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Chili Cook-Off, Road Race Set for Oct. 5

Registration Now Open

CLAREMONT, NH—Calling all chili chefs and runners! The registration period to sign up for the Chili Cook-Off and the SERVPRO of Lebanon/Hanover/Littleton 5K Road Race, part of the Fall Festival on Saturday, October 5, has now opened and is accepting applicants for both events.

Residents, businesses and nonprofit organizations are invited to participate in the Annual Chili Cook-Off, sponsored by the Claremont Parks and Recreation Department. Register online at www.claremontparks.com or call the Claremont Parks & Recreation Department to enter your favorite chili. The deadline to register your chili both online and through the office is Thursday, October 3. If you like good chili, come tease your taste buds and cast your vote for the best chili at the Fall Festival! Cook-Off tasting fees: \$5 adults; \$3 children; no fee for chili chefs. The chili tasting begins at 10:30 a.m. and will end at 2:30 p.m., followed by awards. While sampling the chili entries be sure to visit the 40+ vendor and exhibitors along with enjoying this year's live music by Rusted Chrome.

Back again for 2019 – \$200.00 VISA gift card prize for the winner of the Business Category.

The winner of this category will receive a \$200.00 Visa gift card donated by The Savings Bank of Walpole.

\$200 VISA gift card prize for the winner of the Individual Category.

The winner of this category will receive a \$200.00 Visa gift card donated by LJC Heating & Air Conditioning.

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The numbers — 38 breweries, 100+ beers and ciders, 1,500 visitors — add up to one of the “hoppiest” days on Claremont’s calendar (Courtesy photo).

Get ‘Hoppy’ at 6th Annual Claremont Brewfest

Kiwanis are ‘on tap’ for a day of draft beers, great food and a 5K race

**By Eric Zengota
e-Ticker News**

CLAREMONT, NH—Suds — foam — brewski — liquid bread — nectar of the gods — brewhaha.

No matter how many slang terms you might come up with for beer, you’ll find many more varieties to sample at this year’s Claremont Brewfest, sponsored by the Claremont Kiwanis, on Saturday, Sept. 21st.

And while you’re sipping draft ales, IPAs, stouts and lagers — plus voting on which will win the Battle of the Brews — you can savor the knowledge that all proceeds are earmarked for area children’s programs and services.

“Brewfest is our fundraiser that generates the most revenue,” says Kiwanis president Ann Dewey. (The other two are the Big Auction in April and Bell-ringing in December.) “The funds help us help children in need like Nymen Koch (Team Nymen), award scholarships to graduating seniors in Sullivan County public high schools, and support activities like Special Olympics, Claremont Youth Soccer Association and the therapeutic horsemanship program at Full Circle Farm in Newport.”

This year, 38 breweries will set up under the huge tent on the Visitor Center Green, overlooking the Sugar River. “Three — Shipyard Brewing, Harpoon Brewery and Henniker Brewing — have been here for all six years,” said committee member Howard Grace.

“About 80 percent of our breweries are repeats,” he added. “Some of us also travel around the region early in the year to scout out new or new-to-us breweries.” Businesses like Loaded Question (Portsmouth) and Frogg Brewing (Marlborough) are happy to expand their market,

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Cook-Off, from A1

\$200.00 VISA gift card for the winner of the Non-Profit Category.

The winner of this category will receive a \$200.00 Visa Gift Card donated by (TBD).

If you feel you need to work up an appetite in order to consume all that wonderful chili, then sign up for the popular SERVPRO of Lebanon/Hanover/Littleton Chili Cook-Off 5K Road Race. Runners will receive a complimentary ticket to the cook off. Pre-registration is available until Friday, Oct. 4, at 12:00 noon for just \$15.00. Same day registration begins at 7:30 a.m. and is \$20.00. Kids' Race begins at 8:30 a.m. followed by the SERVPRO of Lebanon/Hanover/Littleton 5K Road Race. The race begins on Water Street at 9:00 a.m. The race course can be viewed on mapmyrun.com.

Event:

- Kids Fun Run 8:30 AM
- SERVPRO of Lebanon/Hanover/Littleton 5K Race 9:00 AM
- Fall Festival 10 AM – 3 PM
- Chili Cook Off/Chili Tasting 10:30 AM-2:30 PM
- Rusted Chrome Band 10:30 AM – 2:45 PM

Chili Winners Announced 2:45 PM

For further information about the Chili Cook-Off and 5K Road Race, please call the Parks & Recreation Department at 603-542-7019 or visit www.claremontparks.com.

Arrowhead Work Sessions

CLAREMONT, NH—An Arrowhead Work Session will take place on Saturday, Sept. 21st, 9:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. and will likely be held every upcoming Saturday, said Chuck Allen of the Arrowhead Recreation Club..

“Fall is here and we have some projects to get ready for the upcoming season; some are painting, brush sawing and building work,” said Allen.

The next general Arrowhead meeting is Tuesday, Sept. 24th, 7PM at Arrowhead, all are welcome to attend, come see what we are all about.

Arrowhead is an all volunteer-run organization; the organization needs behind the scenes people to help in many areas, like serving on the board of directors, public relations, marketing, mechanical help, heavy equipment maintenance and administrative help.

Wintertime operations struggled at times to find help last season, said Allen. “We need a good size pool of people for lift operations, tubing area monitors, first aid, concessions, ski shop, ski/snowboard instructors and general help. Also, we need a scheduler for operations and concessions. All positions qualify for Community Service.”

Arrowhead will be at the Fall Festival / Chili Cook-Off on Saturday, Oc. 5th. Stop by and talk with them or if you want, help them out that day. If anyone is interested in joining the group or has

questions, please contact them using the following options: email: arrowhead@arrowheadnh.com - best contact method; phone: (603) 542-7016 - leave a message; web: www.arrowheadnh.com.

Paint & Sip Art Class: The Corbin Covered Bridge

Thursday, Sept. 26th | 6:00-8:00pm

Location: Library Arts Center Annex, 15 Main St. Newport, NH (storefront in downtown Newport next to Bar Harbor Bank)

Cost: \$35.00 per person

The Library Arts Center presents a fun, laid back evening, in which participants will complete a watercolor painting of the Corbin Bridge with artist Patti Warren. Step-by-step instruction and individual support are hallmarks with this instructor. All materials are provided. Snacks & wine included. Pre-registration required. Must be 21+ to participate.

Call the LAC at 603.863.3040 to register, or register online at libraryartscenter.org.

Presented in partnership with the Newport Historical Society for the upcoming Corbin Covered Bridge Festival.

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NH Lottery Numbers

09/14/2019

NH PowerBall

11 27 31 36 67 11

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New Hampshire Career Academy Program Launched

CONCORD, NH—Friday, Governor Chris Sununu, Education Commissioner Frank Edelblut, and Chancellor of the Community College System of New Hampshire Ross Gittell signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Community College System of New Hampshire and the New Hampshire Department of Education to set forth the terms and understanding between the Community College System of New Hampshire and the New Hampshire Department of Education to establish the New Hampshire Career Academy program.

“This initiative is an exciting huge step for our state,” said Sununu. “Through the Career Academy Program, New Hampshire students will now be able to get their high school diploma and an associates degree at no additional cost to the student or taxpayer, and a guaranteed job interview — a win-win for everyone.”

New Hampshire Career Academy will begin operating with two of New Hampshire’s public charter schools. Students enrolled in the Academy will take all of their academic and course programming on the campus of the participating community college. Essentially, participants become students at the community college, with access to all of the programs and support of the community college, including academic advising. At the same time, the Academy will provide these students with administrative and guidance support.

The Academy is available to qualified New Hampshire residents who are high school seniors or students who have not yet attained senior status but can reasonably be expected to complete program requirements. Participating students will attend community college during their senior year and for an extended senior year, allowing them time to complete graduation requirements for both high school and a post-secondary certificate and in some cases an associate’s degree.

Academy students will enroll in a specific program of study, approved to align with industry opportunities and student needs. So on top of a high school and a post-secondary award, students who graduate from the New Hampshire Career Academy will also be on strong pathway to NH job and career. All approved programs will have an industry part-

ner who will guarantee graduating students a job interview. Currently, NH schools spend an average of \$16,000 per year per high school student, paid for by state and local taxpayers. The Academy would be based on the public

charter school model, and use \$7,200 per year in state funding, with \$1,200 per student supporting the Academy’s administration and \$6,000 to fund academic programs at the community college.



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Commentary

NH House Happenings

By Rep. John Cloutier

Millions of Dollars on Line for Local Communities

Most Sullivan County citizens are upset and want the New Hampshire Legislature and Gov. Christopher Sununu to provide more financial support for their Grade K-12 public schools so help improve their children's education as well as reduce school property taxes.

This message was the one I received from a Sept. 10 public hearing in Newport called by the Sullivan County Delegation of New Hampshire's House of Representatives to hear from citizens their opinions on Gov. Sununu's recent vetoes of House Bills 1, the state's two-year operating budget, and House Bill 2, budget trailer bill. Many citizens urged the 11 Delegation representatives present to override the vetoes on Sept. 18 or 19, when the House and New Hampshire Senate are scheduled to take up both. Two representatives—Claremont's Gary Merchant, and Sunapee's Gates Lucas—were absent. But others urged us to craft a separate school funding measure, which would be separate from the operating budget, and less apt to be ensnared in the partisan politics of the entire budget, especially when one party controls the governor's office, and the other controls the legislature.

As described in previous columns, the Republican Governor vetoed House Bills 1 and 2 on June 28, after a majority of both the House as well as New Hampshire Senate voted to pass their jointly-agreed version of both measures along party lines. In other words, all Democratic representatives and senators, who are in majority, voted for both, while Republican representatives and senators, in the minority, voted against. Among other provisions, the vetoed bills would increase state education funding in the next two years over the present amount by \$138,077,235, with most of Sullivan County's 15 communities, except property-wealthy Sunapee, receiving more funding. Furthermore, both vetoed bills would provide an extra \$40,000,000 in municipal revenue sharing aid to all Sullivan County communities, including Sunapee, for the first time in approximately 10 years. All of our state's communities would get a little state assistance, so they could either reduce local property taxes, or spend the funds for purposes determined by them.

More specifically, in alphabetical order, the 15 listed Sullivan County communities would receive the following total amounts of increased education funding and municipal aid combined over the next two years, as determined by the House Finance Committee relying on information from the House-Senate's Legislative Budget Assistance Office or LBAO: Acworth (\$187,256), Charlestown (\$2,252,291), Claremont (\$6,256,415), Cornish (\$190,148), Croydon (\$96,993), Goshen (\$122,848), Grantham (\$91,573), Langdon (\$94,387), Lempster (\$166,781), Newport (\$2,927,520), Plainfield (\$133,168), Springfield (\$59,471), Sunapee (\$1,574), Unity (\$260,595), and Washington (\$65,113). No wonder that of the 17 citizens who spoke at the Sept. 10



hearing, all but two spoke in favor of overriding Gov. Sununu's vetoes or at least passing an education funding measure, separate from the rest of the operating budget, that "adequately" funds our schools as determined by the New Hampshire Supreme Court in its 1997 Claremont ruling.

These speakers included several Newporters, including Lisa Ferrigno, who is also an elementary school teacher in the town. Ms. Ferrigno, stated that she was "disappointed" in the gubernatorial vetoes, and added the way education is currently funding is not fair. As an example, she explained that her students must share school computers with other students, while Sunapee students each have their own computers. Next, Kathy Hubert urged the Delegation to override the vetoes because the Governor's version of the operating budget as originally recommended to the Legislature in Feb. so poorly funds education so as to make it unaffordable in most Sullivan County communities like hers. John Lunn declared that New Hampshire is the fourth wealthiest state in our nation, so that it is inaccurate and unfair to say, like Gov. Sununu, that our state cannot to increase funding for education. But Rhonda Callum, who is also a Newport School Board member, said that lawmakers should pass a "clean bill" to fund to only adequately fund education because she believes the operating budget was vetoed because it contained too many controversial spending items inserted for partisan purposes. Finally, Seth Wilner urged us to craft a long-term solution to education funding, and not just a short-term fix for two years because the issue is dividing many of our state's communities.

Newporters weren't the only Sullivan County citizens to speak. Claremont's Jim Contois, a retired para educator, who used to live in New York State, said that Claremont's schools cannot afford to hire enough staff so as to provide necessary services to some students because of lack of money. He added that his present Claremont property taxes are higher than the combined amount of income, state, and local property taxes he used to pay in New York. Grantham's Inez Sullivan, a member of the town's school board as well as retired teacher, read a letter written by Grantham School Board Chair Brittany Pye, urging the entire Delegation to override the vetoes because "public schools, taxpayers, and most importantly the children of New Hampshire are directly impacted by the continued lack of adequate funding." Charlestown's John Streeter, a former school board member in his community, stated the budget bills, as earlier approved by the House and Senate need to become law.

Speaking just for myself, I don't know if the Sept. 10 hearing changed any of the minds of my fellow Sullivan County representatives to override Gov. Sununu's vetoes. I still plan to vote for such overrides. But later this week by Sept. 19, the entire State of New Hampshire should find out whether any representatives' and senators' minds have changed on overriding these vetoes. If enough representatives and senators do change their minds-enough to make a two-thirds majority in favor of the two overrides, then the state operating budget which I believe is the best one for Sullivan County schools and property taxpayers in 20 years will become law. An unlikely event, but one can always dream. **Email: jocloutier@comcast.net**

Guest Commentary

All Kids Deserve the Same Educational Opportunities Regardless of Zip Code

The following opinions either implied or expressed are my views and do not represent any official position of the Claremont School Board or SAU #6 Board.

This week state majority Democrat legislative bodies may challenge through veto over-ride votes, an unprecedented series of vetoes by Governor Sununu that appear motivated by the partisan expression, "If you want it then I'm against it". Most notable is the veto of the proposed state budget, as negotiated by the New Hampshire House and Senate that contained increased funding for education. I have previously, in testimony, described these funding proposals as transformational for Claremont Schools and by extrapolation the city in general. Specifically, the restoration of lost stabilization grants and adequacy grants that reflect what "adequate" really is. The governor may have support, consistent with "us against them", along party lines to offset these efforts. The result may be an ongoing Continuing Resolution (CR) that temporarily allows funding for some programming to continue at current funding levels and continuation of stabilization cuts (approx. \$225K this year in Claremont).

What others are saying:

Recently Superintendent of Schools Mike Tempesta and I testified in hearings at which many expressed support for the proposed budget and urged bi-partisan action in dealing with an unsustainable funding structure. Some notable quotes from around the state.

"Because we lack the ability to pay competitive wages, we are the Fisher Cats. We cull candidates, and develop superstars and then lose them to the 'Yankees'. (Pittsfield)

"We lost 37 teachers this year, it is impossible for our students to develop relationships with teachers with turnover like this. One of our former teachers took a job on the seacoast and made a 20K increase in pay. Our students message to our new teachers, 'Please stay'. (Newport)

"New Hampshire has a funding source problem that has created two New Hampshires, the haves and the have-nots. Property taxes are an archaic system for funding education and alternatives must be found". (Kearsarge)

"We can no longer offer courses that represent a comprehensive high school program, courses such as Advanced Placement and lab sciences can only be offered on-line. We are beginning to wonder if we can afford schools at all. (Berlin)

Effects of the CR in Claremont:

The proposed state budget would have injected additional millions into the Claremont School budget through the restoration of lost money and additional funds over the next several years. This would have offset fixed cost increases (negotiated agreements and insurance increases) and facilitated systematic property tax relief. As the Claremont School Board approaches the budget season we are faced with the continued cuts to the Stabilization Grant (\$225K) and increases that will require @500K in cuts to fund at 2018-19 levels. The long-term economic health of Claremont is dependent upon the establishment of a stable tax structure that can adequately support schools and the ability of citizens to afford their taxes. We need to attract and retain good citizens as well as good teachers.

The New Hampshire Advantage (for some)

According to *USA Today*, in 2019 New Hampshire has the 7th highest income in the USA (@ \$60K) and a tax burden of 7.9% per capita, 7th lowest in the USA. Claremont has a median income of \$45K per year and one of the highest tax rates in the state.

Some will argue that New Hampshire schools are doing just fine thank you, look at our test scores. The test being referenced are standardized tests specifically SAT/PSAT. Included in these scores are those of private school enrollees. Schools such as St. Paul's, Kimball Union Academy, Phillips Exeter, etc. that attract the best and brightest students in the world are included in those data.

When Steve Marchand ran for governor last year, he confessed that in his hometown of Portsmouth, school funding is a non-issue. He certainly understood the concerns of the western part of the state, and was quick to acknowledge that there are indeed two New Hampshires and that zip code should not determine opportunity. The present system of funding education in New Hampshire (including cuts to Stabilization Grants) negatively impacts 76% of the students in New Hampshire; a status quo that benefits a minority.

What can I do as a citizen?

Call your representative with ideas and comments. Citizenscount.org is a website that lists contact information for all elected officials.

Contact the governor, various modes of communication on governor.nh.gov.

Remember, this is not about the tribal "us against them" prevalent in partisan politics today. This is our city and these are our kids, they deserve the same opportunities as those in property rich towns regardless of zip code.

Frank W. Sprague
Claremont, NH



The Value of Increasing the Net Metering Cap

Communities across New Hampshire are working on creating energy efficiencies and developing renewable energy options in support of the state's Climate Action Plan (CAP). Such initiatives reduce energy costs, create economic opportunity and protect the environment. Net metering is one of the tools that enable municipalities to achieve these goals. On September 18 or 19 the Legislature will decide whether or not to override a number of bills vetoed by the Governor. One of these is HB365, the bill that received bipartisan support to increase the net metering cap of one megawatt (MW) to five for renewable power generators. A recent tour of a hydroelectric plant in Claremont and a discussion with a local businessman has given me new insight into how increasing the net metering cap will favorably impact communities.

Over 60 small hydroelectric plants, each capable of generating 5MW or less of renewable energy, exist in more than 40 communities across New Hampshire. Three of these facilities are located in Claremont and, until recently, one of them had been offline since 2011. A couple of years ago, Bob King, one of the new owners of the plant, presented a proposal to the City Council to get the facility back online. Given the condition of the hydroelectric plant, it was a challenging prospect at best.

However, King and his two partners persevered and the Claremont community has benefited from their achievement. Not only has the City regained one of its assets along the Sugar River, but it has also acquired new revenue resulting from a negotiated 10-year PILOT contract. Because the plant is licensed to generate more than 1MW, the net metering cap currently in place limits the benefit of the plant's operating capacity. In addition, it also limits the financial return to the City as the PILOT payments are based

on a percentage of the annual gross revenue.

On the same tour, I had the opportunity to speak to a local businessman who spoke of his company's effort to lower electricity costs. To achieve that objective, the company built a biomass facility and a solar array to provide some of the energy needed to run their saw mill. In accordance with the current net metering cap, the company designed the solar array to generate no more than 1MW which was not sufficient for the saw mill. Had the cap been at 5MW, the company could have built a larger array, capable of producing enough power for the mill and all of its stores. This would have generated more savings in overhead costs that could have been passed onto the customer or further invested in the company and its employees.

Fostering the development of net metered, renewable energy projects producing 5MW or less aligns with both state and local goals. In Claremont, not only does it support the NH CAP, but it also supports the goals outlined in the Energy Chapter of our Master Plan. We are working to promote local, sustainable energy production, develop energy efficiencies,

and reduce greenhouse gas emissions. We have installed solar arrays to lower municipal energy costs and supported the redevelopment of a long neglected hydroelectric plant. However, we need to do more if we are to be successful in achieving these goals.

Increasing the net metering cap is a valuable tool in this pursuit. Both the House and Senate recognized this when they voted in bipartisan fashion in favor of this bill. In considering whether to sustain or override the Governor's veto of HB365, I hope legislators consider the impact to communities at the local level.

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

SHS Alumni Meeting

CLAREMONT, NH—The Stevens Alumni monthly meeting will be held Wednesday, Sept. 18th, 5:30 p.m. at the new office at 50 W. Pleasant St. All alumni graduates are welcome.



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American Precision Museum joins *Smithsonian Magazine's* 15th Annual Museum Day

WINDSOR, VT—The American Precision Museum will open its doors free of charge to all Museum Day ticket holders on Saturday, Sept. 21, as part of *Smithsonian Magazine's* 15th annual Museum Day, a national celebration of boundless curiosity in which participating museums emulate the free admission policy at the Smithsonian Institution's Washington D.C.-based museums.

Museum Day represents a nationwide commitment to access, equity and inclusion. Over 450,000 tickets were downloaded for last year's event, and Museum Day 2019 is expected to attract more museumgoers than ever before. This year, Museum Day celebrates the Smithsonian Year of Music, an institution-wide initiative celebrating the Smithsonian's vast musical collections and resources through 365 days of music-related programming.

"We participate in Museum Day annually because our founder, Ed Battison, was curator of mechanical engineering at the Smithsonian," said Steve Dalessio, Executive Director. "To celebrate this year's theme, we are producing musical instruments using the Museum's 3D-printers. Visitors can bring and play their own small instruments on the 21st too."

The American Precision Museum is located in the 1846 Robbins & Lawrence Armory, a National Historic Landmark, and traces the beginnings of manufacturing to modern technology through exhibits and interactive programs. Open daily, Memorial Day Weekend through October 31, 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. The American Precision Museum is proud to be a Blue Star Museum, offering free admission to active duty military & their families.

Museum Day tickets are available for download at smithsonian.com/museumday. Visitors who present a Museum Day ticket will gain free entrance for two on September 21. One ticket is permitted per email address. A list of participating museums, which will be continually updated, can be found at smithsonian.com/museumday/search.



A rare event, the Full Harvest Moon fell on Friday the 13th (Phyllis A. Muzeroll photo).

REMINDER

to all Owners of property in Claremont

– your 2nd quarter property tax bill is due by October 1st

This bill should be the same amount that was due on July 1st.





Youngster Tyler Tremblay had a special start to his day Thursday: Claremont Fire gave him a ride to Claremont Christian Academy in the morning. The ride was donated to the Academy's silent auction held back in March, and the Tremblay family won the ride. This little kindergarten boy was grinning from ear to ear, reported his Mom, Linda Tremblay. "The guys were so amazing," she said, and she wanted to thank the department for making Tyler's day such a memorable one (Courtesy photos).



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Soo Nipi Quilters Guild Biennial Quilt Show

NEWPORT, NH—The “Wonderful World of Quilts,” an exhibit presented by the Soo Nipi Quilters Guild of Newport, NH, opens Sept. 28 at the Library Arts Center in Newport and runs through October 23.

The opening reception will be held on Friday, Sept. 27, from 5:00 to 7:00 PM. The public is welcome to this free event. 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. The 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, machine quilted by Mink Hill. Tickets will be on sale for \$1.00 each or \$5.00 for six tickets. The drawing will be held on Wednesday, October 23 at 4:00 PM.

The Guild was organized in 1983 with a membership of ten people and has met continuously since then, growing to a membership of more than 70 people. The mission of the Soo-Nipi Quilters Guild is to encourage and develop the art of quilting. The Soo-Nipi Quilters Guild meets the third Thursday of each month at the South Congregational Church from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM. Anyone interested in quilting may attend a monthly meeting as a guest.

For more information, please contact Ann Pankow, Guild President, email pankow18@aol.com.

Fairy and Hobbit House Tour Sept. 21

CLAREMONT, NH—You are cordially invited to participate in New England Classical Academy’s

First Annual Fairy and Hobbit House Tour in celebration of Bilbo Baggins’ birthday, the weekend of International Hobbit Day. This tour will take place on Sept. 21, 10am - 1pm, on the beautiful and natural grounds of New England Classical Academy at 59 Old Church Road, Claremont. Rain date: Sept. 22, from 1pm - 4pm.

Tour tickets are priced at \$5 per person. Tour guests of all ages will walk the forested fairy and hobbit house trail, enjoy face painting, music, stories, crafts and food for an additional modest fee. Please come dressed as your favorite woodland creature!

In addition, all are encouraged to build their very own fairy or hobbit house to be entered on the grounds for the tour. Fairy and hobbit houses are great projects for grandparents, parents, babysitters and children to build together. From collecting natural materials to delivering the finished fairy house on or before Sept. 20th, families can experience the magic that comes with creating an enchanted home for a fairy or hobbit. House builders are entitled to two (2) complimentary tickets in exchange for their submission.

These homes are small structures for fairies and hobbits. Fairy houses are made out of natural materials such as sticks, bark, dry grasses, pebbles, shells, feathers, seaweed, pine cones and nuts. All fairy and hobbit houses must appear to be made entirely of natural components. Hot glue, acrylic spray, natural twine and other man-made items can be used but must be concealed by natural elements. Please

be sure to give your fairy or hobbit house a name. Never should a fairy or hobbit be included on or in the fairy or hobbit home.

For more information, please email neca-office@yahoo.com or call 543-3400.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13 Blow Me Down Farm Festival

Join us for a free fall fest community day at the Blow Me Down Farm, October 13th from 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. All are encouraged to bring a picnic and enjoy a day of crafts, activities, games and more. Off 12A in Cornish, NH.



PUBLIC NOTICE

Filings for the November Municipal Election will open on Wednesday, September 18, 2019. Any registered voter may file for office at the City Clerk’s Office in City Hall. There is a \$1.00 filing fee for the positions of Mayor, Asst. Mayor & Council seats. The following positions are open:

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THIS IS A TWO YEAR TERM

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CITY OF CLAREMONT PUBLIC NOTICE

VOTER REGISTRATION & CORRECTION

The Supervisors of the Checklist will be in session on Tuesday, September 17, 2019, from 7:00pm 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. You must be a registered voter to file for any position in the Municipal Election. This is the last session before filings open for the Municipal Election.

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Thursday, September 26, 2019 7:30 AM
Visitor Center, 14 North Street
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Sullivan County Fugitive of the Week

TYLER ANSTRUTHER
DOB: 09/04/1994

LKA: 1122 Curtis Hollow Road, Bridgewater, VT

Description:

Back male,
height: 6'2",
weight: 175
lbs., eyes:
brown, hair:
brown

Reason: Failure
to appear
Original charge:
Receiving
stolen property,
Class B Felony
Bail Jumping,
Class B Felony

On Aug. 9,
2019, Tyler

Anstruther was arrested by the New Hampshire State Police for receiving stolen property. He was released on personal recognizance bail with a condition that he appear before the Sullivan County Superior Court on Aug. 22, 2019.

On Aug. 22, Anstruther failed to appear in Sullivan County Superior Court and as a result a warrant was issued for his arrest.

On Sept. 10, the Sullivan County Sheriff's Office applied for and was granted an arrest warrant on Anstruther for bail jumping.

The Fugitive of the Week is provided by Sheriff John P. Simonds of the Sullivan County Sheriff's Office. If you have any information regarding the whereabouts of this fugitive, please contact either the Sheriff's Office at 603-863-4200 or your local police department.



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Brewfest, from A1

serving samples to the nearly 1,500 beer lovers who attend every year. They show up from across New Hampshire, all around New England and as far away as Pennsylvania and Washington, DC.

Many of the breweries are sponsors. Committee chair Mike Dewey recognized their contribution, as well as that of local businesses, saying, "Without our sponsors, the Brewfest just wouldn't happen. Claremont Savings Bank, Mascoma Bank and McGee Toyota are our Platinum sponsors, and Eastern Propane sponsors the tent. Businesses like Clark-Mortenson Insurance Agency and Doolittle's Print Serve also are sponsors, making it a true community event."

Added committee member Luke Avery, "Brewfest has become an economic stimulus package for Claremont. Many visitors stay the night in local lodgings and go out to our restaurants. The exposure Claremont gets from Brewfest is a real boost."

So what's on tap this year? More than 100 beers and ciders will be offered during general admission hours (1 to 4 p.m.) Here's your chance to taste — possibly for the first time — such exotics as When Rhinos Fly - Chubby Unicorn IPA (Concord Craft Brewing, Concord, NH); Moose Juice IPA (Great North Aleworks, Manchester, NH); Bucko's Hoppy Brown Ale (Hidden Cove Brewing, Wells, ME); Melt Into A Dream Sour - Berliner Weisse (Northwoods Brewing, Northwood, NH); Croydon Alus Farmhouse Ale (Polyculture Brewing, Croydon, NH); Goldrush Cider (Old Settlers Cider, Alstead, NH); and Chili Coconut Cinnamon Stout (Bent Hill Brewery, Braintree Hill, VT)

Brewfest has lots more to offer than just beer and cider.

Moxley Union will provide live musical entertainment. There will be four food vendors, so you can enjoy a snack or a full picnic lunch. Games like Giant Jenga and ring toss will test your aim and manual skills — plus the ring toss champion wins a ticket to next year's VIP Hour. And while many folks like to chug from a tankard, the tank here is for dunking, giving

you a chance to send your favorite mayor, first responder, school principal or school board member into the icy water.

Then there are the 50 to 60 people who literally race to get their beer.

They take part in the Brewfest 5K Run, which starts at Barnes Park on North Street at 11:30 a.m. and ends at the Brewfest entrance at the Visitor Center Green. Tony DiPadova, who coordinates the race, said, "A lot of runners tell us they really like the course. There are a lot of big hills, but everyone rises to the challenge." First-place runners in each age category win pint glasses and plenty of beer swag. The entry fee also gives racers 21 and older entry to the Brewfest's general admission hours (1 to 4 p.m.).

There's a VIP Hour from noon to 1 p.m. But as Mike Dewey pointed out, "Those tickets are sold out. They usually are as soon as they go on sale back in July." Those lucky VIPs will be able to sample 32 brews that will not be available during general admission. Among them are Chardonnay Oaked Old Major Farmhouse Ale (Rockingham Brewing, Derry, NH), Smokestack Scotch Ale (Swift Current Brewing, Manchester, NH) and Wellie Nelson IPA (Upper Pass Beer, Tunbridge, VT). In addition, there will be hors d'oeuvres catered by The Old Courthouse restaurant in Newport, a special music selection by Bob & Shane Acoustic Duo, and quality time with the brewers.

For complete details, visit claremontbrewfest.com, and tab through the menu.

Buy Brewfest tickets at claremontbrewfest.com/tickets or eventbrite.com

5K info: claremontbrewfest.com/5k; online tickets, claremontbrewfest.com/tickets; day-of registration opens at 9:30 a.m.; race starts at 11:30 a.m.

A few rules:

- Entrance and ticket booth are at the north end of the Guy Santagate pedestrian bridge crossing the Sugar River.
- Brewfest is a 21+ event. Bring an ID to the ticket booth.
- Bags, purses, backpacks,



Mike Dewey (right), Brewfest committee chair, and member Howard Grace have been working with fellow committee members on the 2019 event since January. The Kiwanis expect this year's gathering to continue the streak of successes (Courtesy photos).

etc. will be allowed in but will be subject to search before entry.

- No dogs allowed, except for service dogs.
- Handicap parking will be at the Visitor Center parking lot and across the Sugar River. The pedestrian bridge leads to the ticket booth.
- Free general parking in the garage across the river on Main Street.


Pouring stops at 4 p.m. Visitors must leave area by 5 p.m.



The 5K Run is one way to whet your thirst before wetting your whistle.



Dunk Me If You Can. Deputy Fire Chief Tom Belaire has volunteered again this year to take the Dunk Tank challenge. Eleven other Claremont notables are ready for a splash-down, including mayor Charlene Lovett, chief of police Mark Chase and CMS principal Frank Romeo.



**CITY OF
CLAREMONT**
PUBLIC NOTICE

Boards, Committees and Commissions Vacancies

The City of Claremont is inviting citizens to apply for vacancies which exist on the following volunteer Boards, Committees and Commissions:

Airport Advisory Board	No Vacant Seats
Board of Appeals	5 Vacant Seats 3 Vacant Alternate Seats
Board of Assessors	3 Vacant Seats 1 Vacant Alternate Seat
Claremont Community Television Board of Directors	4 Vacant Seats
Claremont Development Authority	No Vacant Seats
Claremont Housing Authority	2 Vacant Seats
Claremont Planning Board	1 Vacant Seat (City Staff Member) 2 Vacant Alternate Seats
Claremont Police Commission	No Vacant Seats
Conservation Commission	1 Vacant Seat (City Council Rep) 4 Vacant Alternate Seats
Energy Advisory Committee	1 Vacant Alternate Seat
Fiske Free Library Board of Trustees	1 Vacant Alternate Seat
Frances Tolles Home Board	2 Vacant Seats
Historic District Commission	3 Vacant Alternate Seats
MT Ascutney Region River Subcommittee of the CT River Joint Commission	2 Vacant Seats 2 Vacant Alternate Seats
Parks & Recreation Commission	2 Vacant Seats 4 Vacant Alternate Seats
Personnel Advisory Board	1 Vacant Seat
Policy Committee	No Vacant Seats
TIF Downtown Advisory Board	5 Vacant Seats
Trustees of Trust Funds	No Vacant Seats
Upper Valley Lake Sunapee Regional Planning Commission	1 Vacant Seat
Zoning Board of Adjustment	No Vacant Seats

Seats for Future Availability)

Fiske Free Library	3 Seats Expire 9/30/2019
Trustees of Trust Funds	1 Seat Expires 10/31/2019

Call deForest Bearse at 504-0341 or stop by the Visitor Center at 14 North Street to find out how you can volunteer, or go online to www.claremontnh.com/government/boards-and-committees. 9/13/2019



Exploding Battery Likely Cause of Fire at Recycling Business

CLAREMONT, NH—Crews from the Claremont Fire Department were dispatched to American Recycling & Disposal on Industrial Blvd. on the morning of 9/11.

Smoke was billowing up from the huge "white pile" of metal that could not be processed through the shredder. According to the CFD, the suspected cause was an exploding lithium ion battery embedded in the scraps of what used to be an automobile. Captain Michael Zombeck, officer in charge, communicated with the operator of the excavator (not a forklift), which belongs to the business, for help to get to the source of the fire.

Firefighters knocked down the blaze in about an hour. Two trucks were toned to the scene. Several hundred-length rolls of hose had to be laid out to get water from the nearest hydrant to the scene. **(Text and photos by Eric Zengota)**



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New McGee Toyota Showroom and Service Dept. Under Construction

By Eric Zengota
e-Ticker News

CLAREMONT, NH—McGee Toyota of Claremont celebrated its first two years by breaking ground for a new facility that will effectively double the dealership's space to 30,000 sq. ft. The building is less than half a mile south of their current Charlestown Road location.

General manager Phillip Gregoire hosted the traditional "silver spades and hard hats" event last Thursday. Two dozen employees, CM&B Construction team members and Chamber of Commerce members shared in the excitement of McGee's successful growth.

Claremont mayor Charlene Lovett remarked that "events like these are exciting for the City. Expansion is always awesome." She also thanked McGee for sharing their success with the community. "For the past two years, McGee has been the principal sponsor of the fireworks display at Claremont's Fourth of July celebration, with donations of \$8,000 each year."

Gregoire said, "I'd like to thank the community for its support of McGee ever since we came to Claremont. Our great management team is eager to move into the new space so we can provide even better service to our customers."

Both Gregoire and service manager Evan Roberts foresee the creation of 20 new jobs in the first six months alone. In addition to recruiting experienced service professionals, they have been in contact with local technical schools to identify coming graduates trained in automotive mechanics and technology. Grand opening is projected for early Spring of 2020.

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The McGee Toyota of Claremont management team shovel-start the project. From left: Parts manager Ken Everitt, general sales manager Chris Walker, general manager Phillip Gregoire, service manager Evan Roberts, and comptroller Anne Seward (Eric Zengota photo).

Vital Communities Welcomes 30 to Leadership Upper Valley Class of 2020

WRJ, VT—Vital Communities last week welcomed 32 emerging and established community leaders to the Leadership Upper Valley Class of 2020. The group will meet one day each month for the next 10 months to deepen their knowledge of the Upper Valley and expand their networks within the region. The goal is to better equip Upper Valley residents to succeed in and serve their communities.

"Vital Communities is excited to welcome the

Leadership Upper Valley Class of 2020. So many of this year's participants are already established leaders in their communities and workplaces. The class itself will be an important component as we broaden our understanding and perspective of the key issues at

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play in the Upper Valley,” said Rob Schultz, manager of Leadership Upper Valley at Vital Communities.

This year’s Leadership Upper Valley participants include:

Charlene Ashe, River Valley Community College

Audra Bonds, Hanover Co-op Food Stores & Auto Service Centers (Windsor)

Mary Bourque, Sullivan County

Allison Childs, Claremont Savings Bank

Darcy Curran, Kendal at Hanover

Jennifer Eastman, Bar Harbor Bank & Trust

Asma Elhuni, United Valley Interfaith Project

Sandy Gmur, Cobb Hill CoHousing (Hartland)

Michelle Hale, Dartmouth College

Hillary Halleck, Red River (Newport)

Anita Hamalainen, self-employed

Kyle Hayman, Dartmouth-Hitchcock

Susan Howard, Pyrus Horticultural

Jan Hutslar, Unitarian Universalist Congregation of the Upper Valley

Sarah Jackson, Institute for Sustainable Communities

Robert Kay, Hypertherm

Ian Kipperman, Gallagher, Flynn and Company

Nancy LaRowe, Vital Communities

Liza McSwain, Mascoma Bank (Windsor)

Shaun Mulholland, City of Lebanon

Lisa Saturley, LIS-TEN Community Services

Kristi Saunders,

Lake Sunapee Region VNA

Jennifer Schiffman

Lauren Schumacher, Mascoma Bank

Kelly Sczomak, Marsh-Billings-Rockefeller National Historic Park

Alison Sherman, Downs Rachlin Martin

June Sweetsir, Geokon (Charlestown)

Susan Swenson, FUJIFILM Dimatix

Ethan Ticehurst, Dartmouth-Hitchcock

Jesse Vazzano, Veterans Health Administration

John Wallace, Dartmouth College

Sally Wilson, SCORE/SBA

During the 10-month program, participants will learn about the Upper Valley’s education system and opportunities for further involvement; enjoy a hands-on exploration of the rich local arts world with JAG Productions; discover the varied service and nonprofit organizations supporting the community; examine the past, present, and future of the Upper Valley’s economic development with help from the City of Claremont; explore the criminal

justice system and broader issues which affect our community; learn about the structure and responsibilities of governmental bodies, as well as how to engage actively as a citizen; discover the region’s growing transportation network and how various modes of travel can impact every aspect of our lives; and address the topic of environmental sustainability at VINS. The class will also plan and complete a service project together.

Leadership Upper Valley runs from September through June each year. Participants spend one intensive day per month learning in-depth about a different regional issue from topic-area experts. Residents and employees within Vital Communities’ 69-town service area are welcome to apply each winter; recruiting begins in January. Learn more at vital-communities.org/leadershipuppervalley.

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Bi-State Electric Vehicle Connector Event Announced

LEBANON, NH—The Bi-State Electric Vehicle Connector event will be held on Friday, Sept. 27th, at Hypertherm in Lebanon, NH. This is a free event geared towards Fleet Managers, Vehicle Operators, State and Municipal Representatives, Planning Commissions, Energy and Sustainability Committees, Educators, as well as Business Managers, Owners and Employees.

The purpose of the Bi-State EV Connector is to help attendees take steps towards electrifying their vehicles, equipment, towns and workplaces, and to spread awareness about advancements in electrification.

Lunch included.

To register, visit <http://www4.des.state.nh.us/granitestatecleancities/>.

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City Voters will get Chance to Vote on Allowing Sports Betting in NH

By Phyllis A. Muzeroll
e-Ticker News

CLAREMONT, NH—Like other communities across the state, Claremont will have the chance to vote on allowing sports betting locations in New Hampshire. On Wednesday, the City Council voted to put the question on the Nov. 5 ballot; a public hearing on the matter will be held on Oct. 9. Up to 10 physical locations in the state will be allowed. Should Claremont vote in favor, interested local businesses could apply for one of the 10 spots. If the City votes it down, those interested in betting could still do so, albeit online or by traveling to the nearest location offering this new betting in the Granite State. New Hampshire Lottery Commission Executive Director Charlie McIntyre briefly addressed the Council on the issue; he had sent a letter to the Council inviting it to put the issue on the ballot. McIntyre said that the industry is “a very complicated business” and that there are “only a few companies that do this globally.”

Sports betting is now legal in New Hampshire per HB 480 that Gov. Chris Sununu signed into law in July. The new law legalizing betting allows wagers on professional sports and most Division I college sports but exclude games involving New Hampshire schools.

The state estimates that it will earn about \$10 million in revenues in its first year; the money would help fund adequacy aid for education. Players must be 18 or older to make wagers.

No Takers for New Board of Assessors

Also on Wednesday, it was learned that no one has stepped forward to serve on the new Board of Assessors. Current interim Assessor Stephan Hamilton said that he had talked with several people and had “expected they would file applications”, but no one has. He expressed concerns that without the board, approved by the Council last winter, the lack of members would mean that “there would be no way to deal with abatements”, especially following the revaluations that were recently completed in the City.

The issue that led to the controversy and ultimately the new board concerned a tax abatement of some \$220,000 on the Topstone building. The building’s assessment was also dropped from \$670,000 to \$175,000. Former Assessor Joe Lessard approved the abatement, which drew strong criticism from some in the community and led the Council, which had not been in the loop regarding the abatement, to follow up on a suggestion from the public that a Board of Assessors be created. That board consists of three regular members, one alternate and the City Assessor, who would have no vote. Requirements include the following:

Regular and alternate members shall:

- have been residents of the city for at least one year at the time of appointment to the board;
- have education or experience in assessing,

finance, real estate sales and/or appraisal, and/or construction;

- be available to sign documents as required by the city assessor or assessing staff;
- successfully complete and pass the NH Dept. of Revenue Administration State Statute Course Parts 1 and 2 within the first two years of service on the board. Term: 3 years.

Also, a bid of \$92,400 has been accepted by the City for the demolition work at 139 Main St. The bid, from United Construction, was one of two received for the project. City officials said it was now a matter of scheduling the work and shoring up the abutting building, 147 Main Street, before the work can begin; the two structures share a common wall, complicating the project to demolish the deteriorating building at 139 Main St.

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Global Climate Strike in Claremont Friday

CLAREMONT, NH—The public is invited to join the Global Climate Strike in Claremont at Broad Street Park on Sept. 20th from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. The goal is to “work together to create a local response to the climate crisis”.

According to organizers, the Strike “is in response to the lack of attention that is being given to address the climate crisis. The impetus for the Strike began when scientific research revealed that the Earth’s atmosphere was warming due to human behavior. A recent publication by the United Nations International Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) increased interest of the global community. This report predicts dire consequences for Earth’s warming atmosphere. The Chapter 3 of the IPCC Fifth Assessment Report, ‘Impacts of 1.5° C of Global Warming on Natural and Human Systems’, can be found online at:

<https://www.ipcc.ch/sr15/chapter/spm/>
As the Earth’s surface warms, the consequences are reported to be catastrophic if human beings don’t address the crisis. The increase of heatwaves; droughts; wildfires; extreme weather events like hurricanes, tornadoes, and cyclones; flooding; vector-borne diseases; rising sea levels; the acidification of the oceans and collapse of aquatic life and ecosystems; and mass migrations of people due to food and water shortages will worsen.”

Fifteen-year-old Greta Thunberg from Sweden began speaking up about the climate crisis in August 2018. She started the Youth Climate Movement by refusing to go to school last fall. She now asks everyone to act to address the climate crisis and show their support by gathering adults and children to begin

a dialogue about how this will happen. Sept. 20th to 27th is designated as the kick-off for serious global responses to the climate crisis.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21 Blow Me Down Farm History Hikes, CORNISH, NH

Join a ranger for a light stroll around the grounds of the Blow Me Down Farm. You will learn about the history of the farm and how it connects to Augustus Saint-Gaudens and the rest of the Cornish Colony. Meet at the BMD Farm, off of 12A, just north of the Blow Me Down Mill.

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Can “AI” Help You Become a Better Investor?

For the past several years, artificial intelligence – or AI – has increasingly found a place in many walks of life. Almost certainly, you use some form of AI, whether it’s your time on social media, your use of mobile banking, the navigation system you rely on for directions, or any of the many other AI-driven applications relevant to your daily life. But AI has also become a significant part of the financial services industry. So, you might wonder if AI can help you become a better investor.

To begin with, what is AI? Essentially, it’s the ability of a computer program or machine to think or learn. Using complex algorithms (a set of rules, or steps), computers and machines can mimic many of the thought processes of human beings.

But how can you use AI to invest? And should you?

In the financial services world, many companies use AI to select investments for specific funds. On an individual level, you can work with an AI-powered “robo-advisor” to build an investment portfolio. These robo-advisors are typically quite affordable, and they generally follow proven investment principles, such as diversification, in making recommendations.

Yet, you are more than just the sum of your answers to a robo-advisor’s online questionnaire. Investing is a highly personal matter, which means that, in the following areas, you may well benefit from some human intelligence – and empathy:

- **Understanding of your risk tolerance** – A robo-advisor will ask you to identify your tolerance for risk – low, medium, high – and will plug in your answers when constructing a portfolio. But only a human financial advisor – someone who truly knows you, your personality, your family situation and your hopes for the future – can know how your sensitivity to risk might cause you to react to events such as sudden market declines. Armed with this knowledge, a financial advisor can talk through your options to help keep you on the road toward your goals.

- **Answers to qualitative questions** – A robo-advisor can provide you with many key data points – rates of return, projections of future accumulations, etc. But so can a personal financial advisor, who can also go beyond the numbers to help you answer qualitative, subjective questions: How can I save for college for my children and my own retirement at the same time? If I change jobs, should I leave my 401(k) in my former employer’s plan, move it to my new employer’s plan or roll it over to an IRA? What’s the best way to guard my financial independence if I ever need some type of long-term care, such as an extended stay in a nursing home?

- **Guidance for the “big picture”** – Your investments are important, but they’re also connected to other areas of your life, including your taxes and your estate plans. And while a financial advisor might not provide you with tax or legal advice, he or she may be able to connect you to other, appropriate professionals, and work with them to help you put together your “big picture.” That’s not something a typical robo-advisor is equipped to do.

Artificial intelligence will support many of your activities throughout your life. But when it comes to investing, a personal

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American Legion Ladies Auxiliary Looking for Vendors for Craft and Vendor Fair

CLAREMONT, NH—The American Legion Ladies Auxiliary Post 29 is having a Craft and Vendor Fair on Saturday, Sept. 28, from 9 am to 3 pm. Fair will be held indoors. Looking for crafters and vendors, cost for 10 x 10 space is \$25. Tables available for rent.

To reserve your spot call De Loiselle at 727-392-5839 and leave a message.

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By Johnny Navillus



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Chicken and paprika go so well together. Here is a recipe for chicken with smoked paprika and potatoes. You could probably use regular paprika, but you would miss out on a depth of flavor that is amazing to say the least. I think I'm going to try this in the slow cooker sometime but in the meantime, it is easy and I had fun with it.

Chicken With Smoked Paprika and Potatoes

1/3 cup zesty Italian Dressing
3 cloves garlic minced
1 tsp smoked paprika
1 1/2 lbs new red potatoes cut in half
1 broiler/fryer chicken cut up
or whatever pieces/parts you desire
2 tbsp chopped fresh parsley
Pre heat oven to 450°

Mix dressing, garlic and paprika until blended. Place potatoes in large bowl. Add 2 tbsp of the dressing mixture and mix lightly.

Spread into single layer around edges of foil-covered, rimmed baking sheet. Brush remaining mixture onto outside and under skin of the chicken. Place in center of baking sheet.

Bake 30 minutes or until chicken is done and potatoes are tender, turning chicken after 20 minutes.

Use a slotted spoon to transfer potatoes to medium serving bowl add parsley, toss to evenly coat. Serve with chicken.

If you are going to use just chicken breasts, use bone-in so the meat stays in one piece. I guess that if you were using a slow cooker this would also apply, but I don't think so.

I'm not a huge fan of parsley mainly because I can't really taste it. I use it because it looks good. Presentation is everything.

Serve this with a fruity white wine and be a hero.

Have you ever read the label on the ketchup bottle? They say they use red ripe tomatoes. Some say rich red ripe tomatoes. Three adjectives for one noun? Anyway that phrase really get to me. It make my mouth water. The thought of rich, red, ripe tomatoes just gets me going. It's almost like it should be all one word. "richriperedtomatoes". It says it all about tomatoes for me. If they just said tomatoes it wouldn't have the emotional impact. Are there any other ingredients that are listed with two or more adjectives?

Play with your food. Earn points. Cash them in later.

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Public Hearing Held on State's Ten-year Plan

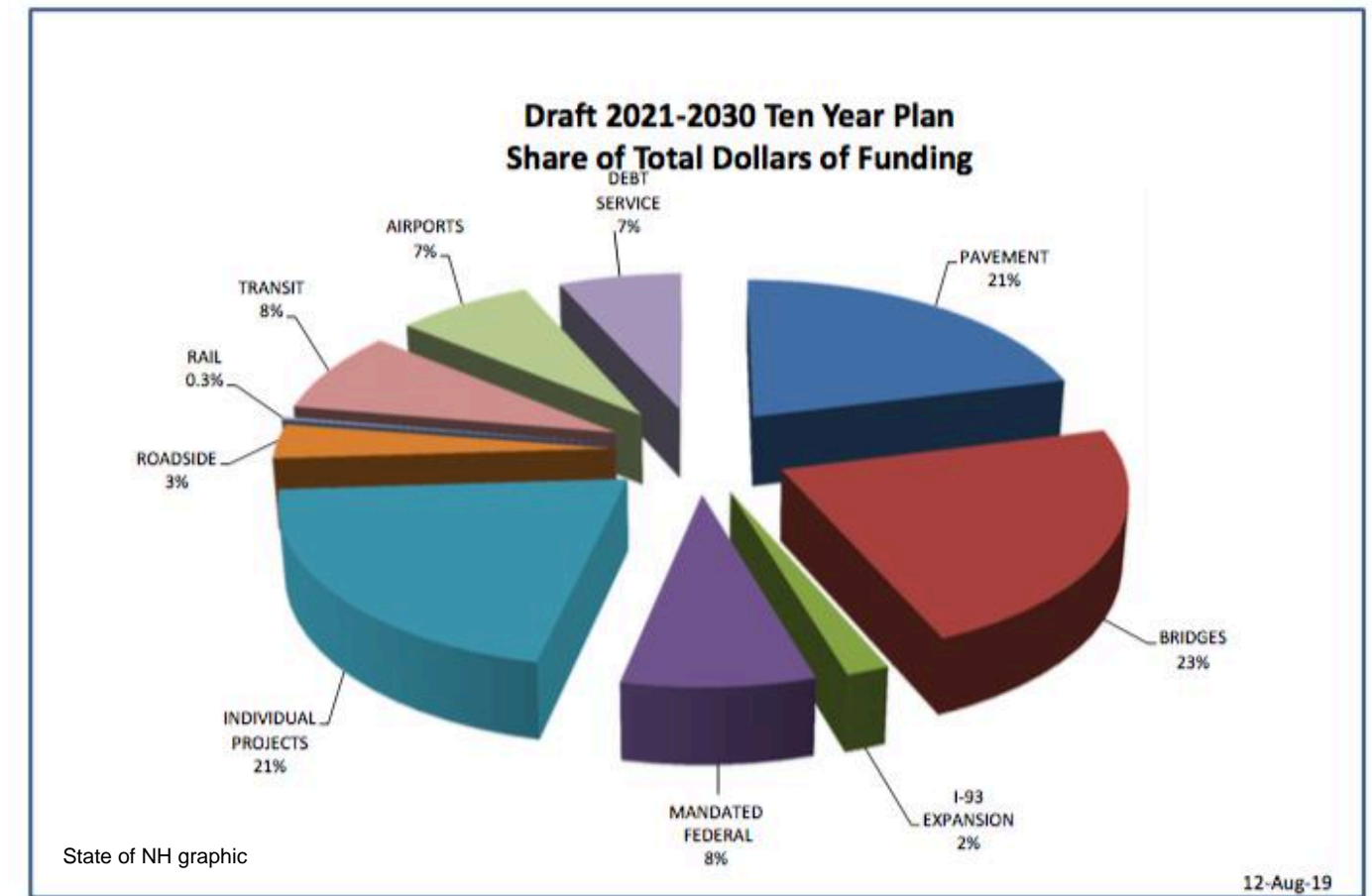
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CLAREMONT, NH—On Wednesday, Sept. 11, in the City Council Chambers at Claremont City Hall, Hanover Executive Councilor Michael Cryans, Claremont's Councilor, hosted a public hearing on proposed updates to New Hampshire's Ten-Year Plan. Other officials attending included Peter Stamnas, Director Project Development for NHDOT; Victoria Shaheen, Commissioner NHDOT; and Steve Schneider, executive director of the Upper Valley Lake Sunapee Regional Planning Commission. The hearing was to listen to public suggestions on how to improve the Ten-Year Plan which will include construction and repair projects for the state's roads, bridges, sidewalks, rail and bus lines, as well as airports. The Claremont hearing was one of the first local hearings on the Plan to be held in Cryans' district as well as the rest of the state over the next few weeks; 20 hearings in the five districts will be held, with Cryans holding hearings in Claremont, Lebanon, Berlin, Laconia and North Conway. The meetings are intended as a way for the public to comment on the draft proposal, providing feedback for the 2021-2030 period.

Cryans, under present state law, is a member of GACIT, which is short for the Governors' Advisory Commission on Intermodal Transportation. GACIT, which also consists of the four remaining executive councilors and the Dept. of Transportation Commissioner, is currently in the process of updating the Ten-Year Plan, a process which started in June and should conclude by this November or December. GACIT will then submit its recommended plan to Gov. Chris Sununu, who will submit his recommended plan to the legislature.

The New Hampshire Department of Transportation's Recommendations for the Ten Year Transportation Improvement Plan is 231 pages long and was submitted as a draft. Strategies include focusing on pavement preservation and red list bridges, said Stamnas.

Schneider said that the UVLSRPC solicits transportation projects from communities to be submitted for consideration by the state; they have to be approved by the Transportation Ad-



visory Committee (TAC) and the UVLSRPC. Last year two were submitted; this year, 12 projects were reviewed by the scoring committee that ranks them: two, Canaan; two, Claremont; four, Enfield; and four, Lebanon. Five were recommended, including the two in Claremont. Local projects, pending approval, including bridge work projects: BRIDGE PRESERVAT, BRIDGE CARRYING NH 12 & 103 OVER CT RIVER BETWEEN CLAREMONT NH & WEATHERSFIELD VT, (\$3.2 M); NH 12 & NORTH STREET INTERSECTION RELOCATION, (\$4.6 M); NH 12A, BRIDGE REHABILITATION CARRYING NH 12A OVER SUGAR RIVER, (\$7.6 M); PRESERVATION, MODERNIZATION, AND/OR EXPANSION OF AIRPORT FACILITIES PLANNING STUDIES (\$6.4 M); TO LINK TEN TRAFFIC SIGNALS ON A TWO MILE STRETCH OF WASHINGTON STREET (\$669,000).

In Charlestown, the following are pending approval: ADDRESS BRIDGE CARRYING NH 11 OVER CONN RIVER BETWEEN CHARLESTOWN, NH AND SPRINGFIELD, VT (\$1.5M); RECONSTRUCT OR REHABILITATE FROM NH 12A IN SOUTHERN CHARLESTOWN TO ALMAR STREET (APPROX 2.4 MILES) (\$8.3M); RECONSTRUCT/REHABILITATE NH12 FROM NH12A TO ALMAR STREET (\$3.2 M); NH 12 BRIDGE PRESERVATION EFFORTS FOR NH12

OVER NECRR IN CHARLESTOWN (BR. NO. 181/058) (\$436,000).

For Newport, the following is pending approval: SAND HILL ROAD OVER BROOK - BR. #154/129 - BRIDGE REPLACEMENT (\$153,000).

Although few turned out for the hearing, one resident, Cornelia Sargent, brought up the value of transportation provided by the Amtrak stop in Claremont, saying that the City "has the only Amtrak stop in western New Hampshire and that is a very, very, very valuable resource that I feel is drastically underutilized. I believe with climate change and congestion issues, we need to consider expanding rail." She also praised the station host program, saying that it was invaluable and said that neither she nor her husband choose to have cell phones and had it not been for the station hosts telling him her train one time was running six hours late, he would not have known when he arrived at the station to pick her up. She also called for more public transportation options in the county.

Mayor Charlene Lovett called for a bypass to reroute heavy trucks from downtown, saying heavy truck traffic is affecting revitalization plans for the district and cited the wear and tear on the roads, vibrations and other impediments to businesses and those living in the area.

Turning Points Network Ponders Transitional Housing

CLAREMONT, NH—Claremont has not been spared in what is now recognized as a national housing crisis. Wages and support systems have not kept pace with rents over the last decades and rents are now simply out of reach of many, reports Turning Points Network (TPN).

An estimated 600 battered partners in Sullivan County are remaining in abusive homes because they cannot afford or sustain housing on their own, according to Deborah Mozden, Executive Director of TPN, the county's domestic and sexual violence crisis center.

As the recipient of a three-year federal OVW grant, TPN has been able to help 75 families over the last three years to accomplish sustainable housing, and that grant has just been re-awarded to TPN for FY 2020-2022.

But more help is needed. Too many families in Sullivan County (and nationwide) are resigned to living in violent situations and those who do access services are staying longer in TPN's emergency shelter because there is not enough transitional or affordable housing.

To that end, Turning Points Network recently hosted an exploratory meeting on ways to create transitional housing that included members of its Board and Staff, Architect Jay Barrett, Adam Ricker from the Upper Valley/Sunapee Regional Planning Commission, Claremont businessman and County Commissioner Jeff Barrette, Claremont City Councilor Nick Koloski and led by consultant Tom Mongeon of Hampton whom TPN has engaged through CDFA funding to assist with research.

In what is hoped will be several working sessions over the next six months, TPN's Transitional Housing Steering Committee will identify resources, partners and real estate, as well as look into manufactured, prefab and already existing housing to determine ways this critical need might be addressed.

Anyone already working on transitional housing or interested in joining the next Transitional Housing Conversation should leave their name and phone number with Beth at Turning Points Network 1-800-639-3130 or 603-543-0155.

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Driver Sought in Related Fatal Weathersfield Motor Vehicle Accident

WEATHERSFIELD, VT—On Sept. 15, at approximately 12:50 a.m., Troopers responded to a motor vehicle crash on I-91 south, near mile marker 53 in Weathersfield, VT. According to the Vermont State Police, the investigation on scene indicated that a 1998 Jeep Wrangler was traveling south on I-91 near mile marker 53 in Weathersfield. The Jeep began to drift off the left hand side of the interstate for an unknown reason. The vehicle traveled several hundred feet in the grassy median before abruptly turning right, coming back onto the road surface. The vehicle then crossed both southbound lanes, striking the guardrails on the shoulder, spinning and coming to a position of uncontrolled rest in the left hand travel lane.

VTSP reported the first known individuals on scene observed the vehicle stopped, with an individual laying in the middle of I-91, approximately 20 feet from it. It is believed that the operator, was ejected from the vehicle during the crash. Before being able to render aid, an unknown grey in color, four-door sedan with Vermont registration, drove through the crash scene and struck the individual laying in the roadway. The vehicle then continued south on I-91 and did not stop. The individual was pronounced deceased at the scene. In their released statement, the VTSP identified the deceased as Keanan Thompson, 22, of Stockbridge, VT.

Members of the Vermont State Police Crash Reconstruction Team responded to the scene to assist in the investigation. Debris from the unknown vehicle were collected, indicating damage to front bumper and plastic under the car.

Any individuals who may have witnessed the crash, have information about the crash, or information in regards to the other vehicle involved are asked to contact the Westminster State Police Barracks and speak with the on duty Sergeant. You are also able to submit tips and information anonymously by texting VTIPS to 274637.

VSP was assisted by Ascutney & Hartford Fire Depts., as well as various police agencies, to include Windsor PD, Bellows Falls PD, Ludlow PD, Springfield PD and Brattleboro PD.

Through September 19
EXHIBIT AT LIBRARY ARTS CENTER,
NEWPORT, NH

The Library Arts Center presents the "Selections Exhibit: Winners from the Juried Regional." On exhibit through September 19th

Selected artists include: (listed alphabetically): Debbie Campbell, Rod Keller, Susan Lirakis, Gillian Martlew, Meg McLean, Susan Parmenter, Ann Saunderson, and Adele Sanborn. Artists were selected during the 2018 Juried Regional Call for Entries by juror Laura Jean Whitcomb, Editor-in-Chief of Kearsarge Magazine and the Art & Gallery Guide to return to the Library Arts Center in 2019 to exhibit a larger body of work. Sponsored by LaValley Building Supply. Find out more at link.

Library Arts Center - Gallery & Studio
58 N. Main Street
Newport, New Hampshire 03773
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Gallery Hours: Tu.-Fri. 11am-4pm Sat.
10am-2pm

SEPTEMBER 19-NOVEMBER 7
Beginning Woodworking for Women
Claremont MakerSpace

To register, please go here: <https://claremont-makerspace.org/events/#/event/2019/9/19/beginning-woodworking-for-women>

This class is designed for women who have not had much (or any at all) experience working with wood or tools. Participants will have a chance to explore their creative and practical, problem solving sides, and learn about safety, design, wood, power tools and some hand tools in a supportive learning environment. Machines such as the joiner, planer, table saw, drill press, miter saw, and band saw will be covered as well as drills, routers, and sanders. Each participant will design and build a small project of individual choice. Classes are limited to five participants.

Wear closed toe shoes. Bring something to drink, a pencil with an eraser, and a tape measure if you have one.

Eight week course:
Thursdays 6:30 - 9 PM.

September 19 - November 7, 2019

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Claremont Middle School

Open House

When: September 19th, 2019

Time: 6:00pm—7:00pm

Where: Claremont Middle School



Claremont Remembers 9/11

Eric Zengota photo

