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West Claremont Center for Music and the Arts Awarded \$400,000 by CDFA

TLC Family Resource Center Also Selected for Tax Credits Program

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CLAREMONT, NH—The New Hampshire Community Development Finance Authority (CDFA) announced that it has awarded \$5 million in tax credits to projects throughout New Hampshire. The funds will have a significant impact on initiatives that advance local community economic development goals, capacity building for the New Hampshire nonprofit sector and support for economic development across the state.



Left: Melissa Richmond, Ex. Director of WCCMA; right: TLC Board members Laura Hagley and Jason Bird; CDFA's Executive Director, Katy Easterly Martey with NH Sen. Martha Hennessy on far right (Courtesy photos).

"Projects receiving tax credits are providing increased access to critical services, revitalizing downtowns, as well as supporting workforce development and the creation of affordable housing," said the CDFA.

Twenty-two projects are receiving funding, including West Claremont Center for Music and the Arts and the TLC Family Resource Center, also in Claremont.

West Claremont Center for Music and the Arts (Claremont)—\$400,000: Tax credits will be used to redevelop a building in downtown Claremont to create a new facility that will provide a single, central location for West Claremont Center for Music and the Arts programs. The new
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Claremont City Council Passes \$17,037,612 Municipal Budget

By Phyllis A. Muzeroll
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CLAREMONT, NH—The City Council passed a \$17,037,612 municipal FY 2020 budget Wednesday evening. The meeting had

been carried over from the previous Wednesday due to technology and other issues that arose that night.

The council strove to keep the municipal part of the tax bill from rising, noting that school taxes are going up and that the county portion

is also expected to rise. To keep the City's side from increasing, the council approved taking \$500,000 from the undesignated fund balance. The City is contributing \$30,000 for the county transit service; \$25,000 had been the
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The Children’s Literacy Foundation Brings Stories and Books to The Fiske through Summer Readers Grant

CLAREMONT, NH—On Wednesday, June 26, children served by The Fiske Free Library will be treated to a storytelling presentation from Presenter Duncan McDougal and brand-new books to keep, thanks to a grant from the Children’s Literacy Foundation (CLiF).

McDougal will lead an interactive presentation for children and parents. At the end of the presentation, each child will select two new books to keep from hundreds of titles.

CLiF awards Summer Readers grants to organizations serving kids at high risk of experiencing a “summer slide” in literacy skills. The partnership between The Fiske Free Library and CLiF will reach Claremont’s young readers who are at greatest risk.

Research shows that children who don’t read over summer vacation tend to lose literacy skills while children who do read improve their reading abilities. Low-income children and youth often experience greater summer learn-

ing losses than their higher-income peers.

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original amount designated, but Southwestern Community Services, which administers the program, requested the additional \$5,000 to help upgrade the transportation system. SCS is the only outside agency to which the City contributes.

The budget also includes another \$100,000 of fund balance toward Phase II - final design for Pleasant Street, and some \$207,000 for debt service on the downtown TIF District.

The Council also approved \$27,300 for a part-time maintenance person for the CSB Community Center. Although there is a cleaning company that is contracted to clean the facility—workers come in at night—Parks & Rec Director Mark Brislin said the contract workers can’t be there to cover all the hours that they facility is in use; it operates from 5:30 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. “As soon as that first person comes in in the morning, it’s getting dirty again. Six years old isn’t that old, but we’re starting to see wear and tear on the building,” he said. Better maintenance will help with better marketing for the center, he added. The part-time person will also be available to make repairs as things come up, something the cleaning crew can’t do. While Councilors Jonathan Stone and Andrew O’Hearne were opposed, Councilor Nick Koloski said that the request for the part-time position wasn’t “a want, it’s a need.”

Smaller amounts were also discussed and approved at Wednesday’s meeting. Those included

\$5,600 for two crossing signal devices, one to put near City Hall and the other near the high school. Money had already been included for one, the one near City Hall; DPW Director Vic St. Pierre said it would be more cost efficient to purchase two. Finance Director Mary Walter said that the husband of a City employee had been struck by a car near City Hall and that there had been other close calls in the same area. Police Chief Mark Chase said that “No doubt they are better than the painted lines...I think they are great.”

Another \$500 was also approved for materials to help lower heating costs for the DPW.

In his budget proposal, Interim City Manager John MacLean had also advocated using \$161,000 previously used to pay the water utility for hydrant rental and instead proposed to use the funds to replace three pieces of fire apparatus: That the Fire Chief’s vehicle, when replaced, be used by another department to replace a much older vehicle, and Engine 1 and 2, which can be sold and replaced with one combination 2,000-gal pumper. The dollars from the sales would go into their capital replacement reserve to help with future upgrades. Many communities do not pay hydrant rental fees, said Chief Bryan Burr.

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Acworth Community Charitable Trust Garden Tour and Plant Sale Planned for July 13

ACWORTH, NH—The Acworth Community Charitable Trust announces its fundraising Garden Tour and Plant Sale on July 13, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., rain or shine. Featured are the nationally recognized gardens and arboretum of Kristian Fenderson, landscape designer, at 384 Grout Hill Rd, Acworth, NH. The sale will offer a wide variety of plants from some of New England's finest specialty growers. Also on view and for sale will be horticultural etchings by noted botanical artist, Bobbi Angell.

Lunch fare and other refreshments are available for purchase at the Village Store, 1068 NH Route 123A, South Acworth, NH. Restroom and ATM.

A Book Sale by the Acworth Silsby Library will be held in the Town Hall offices from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Ticket not required. Restrooms available.

The Trust was founded in 2007 for the purpose of supporting charitable projects benefiting the town of Acworth and its citizens. In

twelve years the Trust has awarded over \$110,000 in grants to local projects.

For tickets and more information, visit the Trust's website, www.acworthtrust.org, email Stella Herpel, secretary, at frogwood@myfairpoint.net, or call 603-835-6439.

Music Fest in Acworth

ACWORTH, NH—The annual MusicFest is on the way! This year it is scheduled rain or shine for Saturday, June 29, from 11:00 a.m. until dusk. Tal-

ented local musicians will be featured on two stages, and it promises to be another fabulous musical event. This year MusicFest will feature Volkert Volkersz, Carolyn Waters, Wendy Kietz, 12 oz Soul, Picket Hill, Neptunes Car, Decatur Creek, BabaRay and more.

This year the grill will be cooking hot dogs, hamburgers, and sausage with sides, and later in the day we'll be cooking up BBQ chicken, and from our outdoor hearth, freshly made pizza. We'll also have a vegetarian food truck. Along with great music and food there will be craft vendors. If you are interested in being a vendor (fee is only \$15), please contact Linda Lacasse at linda@Lacasseenterprise.com or call 603-835-6547.

Entrance is free for this event and promises to be a wonderful day for all!

Saturday Pizza Night continues through mid October from 5:30-7:30 PM. Come on over for some good food and great music.

The Acworth Village Store is run by The Acworth Community Project which is a NH non-profit organization. They hold one board meeting a month and have some interesting and fun plans for the upcoming year which include historical and educational events and fundraising activities. If you'd like more information about this community-run Village Store, please contact Jim Neidert at 835-2453.

The Acworth Village Store is located at 1068 Rt. 123A, South Acworth, NH. The phone number there is 603-835-6547. The website is www.acworthvillagestore.com and you can also visit them on FaceBook.

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Commentary

NH House Happenings

By Rep. John Cloutier

Proposed Budgets would Help Fund Education



New Hampshire's House of Representatives and Senate reached compromise agreements last week on the state's two-year operating budget and the budget's trailer bill, a compromise that Gov. Christopher Sununu is likely to veto.

On June 20 the House-Senate Committees of Conference on both House Bill 1, the proposed operating budget, as well as House Bill 2, the budget's trailer bill which helps pay for and implement the budget, reached agreement on what I believe are this year's most important pieces of legislation. Agreement on an approximately \$13 million revenue and spending plan that is presently scheduled to begin on July 1, 2019, and runs through June 30, 2021. These joint conference committees, consisting of five representatives and four senators, all Democrats because no Republicans ultimately decided to sign on to the committees' compromises, came to agreement after four days of intense negotiations which had started on June 17. The conference committee agreement on both bills now go to the full House and Senate for votes on June 27. If both compromise bills are approved by the two legislative bodies, the bills will then go to Gov. Sununu, who can either sign both into law, veto both, or let them both become law without his signature.

However, Gov. Sununu has already publicly indicated that he is dissatisfied with the recommended House-Senate agreements on both the operating budget and trailer bill, and will veto both as of June 22. The Governor said he will veto both for two main reasons. First, because both rescind cuts in the rates of New Hampshire's BPT (Business Profits Tax) and BET (Business Enterprise Tax), rate cuts enacted by two previous Republican legislatures, and scheduled to take effect on July 1, 2019, rate cuts that will further stimulate New Hampshire's economy. Second, because both rely on higher amounts of projected state tax revenues as estimated by Democratic legislators, than estimated by him when he proposed his operating budget and trailer in February, estimates that the Democrats have used to help pay for higher spending in such areas as more state aid to public education and increased Medicaid rates paid to health care providers providing services to Medicaid-eligible residents, estimates that he claims, even with the rescinding of the two business tax rate cuts, will result in projected deficit of \$93 million by June 30, 2021, in the operating budget.

By contrast, the Governor proposed an operating budget and trailer bill in February that not only includes the scheduled business tax decreases, but no new or increased taxes. But he also didn't propose any increases in public education funding, whether for Grades K-12 or our state's community colleges and universities, as well as increases in Medicaid rates, a proposed budget that would contain a surplus, which

would result in a Rainy Day Fund balance of approximately \$137 million, once of the highest balances in New Hampshire history.

Nevertheless, Democratic legislators like Concord Rep. Mary Jane Wallner, who headed both the House Bill 1 and 2 Committees of Conference, disagreed with Gov. Sununu's reasons for his likely vetoes. First, Rep. Wallner argued the business tax cuts to be rescinded are small, and would mainly benefit out-of-state, rather than in-state businesses. Also the revenue lost by the cuts could be better spent on increased state education aid, which should reduce local property taxes. Second, she said that the \$93 million deficit in the conference committee agreement would be wiped out by carrying over surpluses from previous operating budgets. This proposed carryover would not only wipe out the \$93 million deficit, create a \$24 million surplus, and result in a Rainy Day Fund of approximately \$118 million.

Despite the Governor's likely veto of House Bills 1 and 2, Democratic legislators, especially Democratic senators, before and during meetings of the two committees of conference tried to alleviate at least some of his objections to both measures. Among other provisions, both representatives and senators ultimately agreed to remove a new capital gains tax as a way of funding Grade K-12 public schools, a new tax originally passed by the House as part of its version of House Bill 2, but later removed by the Senate in its version. Conference committee members also agreed to remove the proposed new FMLI (Family & Medical Leave Insurance) program from both bodies' versions of the two bills. But the FMLI is contained in a separate piece of legislation, Senate Bill 1, which was earlier passed by both House and Senate, then vetoed by the Governor, with the attempted veto override yet to be scheduled by the two bodies as of June 22. Finally, the conference committees' proposed agreements include construction of a new 25-bed SPU (Secure Psychiatric Unit) on the grounds of the New Hampshire State Hospital in Concord that would be used to house mentally-ill individuals, who pose a danger to themselves or others. Presently, such individuals are housed on the grounds of the State Prison in Concord, which many citizens believe is inhumane. An SPU was proposed by Gov. Sununu in his operating budget, but wasn't included in the House's proposed budget because many representatives believed the proposal needed more review before being constructed.

However, I believe that the most beneficial feature of the conference committee agreements on the operating budget and trailer bill is the increased state funding for our public schools. More specifically, the agreements would allocate a total of over \$138 million in such increased funding. The increased funding would include complete adequacy aid for full-day kindergarten in local school districts like Claremont that offer such kindergarten. It would also provide full stabilization grants to districts, including Claremont, and creates a new fiscal disparity formula that would send targeted school aid back to districts with the lowest property values, and most children on school lunches. Additionally, it would establish a commission to study the long-term funding of education, including the funding of pre-kindergarten programs. Finally, in the related area of higher education, they would provide more money for our state's community college and university system so the

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tuition of in-state students could be frozen for the next two years.

Furthermore, the conference committee agreements would return \$40 million in State Revenue Sharing to all New Hampshire municipalities for the first time in about 10 years. More specifically, Claremont’s share of this \$40 million would total \$666,771 over the next two years according to the Joint Office of the LBA (Legislative Budget Assistant). This \$666,771 on top of the \$5,589,444 that Claremont would receive in additional education funding, also according to the LBA, would result in our city receiving a grand total of \$6,256,415 in additional state aid between 2019-2021. Other Sullivan County municipalities receiving additional state aid include Newport, which would receive \$2,927,520 more, Charlestown with \$2,252,291 more, Unity with \$260,595 more, and Cornish with \$190,148 more.

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Shaheen Statement on Official Count of Overdose Deaths for 2018

WASHINGTON, DC—U.S. Senator Jeanne Shaheen issued the following statement after the New Hampshire Medical Examiner’s office released an official count of drug overdose deaths for 2018:

“It is heartbreaking to see these numbers knowing that every death represents family members, friends and coworkers,” said Shaheen. “We cannot grow numb to this tragedy and need to keep finding ways to save lives and deliver treatment before it’s too late. These statistics demonstrate that not only is this epidemic the worst public health crisis in our state’s history, it is also the most persistent. We cannot thank our law enforcement, first responders and treatment providers enough for all they do to battle this crisis – it is often an overwhelming responsibility. My number one job in the U.S. Senate is to continue to advocate for tools and resources so that New Hampshire can finally turn the tide of this crisis.”

Shaheen is a leader in the Senate on tackling the opioid epidemic; Shaheen helped negotiate the bipartisan agreement in 2018 that outlined the two years of opioid response spending – totaling \$6 billion to respond to the opioid crisis. This included the set-aside funding for states with the highest mortality rates, like New Hampshire. This critical additional funding, which Shaheen helped broker, has been included by Congress over the last two fiscal years. As a result of the Congressional Delegation’s efforts, New Hampshire received a more than seven-fold increase in annual grant award funding provided through the State Opioid Response Grant program.

Bipartisan Hassan-Backed Bills to Strengthen Homeland Security, Bolster Counterterrorism & Cybersecurity Efforts Pass Committee

WASHINGTON, DC—The Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee, on which Senator Maggie Hassan sits, has voted to approve several bipartisan measures backed by Senator Hassan to strengthen homeland security, bolster counterterrorism and cybersecurity efforts, improve government efficiency, and save taxpayer dollars. Measures include:

- The bipartisan Protecting Faith-Based and Nonprofit Organizations from Terrorism Act, which Hassan cosponsored to help secure nonprofit and faith-based facilities against potential terrorist attacks.
- The bipartisan Securing America’s Ports of Entry Act, which the Senator cosponsored to improve the security at ports of entry into the country.
- The bipartisan Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Unmanned Aircraft Systems Coordinator Act that Senator Hassan cosponsored to establish a Counter Unmanned Aerial Systems coordinator.
- The bipartisan National Urban Search and Rescue Parity Act, which Senator Hassan joined colleagues in introducing to support first responders by eliminating a misguided policy that currently prevents federal employees from assisting with the Federal Emergency Management Agency’s (FEMA) Urban Search and Rescue efforts during disasters such as floods, earthquakes, hurricanes, or gas explosions.

NH Fish & Game was on site Tuesday, conducting the annual dredging at the Ashley Ferry Boat Landing in Claremont (Courtesy photo).



Steven Graduates Excel

Student from Claremont Earns Degree from Drew University

Krystal Starrett
Drew University
Majoring in English, Sociology
Class of 2019
From Claremont, NH

Belisle Earns Spot on Spring 2019 Dean's List

Kelsey Belisle has been named to Emmanuel College's Dean's List for the Spring 2019 semester. To earn a spot on the Dean's List, Emmanuel students must achieve a grade point average of 3.5 or higher for a 16-credit semester.

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Claremont to Host July 4th Celebration

CLAREMONT, NH—The Claremont Parks and Recreation Department has announced its lineup for the Annual July 4th Celebration at Monadnock Park on Thursday, July 4th. The excitement will begin at 6 PM with many local vendors on hand selling food, drinks, and novelty items. “We are excited to have Last Kid Picked, a local band that is considered one of New England’s best cover bands, playing a variety of musical genres. The band is great for dancing or listening to and provides an enjoyable experience for all audiences,” said Mark Brislin, Parks and Recreation Director for the City of Claremont. “July 4th is a great time to bring the community together and celebrate,” he added. “All of these fun events will lead up to the spectacular fireworks show at 9:30 to conclude the evening.”

This year’s fireworks display is presented by McGee Toyota of Claremont. To help continue the popular July 4th celebration in future years, Claremont Parks & Rec will be asking for a \$1 donation at the entrance of Monadnock Park. Your support is greatly appreciated to help continue this tradition; donations for the fireworks fund can also be sent to or dropped off at the Claremont Savings Bank Community Center, 152 South St., Claremont, NH 03743, during business hours.

Parking spaces will be available along Broad Street and Pleasant Street. Only handicapped and authorized vendor parking will be allowed at Monadnock Park. In the event of inclement weather, the rain date for this event will be on July 5th.

Please be sure to visit www.claremontpark-s.com or like us on Facebook @Claremont-Parks for up-to-date schedules and announcements for the July 4th celebration.

Schedule of Events

6:00 PM Food Vendors Open
 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM Street Magic with Dylan Tenney
 6:30 PM – 9:30 PM Last Kid Picked Performance
 9:30 PM Fireworks Presented by McGee Toyota of Claremont

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(Phyllis A. Muzeroll photo)

Exit 18 Southbound Ramps Closed 6/24, 6/25

LEBANON, NH—Pike Industries and NHDOT are planning to close the Exit 18 southbound ramps on Monday and Tuesday evenings during the overnight hours. The closures will be from 7:00 PM until 6:00 AM to allow for paving operations in the area of the ramps.

Detours will be to for southbound exiting traffic to proceed to Exit 17 to reverse direction and for traffic wishing to get onto southbound to proceed north to Exit 19 and reverse direction. There will be signs for the detour and the detours are approximately 3 miles in length. The work activities are weather dependent and the schedule will be modified if necessary due to inclement weather.

Mechanic Street Construction Begins

LEBANON, NH—As part of the CSO efforts, construction activity will begin along Mechanic

Street from Blacksmith to TBW Auto, starting Monday, June 24th, and continuing into the Fall. The work warrants continuous alternating traffic from the hours of 7am to 6pm, Monday through Fridays. The traveling public can expect delays and therefore should plan accordingly.

Businesses will remain open through the construction activity. If you have questions or would like additional information, please contact Lebanon Public Works at 448-3112.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 26

6 pm at Plainfield Town Hall

Michael's Cosmic Juggling and Variety Show Michael defies gravity by swinging meteors, juggling rings of Saturn and blasting off with spinning Flying Saucers. For kids of all ages.

Contact mary.king@plainfieldlibraries.org for more information. Or visit our new website at <https://plainfieldlibraries.org/>

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Our Turn – June

Same Violence. Different Challenges. Violence in LGBTQ+ Relationships

I met Marissa the summer before my freshman year of college. We barely spoke to one another, even awkwardly avoided being in the same room. The attraction however was undeniable, and it was not long before a few words here and there evolved into a relationship. She even teased me once for practicing how I was going to ask her out while we were watching a magic show. She was adorable, hilarious, and being around her just made me feel good.

Unfortunately, the honeymoon period didn't last long. Our interactions went from sweet and fun to painful – she would break into my place if I didn't answer text messages fast enough, tell me about people she would rather be dating, and send manipulative, threatening messages when I didn't do exactly what she wanted. At first when she broke up with me I was relieved – but it didn't end there.

Marissa spent the next year and a half stalking me - I was afraid to go anywhere in case I ran into her. She even tried to turn my closest friends against me. I felt pushed out of our local LGBTQ+ community because people believed Marissa's stories about me. I was not the only one either. Others she had hurt were also victimized and slandered. Authorities wouldn't take concerns about her behavior seriously because they were brought forward by women – one officer even said they were "allowing" Marissa to abuse them. By the time I realized that Marissa was abusing me, I didn't feel like I could report. I didn't think anyone would believe me.

LGBTQ+ people face unique challenges when it comes to domestic violence and sexual assault. They may fear being "outed" by the abuser. A transgender person's partner may withhold hormones or other gender affirming treatments. They could face intercommunity pressure not to report because it would "reinforce stigma" against LGBTQ+ people. They may fear homophobia or transphobia from authorities who don't believe abuse is possible in same-sex relationships. Violence and abuse can happen to anyone and LGBTQ+ people deserve to feel safe in their relationships.

This Pride Month, please join Turning Points Network in supporting LGBTQ+ survivors in our community.

OUR TURN is a public service series by Turning Points Network (TPN) serving all of Sullivan County with offices in Claremont and Newport. We provide wraparound supports for survivors of domestic and sexual violence, stalking and human trafficking and we present violence-prevention education programs in our schools. For more than 40 years, TPN has helped people of all ages move from the dark-

ness of abuse toward the light of respect, healing and hope.

For information contact 1.800.639.3130 or www.turningpointsnetwork.org or find us on Facebook.

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Sullivan County Attorney's Office Finds Shooting of Dog in Monadnock Park was "Justified"

CLAREMONT, NH—On Thursday afternoon, the Sullivan County Attorney's Office released a statement regarding the shooting of a dog in Monadnock Park on May 26.

According to Marc Hathaway, Sullivan County Attorney, "The Sullivan County Attorney's Office has reviewed the Claremont Police Department investigative file concerning the May 26, 2019, non-fatal shooting of Gunner, a Mastiff/Boxer mix dog at Monadnock Park. Gunner is owned by Taysa Combs. The person who shot Gunner is Jeremy Connair.

"The information in the file supports a finding that Jeremy Connair's shooting of Gunner was justified," wrote Hathaway.

According to the report, "Factual background and findings supporting the determination that the shooting was justified include:

"Combs had gone to Monadnock Park with Gunner;

"Combs put Gunner in a fenced enclosed tennis court to exercise/play;

"Combs put Gunner in the fenced tennis court because she did not trust Gunner off the leash;

"Connair and his girlfriend approached the tennis court to play tennis;

"Combs asked Connair and his girlfriend for time to put Gunner on his leash;

"Combs went to get Gunner's leash which was hanging on the tennis net;

"As Connair approached the tennis court, Gunner pushed opened the unsecured tennis court door;

"Gunner exited the tennis court and went toward Connair, barking and/or growling;

"Connair retreated;

"Gunner chased Connair barking/and/or growling;

"Combs yelled to Connair that Gunner was friendly and told Connair not to run as Gunner would think it was play;

"Connair viewed Gunner's barking/growling as aggressive;

"Connair takes a pistol out of his cargo pants pocket and points it at Gunner;

"Combs yells, telling Connair not to shoot;

"Connair retreats, and shortly thereafter fires one shot, striking Gunner at a distance of approximately 6 feet;

"Connair's fear that he was going to be attacked was reasonable;

"Connair was reasonable, given Gunner's proximity, in believing that the attack was imminent, and the shot was necessary to end the threat and prevent the attack."

Hathaway added, "In summary, Mr. Connair's firing a shot into Gunner was justified given his reasonable belief that the shot fired was urgently needed to prevent an attack by Gunner on him."

The Claremont Parks and Recreation Department has specific policies regarding pets in the City's parks. According to the City website, "Dogs and cats only: These animals are permitted if in control by a leash or under command of the owner, but are not allowed within the fenced-in portion of game playing facilities and playgrounds. No other pets or animals are allowed."

"These rules are not posted at the entrance of the tennis courts, but they are posted on a green bulletin board near both entrances to Monadnock Park," said Mark Brislin, Claremont Parks and Rec Director at the time of the incident. There is no city ordinance or rule regarding the possession of firearms in City parks.

Gunner underwent emergency surgery and continues to recover from his injuries.

—Phyllis A. Muzeroll

BRAT Monitoring Bacteria Levels at Local Swimming Holes

Summer means outdoors in New England, and the Black River watershed has no shortage of great spots to access the water. Thanks to the volunteers of the Black River Action Team, several popular swimming holes continue to be sampled each week throughout the summer to keep tabs on bacteria levels. Since E. coli bacteria are present in the gut of every warm-blooded creature, from goose to beaver to moose to human, some level of E. coli is normal in every freshwater system.

Samples are tested at Endyne Labs in

Lebanon, NH, for a count of E. coli colonies as an indicator of the potential presence of other harmful pathogens. BRAT generates a chart based on the weekly results, posting it online through the BRAT's Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/BlackRiverActionTeam>) and on site at Buttermilk Falls in Ludlow as well as at Greven Field in Proctorsville. This summer, thanks to support from Green Mountain Power, the Cavendish Gorge historic swimming area boasts two new signposts with chart-holders (courtesy of Acrylic Designs Inc of Springfield) to keep bathers informed about water quality trends.

Buttermilk Falls is just a few miles away on Branch Brook a tributary to the Black River that boasts several pleasant pools for dipping. For several summers, Okemo Mountain Resort has 'adopted' the Falls swimming area, making a generous donation of \$500 annually to cover signage, volunteer time & mileage, and the cost of the weekly lab tests.

BRAT wishes to thank both Okemo Mountain Resort and Green Mountain Power for their adoption of two of the five swimming holes tested by BRAT's "River Dipper" volunteers each week; a special shout-out goes to Endyne Labs as well, for donating several hundred dollars worth of lab fees each year.

Anyone wishing to formally adopt Greven Field's public access area or support the BRAT's water quality monitoring program is encouraged to reach out to Black River Action Team Director Kelly Stettner at blackrivercleanup@gmail.com or leave a message at (802) 738-0456. Donations can be mailed directly to BRAT at 101 Perley Gordon Road, Springfield VT 05156.

Intro to Plaster Casting

CLAREMONT, NH—In this hands-on workshop, led by CMS Artist In Residence Ernest Montenegro, students will learn the fundamentals of plaster casting. Students will get to make a simple two piece mold and cast a pear in plaster, which they can take home and decorate as they wish!

Date: Thursday, June 29, 6 - 9 PM
Location: Claremont Makerspace

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Sullivan County Fugitive of the Week

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Description: White male, height: 6'2", weight: 185 lbs., eyes: blue, hair: red

Reason: Failure to Appear

Original charge: 2 counts - Operating after Certification as a Habitual Offender, Class B Felony.

On April 24, 2019, the Sullivan County Grand Jury indicted Shad S. Wright on two counts of operating after being certified as a habitual offender.

A plea and sentencing hearing was set for June 13, 2019, in Sullivan County Superior Court. Wright failed to appear for the hearing



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and as a result the court issued a warrant for his arrest.

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One Credit Union is currently seeking a Full-Time- SUMMER (Float) Teller to join our Springfield, VT team.

The ideal candidate will have:

- Prior cash handling experience
- Particularly strong experience in customer service.
- Strong math and computer skills.
- Strong oral and written communications.
- Ability to work branch hours.
- Demonstrated skills as a team player.
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- Organizational, time management and prioritization skills.

The Full-Time Summer (Float) Teller reports to the Branch Manager and performs the duties of Teller. Will be required to travel from Branch to Branch as assigned by Branch Manager.

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Claremont, NH & Springfield, VT

One Credit Union is currently seeking an experienced Full-Time Digital Marketing Specialist to join our team.

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- Minimum of 1-3 years digital marketing experience (search, display, Facebook and other social media platforms).
- Creative experience and computer skills, specifically MS Office (Word, Excel). Adobe Illustrator preferred.
- Experience with email marketing.
- Demonstrated skills with Google Analytics and digital metrics/campaign performance.
- Prior experience with web content management platforms a plus.
- Demonstrated organizational skills while managing multiple tasks.
- Strong oral and written communications.
- Ability to be a self-starter and work independently.
- Strong TEAM player

This position reports to the Marketing Director. **There is flexibility in the work location within our branch network.**

Requirements:

- Education Requirements: Bachelor degree in Marketing preferred, or equivalent work experience
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- Strong oral and written communications.
- Ability to work branch hours.
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Full Time Communications Specialist Springfield, VT

One Credit Union is currently seeking an experienced Full-Time Communications Specialist to join our Springfield, VT Contact Center Team.

The ideal candidate will have:

- Minimum of (2-3) years in customer service
- Consumer Lending experience is a plus
- Minimum of (3) years financial services experience
- Strong phone communication, verbal and listening skills
- Familiarity with the Windows Operating System with proficiency in basic computer skills(Internet, Email, Word Processing & Spreadsheets)
- Understanding of regulatory environment
- Strong TEAM player
- Ability to perform simple math such as interest calculations, percentages, multiplication and division.
- Demonstrated time management and prioritization skills

The Full-Time Communications Specialist reports to the Contact Center Supervisor

Requirements:

- Education Requirements: High School Diploma or equivalent combination of education & experience.
- Wages commensurate with experience and skillsets.
- Benefits offered: Health Care, HRA, FSA, Dental, Vision, Life & Disability, 401k plan, Holidays (10), Paid Time Off (PTO)

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Springfield Hospital Laboratory Receives Accreditation From College of American Pathologists

SPRINGFIELD, VT— The Accreditation Committee of the College of American Pathologists (CAP) has awarded accreditation to Springfield Hospital Laboratory, Springfield, VT, based on results of a recent on-site inspection as part of the CAP's Accreditation Programs.

The facility's medical director, Carrie Cocklin, MD, was advised of this national recognition and congratulated for the excellence of the services being provided. Springfield Hospital Laboratory is one of more than 8,000 CAP-accredited facilities worldwide.

"The inspection showed that we are committed to patient safety and strictly follow the policies and quality indicators established by the CAP. I have been impressed by the positive attitudes and dedication of our staff. They are great assets to the hospital," said Laboratory Medical Director, Carrie Cocklin, MD.

Upon learning of the laboratory's accreditation, Michael Halstead, Interim Chief Executive Office of Springfield Hospital, said "Springfield Hospital has a long history of high standards for quality care, and this is but one example of the fine work being done each and every day for the benefit of our patients. We are very proud of the commitment of our staff, and I want to congratulate our laboratory team in particular for this achievement. Recognition such as this helps demonstrate the high quality care available close to home in our local community."

The U.S. federal government recognizes the CAP Laboratory Accreditation Program, begun in the early 1960s, as being equal-to or more-stringent-than the government's own inspection program.

During the CAP accreditation process, designed to ensure the highest standard of care for all laboratory patients, inspectors examine the laboratory's records and quality control of procedures for the preceding two years. CAP inspectors also examine laboratory staff quali-

fications, equipment, facilities, safety program and record, and overall management.

As the world's largest organization of board-certified pathologists and leading provider of laboratory accreditation and proficiency testing programs, the College of American Pathologists (CAP) serves patients, pathologists, and the public by fostering and advocating excellence in the practice of pathology and laboratory medicine worldwide. For more information, read the CAP Annual Report at www.cap.org.

Blackinton Completes American Bankers Association Stonier Graduate School

CLAREMONT, NH—Brandy Blackinton, Claremont Savings Bank's VP, Retail Lending Manager, recently graduated from the American Bankers Association Stonier Graduate School of Banking in Philadelphia. She received her diploma from the ABA as well as a certificate from the Wharton School of Leadership.

"Stonier has given me an unparalleled education from the best in the financial services industry as well as the chance to exchange information and ideas with my peers," said Blackinton.

Stonier is ABA's national graduate school of banking, an intensive three-year program for bank execu-

tives. Students are from the United States and international banks of all sizes, as well as state and federal regulatory agencies and other financial services organizations. This is the school's 84th year, and it was held June 6 - 13, 2019 at the University of Pennsylvania.

"Brandy is a key member of Claremont Savings Bank and her training at Stonier will help us identify the challenges our community faces and create permanent solutions." said Carol Vivian, SVP, Retail Banking.

Since its inception in 1935, more than 25,000 students have followed a curriculum of more than 50 courses and enjoyed networking opportunities with more than 730 fellow students. Between sessions, students keep up with trends by completing additional extension and online coursework. The program culminates with the Capstone Strategic Project, where students develop comprehensive business projects for their financial institutions.

The advertisement for Jozach Jewelers features a woman with long, wavy hair looking thoughtfully to the side. She is wearing a necklace with three concentric circles, one of which is set with diamonds. To her right, a pair of matching earrings is displayed. The background is dark with a subtle starry pattern. The text 'JOZACH JEWELERS' is prominently displayed in a serif font, with 'FINE DIAMONDS AND GIFTS' underneath. Below the jewelry, the words 'GOLDEN MOON' are written in a stylized font. At the bottom, contact information is provided: '1 Pleasant St. Suite #101 • Claremont, NH 03743' and '603-542-2953 • www.JozachJewelers.net'. Logos for GIA (Gemological Institute of America), Instagram, and Facebook are also present.

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Health Needs Assessment Survey Due July 9th

SPRINGFIELD, VT—The Springfield Area Community Collaborative is conducting a community health needs assessment and encourages participation by residents in all area communities. The Collaborative is a work-group that includes several area agencies:

Chester/Andover Family Center
Edgar May Health & Recreation Center
Greater Falls Connections
HCRS
Neighborhood Connections
OneCare VT
SEVCA
Senior Solutions
Southern Vermont AHEC
Springfield Medical Care Systems
Valley Health Connections
Vermont Agency of Human Services
Vermont Department of Health

Online completion of the survey is encouraged through the following link:
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/BK5GY5Q>.

If paper copies are preferred/needed, please call 802-885-7686.

The Needs Assessment will help us determine the need for specific healthcare services throughout the region.

The deadline to complete the survey is July 9th, 2019.

All are encouraged to complete the survey. If you have questions or need further information, please contact Anna Smith, Springfield Medical Care Systems at 802-885-7621 or email annasmith@springfieldmed.org.

Hanover Fire Dept. Receives Lifeline EMS Silver Recognition Award

HANOVER, NH— The Hanover Fire Department has received the American Heart Association's Mission: Lifeline EMS Silver Award for implementing quality improvement measures for the treatment of patients who experience severe heart attacks.

Every year, more than 250,000 people experience an ST elevation myocardial infarction (STEMI), the deadliest type of heart attack caused by a blockage of blood flow to the heart that requires timely treatment. To prevent death, it's critical to restore blood flow as quickly as possible, either by mechanically opening the blocked vessel or by providing clot-busting medication.

The Mission: Lifeline initiative provides tools, training and other resources to support heart attack care following protocols from the most recent evidence-based treatment guidelines. Mission: Lifeline's EMS recognition program recognizes emergency medical services for their efforts in improving systems of care to rapidly identify suspected heart attack patients, promptly notify the medical center and trigger an early response from the awaiting hospital personnel.

"The Hanover Fire Department is dedicated to providing optimal care

for heart attack patients," said Captain Josh Merriam. "We are pleased to be recognized for our dedication and achievements in emergency medical care efforts through Mission: Lifeline."




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space is planned to include performance and gallery spaces, an art studio, practice rooms, a screening room, recording facility and commercial kitchen. The project is seen as providing strong economic benefit to the Claremont area through increased access to arts and culture, as well as enhance downtown revitalization.

The West Claremont Center for Music and the Arts (WCCMA) —a non-profit agency celebrating its first decade— brings professional music and arts experiences, diverse musicians, and equitable educational opportunity to the underserved and low-income community of Claremont NH, and the broader Upper Valley region. Committed to offering free or low cost performances and workshops, WCCMA provides access to the arts and its benefits for everyone in the community.

Founded in 2008 as the Summer Concert Series at Union Church, WCCMA established a free, three-month season of local, regional, and international professional musicians. In 2011, the series expanded to a full year program, offering high-caliber performing arts events, community arts education, and financial assistance for arts students in need—all under a branded WCCMA identity. Over a decade later, the organization continues to offer high quality arts programs at free, low cost, or sliding-fee scale. In addition to an international concert series, the calendar boasts a year-round slate of artist residencies, music lessons and master classes, an instrument loan program, fine arts workshops, community dinners, a three-week summer camp, Northern New England tours, and a monthly series for families wishing to introduce young children to the performing arts.

WCCMA serves an average of 3,000 people annually through its programs, building community resilience via the arts for the purposes of economic and civic rebirth and growth. To date, WCCMA programs have been presented in a variety of spaces, including community centers, public parks, public schools, office buildings, and churches.

“WCCMA is excited for the future and having a greater downtown Claremont presence,” said Melissa Richmond, Executive Director. “We absolutely love 56 Opera House Square, our new intended home - and we hope to save as many of the original Claremont National Bank Building features as possible. What an amazing location it is for what we are envisioning for

our mission and the input of the community. Our concept is to make it a creative space for a variety of mediums: music, visual arts, food, and education will be at the core. Building on WCCMA's current lesson and education program we will expect to offer a music school with practice rooms, there will be a culinary incubator space, great meeting and event rental space, and flex space that can adapt along with community need. WCCMA's presenting will expand, and we'd love to offer more regular live music. WCCMA already offers nearly 50 programs a year for approximately 3,000 youth and adults, and draws visitors from all over New England and beyond. With a new downtown center we'll be able to serve many more residents with walkable programs.”

Richmond added, “A vital part of the project is community support: WCCMA has had an overwhelming amount of support from businesses and volunteers to date, and to finish the project we'll need even more. WCCMA will have to sell the tax credits that we have been awarded. Any business that pays NH business tax or payroll tax can buy them to apply whenever needed over multiple years, and it can be anything from small amounts to large ones. It's really a great program. WCCMA will be selling \$100,000 over the first year of the awards, and \$300,000 in the second.”

TLC Family Resource Center, also in Claremont, will receive \$33,271: L5 Capacity Building funds will support the TLC Family Resource Center in a strategic planning process to evaluate its programs and services, as well as enhance collaboration with area organizations.

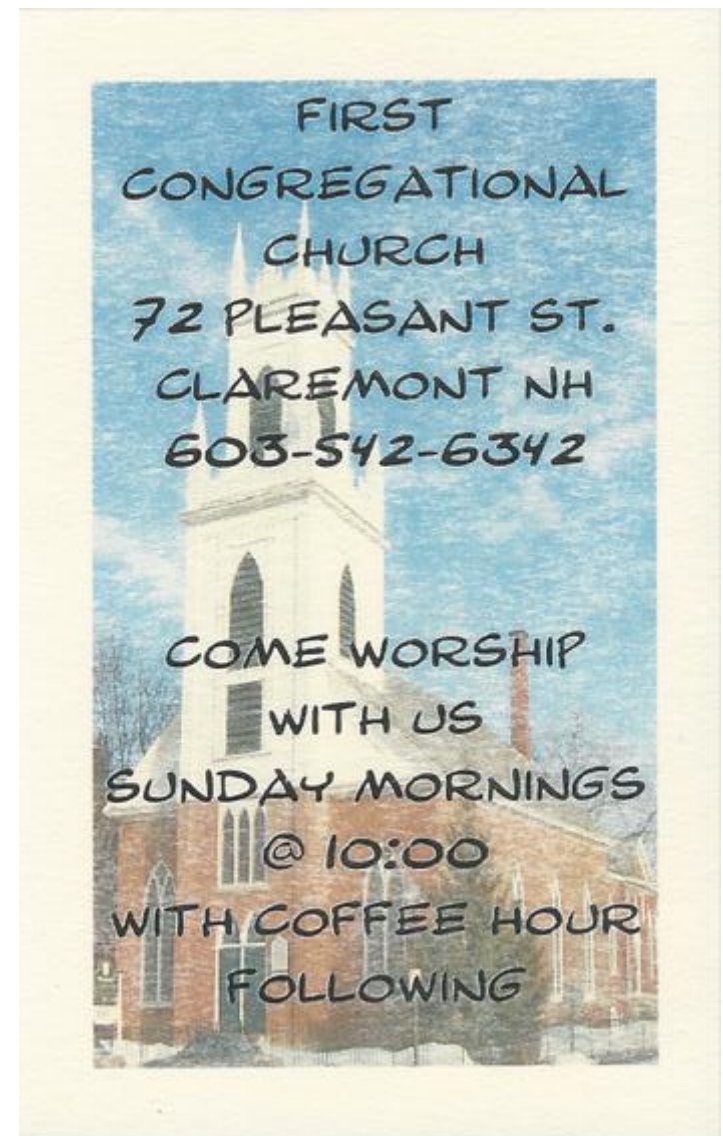
“We are very excited to be among those non-profits that were awarded CDFA tax credits,” said TLC Executive Director Maggie Monroe-Cassel. “We will be using the tax credit revenue to engage a consultant to do some strategic envisioning for TLC Family Resource Center. TLC is a strong, 27 year old agency and looking to secure our work to support all children, youth, and families in the region for many years to come. This is a great opportunity to dig deep into our programming, the community need, and to begin to envision a new physical home for our work. We are outgrowing our current spaces and need to do some discernment about our needs for office space.”

The City of Lebanon will also receive funding— \$75,000: L5 Capacity Building funds will

be used to enable the City of Lebanon to develop the business plan and platform needed to prepare for the launch of Lebanon Community Power, a community choice aggregation program. The municipal aggregation construct is an innovative, forward-looking program and provides substantial positive opportunity for meaningful and effective local and community engagement on critical energy issues and the development of innovative programs, products and services.

Grants made to organizations are in the form of tax equity. New Hampshire businesses support the selected projects by purchasing the tax credits, resulting in the nonprofit receiving a donation and the company receiving a 75 percent New Hampshire state tax credit against that contribution. The credit can be applied against the Business Profits Tax, Business Enterprise Tax or Insurance Premium.

The Community Development Finance Authority (CDFA) is a statewide nonprofit public authority focused on maximizing the value and impact of community development, economic development and clean energy initiatives throughout New Hampshire.



Investment Strategy Can Be Your 'GPS' as You Travel Toward Goals

Summer is here at last. For many people, it's time to get the car ready for a long road trip. And with GPS-enabled smartphones, it's now a lot easier to navigate these drives without getting lost. During your life, you may take many journeys – one of which is the long road you'll travel toward your financial goals. But even on this path you can benefit from a "GPS" in the form of your goal-oriented, personalized strategy.

Your investment strategy can function this way by helping answer these questions:

How far do I have to go? Your smartphone's GPS can quickly tell you how many miles you need to travel to arrive at your destination. And a well-constructed investment strategy can inform you of when you might reach a goal, such as having a desired amount of money when you retire, given your current age, earnings, sources of retirement income, and so on.

What route should I follow? Your GPS will plot out your route, showing what turns you should take along the way. Similarly, to reach your desired financial outcome, your investment strategy helps guide the investment decisions you make, such as investing adequate amounts in the appropriate vehicles, including your 401(k) and IRA.

What problems await me? When your smartphone's GPS shows red on the route you're following, you know that heavy traffic lies ahead. And your investment strategy can also help you manage bumps in the road, particularly if it's a strategy you've designed with a financial professional, who has the knowledge and technology to create various scenarios and hypothetical illustrations to account for potential difficulties – i.e., a rate of return that's less than expected, a lower income base than you had anticipated, greater college costs than you bargained for, and so on.

When should I take an alternate route? For whatever reason, you may deviate from the course plotted by your GPS – which will then helpfully re-route you. While following your investment strategy, if you make a wrong turn, so to speak – perhaps by putting insufficient funds in a retirement account or by assembling an investment mix that has become unsuitable for your risk tolerance – you may need to get back on track.

As we've seen, some analogies exist between your smartphone's GPS and your investment strategy. And yet, there's also a big difference in terms of complexity. It's simple to program your smartphone to give you the directions you need. But crafting a personalized investment strategy takes time and effort. You need to consider all your goals – college for your children, a comfortable retirement, the ability to leave the legacy you want – along with your time horizon, risk tolerance and other factors. And your investment strategy may well need to change over the years, in response to changes in your family situation, employment and even your objectives – for example, you may decide you want to retire earlier (or later) than you had originally planned.

In any case, like your GPS, your investment strategy can help guide you – so make good use of it.

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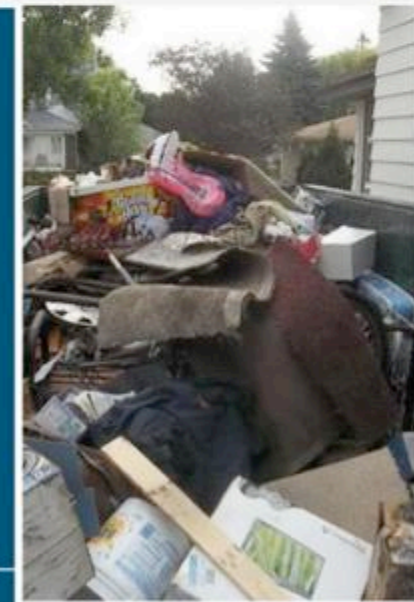
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Upcoming Cyanobacteria Monitor Training

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If you or anyone you know goes swimming, boating, fishing, tubing, wading, or otherwise recreating in a lake, pond, or even slow section of river, you need this information. If your dog goes in the water, you need this information. A cyanobacteria bloom can be harmful to your health and your pet's health.

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It's About Food

By Johnny Navillus



Pork

Many of you have probably been doing this for years but for those who haven't, I'm passing this on.

Grilled pork chops are fantastic. You need to use the center cuts with the bone on. Thin chops will dry out and burn quickly. Very thick ones will not get done in the middle. Medium thickness. I have two basic ways of doing them. Salt, pepper, onion powder and garlic powder. Season them and put them on a hot grill. Or baste with lemon juice and honey.

There is a third way that I used to do them but somehow forgot until this week. Salt and pepper as usual and baste with barbecue sauce.

There used to be a chain of neighborhood bars in New York. I can't remember the name, but it was definitely something Irish. They were everywhere in the Bronx. What made these bars special was that when everyone else was charging 25 cents for a mug of beer they were charging 75 cents. The reason? They kept large bowls full of pork chops and boiled potatoes on the bar and tables. No charge for the food. As soon as a bowl emptied it was refilled. They ran this as Lunch from 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM or maybe 2:00. Then the food came off and the beer was back to 25 cents. What a lunch. All you could eat of pork chops and potatoes. Every one was there. Trades people, suits, telephone company, electric company, bus drivers, you name it.

These were the days of one-hour lunches for the most part. With all that free food and at most maybe three beers, guys left full but sober. If you were going to drink your lunch, you didn't go to a place that charged three times the going rate for a beer. I never saw anyone leave impaired. But then I wasn't watching.

One of my favorite dishes from the old Irish bars was cottage fries. It was a variation on home fries but served in the evening in huge bowls. The servers brought them out when you placed your order. I guess it took the place of a cover charge. They did keep the bowls full all night with free refills.

Cottage Fries

1 can potatoes whole or sliced
1/2 small green pepper diced
1/2 small red pepper diced
1/4 cup minced onion
Worcestershire sauce
Ketchup

If whole, slice the potatoes. Melt some butter in a skillet. Add the potatoes and cook until starting to brown. Add the peppers and onion. Mix well.

Add a dash of Worcestershire.

Add ketchup until just starting to get almost like a sauce.

Let them cook through and when the moisture is almost gone remove from heat and serve.

Try this for the two of you at first. I think you'll really like it and is great to serve guests for breakfast. If serving a crowd, you might want to cook up some potatoes the night before rather than using the canned. I use the canned when it is just two of us because it's easy and quick. I always have a can or two on the shelf for this and other last minute things.

Play with your food. It's how new things happen.

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Mount Royal Academy Announces 4th Quarter Academic Honors

SUNAPEE, NH – Mount Royal Academy has announced academic awards for the 4th Quarter of the 2018-2019 school year.

Grade 6

Headmaster's List: Luke Moorehouse
High Honors: Melody Heacock, Nora Walsh
Honors: Amelia Caravan, Kaitlyn Costello, Athanasius Orłowski, Mary Frances Reid

Grade 7

Headmaster's List: Catherine Bellino, Lauren Dustin
High Honors: Joshua Bissah, Regina Orłowski
Honors: Lauren Brewer, Peter Hogan, Evan Mann, Gabriel Ouellette, Brennan Walsh

Grade 8

Headmaster's List: Anya Moorehouse
High Honors: Luke Kalpakgian
Honors: Alice Breisch, Nonah Dowsett, Brian Heacock, Maryrose McLaughlin, Lyndsey Pat-ten, Julia Stout

Grade 9

Headmaster's List: Caleb North, Vinzenz Vingl
Honors: Benjamin Bellino, Liam Ouellette

Grade 10

Headmaster's List: Brendan Moorehouse, Bridget Wallace, Anna Yost
Honors: Marius Edwards, Heather Fraioli, Maryl Rees, Emma Treece, Sarah Yost

Grade 11

Headmaster's List: Henry Harman, John Klucinec, Mary Grace Klucinec, Aidan Moorehouse, Andrew Normandin
High Honors: Amy Alterisio, Kateri Kalpakgian
Honors: Tristan Ouellette, Antigoni Souliotis

Grade 12

Headmaster's List: Erin Diebold, Jacinta Hogan, Alexis Matte
High Honors: Elizabeth Orłowski
Honors: Teresa Bellino, Philip Dahlberg, Hannah Fraioli, Zhewei He, Joseph Heacock

Mount Royal Academy is celebrating 25 years of academic excellence. It offers a Pre-K through 12th grade classical education to fami-

lies all across the Upper Valley and beyond. The school is currently accepting applications for the 2019-2020 school year. Transfer students are accepted throughout the year as well. To learn more about the school go to www.mountroyalacademy.com or call 763-9010 x104.

New England Classical Academy Class of 2019 Celebrates Commencement at Windsor Mansion Inn

CLAREMONT, NH—Despite heavy clouds and showers, graduation day on Thursday, June 13, for the New England Classical Academy class of 2019 was full of smiles and pure joy. NECA was proud to award Honors Diplomas to all four of this year's graduates: Anthony Abella of Claremont, NH, Jessica Cota of Springfield, NH, Marguerite Cottrill of Greenfield, MA, and Zachary Fagan of Charlestown, NH. The ceremonies began with a baccalaureate mass co-celebrated by Father John Loughnane of All Saints Parish and guest Father Jon Rear-don at the school, followed by a Commencement ceremony at the Windsor Mansion Inn in Windsor, VT.

The commencement was originally planned to be held outdoor in Moody Park, but when the weather forecast changed, the planning committee had to quickly find an indoor option for the eighty plus guests of the graduates. They reached out to several locations, but found few places available. On a hopeful chance, they reached out to the new innkeeper/event manager of the Windsor Mansion Inn, Robert Balewicz, and were thrilled when he said he could help by offering them the inside "ballroom." "We were absolutely delighted and

deeply grateful to hold graduation in such a beautiful location. The graduates were absolutely floored when we told them the good news," said Heidi Fagan, a teacher at the school.

With honor cords around their necks, the class of 2019 stood outside on the beautiful lawns of the Mansion and tossed their hats, joining the ranks of now over three dozen graduates from NECA in the last eight years. Their futures look bright: Marguerite Cottrill will spend a year volunteering with Salesian Mis-sions in California, working with their school and youth program in Los Angeles and Jessica Cota was offered a position in a new pilot program at Dartmouth Hitchcock Medical Center as a Project Assistant. Both plan to pursue college; Jessica plans to pursue a course in medicine and Marguerite is undecided. Anthony Abella will study Engineering at the Uni-versity of New Hampshire and Zachary Fagan,

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L-R. Zachary Fagan, Anthony Abella, Jessica Cota, Marguerite Cottrill (Courtesy photo).

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‘Your Department is Doing a Good Job’

CALEA Assessment Team Commends Claremont PD at Public Session

By Eric Zengota
e-Ticker News

Editor’s Note: See the full story on CPD’s membership in this international accrediting agency in the June 10, 2019, edition of e-Ticker News of Claremont.

CLAREMONT, NH—Last week, the Claremont Police Department welcomed the assessment team representing the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies.

Since the department’s most recent reaccreditation in November 2015, it has provided annual remote, web-based assessments that demonstrate its compliance with 189 standards for excellence in management and service delivery. This fourth year brings a required on-site assessment so that the team could get to know the department in depth, other City agencies and the broader Claremont community.

Two law enforcement professionals made up the team. Vincent DeMaio is chief of police of the Clinton (CT) Police Department. Brent Grammel is administrative officer and communications supervisor of the Union Township (OH) Police. From Monday through Wednesday they met with chief of police Mark Chase, other City department heads, educators, first responders, attorneys, and key members of professional disciplines. “It’s vital to make these community connections,” said DeMaio, “to get the whole picture.”

Grammel did a ride-along with one of the officers, which, he said, “was very interesting, partly because Claremont’s ‘bones’ — its classic New England architecture — are what Ohio towns would love to have.” At the same time, he got to watch how the Claremont officers handled a daylight brawl that became an exercise in complying with the CALEA standard on use of force.

Before DeMaio and Grammel arrived, they had heard from CPD accreditation manager Bill Wilmot about which standards they should particularly “visit.” Together they focused on four areas of importance to the City. All of these, the assessors made clear, are issues not just for Claremont but for any small de-

partment across the country.

The four problems were law enforcement recruitment and retention; fiscal challenges; communications technology; and drug abuse, especially the opioid crisis that has mushroomed into an epidemic.

Fentanyl is the major cause of overdoses and (at times) instant deaths. The widespread use of NARCAN nasal spray, which can bring a person back from an overdose, is turning out to be a double-edged sword. An addict may be shooting up, DeMaio explained, but if he has someone standing by with NARCAN, he feels it’s an insurance policy. If he O.D.’s, “his buddy gives him NARCAN, and the guy recovers — so he shoots up again — and he gets another NARCAN — and the cycle repeats.” He mentioned a recent 24-hour period when there were 250 overdoses on New Haven Green in Connecticut. “And some of those were the same people over and over again. They feel fine — they go back for more — they O.D. — and so on.”

Claremont officers do not administer NARCAN, Wilmot pointed out. But they carry it in case they’re exposed to a drug in the course of a call.

The general public was invited to comment on Claremont’s ability to comply with CALEA standards. The assessors fielded telephone calls while at the station; the comments were transcribed and will be part of their report.



Vincent DeMaio, left, summarizes the intent of the CALEA accreditation process and how he and the other assessor, Brent Grammel (looking on) proceeded during their three-day visit to Claremont. The public session drew no members of the public, but DeMaio said that was a sign of the Claremont Police Department’s success (Eric Zengota photo).

There was also a public session on Tuesday evening at the Claremont Savings Bank Community Center at which residents could voice their opinions on compliance. No one from the public showed up.

This was not a bad thing, DeMaio remarked. “If no one shows up, it’s a sign that your department is doing a good job. But if you’re in trouble, people will be lined up out the door, ready to complain.” He described public sessions in other communities that lasted hours, often with people screaming their anger at the police.

He concluded, “Actually, the fact that no one came is a sign of success.”

Up next in the reaccreditation process: The assessors will prepare their report and submit it to CALEA. The organization will review it, make comments, and report back to Claremont. Chase and Wilmot will testify before the CALEA Commission (11 law enforcement professionals and 10 individuals from the public sector) on the report and specifically the four focus areas. The Commission will then vote on reaccreditation. The vote is scheduled to take place in November.



Beautiful weather and fabulous automobiles and more drew out the crowds for the annual Antique & Collectible Motor Vehicle Show at the Mount Sunapee Resort, sponsored by the Sunapee Lions Club. (Photos courtesy of Spec Bowers).