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Remembering....

A Veterans Day ceremony was held in Broad St. Park on Wednesday to commemorate the solemn holiday. More photos, story, on page A7 (Eric Zengota photos).



COVID-19 Cases Surge in NH; Restrictions Starting to Show Up Again ***City Council Wrestles with Issue of Mask Wearing***

**By Phyllis A. Muzeroll
e-Ticker News**

CLAREMONT, NH—As the number of positively identified cases of COVID-19 surge in

New Hampshire again, municipalities and other entities are beginning to reinstate policies to restrict entry and public access. At his weekly press conference last Thursday, Governor Chris Sununu acknowledged the rapid rise in

cases being identified, and said that there may be days when the daily total reaches 1,000 cases, versus the now daily average of 300 or more.

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COVID, from A1

Here in Claremont, Valley Regional Hospital released new guidelines on Thursday, implementing a new Visitor & Caregiver Policy. No visitors and/or caregivers will be admitted to facilities without a specific exception (*See full details on page A8*). Dartmouth-Hitchcock released new restrictions the previous week, returning to more restrictive caregiver and approved visitor procedures. No visitors will be admitted to a D-H facility for inpatient or outpatient visits, except in the case of one of the eight specific exceptions relating to patients requiring caregivers, pediatric patients, labor and delivery and prenatal patients, perioperative patients, family meetings, patients at the end of life, and D-H employees and volunteers.

These procedures apply to Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center (DHMC) in Lebanon, as well as D-H outpatient clinics and facilities.

Bank of New Hampshire released a statement on Friday, saying that effective November 16th, all Bank of New Hampshire offices will operate as drive-thru only. For transactions that cannot be conducted via drive-

thru, patrons are asked to call their local office directly to make an appointment.

In an effort to keep Claremont City offices open, face coverings are now required prior to entry. And Claremont Savings Bank Community Center is mandating "that all patrons wear a mask while not actively exercising while in the facility. We will continue to update our members as we make changes to our operating procedures to ensure the safety of our users."

Meanwhile, at Thursday night's council meeting, Claremont councilors wrestled with whether to mandate the wearing of masks in the community. Councilor Nick Koloski had put together a draft document, tweaked by councilor Abigail Kier and emailed via the council clerk to the other councilors, to start, in Koloski's words, a discussion on the issue of mandating mask wearing. Koloski and mayor Charlene Lovett said councilors were hearing from a number of constituents about a possible mandate since many in the community have been seen not following CDC guidelines or are wearing masks incorrectly. Koloski said he based his draft on Lebanon's mask policy, which has made mask wearing mandatory and even imposes fines for those not complying. Other communities surrounding Claremont also have instituted mandatory mask wearing.

Earlier in the year, the council did pass a resolution "strongly encouraging" the wearing of masks, but unlike an ordinance, a resolution does not mandate compliance.

Lovett said that legal counsel explained that the City Charter does not have an emergency provision that could be applied in this case, and it would take changing the Charter to add one, something that would take time to do. While most councilors seemed to favor mask wearing, mandating it continued to separate

some councilors

from others, and there was little appetite for imposing fines if people refused to adhere to a mandated policy. Claremont Police Chief Mark Chase said the issue was a "double-edged sword" for his department; while he strongly favored mask wearing, he is down four people staffwise and using manpower to enforce such an ordinance would be a drain on his limited resources. City Manager Ed Morris said he "would not support the police department enforcing this at this time" due to the strain it would put on the department.

Councilor Deb Matteau, a strong proponent of a mask mandate, said, "I think the ordinance is the way to go...I don't know that you can have a resolution that mandates anything. We've already done a resolution...numbers are jumping every day...We don't want to shut down the economy again. We need a mandate to get a little more cooperation."

Morris said it was important to get the message out to the public that "the only way to help our economy and City is for people to wear masks and social distance."

Koloski again said the idea of bringing up the issue was to generate public discussion. "I want a lot of feedback." He added that many businesses have given up trying to enforce patrons from wearing masks when they enter their premises because there is nothing to back it up, including from the state.

When it was all said and done, the council voted to have the Policy Committee work on a draft ordinance that would address the issue, at its next meeting on Nov. 19; it would also be reviewed simultaneously by the City manager, City staff and legal counsel as part of the process. The proposed ordinance would be presented at the Dec. 9 council meeting—if ready—for a first reading. The proposed ordinance would have to go through a first reading and second reading and public hearing and then be approved by the council to pass.

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Honoring His Wartime Service

Claremont American Legion Members Present Flag to WWII Veteran

**Text and Photos
By Eric Zengota
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UNITY, NH—During World War II, a young James Ryan was serving in the U.S. Navy as an underwater demolition expert. His job: clear and disable hidden explosives on South Pacific beaches. He sailed from island to island, removing the booby traps and ensuring safe landings for naval craft.

Now 92, Ryan lives at Sullivan County Health Care, the “county home” in Unity. On previous Veterans Days, SCHC hosted large gatherings of residents and families, with music and food and plenty of shared memories. In these days of COVID-19, however, none of those solemn festivities could take place, so they were cancelled.

Problem: Ryan was due to be presented with an American flag in recognition of his service.

Solution: Ryan’s family visited him with a window between them. Five members of the American Legion Claremont Post 29 drove to Unity to make sure that a ceremony took place in his honor. The Legionnaires saluted Ryan through the window, then passed the flag to SCHC staff, who handed it to Ryan. Years after the heat and the danger and the challenges in the South Pacific, the veteran had a flag to call his own.



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Shaheen Secures \$50M to Construct New England Drug Lab to Improve Response to Substance Use Disorder Crisis

WASHINGTON, DC—U.S. Senator Jeanne Shaheen (D-NH), the Vice Chair of the Commerce, Justice, Science and Related Agencies (CJS) Appropriations Subcommittee, issued the following statement after her subcommittee released its government funding legislation for fiscal year (FY) 2021 last week. Despite the process that failed to include a full committee markup – through her leadership on the subcommittee—Shaheen successfully added measures that provide federal support for key programs that respond to the substance use disorder crisis, help domestic and sexual violence survivors, invest in law enforcement programs and much more.

“This legislation includes significant federal support to respond to some of the greatest needs in New Hampshire and communities across the country, from addressing the substance use disorder crisis – which has been exacerbated by COVID-19 – to enhancing community policing,” said Shaheen. “One of the key issues I fought to address in this year’s bill was a gap in our substance use disorder response strategy created by an absence of adequate testing facilities. Currently, samples that may contain fentanyl must be transported by ground to New York and back, delaying testing and wasting valuable time. This legislation would provide funding to construct a new DEA laboratory right here in New England. I’m also pleased by a number of the provisions included to advance community policing and to make important reforms to improve accountability and transparency in our law enforcement agencies.”

Shaheen continued, “This government funding legislation addresses a number of critical issues but its glaring failure to include COVID-19 relief must be the top concern as the appropriations process moves forward. From sexual violence survivors to first responders on the frontlines of the COVID-19 crisis, every corner of our community has been severely impacted by this pandemic and urgently needs help.”

Shaheen, Hassan and Kuster Announce \$250K for Youth Substance Use Prevention Efforts in Keene & UV Region

WASHINGTON, DC – U.S. Senator Jeanne Shaheen (D-NH), a senior member of the Senate Appropriations Committee, and U.S. Senator Maggie Hassan (D-NH) and Congresswoman Annie Kuster (NH-02) announced \$250,000 in Drug Free Communities (DFC) grants from the Office of National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP) to two local drug prevention coalitions in New Hampshire. The grants will provide the Keene YMCA Community Coalition on Youth Substance Use and All Together in the Upper Valley region funding to prevent youth substance misuse, including prescription drugs and opioids.

The DFC Program is administered by ONDCP with program support from the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA). DFC coalitions have led innovative opioid prevention initiatives and have demonstrated significant declines in prevalence of prescription drug misuse amongst participants.

“Youth drug prevention coalitions do lifesaving work to protect children from substance misuse in our effort to stop another generation from succumbing to this epidemic. As the COVID-19 pandemic exacerbates the substance use disorder crisis, we need to ensure these programs have the resources they need to maintain existing programs and reach more people,” said Senator Shaheen. “I am pleased to announce these grants, which will help Keene, Swanzey and communities in the Upper Valley region with important youth drug prevention efforts.

“These federal grants to youth drug prevention coalitions in New Hampshire will help in our efforts to stem the tide of substance misuse among our young people,” Senator Hassan said. “These federal dollars are particularly important as the COVID-19 pandemic has strained resources for prevention and recovery organizations across our state.”

“Youth substance misuse prevention programs play a critical role in preventing substance abuse and combating the substance misuse epidemic in New Hampshire and nationwide,” said Congresswoman Kuster. “With the COVID-19 pandemic worsening the addiction crisis and making it more difficult for those who are struggling to access the care they need, it is imperative that these programs have the necessary funding and resources.”

FORWARD THINKING

PART 1 >>>>>

Beyond Retirement: Consider Your Other Goals.

Retirement savings isn't the only financial goal you might want to consider in a lifetime. There are other considerable milestones that you want to take into account as well.

When it comes to financial stability, people tend to focus on paying off debt and saving for retirement. In reality, many other financial goals beckon to individuals during their lifetime. Because of this, it's important to look beyond retirement when setting targets, no matter how old you are.

IDENTIFY FUTURE OBJECTIVES

While it is never too early to start planning for retirement, waiting until you reach 65 years or older to truly live is a mistake many people come to regret. A number of exciting possibilities are waiting for you throughout your life:

- Building an emergency fund
- Creating and growing passive income
- Starting a business
- Owning a home
- Becoming debt-free
- Raising a family

CONSIDER INCOME

Some people start their careers making six figures or more; this is rare. By about 25 years old, making \$35,000 or so is a reasonable expectation. If your salary increases follow the historical rate and you have no major employment gaps, you could earn almost \$2 million by the time you're ready for retirement.

Without a doubt, \$2 million is a lot of money. If you take a second look at the list of potential financial goals, however, it begins to lose its comparative value. For instance, the current cost of a starter home is anywhere from \$150,000 to \$250,000¹. Similarly, student loans are one of the biggest obstacles to a debt-free life. The average student loan debt is \$29,800².



CREATE A PLAN

If you're starting to feel discouraged, the good news is that money isn't a static asset. It has the potential to grow and do some of the work for you by creating passive income. In fact, people who begin to invest in their future early can better position themselves in the pursuit of their retirement goals. You can employ several different strategies to help your money go further.

(Continued in next week's issue.)

¹ <https://www.usatoday.com/story/money/2018/05/07/millennials-buying-first-home-skip-starter-house-buy-dream/582309002/> ² <https://studentloanhero.com/student-loan-debt-statistics/>

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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.

NH DHHS COVID-19 Update – November 15, 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, November 15, 2020, DHHS announced 361 new positive test results for COVID-19, for a daily PCR test positivity rate of 2.2%. Those results include 241 people who tested positive by PCR test and 120 who tested positive by antigen test. There are now 3,306 current COVID-19 cases diagnosed in New Hampshire.

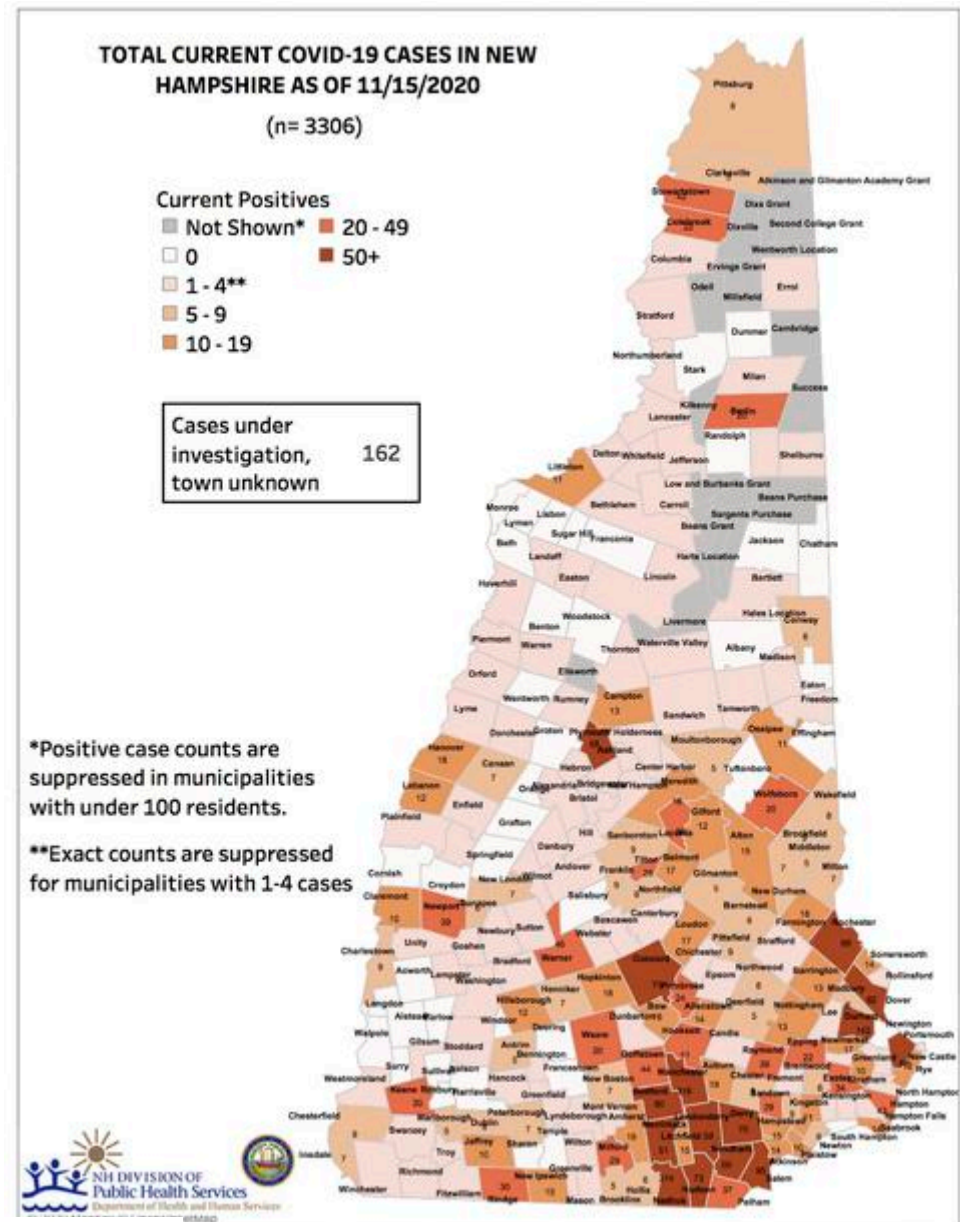
Several cases are still under investigation. Additional information from ongoing investiga-

tions will be incorporated into future COVID-19 updates. Of those with complete information, there are fifty individuals under the age of 18 and the rest are adults with 51% being female and 49% being male.

The new cases reside in Rockingham (76), Hillsborough County other than Manchester and Nashua (46), Merrimack (40), Strafford (36), Belknap (33), Grafton (14), Carroll (6), Cheshire (6), Coos (5), and Sullivan (3) counties, and in the cities of Manchester (49) and Nashua (27). The county of residence is being determined for twenty new cases.

There are currently 10 positively identified cases in Claremont.

None 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



New Hampshire 2019 Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) Summary Report (data updated November 15, 2020, 9:00 AM)

NH Persons with COVID-191	14,671
Recovered	10,866 (74%)
Deaths Attributed to COVID-19	499 (3%)
Total Current COVID-19 Cases	3,306
Persons Who Have Been Hospitalized for COVID-19	814 (6%)
Current Hospitalizations	69
Total Persons Tested at Selected Laboratories, Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR)2	384,752
Total Persons Tested at Selected Laboratories, Antibody Laboratory Tests2	32,647
Persons with Specimens Submitted to NH PHL	N/A
Persons with Test Pending at NH PHL3	654
Persons Being Monitored in NH (approximate point in time)	5,950

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.

There are currently 69 individuals hospitalized with COVID-19. In New Hampshire since the start of the pandemic, there have been a total of 14,671 cases of COVID-19 diagnosed with 814 (6%) of those having been hospitalized.

DHHS reported three deaths in Sullivan County this past week related to COVID, two males and one female 60 years of age and older.

The daily average number of NH tests done over this past week was approximately 9,300.

For those not familiar with our Facebook page, we post the DHHS daily COVID update every evening when it becomes available. That feed is also available on our website.



11th Hour, 11th Day, 11th Month

Claremont Honors Veterans on Their Day

CLAREMONT, NH—American Legion Post 29 of Claremont held its traditional Veterans Day ceremony at the memorial in Broad Street Park. Members led prayers, made speeches, gave a 3-gun salute and laid a wreath. Elementary school students from Unity read essays on the history and importance of the holiday. They included Krystyna Whipple, 5th grade, who spoke about those who have served, including a number of relatives; Scott Hagar, 7th grade, who spoke about Veterans Day as a day to celebrate and honor all veterans and what it means to be a veteran; and Kayla Whipple, 8th grade, who wrote that veterans are everyday people who are heroes, heroes who often sacrifice their lives for the sake of others. Members of Rolling Thunder presented a flag line along one of the walkways, adding a solemn, respectful beauty to the otherwise dreary morning, and *Taps* was played as one of the final elements of the ceremony. There was also an empty chair to remind those attending of the 82,000 POWs and MIAs who remain unaccounted for.

“More people than last year,” remarked more than one of the 75 people who gathered to commemorate and celebrate the City’s military service to the nation. All were masked in ac-



cordance with current COVID-19 guidelines. But that made no difference as they recited the Pledge of Allegiance, uniting the community in paying tribute to all who have served.

Text and photos by Eric Zengota



New VRH Visitation Policy Announced

CLAREMONT, NH—On Thursday, Valley Regional Hospital announced that “In order to keep our patients, community and staff safe, Valley Regional Hospital implemented a new Visitor & Caregiver Policy”. No visitors and/or caregivers will be admitted to their facilities without a specific exception. Exceptions to caregiver and approved visitor procedures:

Patients Requiring Caregivers

Patients in the outpatient ambulatory setting who otherwise would not be able to navigate to their appointment without the active support of a caregiver (for example cognitively impaired or physically challenged patients) are permitted to have one (1) caregiver accompany them.

Pediatric Patients

Ambulatory (outpatient) pediatric patients are permitted one (1) adult primary caregiver for a clinic visit.

Outpatient Prenatal Patients

Prenatal patients are welcome to bring one (1) adult caregiver or partner with them to their prenatal and ultrasound visits.

Surgery Patients

For adult and pediatric patients receiving same-day surgery, one (1) caregiver is allowed into the facility in order to accompany the patient during their check-in and pre-procedure preparation (as appropriate). The caregiver should be accessible during the procedure either in the designated waiting area or by designated phone number, and be available for consult as needed. The caregiver is encouraged to leave once the procedure has started. The caregiver will receive a telephone update from the surgical care team upon completion of the procedure.

Family Meetings

For family meetings, two (2) family members (as designated by the patient) may attend. When applicable, one (1) of the attendees should be the surrogate or stand-in decision maker or Designated Power of Attorney (DPOA). One (1) additional person may attend to support the DPOA. Both family members may attend the meeting in person.

End of Life Visitation

No more than two (2) visitors may be in the room at one time. There are no exceptions for larger groups of visitors. Individuals and family members who are not visiting with the patient

will be asked to leave the facility. If the patient has confirmed or suspected COVID-19 and is at the end of life, only two (2) designated visitors are permitted in total (no rotations allowed). Visitors for these patients must use full personal protective equipment (PPE).

Emergency Department & Urgent Care

A single caregiver may be allowed to accompany the patient at the discretion of the clinical team and as conditions necessitate. A pediatric patient may be accompanied by one (1) adult.

Anyone entering VRH buildings will be screened for COVID-19.

All individuals entering VRH are required to wear a cloth mask at minimum. If you do not have your own mask, one will be provided.

No caregivers or visitors under the age of 12 are permitted.

For people needing to transact financial business with the hospital, please call 603-543-5693 or 603-543-5694 rather than presenting to the hospital.

*Individuals unable to wear a face mask due to a disability, may request reasonable modifications according to the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).

Project for JSL Building Gets Green Light from City Boards

CLAREMONT, NH—Proposed plans for the former JSL Building were recently, and quickly, approved by the City’s Zoning and Planning Boards. Jeff and Sarah Barrette, owners of the Ink Factory and a pesto business, have purchased the building at 45 School St. and plan to move their businesses, which also include a vehicle lettering business, from Water St. to their new location once the building is renovated. Relocating will be done in stages. The Barrettes sought and received use variance and site plan approvals with little fanfare. No abutters addressed the proposal, and members from both boards thanked the Barrettes for giving new life to the old building and returning it to the tax rolls.

They are not seeking 79 E Tax Relief or tax credits for the building. As far as what will happen to the historic mill building which currently houses their businesses, Jeff Barrette said they hope to put it up for lease or purchase “and put it to better use.”

—Phyllis A. Muzeroll



A frosty morning dressed up the leaves on the ground (Phyllis A. Muzeroll photo).



Nov. 5, 2020, 4:39pm

**Rumor has it that Maxfield Parrish returned to paint this autumn sky over Claremont's Fiske Free Library.
~ Eric Zengota**

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S.A.U. #6
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SAU #6 School Board Serving Claremont & Unity Regular Meeting to discuss FY22 budget November 19, 2020 6:30pm

Location Sugar River Valley Regional Technical Center, Business & Community Room

The SAU #6 School Board will be holding an audio broadcast, hybrid, and streaming regular school board meeting.

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

PUBLIC NOTICE
PLANNING BOARD HEARING
Monday, November 23, 2020 7:00 p.m.

*Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, this meeting will be conducted via Zoom.

Join the Zoom Webinar Online: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82851452389?pwd=RHFtS1lk-UWl5S3NsMEhyaTU1ZHNCZz09>
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 If there is a problem getting through to this number, please call 603-504-0341.

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held concerning the following application:

(PL 2020-00018) Ronald Landry, 186 Main Street – Application for approval of a lot line adjustment between the lots at **186 Main Street and 3 Briggs Street**. Tax Map 107, Lots 51 & 58. Zoning District: CR-2

Interested parties may review the applications at the City of Claremont's Planning and Development Department, 14 North Street during normal business hours. Comments may be submitted in person at the hearing, or in writing at 14 North Street, Claremont NH 03743, or by email at cityplanner@claremontnh.com.

Richard Wahrlich, Chair

PUBLIC NOTICE
Claremont Development Authority
Full Board Meeting

Thursday, November 19, 2020 7:30 AM

*Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, the City is suggesting citizens participate in this meeting by Zoom. Join online at: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89111630205?pwd=aG93UmVGSUQxVFoyUT-FucVk4TDNOZz09>

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- Garage and large yard
 - * Close to Valley Regional Hospital
- MLS #4837045 \$158,000**



GRANTHAM, NH

1 Story Cottage/Camp 1 Bed 1 Bath

- 85 ft Miller Pond frontage with private dock
 - Being sold mostly furnished with paddle boat and kayak
- MLS #4821618 \$149,900**



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1 Story Ranch 3 Bed 2 Bath

- * Recently remodeled finished basement
 - * In-ground 16x32' pool
- MLS #4831406 \$179,000**



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This event is free and presented via Zoom. Upon registration you will receive the connection link.

Visit: <https://claremontmakerspace.org/events/#!/event/2020/12/16/exploring-business-resources-with-the-sba>.

This event is scheduled for Wednesday, Dec. 16, at noon.

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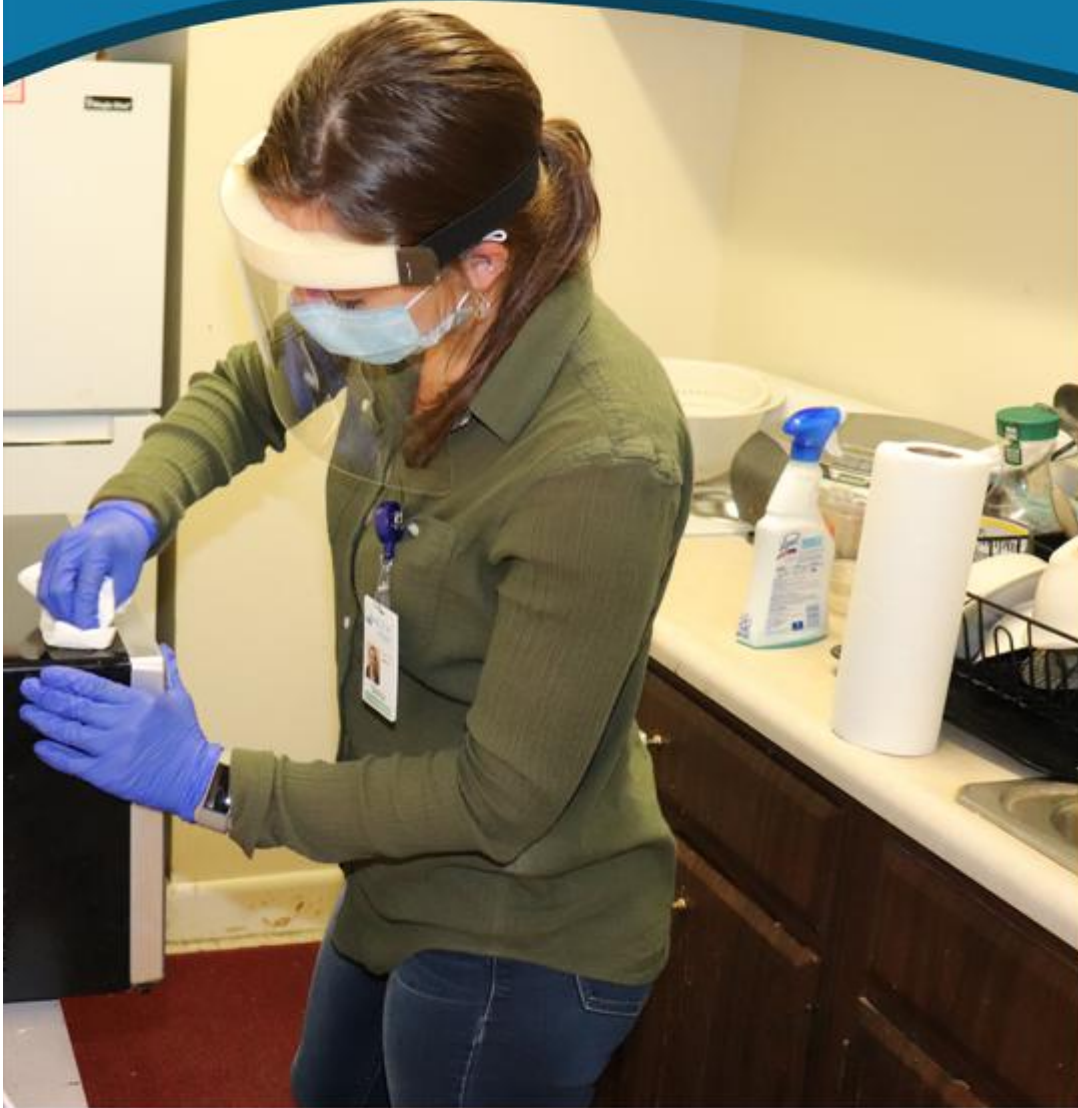
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Keith Druhl Leaves CCTV After 19 Years

By Eric Zengota
e-Ticker News

CLAREMONT, NH—For nearly two decades, Keith Druhl served as executive director of Claremont Community Television, known throughout the City as CCTV. On Friday, his last day, colleagues, friends, board members and volunteers came together to celebrate his achievements and wish him well on the video productions yet to be created.

During his tenure, Druhl involved the community wherever he could. He held classes in basic video technique geared to adults, seniors and youth, even hosting a summer camp for kids. “This was not just about how to use a camera, but more how to produce a video,” he said. “Which meant the kids corralled their friends into acting in their videos. Which meant the video community was always widening.” Many of Druhl’s “graduates” periodically returned to refresh and improve their technique.

The CCTV studio, located in the Sugar River Valley Regional Technical Center, has been the live broadcast site of auctions held by the Kiwanis Club of Claremont and the Greater Claremont Chamber of Commerce. Meetings of the Claremont School Board and SAU6

have also been transmitted from there. Druhl spent a good part of his 19 years in the booth at the City Council Chambers, covering hundreds of twice-monthly council meetings ... no matter how late into the night they went.

Claremont mayor Charlene Lovett expressed

her appreciation of Druhl’s archiving the meetings and recording such things as Claremont residents’ reminiscences for the City’s 250th anniversary in 2014. “Your and your volunteers’ efforts have made CCTV a foundational element in how we capture Claremont’s history,” she said. “It’s become a place where we can go and learn about our past.”

Druhl thanked the CCTV board members and the many volunteers who have supported the station’s growth

and creativity in outreach to the community. “I’ve always been interested in retrieving information based on geography. Public access at the local level brings information that is instantly verifiable, which I consider a sacred trust.” Above all, he added, “The media is not the enemy of the people, but rather an ally of democracy.”



Alex Herzog, director of Career & Technical Education at SRVRTC, presented Keith Druhl with a clock, whose inscription reads “In Appreciation.” “I know you’re not supposed to think about time when you’re retired,” said Herzog. “But we know you’ll make time for all the projects you have in mind.” (Eric Zengota photo).

Make A Coptic Notebook (Free Virtual Learning)

CLAREMONT, NH—With help from Claremont MakerSpace, create a notebook as adventurous as you. This traveler’s notebook uses the Coptic binding method. This unique binding method is one of the oldest in human history, dating back as early as the second century. It allows the book to lay flat when opened to any page, making it great for sketchbooks. Notebook measures 5.75” x 8.75” when done. You can have a name or phrase laser etched on the cover. Follow along virtually as you construct the notebook!

Skill level: Super Beginner!

This class will be presented virtually via Zoom and class connection information will be sent out prior to the class.

Upon registration, you will be asked for the line of text which you would like to have personalized on the book as well as a font selection from a select number of choices. You must purchase supplies for this class (supply list can be found here: <https://wunder-kammer.com/class-supplies/>)

CMS members can take this class in person for free, as long as they use CMS tools and are on site the night of the class.

Recommended age range: 10 & up (Adult Supervision Suggested)

This class is presented free & registration is required.

Registration closes 12/5/2020. Class takes place on Thursday, Dec. 10, 6:00 p.m.

Visit: <https://claremontmakerspace.org/events/#!event/2020/12/10/make-a-coptic-notebook-free-virtual-learning>.

Holiday Wreaths Plainfield Elementary School 8th Grade Class Fundraiser

The 8th grade class will once again be selling holiday wreaths.

If you would like to order a wreath reach out to any Plainfield School 8th grader or email the class at pesclass2021@gmail.com.

Wreaths are 22” and double sided balsam. Wreaths can be plain for \$15 or fully decorated with your choice of ribbon, pinecone & berries for \$20.

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e-Ticker Business News

It's the Real Deal at the Reel Deal Deli in Charlestown



The Reel Deal Deli in Charlestown opened this past summer; owner David "DJ" Collise offers "local and house" everything (Courtesy photos).

By Phyllis A. Muzeroll, e-Ticker News

CHARLESTOWN, NH—After graduating from the Culinary Institute of America in New York, local resident David "DJ" Collise decided to bring back a bit of it to the area and start a business. "I graduated from CIA in New York and I fell in love with all the great deli you can find all over New York," he said. "I wanted to bring that back home. There are very few places up here that you can go get a real good sandwich." With that in mind, he opened the Reel Deal Deli at 200 Main St. in Charlestown; the official grand opening was held in mid-summer. It took a bit of doing to get the space ready for opening. "This location was the old Jiffy Mart Gas Station in town. So everything you see was made for each new location in the building, along with lots of items I had to do for the deli."

Collise focuses on using as many local products as he can. His motto is basically "local and house made everything". "Absolutely I try and keep what I am doing as local as I possibly can," he said, adding that he does that "because it helps out the community as a whole." His parents own the Future Apple Farm and Orchard in Newport. "I have learned a lot from them and go back often if they ever need a hand. My dad usually comes and helps me out at the deli most Fridays."

Collise said he has "a very small but good staff, four really great people that I am extremely grateful for."

He offers breakfast and lunch fare, and if his menu photos on his business Facebook page are any indication, no one is likely to still be hungry after enjoying breakfast sandwiches or burritos, steak and cheese grinders or a variety of other sandwiches, hot or cold lunches, soups and more. "I focus on locally-sourced ingredients and fresh house-made items. I make just about everything in-house myself, I make fresh house-made English muffins, and many of our sandwiches are made using freshly house made Focaccia. I even make my mustard and mayo from scratch. I really want to keep this as real as possible."

As far as the name of the business is concerned, "It doesn't really have a special meaning," said Collise. "I just really love fishing. I am sponsored for fish tournaments in both New Hampshire and Vermont, primarily for bass, but also ice fishing as well."

It's never easy to start a new business, but opening up during a national public health crisis adds extra challenges. "I opened up in the middle of this crazy pandemic to make my dreams come true; you sometimes just have to go for it," he said.

Currently his hours are 7am - 3 pm Tuesday - Saturday; he said he is hoping to start "opening up at 6am soon for winter."

Visit https://www.facebook.com/Reeldealdeli/?ref=page_internal for more information.

Mayoral Notes
by **Charlene Lovett**



Local Veterans Build Desks for Children

When COVID-19 arrived, many people's lives changed dramatically. People lost jobs or had to stop working due to underlying conditions. Schools shut down. Children and their families had to navigate the world of remote learning or working from home. With so many changes in such a brief period, providing ways to lessen the impact of all these disruptions became very important. Such was the case when Bob Hunt and Eric Schmidt, local veterans, began building desks for school children.

Bob, originally from Brooklyn, moved to New Hampshire in 1988 and eventually to Claremont in 2017 to stay with his daughter, Jessica Hunt. At the age of 16, he joined the Air Force in 1971 and became a jet engine mechanic. Stationed in Thailand in support of Rolling Thunder, he served in the military until 1975. He eventually developed his skills in woodworking and built small tables and outdoor furniture to subsidize his income. When COVID-19 arrived, his healthcare provider advised him to quit his job due to underlying health conditions. Not long after, he heard a report on WMUR about teachers in Hampstead who were building desks for their students. Bob thought, "I can do that."

With the support of his daughter and her partner, Adam McMahon, Bob set up shop in the garage and built his first desk in September. After posting what he was doing on Facebook, he was contacted by Eric, another local veteran, who was interested in lending a helping hand. Eric, originally from Oneida, New York, moved to Claremont in 2000. He, too, entered the military at a young age, joining the Army at 17 and serving from 1987 to 1995 as a personnel clerk. Later, he pursued woodworking as a hobby. With so much in common, it was not long before Bob and Eric were building desks together. To date, they have built 58 desks and the requests keep coming.

When he first started this project, Bob thought he would get five or 10 requests for desks. Never did he imagine the extent of the need. Watching his granddaughter, Caeylan, he observed that students need enough room for paper, books and a computer. So, he designed a desk with a surface large enough to accommodate that with a storage space underneath. Custom built, the desk legs are made of pine, the body imported birch and the trim American poplar.

The support for Bob and Eric's efforts has grown over the months. As word spread on social media, they began getting donations. Home Depot donated material for eight desks. Post 29 of the American Legion and the Odd Fellows donated \$300 and \$600 respectively. When people ask how much the desks cost, Bob tells them that the material cost is \$52 for each desk. He explains that donations are welcome, but the desks are free to those who cannot afford to pay. When the desks are ready for pick-up, recipients need to

arrange for transportation. However, local veterans do volunteer to deliver them when necessary.

When asked how long he will continue building desks, he replies, "until the need dries up." He remarks on how gracious his daughter and Adam, also a veteran who retired from the Vermont Air National Guard, have been in their support of him and this project. He is grateful for the donations as it lessens the need for him to dip into his own savings. Most importantly, he enjoys the opportunity to fill a need in the community and the camaraderie with Eric.

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

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Ideas for Thanking Your Family

It's almost Thanksgiving. And although 2020 may have been a difficult year for you, as it has been for many people, you can probably still find things for which you can be thankful – such as your family. How can you show your appreciation for your loved ones?

Here are a few suggestions:

- *Invest in your children's future.* If you have young children – or even grandchildren – one of the greatest gifts you can give them is the gift of education. You may want to consider contributing to a higher education funding vehicle.
- *Be generous.* Do you have older children, just starting out in life? If so, they could well use a financial gift to help pay off student loans, buy a car or even make a down payment on a home. You can give up to \$15,000 per year, per recipient, without incurring gift taxes. Of course, you don't have to give cash – you might want to consider presenting your children with shares of stock in companies they like.
- *Review your insurance coverage.* If you weren't around, it would leave some gaping holes – financial and otherwise – in the lives of your family members. That's why it's essential you maintain adequate life insurance. Your employer might offer a group plan, but it may not be sufficient to meet your needs. There's no magic formula for determining the right amount of coverage, so you'll have to consider a variety of factors: your age, spouse's income, number of children and so on. Also, you may want to consider disability insurance – if you were unable to work for a while, it could cause a real problem for your family's finances.
- *Preserve your financial independence.* When your children are young, you take care of them. But you certainly don't want them to have to do the same for you – so it's essential you maintain your financial independence throughout your life. You can do this in at least a couple of ways. First, consider investing regularly in your 401(k), IRA and other retirement accounts. The greater your resources during your retirement years, the less you may ever need to count on your family. And second, you may want to protect yourself from the devastating costs of long-term care, such as an extended nursing home stay. A financial professional can suggest a strategy to help you cope with these expenses.
- *Create an estate plan.* To leave a legacy to your family, you don't have to be wealthy – but you do need a comprehensive estate plan. You'll have to think through a lot of questions, such as: Have I named beneficiaries for all my assets? How much do I want to leave to each person? Do I need to go beyond a simple will to establish an arrangement such as a living trust? For help in answering all these issues, you'll want to work with an attorney.

By making these moves, you can show your loved ones, in a tangible way, how much you value them – and that can help you keep the spirit of Thanksgiving alive all year long.

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Scouting for Food — Claremont Steps Up, As Always

Troop 38 Delivers Trailer Crammed With Donations



By Eric Zengota
e-Ticker News

CLAREMONT, NH—Saturday was gray, cold and windy. But a little weather never stops Scouts when they're on a project that helps the community. Nor did it stop drivers from pulling up in the Claremont Savings Bank parking lot, handing over large bills and emptying their back seats and trunks of food products.

In only five hours, the Scouts collected 121 bags totaling 1,026 lbs., which provides about 855 meals at a per-meal cost of \$1.67. Donations in the amount of \$369 can provide about 221 meals. The Scouts delivered everything to Claremont Soup Kitchen & Food Pantry, which typically sees an increased need as colder weather builds in to the Upper Valley.

Scoutmaster Alex Herzog expressed his gratitude to all the donors, saying, "It's truly inspiring and heartwarming to see such support for Scouting for Food. In a time of need for all, our community went above and beyond to uphold the Scout motto, Do a Good Turn Daily."



Above: Elaine Binder makes a cash donation to the cause on Saturday; all the food in the boxes on the ground was given by one family "who wished to remain anonymous". Left: Scouts load donations into the trailer (Eric Zengota photos).



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This class is free and will be presented via Zoom. You will receive the connection information after registration.

This class will run December 9, 16 and 23rd at 2 PM. Register for each event separately.

For more information, please visit <https://claremontmakerspace.org/events/#!event/2020/12/9/our-stuff-our-stories>.

SHS Alumni Meeting

CLAREMONT, NH—The SHS Alumni Association will hold its regular monthly meeting on Wednesday, Nov. 18, at 5:30 p.m. at its office at 50 West Pleasant St.

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Senior Wide Receiver Clayton Wadsworth heads up field for a big gain after catching a pass early in Saturday's State Championship Game (Photo courtesy of Doug Beaupre).

Pelham Takes NHIAA Div. III State Championship Title, Defeating Cards

The Stevens football team traveled to Pelham on Saturday afternoon to take on the Pythons for the NHIAA Division III State Championship. Pelham would end the Cardinals season as they came away with a 40-0 victory to claim the Championship. Stevens would have to settle for being the Division III Runner Up.

The Pythons would jump out to a 14-0 first quarter lead but the Cardinals threatened to cut the lead in half as they drove to the Pelham 14 yard line late in the quarter. The Python defense, however, would come up with a couple of big plays to force the Cardinals to turn the ball over on downs. Pelham would go on to have a big 2nd quarter to take a commanding 34-0 lead at halftime.

Owen Taylor in his final game would complete 8 passes for 133 yards. Clayton Wadsworth caught 5 of those passes for 95 yards. Fellow seniors Braxton LeBlanc, and JJ Tursky each had a reception, as well, while Luke Forrest and Eddie Brodeur started and played on both sides of the ball. Stevens concluded their season at 3-4, including the forfeit win over Winnisquam. This was their first trip to the State Championship Game since 2016 when they defeated Inter-Lakes 46-20 for the

Division III State Championship.

Stevens will graduate those six seniors who played in their final high school game on Saturday afternoon. Braxton LeBlanc, JJ Tursky, Owen Taylor, Clayton Wadsworth, Luke Forrest, and Eddie Brodeur will all be missed for their contributions over their four years.

"I can't say enough about these young men and what they have meant to Stevens Football," said Coach Paul Silva. "I am so happy for them that we got to play football this season. I said to the team when the playoffs started that I wanted to get a chance to coach them and for us to play until the last day they let us play football, and these six were a big part of making that happen. We wish them all the best in the future."

e-Ticker Sports



Newport coaches handed out medals Saturday night to the players after the team decisively beat Somersworth, 42-0 in Div. IV State Championship play. The Hilltoppers hosted the Tigers who led 28-0 at the half. Somersworth had four turnovers, including one on the game's opening play (Courtesy photo).



Head Coach Paul Silva and the Stevens Senior Captain's accept the NHIAA Division III State Championship Runner Up plaque after Saturday's State Championship Game at Pelham (Photo courtesy of Doug Beaupre).

Inspiration

Age Is Okay

By Priscilla Hull

There's an old saying "Age is a matter of mind over matter. If you don't mind it doesn't matter." It was Mark Twain who coined that phrase. It has been around for a long time and many times it is true! Betty White is such an example of it! She appeared in the pilot of the show, *Hot in Cleveland*, but was such a hit that they worked her full time into the show. Ms. White was 88 at the start of the show and continued as a catalyst to the show with her vital role. She turned 90 while the show was still running. She's still going strong at 98 and is a true example of Mark Twain's saying. Again and again, Elke (Betty White) proves that age truly doesn't matter. I hope, if I live that long, it will also be evident that it doesn't matter. It doesn't matter now!

We all hope to live a long life but we want to be healthy and active in that life so how do we do that? Various people have recommended some interesting things. Grandma Moses suggested keeping busy. George Burns, noted for his cigar, recommends loving what you do. Bob Hope says to have a good mate for life (he and Delores were married for 69 years, when he died.) Katherine Hepburn said to do interesting things. Of course, there are those who say a cigar and drink everyday will help you live long. Others say abstaining from tobacco and alcohol will make you live longer. So I think we can't include that in the equation. Others say that eating healthy is the way to a long life, but I know a man who lived well into his nineties who had for breakfast every morning orange juice, oatmeal, (good start, but see what comes next) two or three eggs fried in bacon grease, three strips of bacon or sausage links, two pieces of toast with butter and homemade jam, a donut, all washed down with coffee with cream and sugar followed by a piece of pie, usually apple with cheddar cheese. So much for eating healthy.

In short, my theory, without being a fatalist, is that we live whatever our designated years are meant to be. If we are happy, productive, loving and useful, chances are they'll seem short. Being happy, productive, loving and useful is a way to make the years meaningful. Life never is boring or unhappy if we work to find those qualities and if we enjoy what we're doing. Enjoy life and the length will be just right. I know plenty of people who meet these criteria and they are a good example to follow. I know Archie, with his chicken farmer breakfast above, enjoyed life. They were the greatest neighbor's ever. At least life will be meaningful and purposeful. That's important. Also if we enjoy life it'll never be too long. It will always be just right.

A few weeks ago, it was intimated that I might be too old for surgery! I let the person know that I have a sister four years older who just had a shoulder replacement and another two years older who just had brain surgery. Don't ever let anyone say you're too old for something! Course, if it weren't for some pretty fancy device in my heart, I might not be here!

The end thought is that I agree with Mark Twain! Let me repeat, "Age is a matter of mind over matter, and if you don't mind, it doesn't matter!" Be happy! Enjoy what you do! Be kind! Be generous! Love the right person!

"Honor your father and your mother, that you may live a long time in the land the Lord your God is giving to you."
Exodus 20:12

"Honor your father and mother,... that it may go well with you and that you will live a long time on the earth."
Ephesians 6:2-3

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



Calendar Of Events

December 5

The Area Choir Christmas Concerts of past years will be televised at 7:30 PM on Comcast 21 and 713 (HD), TDS TV 13 and 1013 (HD), "over the air" on Channel 2.1, and on the web at <https://ycnnow.com/category/specials/>. Now in their 67th year, this ecumenical choir of over 60 singers from more than 20 New Hampshire and Vermont towns and cities meets annually in Newport, NH to rehearse and perform a series of concerts as their gift to area communities. Due to COVID-19, this year a selection of past Area Choir Christmas concerts, televised and produced by YCN, Your Local View! is brought to you by the generosity of local businesses and individuals to help welcome in the Christmas season. The Area Choir will be back with live concerts in 2021!

December 6

The Area Choir Christmas Concerts of past years will be televised at 3:30 PM and 7:30 PM on Comcast 21 and 713 (HD), TDS TV 13 and 1013 (HD), and "over the air" on Channel 2.1, and on the web at <https://ycnnow.com/category/specials/>. Now in their 67th year, this ecumenical choir of over 60 singers from more than 20 New Hampshire and Vermont towns and cities meets annually in Newport, NH to rehearse and perform a series of concerts as their gift to area communities. Due to COVID-19, this year a selection of past Area Choir Christmas concerts, televised and produced by YCN, Your Local View! is brought to you by the generosity of local businesses and individuals to help welcome in the Christmas season. The Area Choir will be back with live concerts in 2021!

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 26 FREE THANKSGIVING DINNER IN LEBANON

All are welcome to a Free Thanksgiving dinner hosted by Sacred Heart Church located at 2 Hough Street, Lebanon, NH, on Thursday, Nov 26th. Meals are available for pickup and delivery. Please contact 603-448-6575 to order a meal, donate, or volunteer.

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Virtual Grief Support Available Through Lake Sunapee VNA

NEW LONDON, NH – Lake Sunapee VNA is now offering two virtual grief support groups, since its in-person support groups are still on hold. To help anyone grieving during this pandemic and time of social distancing, a Virtual Bereavement Check-in is available on Wednesdays every three weeks from 4:00-5:00pm. In addition, a Virtual Widow to Widow group is held on the first Monday of every month from 3:30-5:00pm. Anyone interested in participating in these free groups should email their contact information to Lori O'Connor at loconnor@lakesunapeevna.org and a member of the bereavement team will call with further details.

Moose Family Center Community Thanksgiving Dinner

NEWPORT, NH—Newport Moose Family Center #1236 will be hosting its annual Community Thanksgiving Dinner on Thursday, Nov. 26th. Meals will be delivered between 10 am and 12 pm. Reservations can be made to eat at the Lodge from 12 - 3:45 pm. Please call 603-863-1040 the Lodge to order a "to go" meal or make a reservation.

2020 UV Employment Fair

With the safety of exhibitors, job seekers, and volunteers in mind, this year's Upper Valley Employment fair is being offered virtually to connect local jobseekers with area employers who are currently hiring for lots of open positions. This virtual event utilizes a new website comprised of current job listings, career exploration information, live virtual event listings via Zoom, job seeker resources and tutorials, and more. You can even submit your resume for review by any of our participating businesses.

Visit our website www.uppervalleyemploymentfair.org to explore great opportunities with some of the top companies in our area. This two-month-long event is free and open to the public.

You can also follow us on Facebook for live virtual event details and reminders, job seeker tips, and more, at www.facebook.com/upper-valleyemploymentfair.

Please join us online now through the end of November at www.uppervalleyemploymentfair.org and follow us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/uppervalleyemploymentfair for updates and more.



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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 (average \$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 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.

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.

St. Mary Parish Fundraiser Raffle

CLAREMONT, NH—St. Mary Parish is holding a fundraiser raffle to benefit its fuel fund. Grand prize \$1,500 Heating fuel: \$300 Additional prizes announced on day of drawing; \$5.00/ticket or 5 tickets for \$20.00. Drawings to be held live on parish Facebook on Dec. 12, at 6:00 pm. Please contact St. Mary Rectory for tickets at (603) 542-9518 or stmarysclaremont@comcast.net.

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 EVERY-DAY WRJCT, Lebanon & Hanover
PRICE CHOPPER 6AM - 7AM EVERYDAY-Windsor & West Lebanon
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WALMART 6 AM - 7 AM TUESDAYS ONLY Claremont & West Lebanon
PLAINFIELD COUNTRY STORE Call ahead for curb side pickup, 709-7055. Prepared meals, grocery items.

Virtual Instructors Wanted

CLAREMONT, NH—Claremont MakerSpace is looking for people with a passion for STEAM (science, technology, engineering, art and math) subjects to offer virtual learning classes to our enthusiastic community of makers including adults, students and children. They have offered a large variety in the past and look to continue and expand these. Pay is \$36 per class hour. If interested, please contact Brendan at brendan@claremontmakerspace.org to learn more.

Center for the Arts Remaining 2020 Event Listings

November 15-30 Arts Auction for Arts Education

Give something creative this Holiday Season "Visual Art and Virtual Art" - November 15th-30th

www.32auctions.com/cfanh

Artwork by the finest artists in the Lake Sunapee Region, including: Peter Anderson, Hugo Anderson, Barclay, Marc Beerman, Sue Ann Bottomley, Max Bryant, Debbie Campbell, Jean Cronin Connolly, Elizabeth D'Amico, Don Elliot, Iris Fischer-McMorrow, Jay Fitzpatrick, Gwen Fuller, Ludmilla Gayvoronsky, Mary Gerakaris, Debra Grubbs, Jack Harkins, Teresa Hathaway, Loren Howard, Barbara Hunting, Lisa Jelleme, Penny Koburger, Kathy Lowe, Molly Leith, Miller, Lucy Mueller, Aline Ordman, Bruce Parsons, Tom Pirozzoli, Yvonne Shukovsky, Rick Stockwell, Charlotte Thibault, David Tibbetts, Mary Watts, Krystin Watts, Roger Wells, Mimi Wiggin, Tatiana Yanovskaya-Sink.

Music, baking, writing, wine tasting, and more from Megan Baxter, Carl Beverly, Barbara Hunting, New London Barn Playhouse, Northern Stage Theater, Will Ogmundson, Tom Pirozzoli, Patrick Ross, Pete Savickas, and Tom Tuthill.

Free Online Concert by Tom Pirozzoli Donations to the Education Fund appreciated. Tom has generously created this concert especially for the Center for the Arts. Take a listen here, https://youtu.be/7HL_gAgLjJM ...and make a donation to the Arts Education Fund.

www.centerfortheartsnh.org/arts-education.

December 4th 6:00 "Highlights of the Messiah" online premiere.

A beautiful show produced by the Kearsarge Conservatory of the Performing Arts in collaboration with the Center for the Arts. Please visit <https://centerfortheartsnh.org/first-fridays> for the link to this event coming December 1st.

PUBLIC NOTICE Conservation Commission MEETING

Thursday, November 19, 2020 6:00 PM

*Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, the City is suggesting citizens participate in this meeting by Zoom. Join Zoom Meeting Online at:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89268365109?pwd=ek-tDYzVqTFpSbG9wTG5YTTI1c2hGdz09>

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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

Marilyn DeValk, 94

Marilyn DeValk, 94, of Claremont, NH, passed away November 12, 2020, at Summercrest in Newport, NH. She was born May 26, 1926, in Lawrence, MA, to Frank Godin and Alice (Gauvin) Godin.

Marilyn moved to Claremont in 1958 and remained in Claremont for more than 60 years.

Marilyn was a graduate of St. Patrick's Catholic High School in Lawrence, MA, the class of 1944. She attended Bryant-Mcintosh Junior College before becoming employed by JH Horne & Sons also in Lawrence, MA. She remained with JH Horne for eight years and often recalled many fond memories of her time there.

Marilyn was very active in the Claremont community. She served on several committees and had a long tenure with the Claremont Garden Club, serving as their president for a time. Marilyn was a devoted mother and grandmother and spent many hours cooking, planning, driving to and watching the many activities of her children and grandchildren. She was their most ardent and enthusiastic fan.

Marilyn enjoyed many activities, with tennis being her favorite. She and her late husband, Connie, were avid tennis players and fans. They also spent time traveling and enjoyed spending the cooler New Hampshire months in Florida. However,

her main love was her family and grandchildren, so they were never away for long.

Marilyn was the beloved widow of the late Connie DeValk. She is survived by her children, Rick DeValk and his wife Sue of Unity, Rob DeValk and his wife Lisa of Acworth and Diana DeValk and her husband, John Nachilly of Durham, NH; her grandchildren Jason Leahy and his wife Wendy, Cassie Edwards and her husband Tyler, Sara DeValk and Tyler Nachilly; and her great grandson, Asher Edwards.

The family wishes to extend their sincere thanks to the staff of Summercrest Senior Living in Newport for their loving care of Marilyn.

A graveside service is scheduled for Thursday, November 19, at 11:00 at West Claremont Burying Grounds. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, no reception will follow at this time.

The family requests all those attending to follow all safety regulations regarding masks and distancing.

The Stringer Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

TJ Raymond, 40

TJ Raymond, 40, of Claremont, NH, passed away peacefully on November 7, 2020, with his family by his side at the Jack Byrne Center in Lebanon, NH.

He was born on October 19, 1980, in Claremont to Jeffrey and Jodie Raymond of Claremont. He was a graduate of Stevens High School in the Class of 1999.

TJ was admired and will be remembered for all his athletic skills in baseball, skiing, tennis and especially soccer. He played on the Keene State College soccer team.

After college, TJ worked at TeleAtlis N.A., and as a manager at both Ascutney Mountain Resort and Okemo Mountain Resort.

TJ is survived by his mother, Jodie Raymond and partner, Rick Bergeron of Claremont, his sister, Kaitlyn Raymond and her husband, Jason Ryerson and their children, Connor and Cali Ryerson of Essex, VT; his grandparents, Tim and Dottie Dole and grandmother, Mary Raymond all of Claremont.

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He was predeceased by his father, Jeffrey Raymond and grandfather, William "Pete" Raymond.

He deeply appreciated all that would help with transportation to appointments and special meals delivered to him from his extended family and friends. TJ had a special passion for food and his favorite holiday was Thanksgiving.

TJ had an infectious smile and positive attitude and embraced his illnesses with great strength and courage. Family was everything to him.

The family would like to thank all the staff at DHMC with special thanks to Dr. Tim Gardner and Dr. Sushela Chaidarun for their never-ending love and support. We are eternally thankful for all of you.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held at St. Mary's Church on Saturday, November 14th, with the Very Rev. Shawn Therrien officiating. Burial followed in St. Mary Cemetery.

A celebration of his life will be held in 2021 after COVID.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Southwest Community Services, C/O Terri Curtis, 6 Kinney Place, Claremont, NH 03743 or DHMC, C/O Dr. Tim Gardner, Gastroenterology & Hepatology Dept., One Medical Center Drive, Lebanon, NH 03756.

The Stringer Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Albert C. Blake, 89

Albert C. Blake, 89, passed on Veterans Day, November 11, 2020.

One of six children born to Arthur Blake and Emma Ryan Blake on March 31, 1931 in Wolfeboro, NH.

He was predeceased by his parents, brothers, Henry and Arthur and a sister, Evelyn Provencher.

He is survived by his wife, Betty; brother, John; sister, Beverly Perron and her husband, Elliot; daughter, Deborah Bourgoine and her husband, Michael of Cape Neddick, Maine.

After attending Stevens High School, Al joined the US Air Force in 1949 and was honorably discharged in 1950.

On November 25th, 1950, he married Betty McGowan. This year would mark their 70th anniversary.

During their many years in Claremont, Al was a member of the Claremont Country Club, where he enjoyed playing in golf leagues with

his many friends and meeting up with friends at the Elks Club.

Using his outstanding skill as a machinist, he built a very successful business, Ultra Precision Products, Inc. which he sold in 1986 and retired to their cottage on Lake Sunapee.

During retirement, he became a patented inventor and spent time as the chair of a 501C3 charitable educational foundation to help students graduate from Stevens High School.

While on the lake, he did a lot of hiking, water skiing, snow skiing, fishing, and hunting.

Al leaves two grandchildren, Derek and his wife, Barbara and Ian and his wife, Romney and three great grandchildren, Evan, Elly and Jasmine Bourgoine. His favorite things to do with his grandchildren, were to hike then ski down Tuckerman's Ravine, skiing Jay Peak and Mount Sunapee and water ski and fish on Lake Sunapee.

Our family would like to recognize the outstanding caregivers of the Woodlawn Care Center in Newport, NH.

Due to the Covid 19 pandemic, services will be held in the summer of 2021.

The Stringer Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Paul Obymako, 88

Paul "Oby" Obymako, 88, passed peacefully on November 8, 2020 in the presence of his son, Gary.

Paul was born in Claremont, NH, on March 14, 1932, the eighth and youngest child of Afanas and Alexandria Obymako. He spent his youth making mischief and playing neighborhood sports, until losing the fingers on his right hand in a woodshop accident during high school. Despite this injury, he went on to become an accomplished woodworker, building and remodeling numerous homes in the Claremont area.

Paul married Marcelle (Marcy) LaPointe on July 18, 1953, and during their 63 years of marriage raised a family of their own. His children, Gary and Lori, fondly remember family summer weekends at Lake Sunapee—listening to the Red Sox on the radio and swimming out to the raft. His grandchildren remember his sense of humor and will always cherish the birthday song voicemails from their beloved Pepere. A lifelong New Hampshire resident, Paul was an avid hunter and tagged his last deer – a 4 point buck – at the age of 83.

Paul was predeceased by his wife Marcy; his siblings Mary Siwek, Olga Obymako, Hope

Porter, Sophie Chandler, and Mike Obymako; and his grandson Tommy McCarthy. He is survived by his sisters Rose Fisher and Lillianne Lawrence; his children Gary (Cindy) Obymako and Lori (Tom) McCarthy; and his grandchildren Maggie, KC, Jill and Kevin McCarthy.

Due to the pandemic, there will be no services at this time. When it is safe to do so, we will have a celebration of Paul's life.

The Stringer Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Claremont Senior Center News

The Center is open. Masks are mandatory and social distancing observed. Hours are Tuesday and Thursday, 9am-3pm, and Tuesday game night, 6pm-9pm. Everyone must sign in for CDC tracking, answer COVID questions and sign a form before participating in any activity. We are now closed on Wednesdays.

Are you a senior? Please come in for pool, cards, puzzles, computer use, library, visiting, knitting or just to watch TV.

Bingo has gone on a hiatus. During this hiatus we will be looking for more volunteers to work bingo. As we see the daily numbers rise, we are concerned for the health and safety of our players. The board will evaluate and decide to reopen when we have enough workers, and it is safe for everyone.

The Turkey Dinner for November is a drive through, on Tuesday, November 24, open to the public, 11:45-12:45, \$10 per person. Turkey Dinner: Please notice that it is on a Tuesday and not a Saturday. If you are going to be alone on Thanksgiving, why not buy a turkey dinner on Tuesday and then you can warm it up on Thursday--best yet--no cooking!!!!

VNA foot clinic: November 18, and November 25. Call for an appointment, 603-526-4077.

American Red Cross Blood Drive, Monday, December 21, 2020, 12 – 5pm. Appointments online or call 1-800-RED CROSS.

Weekly drive-up meals:
Tuesday (17) Soup, Ham, Scalloped Potatoes, Beets, Dessert
Thursday (19) Soup, Roast Pork Loin, Potatoes, Green Beans, 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, call ahead for donation times, we need your stuff. Hopefully by May things will return to some sort of normalcy. We have some neat stuff, let us see what you have.

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

Thought for the week: A negative mind will never give you a positive thought.

Claremont Fire Dept. Log

Sunday, 11/8:

5:17 PM: Engine 3 responded to Old Newport Rd. for a report of an out of control fire.

Monday, 11/9:

6:31 PM: Engine 3 responded to Hanover St. for a medical call.

7:21 PM: Engine 3 responded to Bonmark Drive for a medical call.

Tuesday, 11/10:

2:00 PM: Ladder 1 and Rescue 1 responded to Washington St. for a motor vehicle accident with reported entrapment.

8:00 PM: Engine 3 responded to Trinity St. for a smoke alarm sounding.

Wednesday, 11/11:

1:15 AM: Engine 3 responded to Ledgewood Rd. for a medical call.

1:32 AM: Engine 1 responded to North St. for a lift assist.

3:05 AM: Engine 3 responded to Ledgewood Rd. for a lift assist.

9:36 AM: Engine 3 responded to Central St. for a motor vehicle accident.

11:55 AM: Engine 3 responded to Mill Rd. for a carbon monoxide alarm sounding.

1:02 PM: Engine 3 responded to Alden Rd. for a medical call.

4:39 PM: Engine 3 responded to Main St. for a report of a vehicle leaking gas.

6:24 PM: Engine 3 responded to Central St. for a medical call.

Friday, 11/13:

12:27 PM: Engine 3 responded to Pleasant St. for a fire alarm sounding.

Saturday, 11/14:

2:06 AM: Engine 3 responded to Box Alarm 0182.

6:02 PM: Engine 3 responded to McKenzie Drive for an oven fire.

8:20 PM: Engine 3 responded to Bay St. for a report of an illegal burn.

Arc and Suites: Dana Lyn, Fiddle, and Kyle Sanna, Guitar (Augmented Reality Concert)

Date: November 20, 2020, 6:30pm

Available 24 hours/ until Nov 22, 2020, 5:30pm

Admission: By donation

Location: Online@WCCMA

Event Details: <https://www.wcc-ma.org/event/dana-lyn-and-kyle-sanna-augmented-reality-concert/>

Ticket Link: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/dana-lyn-and-kyle-sanna-augmented-reality-concert-tickets-128295863381>

Dana Lyn, fiddle, & Kyle Sanna, guitar, perform a through-the-looking-glass approach to traditional Irish Music. Join the artists after the premiere for a Zoom chat at 8pm Eastern.

Hailed as “ground-breaking” by noted folklorist Mick Moloney and “first-rate, versatile musicians” by The New Yorker, Dana Lyn and Kyle Sanna connect the dots between their experience as composers and improvisers in New York City’s rich musical community and their deep admiration for traditional Irish music. Performing as a duo since 2011, Lyn and Sanna have brought their “Through the Looking Glass” approach to traditional music to clubs, festival stages, and concert halls throughout the US and Canada.

In “Arcs and Suites”, Lyn and Sanna present music from their two environmentally-themed projects: “The Great Arc” and “The Coral Suite”. The Great Arc is inspired by and concerned with extinct and endangered animal species. The Irish Echo hailed it as “a deep musical work full of lavish, evocative textures”. The Coral Suite is an evocative sequence of Irish tunes that mirrors the life cycles and natural processes that occur within coral reef ecosystems. Renowned fiddler Martin Hayes

called it “beautiful... simultaneously traditional and innovative.”

Dana Lyn and Kyle Sanna also offer a post-concert Q and A at 8pm, where they hope to engage the audience in conversations about traditional music in a modern world, environmentalism, and to answer any questions about their musical backgrounds and approaches.

This program will be presented in Augmented Reality from your smart device. The artist “holograms” will be projected onto a 360 degree image outside of WCCMA’s concert hall. You’ll be able to look around the space, move closer, etc, just as though you are there. For those without supported devices you’ll be able to join us via Youtube video link. Headphones are strongly recommended for optimal audio experience.

This event is presented by West Claremont Center for Music and the Arts, www.wcc-ma.org. Concert tickets are by donation. Our suggested contribution is \$25 (\$15 for WCCMA members), \$40 for a family. Student tickets are free (use NOVSTUDENT20 code), and scholarships are available to anyone by request.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 18 Cookbook Club, Wednesday, 7 pm, Virtual

We will be reading and cooking from "Ottolenghi: Simple"-- one of several incredibly popular cookbooks from London-based chef Yotam Ottolenghi.

Books are available at the library. Call or email us to make arrangements to pick up a book during appointment hours or curbside. Then choose a recipe to cook and join the virtual discussion on November 18 at 7pm.

Email stephanie.mcandrew@plainfieldlibraries.org for the zoom link and for any questions.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21 HOLIDAY BAKE SALE IN WINDSOR

Old South Church, Main St., Windsor, VT, will be holding a Holiday Bake Sale on Saturday, November 21, 2020, from 11:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. We will be offering pies, cakes, breads, cookies and other delicious goodies. At the same time we will also be collecting hats, mittens, scarves and socks for distribution in the community to help everyone stay warm this winter.

In keeping with current COVID recommendations: Masks are required and we will be practicing social distancing.

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