, there are many options available today to help your parents grow old gracefully, either in their own home or in a facility, and several ways that you can finance the costs of the care.

### NURSING HOME

If sending your parent to a nursing home is inevitable, make sure you research each home extensively. Reservations at the home selected should be made at least a year ahead of the time that you expect your parent will need it, as waiting lists are typically long at well-respected facilities. Keep in mind, too, that the government offers limited financial help for those families paying for nursing home care.

### MEDICARE

Medicare will only pay the full cost of professional help if a physician certifies that your parent requires nursing care and if these services are provided by a Medicare-certified home health care agency. Medicare will only pay for nursing home care on a short-term basis, and benefits are restricted to low-income individuals with very limited assets.

### TAX CONSIDERATIONS

You may be able to claim a federal tax credit that will enable you to take up to \$3,000 off the cost of in-home care or day care. Another option is the flexible spending account (FSA), which lets you pay for a certain amount of care each year with pretax dollars.

With elder care costs continually on the rise, financial planning has become ever more crucial to the economic well-being of adult children responsible for the care of their elderly parents. Don't wait until the last minute -- start planning now to ensure the future care of your parents.

### ONLINE SUPPORT FOR ELDERCARE

The federal government's **Administration on Aging** offers a variety of print and online materials for elders, their families, and professionals regarding housing, medical, caregiving, and services for seniors.

**ElderWeb** has a rich collection of resources for the elderly and their caregivers on financial matters, health care, living arrangements, and social, mental, and legal issues.

**There are other online support services, publications, and resources available that may meet your needs. Check your local library or senior services agency for information.**



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## 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.

## Sununu Orders Face Coverings for Gatherings of 100 or More

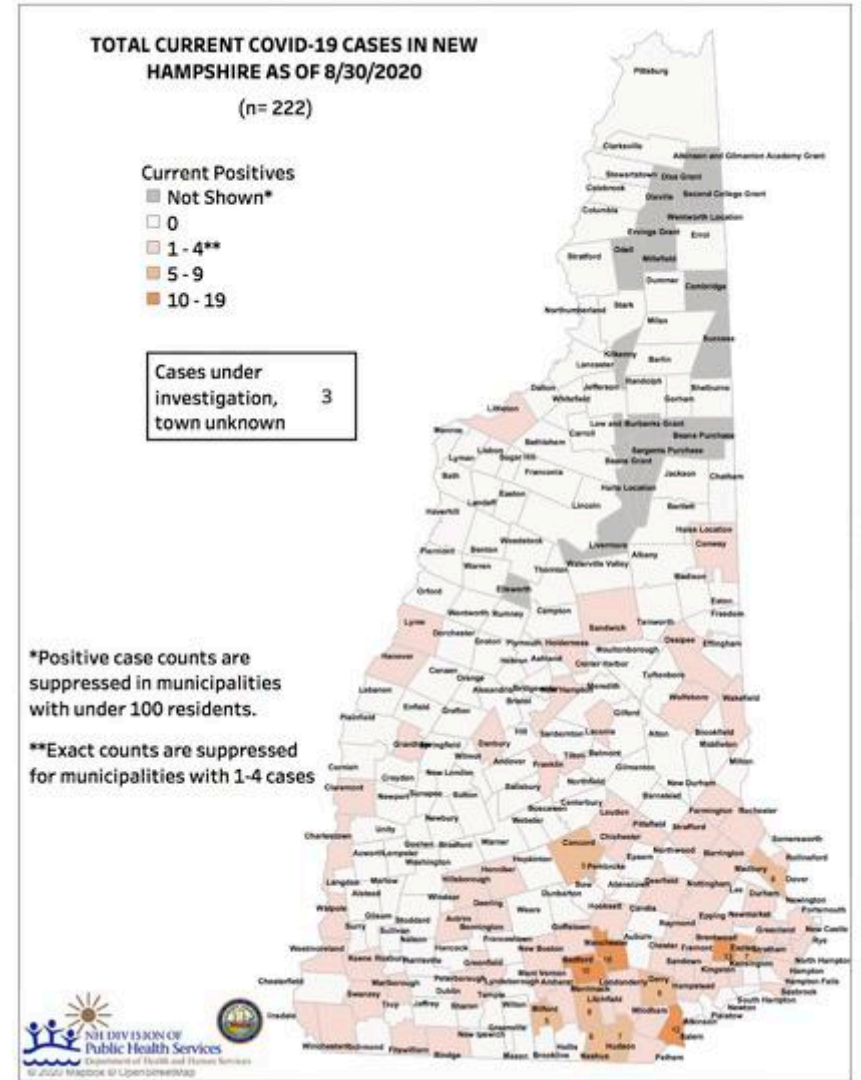
CONCORD, NH—Recently, Gov. Sununu issued Emergency Order #63, an order requiring face coverings for scheduled gatherings of 100 or more individuals attending social, spiritual and recreational activities. At his press conference, he said videos of the recent motorcycle rally in Sturgis showing large crowds of people not wearing masks as well as a planned tent revival scheduled for New Ipswich last week prompted the new order. Organizers of the tent revival had said they did

not plan to enforce physical distancing or other measures used to help prevent the spread of the virus; some 200-500 people were expected to attend and would likely be a mix of both local individuals as well as people from out of state. The order goes into effect immediately. Fines or penalties may be issued to those who willfully disobey the order, said Sununu.

## NH DHHS COVID-19 Update – August 30, 2020

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

On Sunday, August 30, 2020, DHHS announced 9 new positive test results for COVID-19. There have now been 7,254 cases of



Geographic Distribution* of COVID-19		Infections		Hospitalizations		Deaths	
		Persons	% of Total	Persons	% of Total	Persons	% of Total
Belknap	Total	125	1.7%	14	2.0%	4	0.9%
Carroll	Total	104	1.4%	12	1.7%	1	0.2%
Cheshire	Total	129	1.8%	12	1.7%	3	0.7%
Coos	Total	18	0.2%	1	0.1%	0	0.0%
Grafton	Total	113	1.6%	8	1.1%	1	0.2%
Hillsborough	Manchester	1,901	26.2%	207	29.0%	114	26.4%
	Nashua	815	11.2%	77	10.8%	38	8.8%
	Outside Manchester and Nashua	1,311	18.1%	141	19.7%	134	31.0%
	Total	4,027	55.5%	425	59.5%	286	66.2%
Merrimack	Total	500	6.9%	42	5.9%	23	5.3%
Rockingham	Total	1,805	24.9%	172	24.1%	100	23.1%
Strafford	Total	383	5.3%	24	3.4%	13	3.0%
Sullivan	Total	47	0.6%	4	0.6%	1	0.2%
Unknown	Total	3	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
<b>Grand Total</b>		<b>7,254</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>714</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>432</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

Data as of: 8/30/2020

COVID-19 diagnosed in New Hampshire. Several cases are still under investigation. Additional information from ongoing investigations will be incorporated into future COVID-19 updates. Of those with complete information, there are five individuals under the age of 18 and the rest are adults with 44% being female and 56% being male.

The new cases reside in Hillsborough County other than Manchester and Nashua (3), Rockingham (3), Merrimack (1), and Belknap (1) counties, and in the city of Manchester (1).

No new hospitalized cases were identified for a total of 714 (10%) of 7,254 cases. One of the new cases had no identified risk factors. Community-based transmission continues to occur in the State and has been identified in all counties. Of those with complete risk information, most of the cases have either had close contact with a person with a confirmed COVID-19 diagnosis or are associated with an outbreak setting.

DHHS had no additional deaths to report.

## NH to Receive \$28 Million in Funding for First Year of Two-Year State Opioid Response Program

CONCORD, NH—The New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) has received an award notification for the second phase of the State Opioid Response (SOR) Program. The U.S. Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) will provide the first year of funding as part of a two-year, \$56 million award to New Hampshire to continue the successes achieved during the State's first two years of SOR funding, which launched the Doorway system and increased rural access to care.

New Hampshire received more than \$55 million during the initial phase of SOR funding. Over the past two years, New Hampshire has rapidly deployed SOR funding to establish a sustainable access and delivery system to ensure better outcomes for residents with an opioid or substance use disorder. The Doorways-NH launched on January 1, 2019, to provide comprehensive, 24/7 statewide access to services and ensure that no one in New Hampshire has to travel more than 60 minutes to begin the process toward recovery.

"We are grateful for additional support from our federal partners to continue the success of all of the programs that have been stood up and enhanced, including the Doorways program," said Governor Chris Sununu. "Since the Doorways launched, about 15,000 residents have received a clinical evaluation, referred to treatment or received naloxone. The system works, and this funding will be used to continue to ensure that these critical services will be available to help any resident seeking help for their substance use. Anyone who is experiencing substance misuse is encouraged to call 2-1-1 to get connected to people who can help."

"According to a recent CDC survey, about 13% of adults have increased their use of substances during the COVID-19 pandemic. Here in New Hampshire, the Doorways have remained a valuable resource for individuals and families struggling with substance misuse," said DHHS Commissioner Lori Shibi-

nette. "The Doorways continue to see increasing requests for services, with almost 1,000 residents seeking help last month alone. Our State is fortunate to have this system in place to be able to offer around the clock access to anyone in need."

The new SOR funds will allow the State to enhance existing investments to build capacity

even further with the goal to establish stability and sustainability in the long term. The Doorways will be expanding in-person 24/7 coverage in high volume regions through this funding and additional needs will also be addressed, including overnight respite, stimulant misuse and expanding recovery support services.

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Notice is hereby given that public hearings will be held concerning the following applications:

A. (ZO 2020-00019) **Crystal LaClair and Ashley Grenier, 6 Beacon St**—Application for a variance from Sect. 22-209 of the Claremont Zoning Ordinance to permit construction of an addition to the garage in the front setback at 6 Beacon St. Tax Map 129, Lot 34. Zoning District: R1

B. (ZO 2020-00020) **Pamela Fenlason, 58 Roberts Hill Rd**—Application for a Special Exception to permit a Family Group Daycare at 58 Roberts Hill Rd. Tax Map 134, Lot 21. Zoning District: RR2

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

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## Town Clerk & Tax Collector's Office Notice for Town of Sunapee

SUNAPEE, NH—Please be advised that Town Clerk & Tax Collector's Office will close on Friday, Sept. 4, at 2:30PM to prepare for the upcoming New Hampshire State Primary.

The TCTC Office will be open on Monday, Labor Day, Sept. 7, from 3PM-5PM to accept any absentee ballots for the New Hampshire State Primary.

The TCTC Office will be closed on Tuesday, Sept. 8; see you at the Polls. The Office will also be closed on Wednesday, Sept. 9, to record the NH State Primary Results. This is a necessary function after an election to meet deadlines for state reporting.

### MONDAY, AUGUST 31 Cornish School Board Meeting 6:30PM

Cornish School Gymnasium

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## Mayoral Notes

By Charlene Lovett

### Claremont On The Move

At our last meeting on August 26, the Claremont City Council voted unanimously in support of three major projects, two of which support economic growth and one that protects public safety. Additionally, the Council voted to accept grant funding for the expansion of the municipal airport and numerous private donations, all of which reflect a highly engaged community, working together to further prosperity.

Cited in the Master Plan, Capital Improvement Plan and the Council's goals, the revitalization of the City Center has been a top priority. Projects that have been completed to date are the restoration of numerous mill buildings and the Goddard Block, construction of a parking garage, creation of the MakerSpace and the complete reconstruction of upper Main Street. These multi-million dollar investments have created unique spaces for thriving businesses and non-profits, and quality housing that is lead free. It has been done in such a way that preserves the City's architecture and showcases the Sugar River and surrounding hills. With the Council's recent votes, the next two projects to be completed will be the Rethink Pleasant Street project and the development of the Peterson Building.

The Rethink Pleasant Street project has been considered for decades, but not until recently has the funding been dedicated to bringing it to fruition. Over the past two years, \$200K has been invested in the preliminary engineering and design of the project based on the public's input. Now that the Council has voted to fund the \$4.8M project via a bond, it can now move forward to the construction phase. Once completed, Pleasant Street will be outfitted with new infrastructure (water, sewer, road), a new traffic pattern, expanded sidewalks and upgraded streetscape.

While Pleasant Street will be getting a facelift, the long vacant Peterson mill building will also be undergoing a transformation. Chinburg Properties, a regional developer of market rate housing, submitted a 79E application for tax relief to develop the Peterson building into approximately 85 studio, one and two bedroom units. The Council's vote to grant the application will allow the project to

move forward. The developer will pay taxes on the current assessed value for 11 years and then on the increased value. Housing stock will improve with the addition of 85 new, lead free units and vitality in the City Center will increase.

The third major project, passed by the Council, was the \$1M bond to replace the communications dispatch equipment. The equipment had surpassed its life expectancy and parts could no longer be found unless taken from other discarded equipment. Given the condition of the equipment and its critical role in providing communications in emergency-related events, replacing it protects public safety.

Beyond the City Center, changes are also happening at the Claremont Municipal Airport. With the Council's acceptance of the \$450K in grant funding, improvements continue. Recently, a new hangar and terminal were completed and now runway enhancements are underway. In addition, the Airport Master Plan is being updated, ensuring that the Claremont municipal airport will remain a robust element of the City's multi-modal transportation structure.

Other areas of the City are also experiencing

improvements through the generous donations of its citizens. At the last Council meeting, Bryce Robert Weymouth, a Scout on his way to obtaining his Eagle rank, presented his community service project in the form of a map kiosk for Moody Park. Samantha Jean donated a tree to be planted in Moody Park in honor of her daughter who passed away. The Professional Fire Fighters of Claremont donated exercise equipment for department personnel, and Yusen Associates donated 20 smoke alarms to further the department's effort to prevent fires in homes.

Such support for public and private investment and the generosity of its citizens is reflective of a community committed to advancement. By collaborating at all levels and without increasing the tax burden on property owners, we are accomplishing our goals and setting into motion the elements needed to increase our tax base and a renewed vibrancy in Claremont.

*Charlene Lovett is the Mayor of Claremont and welcomes your feedback. Please email questions, comments or concerns to her at [clovett.ccc@gmail.com](mailto:clovett.ccc@gmail.com).*



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## Claremont Makerspace Veterans' Scholarship

CLAREMONT, NH—The Claremont Makerspace and The Red River Charitable Foundation are proud to announce the Claremont MakerSpace Veteran & Military Scholarship has now been expanded to include qualifying applicants' spouses.

Scholarships are up to \$500 per person, and will cover 75% of Membership and programming fees. Veterans active duty military or their spouses interested in a scholarship please visit [ps://redrivercharitablefoundation.com/veterans/claremont-makerspace/](https://redrivercharitablefoundation.com/veterans/claremont-makerspace/), or email us at [info@twinstatemakerspaces.org](mailto:info@twinstatemakerspaces.org) to learn more.

## Springfield (VT) HS Alumni Association Cancels 2020 Beyond the Unicorn Craft Fair

SPRINGFIELD, VT—The Springfield HS Alumni Association has cancelled the Beyond the Unicorn Craft Fair for the 2020 Winter season. In accordance with the Governor's guidelines, and in an abundance of caution to do their part to keep the many communities that participate and visit from around New England safe, the Board of Trustees has elected to cancel the 2020 event and hold the next annual Craft Fair as scheduled in 2021.

The vendors that participated in the 2019 Beyond the Unicorn Craft Fair will be the first to receive invitations to reserve booth space for 2021, with letters going out in early September of next year.

"As an organization, we would like to thank the greater Springfield community for its continuous support, which has enabled the Alumni Association the ability to bring events and scholarships to this community for decades," said the alumni in a press release. "We would like to thank the Springfield School District and Riverside Middle School for the years of allowing us to host this event on their grounds, and all the vendors, volunteers and event attendees for their contributions and anticipated, continued support. We look forward to seeing everyone once again, at this well-attended annual event in our traditional way, when safe to do so."

If you have any questions regarding the Beyond the Unicorn Craft Fair, please contact Sara Moulton, Chairperson of the Fair, at [SaraMoulton18@gmail.com](mailto:SaraMoulton18@gmail.com) or (802) 291-2974.

## WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9 BLOOD DRIVE IN BROWNSVILLE

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

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Date: Wednesday, Sept. 9, 2020, Time: 01:00 PM - 06:00 PM - <https://www.redcrossblood.org/>, Zip Code 05037

Blood Program Leader Name: Lanie Wadeldon (call for assistance making an appointment) 802-484-1226, ext. 119 or [lanie@sbfvt.org](mailto:lanie@sbfvt.org).

Please bring photo ID to the donation site, wear a mask, stand at least 6 ft. away from others.

## CITY OF CLAREMONT PUBLIC NOTICE

### VOTER REGISTRATION & CORRECTION

The Supervisors of the Checklist will be in session on Wednesday, September 2, 2020, from 7pm to 7:30pm in the City Clerk's Office at City Hall, for the purpose of registering new voters and making corrections to the voter checklist. This is the last day to make changes for the State Primary Election to be held on September 8, 2020. NO change in party affiliation may be accepted.

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# e-Ticker Business News

## Valley Regional Hospital Doctor Discusses Healthcare Philosophy, COVID

CLAREMONT, NH—Valley Regional Hospital (VRH) is pleased to introduce and welcome Dr. Joshua Rudner, DO to its facility. Dr. Rudner joined VRH as the Emergency Department and EMS Medical Director in November of 2019. He received his B.A. from Bowdoin College and graduated from the University of New England College of Osteopathic Medicine. He subsequently completed his Emergency Medicine residency training at Thomas Jefferson University Hospital in Philadelphia, PA where he also served as Chief Resident. Following residency, Dr. Rudner stayed at Jefferson to complete a fellowship in medical education and continued to work as a member of the hospital's clinical faculty through 2018. Most recently, prior to joining the team at Valley, Dr. Rudner was an Emergency Medicine physician for LRGHealthcare working in Laconia and Franklin, NH.

Dr. Rudner spoke with VRH to explain more about his position, especially during COVID.

*VRH: Why did you choose VRH? What attracted you to this opportunity?*

Dr. Rudner: It was an opportunity to shape and improve quality emergency care for rural and underserved populations as well as develop a collaborative regional model for care with partners in the Dartmouth-Hitchcock Health system. It's allowed me to continue developing my leadership skills while continuing my work as an educator.

*VRH: What is your overall healthcare philosophy - especially as it relates to emergency medicine?*

Dr. Rudner: First and foremost, always identify and stabilize any emergent conditions. After that, strive to evaluate the whole patient and reasons behind their visit. Work hard to consider these multiple physiologic and psychosocial factors when providing the best recommendations for immediate and ongoing care. The ultimate goal is to optimize

the health and well-being of every individual and the community at large.

*VRH: What are your thoughts on COVID - and your time at VRH during this pandemic?*

Dr. Rudner: It's been dramatic in the sense that it's been life-altering for all of us – no matter what you do for work or where you live. For us at Valley Regional, being such a small hospital, there was a potential to be easily overwhelmed. That said, it gave us the chance to come together and develop a health-system wide emergency response and surge plan. Fortunately, we haven't had to put this plan in place because of the low degree of outbreak in our area. I had the privilege of serving as the Co-Incident Commander, which has allowed me to take part in planning and communication during this time. It was an organizational-wide team effort, and that was awesome to see! For me, it was striking both how potentially challenging it could become, but also how great the response at VRH was, as well as in the broader community. We received an incredible outpouring of support – we received donations of masks, food, kind messages. It says a lot about the community we work and live in.

*VRH: We often hear that patients are afraid to keep their appointments or to be seen in the Emergency Department, even if they are experiencing health issues because of COVID.*

*What are your thoughts around this?*

Dr. Rudner: This is definitely a real issue. So much so that we had a drastic drop-off in pa-

tient volume in the early weeks of the pandemic. As an emergency provider, it was scary for me to experience, because I know people are still having strokes, heart attacks, and other emergent health issues. We have done, and continue to do, a tremendous amount of work relative to safety in the Emergency Department, and at VRH as a whole. If you feel you are sick and need to be seen, we want you to come in and be treated – and we want you to feel comfortable doing so. This is so important! We have been fortunate to have access to adequate PPE for our staff and patients, which combined with increased cleaning, patient flow and other safety measures, allows us to feel confident about the safety of our department and VRH overall.




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# e-Ticker Business News

## Rymes Propane and Oil Sold to Canadian Co.

TORONTO—(Superior Plus Corp. (“Superior”) (TSX:SPB) has announced that one of its wholly-owned subsidiaries has entered into an agreement to acquire the assets of a retail propane and heating oil distribution company based in New Hampshire, operating under the trade name, Rymes Propane and Oil (“Rymes”) for an aggregate purchase price of approximately US \$159 million (CDN \$210 million) before adjustments for working capital (the “Acquisition”). Superior anticipates drawing on its credit facility to fund the amount of the purchase price due on closing.

The Acquisition, which is subject to customary regulatory and commercial closing conditions, is anticipated to close by September 30, 2020.

Founded in 1969 by James T. Rymes, Sr. and Carol Rymes, Rymes is an established independent family owned and operated retail propane and heating oil distributor servicing approximately 88,000 residential and commercial customers primarily in New Hampshire, Maine, Massachusetts and Vermont. Rymes has 46 operating locations, approximately 3 million gallons of storage capacity, a fleet of 350 vehicles and approximately 370 employees.

New Hampshire is an attractive propane distribution market for Superior to expand its footprint, said the company in a press release. Based on management estimates and independent third-party research, the New Hampshire retail propane distribution market has approximately 185 million gallons of demand and an opportunity for further industry consolidation as the market is highly fragmented with over 50 independent propane retailers operating in the state.

During the year ended December 31, 2019, Rymes earned approximately US \$20 million (CDN \$26 million) in Adjusted EBITDA. On a normalized basis, including the achievement of expected synergies and weather consistent with the five-year average, Superior expects Rymes to generate approximately US \$27 million (CDN \$36 mil-

lion) in Adjusted EBITDA on a run-rate basis 18 months following the close of the Acquisition.

“We are very pleased to enter into this transaction which expands our U.S. propane distribution business in the Northeast U.S.,” said Luc Desjardins, Superior’s President and CEO. “Rymes is a solid business and we look forward to welcoming the team to Superior and continuing to provide outstanding customer service to their cus-

tomers. The acquisition of Rymes is our third acquisition in 2020 and increases the total value of acquisitions in 2020 to approximately \$270 million.”



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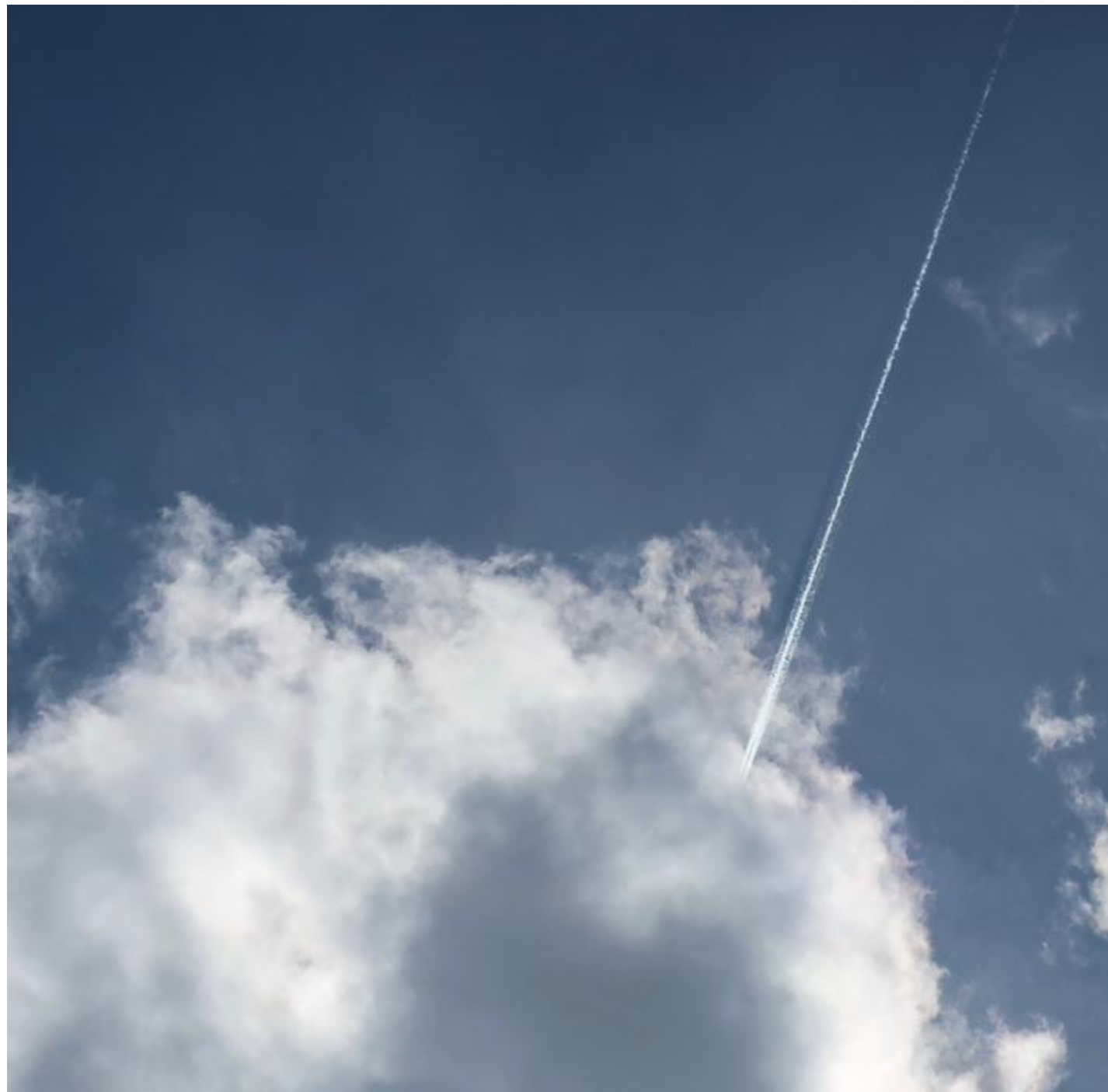
## White River Junction Man Pleads Guilty to Gun and Drug Charges

CONCORD, NH —Hallet Merrick, 34, of White River Junction, VT, pleaded guilty in federal court on Thursday to unlawfully possessing a firearm and fentanyl, United States Attorney Scott W. Murray announced.

According to court documents and statements made in court, on November 20, 2019, Lebanon Police officers made contact with Merrick and arrested him on a warrant for failing to appear in Grafton County Superior Court. During searches of his person incident to his arrest, officers discovered approximately six grams of fentanyl, which Merrick claimed was for personal use. Officers also discovered a handgun in his sweatshirt pocket. As a convicted felon, Merrick is legally prohibited from possessing firearms.

Merrick is scheduled to be sentenced on December 10, 2020.

“Federal law prohibits convicted felons from possessing firearms,” said Murray. “This restriction is intended to reduce violent crime and thereby protect the public. To accomplish this goal, we will continue to work closely with ATF as well as state and local law enforcement agencies.”



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## 'I'm Not Going to Sit Around Playing Cards'

### Norma Limoges Has Definite Ideas About Retirement

CLAREMONT, NH—After nearly 30 years of working for the City of Claremont, Norma Limoges certainly deserves some down time. But that's not the way she sees it.

Limoges, whose last active day for the City was Friday, August 28, said, "I want to give back to the community, which has given me so much support. I have a lot of church activities [at St. Mary's] and I'd like to visit residents in nursing homes and long-term care facilities."

Before she begins the next busy chapter of her life, however, Limoges is allowing herself a quiet September. After that she'll return for a short stretch of part-time work, training her successor as office manager of the Department of Public Works.

On Friday, her colleagues gathered to celebrate her 16-year tenure with a luncheon of pizza and cupcakes. Also on hand were Limoges's children, Kelly Schilb and Darel Limoges, and her grandson, Evan Schilb. Members of the various DPW divisions presented her with mementoes ranging from the sentimental — a retirement angel, an engraved vase, a globe



—to the practical—a huge crock pot. "I guess I'll have to keep on cooking!" she said.

None of Limoges's retirement plans involve shifting into low gear. "I'm thankful for my health. There may come a time when I don't have it, so I want to be busy now."

**Top left: "I told everyone that I wasn't going to retire until the Mountain View Cemetery gates project was completed," said Norma Limoges as she held up framed photographs of the project surrounded by colleagues' signatures. Her favorite of many, the project took five years to complete, culminating in last October's dedication ceremony. Limoges acknowledged the work of DPW employees, the generous grants and donations from the greater Claremont community, and the skills of Daniels Construction employees, led by Scott Sweet, former DPW director and current Daniels president.**

**Top right: A stylish blanket sums up the department's farewell thoughts. Bottom: Kevin Minckler of the DPW's Highway Division presents Norma Limoges with a vase on which was etched her colleagues' best wishes for a happy retirement. To Limoges' right is her grand-**



son, Evan Schilb.

**Text and photos by Eric Zengota**



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## Labor Day: Make Investments Work as Hard as You Do

Labor Day is almost here. Of course, this year, the holiday may have a different impact, given the employment-related stress and disruptions stemming from the coronavirus. Yet, it's good to recognize the value of work and its importance in achieving your life's goals. But if you're going to retire comfortably and reach your other financial objectives, you also need to invest – and your investments need to work as hard as you do.

To help make this happen, you need to know why you're investing in the first place. You likely have a variety of financial goals, including short-term ones – a long vacation, a new car – and long-term ones, such as a comfortable retirement and the desire to leave a legacy for your family. But you can't invest in the same way for these goals. For example, when you're planning an overseas vacation for next year, you want a certain amount of money to be available at a certain time, so you'll want an investment that offers a high degree of preservation of principal. However, when you're saving for a retirement that may be decades away, you need to consider investments that offer growth potential. In any case, you can help your investments work efficiently for you by matching them with specific goals.

You also want to keep your investments "on the job." In the immediate aftermath of large market downturns, such as we saw earlier this year, many people simply stopped investing altogether. But taking a "time out" can be costly. For one thing, when you stop adding to your investment portfolio, you reduce its growth potential. Furthermore, if you're on the investment sidelines, you might miss out on the next market rally – and the biggest gains often happen in the early stages of these rallies.

Not everyone simply abandons the investment world following a downturn, though – some people just put more money into cash and cash equivalent accounts. And while it's a good idea to have enough cash on hand for emergencies (about three to six months' worth of living expenses), you may not want to have cash as the major component of your portfolio. Cash simply doesn't "work" hard enough in the sense of providing you with long-term growth opportunities.

So, whether the markets are moving up, down or sideways, it's important to keep investing and keep a reasonable percentage of growth-oriented investments in your portfolio, with the exact amount depending on your goals, risk tolerance and time horizon. These investments will fluctuate in value, but the longer you hold them, the more the impact of short-term drops may be reduced, especially if you maintain a diversified portfolio, although diversification, by itself, can't ensure a profit or protect against loss in a declining market.

Finally, here's one other step you can take to help keep your investments working hard: Check up on them periodically. Review your portfolio at least once a year to determine if it's still helping you make progress toward your goals. If it seems like you're falling behind, you may need to adjust your investment mix.

You've probably discovered that hard work pays off for you in just about every endeavor – so why should it be any different with investing? Keeping your investments working diligently can help boost your chances of achieving your important financial goals.

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# Inspiration

## Lonely or Alone?

By Priscilla Hull

As we grow older, we lose friends. It's just a fact. We move away, they move away or to long-term care apartments or a home. Of course, death takes some even some before we become older. I don't want to be depressing, but it is a part of life that we have to be prepared for.

As we grow older, we have a great opportunity to make new friends. If we're the one moving into senior housing, there are always people there to welcome us. Sometimes they might even be acquaintances with whom we just never got close. Then we wonder why we didn't know them better and we appreciate their friendship.

No matter what, as we grow older, there are times when we feel alone, especially these days. It might be during a blizzard when the wind howls around the chimney or rattles the windows and no matter what, we feel chilled. Or maybe it is during a thunderstorm when the dishes rattle when an extreme thunder clap bursts in our ears. It might be at a more significant time such as the evening before a birthday. We used to be so busy making a cake and wrapping presents, but the chickens have all flown from the nest and someone else is doing that for them!

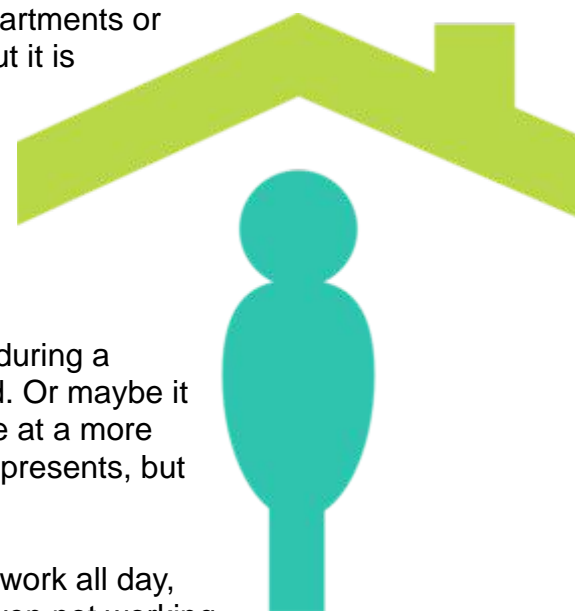
The difference between alone or lonely is how we look at the situation! Let's be real! At 40 or 50 we could work all day, come home, make a cake, get a dinner and never blink an eye, but at 75 or 80, it's another whole matter. Even not working, we are worn out after just making the cake.

What can we do? We don't have the resources we once had to do everything. We do have the time and maybe the resources to do things like smaller activities. No longer able to do the intricacies of a quilt? Find a simple pattern with larger pieces and make it a sofa blanket, no batting, just the pieces sewn together with a back and tied. Too much to do a large cross-stitch sampler? Do little things like Christmas ornaments. Love woodworking? Try a doll chair, not a table or book case, or a bird feeder instead of a butcher block. Call a friend you haven't seen for a while. These are things that keep us from being lonely. We might be alone, but we don't have to be lonely. The biggest thing is to be busy, grow flowers in pots, sew wildflower seeds in the garden. They almost grow themselves and attract bees and butterflies while providing hours of beautiful watching.

Being alone isn't really bad at all. Being lonely isn't good. So find that alternate amusement and make the alone time fun! Enjoy life and all the talents you've gathered.

*"For the gifts of the Spirit are love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self control."*  
Galatians 22:5

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



## Calendar Of Events

### Lake Sunapee VNA Foot and Flu Clinic Update

NEW LONDON, NH – Many community members have come to rely on Lake Sunapee VNA for its regular Foot Care Clinics and annual Flu Clinics held throughout the area. Though the pandemic has created challenges to operating these clinics, things are looking up.

Foot Clinics, all of which were closed down in March, are slowly beginning to re-open with appointments now available at COA Chapin Senior Center (call 526-6368) and Claremont Senior Center (call 526-4077).

Lake Sunapee VNA does plan to offer Flu Clinics this year, but there will be fewer than usual, and they may look quite different. For more information, visit [lakesunapeevna.org/calendar](http://lakesunapeevna.org/calendar).

### The World at Home: Stillness, Inspiration, and Change

CORNISH, NH—Saint-Gaudens Memorial and Saint-Gaudens National Historical Park are pleased to announce this adapted season for 2020. We are sad that we will not be together in the Little Studio this summer, but the distance will make our return together all the sweeter. For this 2020 Season we are proud to partner with our friends at the West Claremont Center for Music and the Arts for three of our presentations, highlighting our mutual passions of creation, exploration, and innovation.

Concerts will be broadcast at 2pm on YouTube (Saint-Gaudens Memorial channel) and Facebook (Saint-Gaudens National Historical Park Page).

Visit us at [saint-gaudens.org](http://saint-gaudens.org) and [wcc-ma.org](http://wcc-ma.org).

**Sept. 6** - Family Picnic at Home Day: Dance and Drum! - Visit drummers and dancers in the traditions of Japan, Egypt, and West Africa with Karim Nagi, Theo Martey, and Burlington Taiko Group. This program is a presentation by

Saint-Gaudens Memorial and the West Claremont Center for Music and the Arts.

**Sept. 20** - Creations for a New Day and Reflections on Home - new works and arrangements for few musicians - with Layale Chaker, Kinan Azmeh, and Dinuk Wijeratne. This program is a presentation by Saint-Gaudens Memorial and the West Claremont Center for Music and the Arts.

### Contact Info For Help for Vets

For those Veterans who live out in the Keene, Claremont, and Western part of NH, the Veteran Services Officer who usually works that area will be unable to assist you for a while. Until he returns, we are asking that you reach out to Cynthia Fisher (NH Division of Veterans Services Admin) at (603) 624-9230, Ext. 301 and she will get you an appointment with another Service Officer who can assist you in the interim.

### Bingo at Charlestown Memorial VFW Post 8497

CHARLESTOWN, NH—Bingo at Charlestown Memorial VFW Post 8497 is back in operation with a few changes to the schedule of games. We listened to feedback from our patrons and have added a 50/50 game to the line-up (averaging about \$255 payout) as well as some variation to the last game of the night, a caller's choice, one of four different games each week (pays \$150). We still have the winner take all (ave \$375), and the carry over coverall which if won in 50 #'s or less is up over \$9,000, after 50 pays \$150.

Bingo is held each Wednesday night at the Post Hall at 365 Lovers Lane Rd, Charlestown. Early Birds start at 5:00 and regular bingo at 6:30. Food and refreshments available. No one under 18 allowed during bingo. It is highly recommended to wear masks, practice social distancing, and frequent hand washing / sanitizing, but there may be those who don't. If you are sick, then please don't attend until you're feeling better.

### Saint-Gaudens Memorial Programming Update

CORNISH, NH—Due to COVID-19, the Saint-Gaudens Memorial, in collaboration with the Saint-Gaudens National Historical Park,

has canceled or substantively altered programming for the 2020 season. Please check previous listing for concerts, and the website for exhibitions, and sculpture workshops pages for additional details. The park grounds and trails are open for your enjoyment.

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

### A Message from ServiceLink

NH ServiceLink offices across the state are open via phone and email during the COVID-19 pandemic. In this time of social distancing it's easy to feel alone and isolated. ServiceLink is a phone call away! Trained, nationally and state certified staff is available via phone during normal working hours.

ServiceLink staff is here to listen, answer questions, problem solve, and link you to resources and services.

In addition, ServiceLink helps individuals connect to long term services and supports, access family caregiver information and supports, explore options and understand and access Medicare and Medicaid. We are, as always, confidential, unbiased, and free to the public.

Call 1-866-634-9412 toll free or find us online. Direct phone numbers and email addresses for each local office are listed on our website. Offices are located in Atkinson, Berlin, Claremont, Concord, Keene, Laconia, Lebanon, Littleton, Manchester, Nashua, Stratham, Rochester, and Tamworth.

**Socially Distanced Outdoor YOGA  
Friday Mornings, Ongoing  
8:30 am - 9:30 am  
Newport Town Common, North Main Street**

Price: \$12.00 to \$40.00 —\$12 single session / \$40 for a four-class pass

NEW! Socially Distanced Outdoor -All Levels Yoga – Fridays, 8:30-9:30 am Now Meeting OUTDOORS on the Newport, NH Town Common.

This socially distanced class will adhere to all current regulations for in-person yoga classes during COVID-19. This class is designed for any student looking to practice yoga. Movement will be linked with breath (as offered by the Hatha and Kripalu traditions of yoga), as well as focus on alignment, and at-

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Stevens High School, 175 Broad Street, Claremont, NH

Drivers may follow Signs to Stevens' Broad Street entrance. Pick up will be on the driver's side. Walk ups are allowed, but masks are required. Rotarians will be wearing masks. Drivers who are able to wear masks are asked to do so where possible. \*While supplies last



### Claremont-Sugar River Rotary Club



Front

**Women's Suffrage**

**Designer Bracelet**

Back

**1920-2020**

*Come join us as we celebrate the 100th anniversary of the signing of the 19th Amendment to the US Constitution. Women have always had the right as the US constitution states that "all men are created equal," and the amendment meant men included women.*

*The Claremont-Sugar River Rotary Club celebrates this amendment for both its milestone in the history of our nation, and that it reflects on the same fundamental challenge our nation faces today – one of inclusion and equality for all, which is as relevant today as it was in 1920.*

**Ice cream donated by Wade's Place in West Claremont and Ben & Jerry's.**

Donations to support this important celebration and the Rotary's other charitable works can be made at [www.paypal.com/paypalme/claremontrotary](http://www.paypal.com/paypalme/claremontrotary) or going to the club FaceBook page.

Event Contact Jessica Ball - Club President [jessica.Ball@vrh.org](mailto:jessica.Ball@vrh.org)

tention paid to honoring your own organic movement.

Students can expect to practice both seated and standing poses as well as focus on balance and breath. Please bring your own mat and any props you would like, as sharing supplies is discouraged at this point. Scholarships available. Drop-ins welcome.

Find out more at [libraryartscenter.org/yoga/](http://libraryartscenter.org/yoga/).

### Area Grocery Store Hours Reserved for High Risk Population

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

MARKET BASKET 6 AM - 7 AM EVERY DAY Claremont

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

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

SHAWS 7AM - 9AM TUES & THURS West Lebanon

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

PLAINFIELD COUNTRY STORE Call ahead with curb side pickup, 709-7055. Prepared meals, grocery items.

## Claremont Senior Center Updates

This is a reminder that we are closed for August except for Miracle Ear, VNA Foot clinics, Blood Drives, drive through meals and special events. When we reopen in September, watch for the date, we hope to see everyone there with their favorite mask on. The kitchen staff is looking to start up our monthly Saturday dinner in September. It is planned as a drive-through. Watch for updates. When we reopen, masks are mandatory during the pandemic.

The center is planning to begin Bingo in September, and we are still working on the details. The Lake Sunapee VNA foot clinic is now open for business. The current schedule is for September 9, September 16, and September 23. Unless there are further changes, the schedule

will be monthly on the 2nd, 3rd, and 4th Wednesdays. Call for an appointment, 526-4077.

Blood Drive, a selfless life-giving act. Monday, October 19, 2020, 12 – 5pm. Appointments are needed. Schedule online or call 1-800-RED CROSS.

Do not forget our weekly meals, even when the center is closed, we have drive-up meals, check it out, our food is great:

Tuesday (1) Shepherd's Pie, Dessert  
Thursday (3) BBQ Chicken Leg and Thigh, Baked Potato, Veggie, Dessert.

Call 543-5998 to reserve your meal by 10:30AM. Members-\$4, non-members-\$5. Takeout meals only: Tuesdays and Thursdays. Reservations required. Pick-up-11:45AM-12:15PM.

The Penny Sale, May 8, 2021, is still in need of items. They can be delivered to the reception area but call ahead as we are closed.

Do not forget to schedule Sunday, Nov. 1, 2020, for our Winter Craft Fair. We will have a great variety of handmade items on hand. If you wish to join us with your beautiful wares, call 543-5998 or 542-5798 for an application.

Thought for the week: "When I started counting my Blessings, my whole world turned around". (Willie Nelson)

Claremont Senior Center, 5 Acer Heights, Claremont, NH. (603) 543-5998. Smoke Free. Worry Free. Stress Free. Call 543-5998, See you in September.

## Claremont Fire Dept. Log

### Sunday, August 23

0731- Engine 1 responded to Winter St for a medical call.

2249- Engine 1 responded to Heritage Drive for a public assist.

### Monday, August 24

0255- Engine 1 responded to Slab City Rd. for a MVA.

1733- Brush 1 responded to Half Mile Rd for a brush fire.

2010- Engine 1 responded to Stewart Ave. for an illegal burn.

### Tuesday, August 25

0052- Engine 1 Lincoln Heights for a public assist.

0110- Engine 1 responded to Albert St. for a medical call.

1007-Engine 3 responded to Barton St. for wires down.

1136- Engine 3 responded to Bonnie Lane for a CO problem.

1236- Engine 1 responded to Severance St. for a hazardous condition

1340- Ladder 2 and Engine 1 responded to box alarm 0121.

1726- Engine 1 responded to Winter St. for power lines down.

### Wednesday, August 26

1055- Engine 1 responded to Franklin St. for a public assist.

1222- Engine 1 responded to 47 Myrtle St. for a smoke investigation.

1318- Engine 1 responded to box alarm 0418.

1513- Engine 1 responded to Summer St. for a MVA.

1815- Engine 1 responded to Byrd Ave. for a medical call.

2224- Engine 1 responded to Clay Hill Rd. for an alarm sounding.

### Thursday, August 27

0101- Engine 1 responded to Prospect St. for an alarm sounding.

0713- Engine 1 responded to Winter St. for a medical call.

0759- Engine 1 responded to Ralston Pl. for a medical call.

0952- Engine 1 responded to Colin Place for an alarm sounding.

1753- Engine 1 responded to Bessie Ave for an alarm sounding.

2147- Engine 1 responded to Box alarm 0229.

### Friday, August 28

1045- Toned to Broad St. for a public assist.

1051- Engine 3 responded to Hanover St. for a power line down.

1252- Engine 3 responded to Harris Pl. for a medical call.

1524- Engine 3 responded to Bowen St. for a medical call.

1749- Engine 1 responded to Central St. for a smoke investigation.

2129- Engine 1 responded to First St. for a medical call.

### Saturday, August 29

2124- Toned Mutual Aid to Windsor for a structure fire.



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.**

[www.etickernewsclaremont.com](http://www.etickernewsclaremont.com)

#### Charlotte Yutzler, 71

Charlotte Yutzler, 71, of Charlestown, NH, was received into the hands of God on Thursday, Aug. 27, 2020, after losing her battle to cancer. She was at home surrounded by her family.

Charlotte was born September 28, 1948 in North Hampton, MA, to Arthur Thibedau and Charlotte (Parizo) Thibedau. She was predeceased by both parents.

She leaves behind her loving husband, Edward Yutzler, of 20 years. Children: Prudence & Jim McCormick, Edwin Bedell Sr., Petrina & Curtis Lively Jr., Christopher Bedell & Amy Trombley, Lori & Matt Limoges, Michael Yutzler, David Yutzler & Rod Kincaid. She will be missed by her 19 grandchildren and six great grandchildren.

Her siblings include Peter Thibedau & Louise Tetreault, Keith & Brenda Thibedau, Crystal & Dave Lozeau, Judith & Larry Farrar and lots and lots of nieces and nephews.

Please join us for a graveside service Friday, Sept. 4, at 11AM at Union Cemetery in Claremont, NH, followed by a “Celebration of Life” at Windy Acres Park function hall in Charlestown.

In lieu of flowers please make a donation to the Lake Sunapee Region VNA & Hospice.

The Stringer Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

#### Richard Turgeon, 83

Richard Turgeon, 83, a long-time resident of Claremont, NH, and recently Hanover, NH, passed away August 25, 2020, after a long period of declining health.

He was born in Claremont on January 4, 1937, the only child of the late Henry and Blanche (Lusignan) Turgeon. As a child he lived in Claremont and Lebanon, NH. He did three of his four years of high school at Sacred Heart H. S. in Newport, VT, graduating in 1954. An inspirational art teacher there, Sr. Raphael, had encouraged his talents, and after graduation he attended the School of Practical Art in Boston and then the Traphagen School of Design in NYC to study practical and applied art. After his training, he started a career in the fabric manufacturing industry, working first as a Colorist, later as a Stylist and then Lead Designer. In 1972 he started his own successful design business, “Richard Turgeon Designs” in NYC, specializing in the design of custom wall coverings and fabric. In 2010 Volumes I & II of his wallpaper and fabric design

collection sample books were recognized as “significant” and were selected to be included in the permanent Collection of the Cooper-Hewitt/Smithsonian Institution archives. You can view many of his designs on-line searching under “Richard Turgeon Designs”.

After returning to Claremont in the mid-80’s, he worked for himself and others in the antiques field and was active as part of the board of the Claremont Opera House. Later he treasured and enjoyed the six years he worked as a Surgical Waiting Room Receptionist at DHMC.

He is survived by a small circle of first and second cousins in NH and Canada and by local friends as well as life-long friends in NYC, Boston, Nantucket and Florida. His ashes will be interred privately at St. Mary Cemetery (Claremont) next to his parents.

Memorial donations may be made to the Sullivan County Humane Society, 14 Tremont Street, Claremont, NH 03743.

Arrangements have been entrusted to the Roy Funeral Home and Cremation Service Claremont, NH.

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-Dr. Sam Givven

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**Irene E. Irish, 89**

Irene Elizabeth Irish, 89, of Epsom, NH, went home to be with the Lord on Tuesday, August 25, 2020, after a period of declining health. Irene was born on December 7, 1930, to the late Ira and Astrid Cunningham in Medford, MA.

She was also predeceased by three brothers, John, Tom and George. In 2015, by her husband of 65 years, Roland Irish Jr.

Irene grew up in Medford, MA, and graduated from Medford High School in 1948. On November 6, 1949, she married her high school sweetheart, Roland.

She had been at times a bookkeeper, a salesclerk, a seamstress and an LPN. While a young mother, she stayed home sewing clothes for the Ginny Doll Company and ballet costumes for a dance company in MA. At various times, she belonged to the Order of the Eastern Star, was a Girl Scout leader, a golfer, a bowler, and she was always there to help others.

In 1963, Irene and Dick moved to Claremont, NH, where they raised their five children.

In 1969, Irene decided to go back to school; in 1972 she graduated as an LPN from the Claremont Tech. She then worked as an LPN at Valley Regional Hospital until 1988 when they moved to Epsom, NH. She then worked at Epsom Manor and various nursing homes in NH and FL until she turned 72.

Irene enjoyed a variety of crafts and left many quilts, x-stitch pictures, paintings, doll clothes and knitted items for others to enjoy.

She is survived by her sisters, Marie and Anne and her younger brother, Ricky. Her daughter, Deby (Paul) and her family who helped Irene for the past 11 years. Also, three sons, Chris, Randy, and John; daughter, Wendy and their families. She leaves 15 grandchildren, 18 great grandchildren and two great great grandchildren and her best friend, Pat.

A special thank you to the wonderful staff of Epsom Manors, her home health aides and the nurses and doctors on 3 South at Concord Hospital.

At Irene's request, there will be no calling hours.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to Epsom Bible Church.

The Stringer Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

**Arlene M. Osgood, 71**

Arlene Marie Osgood (born Hansen), age 71, passed away peacefully at her home in Meriden, NH, on August 25, 2020, after a long bravely fought battle with breast cancer.

She was born on May 22nd, 1949 in Staten Island, NY, to Ragnar (Ray) and Manghild (May) Hansen. Arlene graduated from Northern Highlands High School in Allendale, NJ, and attended Keene State College for three years. She worked at Montgomery Wards for three years beginning in 1968, before leaving to stay at home to care for her children and provide babysitting for several families.

Arlene re-entered the workforce as a Library Assistant at Kimball Union Academy. While working at KUA, she returned to school and earned her A.S. in Library Science. Eventually, she returned to what she truly loved, working with children. She was the school librarian for Maple Avenue School in Claremont, and after a while transitioned to the classroom as a Para Educator. While working at Maple Avenue School, she also worked part time for two years with the Community Alliance for Human Services, where she assisted elderly individuals with basic household tasks and errands.

She is survived by her husband of 50 years, Wallace (Wally) Osgood, her daughter Candice Strickland (Ben Strickland), her sons Jason Osgood, Jeremy Osgood (Kim Pittman), and Justin Osgood (Natalie Osgood); three grandchildren Brian, Amy and Laura Strickland; sisters Carol Akerstrom (Dave Akerstrom) and Lynn Kendall (Chris Kendall), and her brother Paul Hansen.

Due to the restrictions of the COVID-19 pandemic, a Celebration of Life will be planned for her birthday on May 22nd, 2021.

In lieu of flowers and in appreciation for the care and support Arlene received from Dr. Gary Schwartz and his team, the family asks that a donation be made in her honor to the Norris Cotton Cancer Center's Breast Program (NCCC The Breast Program) sent to: D-H/Geisel Office of Development One Medical Center Drive, HB 7070 Lebanon, NH 03756-0001

The Stringer Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

**Shirley M. Ferland, 83**

Shirley M. Ferland, 83, of Claremont, NH, passed away at her home early Saturday morning, August 22, 2020.

She was born December 9, 1936, the daughter of Charles and Gertrude Kendall in Newport, NH, and graduated from Towles High School in the class of 1954.

The family includes two sons, Steven Gentes and his wife, Jane, and Scott Gentes and his wife, Gisele; four grandchildren, Ethan and Jack Gentes, Meghan Paulette and Tory Gentes; three great grandchildren; extended family includes Kenneth (Chuck) Kendall and his wife, Kathi.

Shirley was preceded in death by her husbands, Dr. Robert Morrow and Roger Ferland, her daughter, Beth Morrow, her niece, Nancy Kendall and two brothers, Ken and Stanley Kendall.

Per her request, there will be no visiting hours or funeral service.

A private family burial will be held at the family lot in Pine Grove Cemetery in Newport.

The Stringer Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

**Linda L. Moore, 72**

Linda L. Moore, 72, of Ralston Place in Claremont, NH, died Thursday (August 27, 2020) at her home following a sudden illness.

She was born in Claremont, NH, on May 13, 1948, the daughter of Joseph and Cecile (Roberts) Small and had been a lifetime area resident. She was a graduate of Stevens High School, Class of 1966. Linda had been employed as a teacher by the Cornish, NH, School District. She was also a substitute teacher in Claremont, NH, and had served as the Cornish, NH, Town Clerk as well as owning and operating her own hairdressing shop. She enjoyed woodworking, fishing, golf and horses.

Members of her family include her husband, Jerry Moore, Claremont, NH; a daughter, Michelle DeWitt and her husband, Michael, Claremont, NH; a son, Michael Moore, Claremont, NH; two grandchildren, Patrick DeWitt, Cody DeWitt.

She was predeceased by a brother, Lonnie Small.

There will be no visiting hours. Graveside Committal Services will be held at 11:00 am on Wednesday (September 2) in St. Mary's Cemetery with Deacon Paul Boucher of St. Mary Parish, officiating. You are invited to share a memory of Linda with the family or leave a message of condolence in the family guest book at [www.royfuneralhome.com](http://www.royfuneralhome.com). Arrangements have been entrusted to the Roy Funeral Home and Cremation Service.

**The Claremont City Council will hold a public meeting on Wednesday, September 9, 2020, at 6:30 p.m. via Zoom.**

To join the webinar: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87633691390?pwd=RDNJNEhEQVM3T0NJVIVScFd2S1dnUT09>

Passcode: 644638

Or by Telephone: Dial 1-646-558-8656; Webinar ID: 876 3369 1390; Passcode: 644638

If there is a problem getting through to that number, please call 603-542-7002.

**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 12, 22, and 26, 2020, City Council Meetings
- 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 23))
- 9. OLD BUSINESS
- 10. NEW BUSINESS
  - 7:10 PM A. Resolution 2021-14 Additional Funds for North & Main Street Project – Public Hearing (City Manager)
  - 7:25 PM B. Ordinance 576 Amend Merit Plan – First Reading (City Manager)
  - 7:40 PM C. Ordinance 577 Veterans Tax Credit – First Reading (City Manager)
  - 7:50 PM D. Ordinance 578 Elderly Tax Exemptions – First Reading (City Manager)
  - BREAK
  - 8:10 PM E. Discussion of Board of Assessors Membership (City Manager)
  - 8:20 PM F. Annual Approval of Investment Policy (City Manager)
  - 8:30 PM G. Adoption of Fund Balance Policy (City Manager)
  - 8:40 PM H. Wastewater Plant Dryer Presentation (City Manager)
  - 8:50 PM I. Community Power Aggregation Committee Discussion (Mayor Lovett)
  - 9:00 PM J. LSR-Welfare Costs, No Residency Requirement (Mayor Lovett)
  - 9:10 PM K. LSR-Requirement for Communities to Pay into NH Retirement System (Mayor Lovett)
- 9:20 PM 11. COMMITTEE REPORTS
- 9:25 PM 12. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS AND DIRECTIVES
- 9:30 PM 13. CONSULTATION WITH LEGAL COUNSEL
- 9:35 PM 14. ADJOURNMENT

PLEASE NOTE: Claremont City Council's next scheduled meeting will be on Wednesday, September 23, 2020, at 6:30 p.m. via Zoom



## Winding Down

As summer slowly draws to a close, the gardens at Saint-Gaudens National Historic Park in Cornish are still lush ... but with a slight hint of the fading fall to come.

*Eric Zengota*