Zombeck Will Be Featured Speaker At St. Joe's Sports Night March 30th

CLAREMONT, NH--Amy Zombeck, a 1995 Stevens High School graduate and winningest coach in school history at UMass-Boston, will be the featured speaker at the 60th annual St. Joseph' Sports Night on March 30. Zombeck, who is the head coach in two sports, softball and soccer at the school, said, "I am very excited about the opportunity to speak."

While she may be anxious to speak what she has accomplished personally as a player and coach speaks for itself. At Stevens she was an all-New England soccer selection in 1994 and in 1995 was the Lions Cup most valuable player. In 2015 she was inducted into the Keene State College Hall of Fame and was the Little East Conference Player of the Year in 1998. She was the assistant women's head soccer coach at Keene State College from 2001-2004 before becoming the head soccer and softball coach at Umass-Boston in 2005. At the Boston campus Zombeck was selected as the Little East Soccer Coach of the Year three times and her team won the conference title in 2012, the same year her team made the NCAA tournament.

In the previous 59 years of the St. Joseph's Sports Night, an array of celebrities have spoken at the event including Carl Yastrzemski, Carlton Fisk, Bill Mombouquette, Dick McAuliffe and Johnny Pesky, from the Red Sox; Celtics owner Walter Brown and Jon Morris, Jim Whalen, Ron Burton and Mike Holovak from the Patriots. Bill Jackowski of nearby by North Walpole, a National League umpire who was behind the plate when Pittsburgh's Bill Mazeroski hit a dra-

matic home run to beat the Yankees in the seventh game of the 1968 World Series, spoke twice as did former Dartmouth head football coach Joe Yukica. Other football coaches to speak were Bill Bowes of the University of New Hampshire, Mickey Heinecken of Middlebury College and Claremont's Larry MacElreavy of Columbia University.

The event, which starts at 6:00 p.m., is sponsored by the Claremont Lodge of Elks 879 and features a baked stuffed chicken dinner. Tickets for \$8 are available at Stevens High School and Marro Home Center.

Umpire Rules And Mechanics Clinic

CLAREMONT, NH--The New Hampshire ASA and the Claremont Men's Modified League will be running a free Umpire Rules and Mechanics Clinic on April 30, from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Claremont Savings Bank Community Center, 152 South Street. Everyone is welcomed to attend.

For more information, please contact Claremont Men's Modified UIC Jaime DeForge at 603-558-5084 or email deforge.jaime@yahoo.com.

Springfield Wrestling Draws Full House

SPRINGFIELD, VT--They came from Connecticut, Vermont, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, and New York. It

was wall-to-wall wrestling at Riverside Middle School on Saturday, March 5th. The parking lot was full, as was the gym and the cafeteria as 350+ wrestlers of all grades descended upon the building to grapple the day away.

The Springfield Wrestling Team hosts two annual tournaments, the Schweitzer Memorial Youth for boys and girls in grades K-8 and the Precision Valley Classic Girls Championships females in grades K-12. While the two events were held back-to-back on a Saturday and a Sunday in 2015, this year they were combined on Saturday and occasionally overlapped. Some 300 spectators filed in throughout the day to watch the action, enjoy a full concession stand, and browse the tables piled high with tee shirts, hoodies, and other wrestling gear, courtesy of Competitive Edge Wrestling. Two large wrestling mats were divided into five scoring areas, staffed by volunteers from the team and from the community. Referees travelled from as far as two hours away to work the event; local high school students donated some 147 hours of community service between Friday night's set-up and the 12-hour day on Saturday.

Wrestling is a growing sport at all levels, and the attention it gets at the Olympic and college levels are having a trickle-down effect through high school, middle school, and the elementary grades, right down to Kindergarten and pre-K.

The team was excited to learn that the tournament brought business to town beyond the competition: Holiday Inn Express booked at least 38 rooms for visitors staying overnight for the tournaments; The Sub-Way provided 50 pizzas for the tournaments and got additional

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business after the events were over as wrestlers were leaving town at dinner-time. Team co-manager Kelly Stettner noted that "It feels great to be able to support some of our supporters!"

Among that list of supporters, Black River Produce provided a variety of fruits for fruit salad at the concession stand, HB Energy Solutions donated \$250 toward hot dogs and buns. JH Dunning provided a large box truck for moving wrestling mats between Park St School (where the team practices) and Riverside.

After expenses are tallied, the team expects to have netted close to \$5,000 in proceeds from the events, which will be used to keep the local program going - new uniforms and headgear for the upcoming season, funding team trips to wrestling camps and long-distance meets, and tournament fees throughout the six-month-long season.

"The team wishes to express our sincere thanks to everyone who donated food, time, and energy to the success of these tournaments, and to the Springfield Police Department for stopping by periodically to check in," said Stettner.

For more information on the full-spectrum Springfield wrestling program, email comanager Kelly Stettner at k.stettner101@gmail.com or leave a message at (802) 738-0456.

Free Fly Fishing Lecture

CONCORD, NH-- The Wildlife Heritage Foundation of New Hampshire will present a free lecture by renowned fly fishing expert and guide Angus Boezeman on Saturday, April 2, at 2:00 p.m. at Bass Pro Shops in Hooksett, NH.

Come early and enter the raffle, with two great prizes – a box of 12 hand-tied flies and a White River "Dogwood Canyon" rod and reel combo! Raffle tickets are \$5 each, with proceeds benefiting the Wildlife Heritage Foundation of New Hampshire.

Boezeman has been fly fishing for 40 years all over the Northeast, including most of Maritime Canada, northern Quebec and Labrador. He has been a licensed fishing guide in New Hampshire for over 20 years, his specialty being the Connecticut River in the Pittsburg, NH, region. When not running the fly fishing school



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at Tall Timber Lodge in Pittsburg, Angus gives fly fishing lectures and fly tying classes around New

England. He currently serves on the Board of Directors for the Wildlife

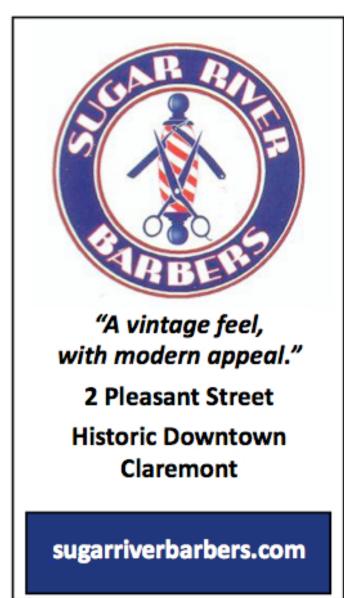
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Foundation of New Hampshire and is an active member of the NH Guides Association and Trout Unlimited.

The Wildlife Heritage Foundation of New Hampshire is the official non-profit partner of the New Hampshire Fish and Game Department, and raises funds in support of the Department's critical educational, conservation, wildlife and law enforcement programs important to preserving New Hampshire's quality of outdoor life for generations to come.

To learn more about the Foundation and how you can help preserve New Hampshire's heritage of wild places and wild things, visit www.nhwildlifeheritage.org and on Facebook at www.facebook.com/wildlifeheritageNH.



Inspiration

We Are Fine!

By Priscilla Hull

CLAREMONT, NH--14 Rely on the Lord! Be strong and confident! Rely on the Lord! Psalm 27

As many of you know, the big stone church on Sullivan Street has a new owner. It is no longer the home of the First United Methodist Church. So now what?

People have asked, where do you go from here? Is the church still going on? What will happen to the people? We're fine! The good pastor and people of Union Episcopal Church have opened their doors for us. We are using space there for worship and to do the things we live to do.

So what is it that keeps us going? There have been times when we've wondered that ourselves. How can we keep up a smiling face and a positive attitude? How can we do our work without all the space that we had in that building?

Our strength through this difficult time has been with the One who is always around us. It matters not to Him where we hang our hats. It matters not to Him which building we use or, for that matter, if we use a building. What matters to Him, therefore to us, is that we use the gifts that He has given to us to do good works, to help our brothers and sisters at home or in the world. What matters to God is that we continue to work for others. We love to do the work that The Lord has given us.

As long as we are people of Faith, no matter what the church, belief, creed, we can be strong and confident; as long as we can rely on Him, we will continue to work in His name for His people.

We have learned to continue in Faith whereby we will remain strong and relying on the Great Goodness of the Creator of heaven and earth. We are around for a long time to come!

Priscilla Hull is the Lay Leader for the First United Methodist Church in Claremont.

Good Friday Concert

BROWNSVILLE, VT--On Friday, March 25th, Brownsville Community Church will sponsor the first of a series of free concerts open to the public. The first concert will be a Good Friday Concert which starts at 1:30 P.M. it which will be followed by a brief service at 2:30 p.m.

The March 25th Concert will feature treasured works from Bach, Faure, and Rutter including movements from Rutter and Faure requiems and more. These pieces will be performed by Christian Huebner on the organ, Skip Downing on trumpet, soprano Jennifer Alden and more.

Huebner, Pastor of Brownsville Community Church, grew up in West Windsor, VT. After pursuing a gift for music from an early age with his first position as organ-



ist and choir director at age 11, he completed a double masters in Organ Performance and Choral Conducting. Edmund "Skip" Downing, principal of Bywater Piano Tuning, studied at Gordon College, played the Trumpet in the Air Force and presently teaches at Vermont Christian School and the Upper Valley Music Center. He is a sought after trumpet player, performing in local shows and with groups in the area.

Holy Week And Easter Sunday

On March 24 at 7:00 p.m. there will be a Maundy Thursday Service preceded by a potluck soup & bread supper at 6:00.

Easter Sunday celebrations on March 27 will start with an outdoor sunrise service at 7:00 a.m. on the hill above Albert Bridge School, followed by breakfast at 7:30 and an Easter Sunday service at 9:00 at the Church.

These free-to-the public concerts are organized by the Brownsville Community Church Pastor and Music & Choir Director, Reverend Christian Huebner.

The Brownsville Community Church is located on the Brownsville-Hartland Road, between Albert Bridge School and the Brownsville Town Hall. The Church phone number is

802-484-5944, the email address is bcchurch@myfairpoint.net and you can visit the Brownsville Community Church at www.brownsvilleumc-vt.org.

A free-will offering will be received at the concert to help offset costs.

Sacred Choral And Instrumental Music

NEWPORT, NH--The Seven Last Words of Christ: A program of Sacred Choral and Instrumental Music will be performed twice during the season of Lent. The first concert will be Sunday, March 20 at 7 p.m. at the South Congregational Church in Newport, NH. It will be performed a second time on Friday, March 25, at 7:00 p.m. at the Seventh-Day Adventist Church in Plainfield, NH. A free-will offering will be taken. For more information, contact 863-9130.

Trinity/Prince of Peace News In Claremont

Sundays – Adult Education:

Join us after church on Sundays in the parlor for a lively discussion on Theological issues. During Lent we will discuss the reason for lent and some history of why we do what we do. All are invited. No experience necessary.

Tuesdays: 2 – 4pm After School Program – Please use the sign-up

Prayer Team Meeting –The Second Tuesday of Every month at 10:00am in the church ~ All are welcome

Coffee Hour Sign-up is in the fellowship hall. For more information, email pop64739@gmail.com.

West Unity Church Services

UNITY, NH--West Unity Community Church services are being held every Sunday at 4:00 p.m., with a potluck following, at the elementary school in Unity. The services are not a school-sponsored event.

Calendar Of Events

SHS Alumni Meeting

CLAREMONT, NH--The monthly Stevens Alumni meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 16th, 5:30 p.m., Claremont Savings Bank downstairs. Agenda items include: parade update and fund status, newsletter articles, nominating committee, and new parade fundraisers.

2nd Annual Rock Your Camo 5K & Dirty Dash

CLAREMONT, NH--The 2nd Annual Rock Your Camo 5K & Dirty Dash will take place on Saturday, April 23rd, at the Arrowhead Recreation Area. This family friendly community event will include a 5K and a kids' Dirty Dash, music, food, face painting, beer and camo... So much camo!

New this year is the Kids' Dirty Dash-RRCF's version of a muddy, messy obstacle course for kids 12 & under. There will be mud, tires, balance beams, hay bales and so much more!

This event put on by the Red River Charitable Foundation will support part of its mission of supporting Veterans in the local community.

To register, go to

http://redrivercharitablefoundation.com/event/rock-your-camo/?event_date=2016-04-23.

Understanding Mental Illness

CLAREMONT, NH--NAMI Family-to Family is a free 12-week class for family and friends of adults with depression, bipolar, schizophrenia, OCD and other brain disorders that make everyday living a challenge for those who love them. Learn about treatment, communication, coping skills and more. Tuesday evenings, 6:00-8:30 p.m., March 29-June 14 in Claremont, led by (National Alliance on Mental Illness) NAMI-trained family members.

For information and to register, call Donna Stamper, 603-863-2621.

First United Methodist Church To Host Traditional Corned Beef Supper March 19

CLAREMONT, NH--On March 19, Saturday, the First United Methodist Church will get right back into the mix with their famous Corned Beef Supper. The supper will be held at Union Church, on Old Church Road. The people of Union Church are lending their support and assistance. This is the start of a partnership where the two churches will help each other with fundraising and other Community affairs.

The dinner, which will be the traditional Corned Beef Dinner which the Methodist Church is famous for, continues a long standing tradition of more than than 30 years. There will be two sittings: 5:00 and 6:00 p.m. The price is \$12 adults and children \$6 for under 11. Please call ahead for seating time. We will take limited orders for take out or delivery only until Thursday evening.

Handicap accessible.

Croydon Ladies Auxiliary Sponsoring Bingo

CLAREMONT, NH--The Croydon Ladies Auxiliary is sponsoring bingo every Thursday. Held at the Claremont Senior Center, 5 Acer Heights off Maple Avenue in Claremont. Doors open at 4:30 p.m. and games start at 6:30 p.m. Food and drinks available.

Open to those 18 and older. Call Sandy at 543-7118 for more information.

All paper games.

News From The Silsby Library

Upcoming events for March:

Storytime for Toddler/ PreK

Every Tuesday at 10:30 am. Children and parents are invited for stories, songs, and fingerplays in the children's area.

Lunch and Learn for Adults

Wednesday, March 16 @ 5-7pm. Stop in and meet our new Library Director, Pamela Johnson-Spurlock! Light snacks provided. All ages welcome!

Catch the Leprechaun

Thursday, March 17, All Day. Come visit the library on St. Patrick's Day to catch a golden chocolate. Be sure to wear green! For children

up to age 12. Lego Club

Wednesday, March 23 @ 3-7. For children in grades Kindergarten to 5th grade. Come build with us in the children's area! Duplo sets are available for younger siblings.

Family Movie Night

Wednesday, March 23 @ 5:30pm. Come join us as we pop popcorn and watch the award winning animated film, "The Secret of the Kells."

Teams Lining Up For 10th Annual Steppin' Up To End Violence 5K

CLAREMONT, NH--With less than two months before the big event, 54 teams have confirmed with Turning Points Network that they are fundraising and will be 'stepping up" to end violence on April 30. Steppin' Up to End Violence 5k Walk & Fun Run is the signature event benefiting Turning Points Network, Sullivan County's only domestic and sexual violence crisis and support center. The event brings in critical funds that allow TPN to continue to support victims and survivors of domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking, and to provide prevention education programs to the citizens of Sullivan County.

Teams from elementary, middle and high schools, faith communities, fire and police departments, businesses, and municipalities have committed to 'step up' this year. Many teams have been fundraising throughout the year with raffles, dress down days and donation jars while some are working hard in these next few weeks with bake sales and social events. A full list of confirmed teams can be found on TPN's Facebook event and in the next team leader email.

Thank you to each of the 54 confirmed teams! There is still plenty of time to gather friends, family and/or coworkers together to form a team and start fundraising. Call or email Kerry at 543-0155 or

kerry@turningpointsnetwork.org to confirm your team. For more information about the event, find the event on Facebook or visit the Steppin' Up website at

www.turningpointsnetwork.org/SteppinUp2016/

www.facebook.com/etickernews

Caregiver Support Group

SPRINGFIELD, VT--A Caregiver Support Group (formerly Alzheimer's Support Group) is available to help enhance the lives of individuals with Alzheimer's disease and other dementias.

Presented by Alzheimer's Association, Vermont Chapter, the Caregivers Support Group meets the third Wednesday of every month, 5:00 - 6:30 p.m. at Springfield Hospital Library, Level D, Springfield, VT.

Lady Boss Club Looking For New Members

CLAREMONT, NH--The Lady Boss Club, a group of women-owned businesses in the Greater Claremont and Upper Valley areas, is welcoming new members. They meet at the Java Cup every second Tuesday, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. In the Hanover area, members meet every Wednesday 5.30-7.30 p.m. at the Howe library, Hanover.

Meetings are free and open to the public.

The Lady Boss Women Entrepreneurial Club is a community to help local women- entrepreneurs with their ideas/businesses development and networking.

For more information, contact LadyBossClub@gmail.com.

Overeaters Anonymous Meetings

CLAREMONT, NH--Overeaters Anonymous meets from 3:00-4:00 p.m. on Saturday afternoons at the Grace River Church in Claremont. They will be using the big book of Alcoholics Anonymous.

NEWPORT, NH--OA 12 & 12 meetings held on Sundays from 12:30-1:30 p.m. at Millie's Place, 45 John Stark Hwy., in Newport.

Winter Programming At Fiske Library

CLAREMONT, NH--Toddler Activity Time through March 15 at 10:30 a.m. This program is for ages birth – 36 months.

With March here, children (ages 2 – 14) are encouraged to draw a "self portrait". In your best attempt, draw, and/or color a "self-portrait" of yourself in honor of "Youth Art Month" in March. It does not need to be only of yourself, but can include your family, as well. The pictures that are turned in will be put on display through March 31 on our bulletin board in the Children's Room. No photographs please. Write your first name only on the picture. This is not a contest and is open to all ages!!

There is also an opportunity to earn a chance to win one of two stuffed bears donated by Karen Crowley of Charlestown, NH. When checking out a book, put the portion of your receipt in the covered glass jar at the circulation desk. For ages birth – 13. Good luck!! Drawing will be Monday, February 22.

Bingo In Charlestown

CHARLESTOWN, NH--Bingo is held Wednesdays at the Charlestown Memorial VFW Post 8497 Post Hall, 365 Lovers Lane Road in Charlestown, NH. The regular games start at 6:30 p.m. with Early Birds games commencing at 5:00 p.m. Twelve regular games, six special games, including a winner take all with a \$1,000 kicker if won in 50 numbers or less, and a progressive game from \$800 - \$1,800, plus the final game with a guaranteed prize of \$225 make up the Wednesday evening benefits. It is the VFW Post 8497's primary fundraiser for its various scholarships and sponsorships. Food and drinks are available.

Senior Center Raffle

"Lucky" Scratch Tickets Raffle \$3.00 per ticket / 4 tickets \$10.00 1st Prize... \$200.00

2nd Prize...\$125.00 3rd Prize...\$ 75.00

Drawings: Thursday, March 31, 12:30 PM. Sponsored by the Claremont Senior Center 5 Acer Heights Rd, Claremont NH.

Auditions For "The Importance Of Being Ernest"

NEWPORT, NH--Auditions will be held on March 26 at the Newport Middle High School for "The Importance of Being Ernest". This is the first production for the Academy, a program of Amplified Arts which focuses on the exploration and presentation of classic and contemporary straight plays. The production will be under the direction of the award winning youth theatre director and Amplified Arts founder, Shelly Hudson.

The production is open to anyone (13 to 18) in Sullivan County and beyond who wishes to take part in this exquisitely funny satirical comedy set in the 1890's. But don't let its age scary you! "Ernest" has been called by many "One of the funniest plays ever written" and it still is.

Please prepare a one minute monologue from the show or another comedy written by Oscar Wilde (no accent needed) for Saturday, March 26th, 1:00-4:00 p.m. You will need to email amplifiedartsnh@gmail.com with your interest in a 10-minute audition spot. All emails must be received by Tuesday, March 1st. You will be sent additional information and a few questions to answer.

There are nine speaking roles (four female, five males). Rehearsals will take place on Saturdays and Sundays (April, May & June) from 1:00 - 4:00 p.m. Show opens June 24. There is a production fee of \$35 for all those taking part and is due in full at the first rehearsal.

Creating Emergency Kits & Plans With People With Disabilities

CLAREMONT, NH--An interactive training session will present the basics of individual preparedness and assists participants to work with people with disabilities to create personalized emergency kits and plans. If you are someone with a working knowledge of emergency preparedness and/or someone who supports individuals with disabilities in your work or family life, this training will help you think creatively about being prepared.

This event will take place on March 23, from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. at the Claremont Savings Bank, Claremont.

At the training, staff from the NH Disability & Public Health project at the UNH Institute on Disability will lead you through steps to create customized emergency kits and plans with people with disabilities.

For more information and to sign up, contact Melody Actouka, Training Coordinator, at 603-903-3903 or island-melody@hotmail.com.

Annie's Project Provides Skill-Building & Networking for Women Farmers

More women are operating farms today in New Hampshire and neighboring Vermont and Massachusetts, according the USDA Agriculture 2012 Census. Whether new or experienced farmers, business skills are essential to succeed in a farming operation. Through Annie's Project courses, farm women become empowered to be better business partners or sole operators through networks and by managing and organizing critical information.

Annie's Project is a discussion-based workshop series, bringing women together to learn from experts in production, financial management, human resources, marketing and the legal field. No matter if women are beginning farmers or experienced, the skills taught in Annie's Project benefits women at all stages in a farm business. The cost for the course is \$60 per person or \$90 per farm, which includes a workbook and support materials for all sessions. Lunch is provided at each session. Since course size is limited, early registration is encouraged before March 7th. Scholarships are available, and inquiries should be made to Kelly McAdam, UNH Cooperative Extension at (603) 527-5475.

This is the second Annie's Project to be held in New Hampshire, with the first held in 2014 in Brentwood, NH. "[Annie's Project] equipped me with new skills, reinforced skills, answers, new resources, and friendships," said Tina Sawtelle of Pinewoods Yankee Farm in Lee, who participated in New Hampshire's first Annie's Project in 2014.

For more information contact Kelly McAdam, UNH Cooperative Extension Field Specialist at (603) 527-5475 or kelly.mcadam@unh.edu. More information can be found on the Annie's Project New Hampshire website at www.extension.unh.edu/Workshops-Events/Annies-Project or follow Annie's Project on Facebook at www.facebook.com/NHAnniesProject/.

Sullivan County Humane Society 5K Fundraiser Fun

Please join Sullivan County Humane Society on May 21 in Sunapee Harbor for its 3rd annual SCHS Save A Stray 5K (formally Furry Scurry 5K). This year they have added a voluntary pledge drive to the event. To participate, contribute to the pledge drive or to learn more about the event, please visit their website: http://sullivancountyhumanesociety.org/.

You can pre-register at https://secure.opensignups.com/signup/

Pre-registration is \$20 or \$25 the day of the event. Children under 12 are free. First 100 paid supporters to sign up will receive a free event t-shirt. There will be prizes for top male & female plus prizes for age groups. Registration the day of the event starts at 8:30 a.m. in the harbor, and the run/walk starts at 10:00 a.m. Due to circumstances beyond their control, pets are not permitted. But this won't hinder their spirits! This event is for a great cause and, with your support, will allow the SCHS to continue to help the many animals in need.

Bluff Spring Runoff 5K

CLAREMONT, NH--Bluff Elementary School will be hosting the Bluff Spring Runoff on April 2; this is a 5K Road Race and Kids Fun Run/Walk. Route Begins and ends at the Bluff School, 2 Summit Road. Schedule: 8:00 a.m., registration and bib pickup; 9:30 a.m., free Kids Fun Run/Walk begins; 10:00 a.m., 5K race begins. Awards: Top three overall male and female, M/F age group winners. Fees: Student (under 18), \$8; adult, \$15; family (up to five) \$40. Race day registration, add \$5. Register at www.runreg.com/springrunoff5k. Parking: Main Street parking garage; free busing to the school provided.

For more information, email beckyrostron@comcast.net



Unity Town Meeting was held on Saturday. Pictured: L-R, Tracy Decker, secretary; Selectmen Ed Gregory, John Callum Jr. and William Schroeter. On the stage, Town Clerk, Rosemary Heino, and Moderator, Fred Bellimer. Those attending voted down a \$4 million bond to reconstruct Center and Stage Roads; they did, however, approve \$200,000 to repair the roads. A budget of \$956,000 was passed, but a petition article to allow offroad vehicles on class 4, 5 and 6 roads was rejected. A compensation policy for the position of town clerk and salary and benefits of \$58,100 for the current town clerk were also passed (Photo courtesy of Roberta Callum).

You're invited to a Community Awareness Event on homelessness.

Please join us for a special viewing of the film,

THE HOMESTRETCH.

This film is a "powerful, original perspective on what it means to be young, homeless and building a future in America today."



www.homestretchdoc.com

To be shown in the Stevens High School Auditorium, Tuesday, March 15, 2016 at 6:30 PM.

Refreshments will be available for purchase during a short intermission.

Proceeds will support the Claremont Clothing Closet and our homeless children and youth.

Following the film, there will be a brief discussion on homelessness in Claremont and the impact on education.

Discussion will be facilitated by Cory LeClair, SAU #6 Assistant Superintendent and Christina Endres, Program Specialist with the National Center for Homeless Education at SERVE.

For questions or more information please contact Cory LeClair at cleclair@sau6.org.



RABIES CLINIC

Dogs & Cats welcome!

\$10.00 per shot

March 26, 2016

9 - Noon

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Claremont Senior Center

5 Acer Heights, Claremont

Shot will be good for 3 years with <u>proof</u> of a previous vaccination. Otherwise it will be a 1 year shot.



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Purchasing a \$5 book gets you play for each of the 20 regular games

And buying multiple books can only multiply your LUCK

Doors will open @ noon & games will begin at 1:00

PRIZES INCLUDE:

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OUR GRAND PRIZE
SPECIAL GAME WILL BE:

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Common Man

Claremont Location

Buy as many \$3 sheets as you'd like to have plenty of chances to win these!!!

Proceeds will benefit the Sullivan County Humane Society.

Pursuant to NH Gaming Laws, no one under 18 is permitted during the event.

Remembering Loved Ones...

Life Tributes 700

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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.

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Florence Petrin

Florence Petrin ascended to the heavens, a twinkling star where she will dance and shine down on all of us. Please keep an eye out for the stars that Florence shoots across the night sky to let us know she is watching over you.

Born in Bristol, CT, on October 14, 1927, Florence M Petrin, the last remaining sibling of eight children of Margaret and Savery Zigmann, passed away peacefully in her home on Friday, March 11, 2016. Graduated from Stevens High School Class of '45. Because the world was at war, she worked for International Shoe Co., making boots for combat serviceman. She later worked for Barnes, Rouillard, and McPherson Insurance for five years. Also for U.S. Postal Service. She was a dental hygienist for a brief time then back to Goodyear Tire & Rubber, again contributing to the war effort for 10 years, assisting in making many boots.

Later in 1971, she opened the Finishing Touch, a bath, bed & gift boutique, in Claremont, NH. Her business also included her passion for decorating and flower arranging. She joined the Claremont Garden Club, was a member of the Claremont Chamber of Commerce and the Quota Club a Professional Business Women's Club. She retired from her business in 1996 after 25 years of service to the community. For 45-plus years, she and

her husband were antique dealers under the name Windcrest Antiques, traveling the United States doing antique shows. She loved to travel, including a family trip to Alaska in 1967 and later celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary in Alaska as well. She would often refer to her love of Alaska as pure "God's Country".

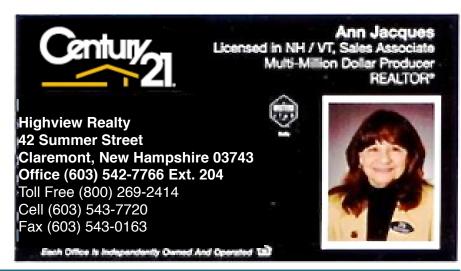
She was predeceased by her parents, Margaret and Savery Zigmann and all her other Siblings. She leaves behind her Husband of 63 years, Origene J. Petrin of Charlestown, NH, whom she married on June 27, 1953; a son, Gregory Petrin of Clare-

mont, NH, and a daughter,
Deborah Petrin of Grantham,
NH, and one grandson, Tyler
Petrin and several nieces and
nephews. She also leaves behind her beloved dog "Holly"
who never left her side.

We would like to express our deepest gratitude to the kind and compassionate caregivers and staff at the Home Healthcare and Community Services of Charlestown that cared for her during her illness.

A celebration of Florence's life will be held at Roy Funeral Home in Claremont, NH on Friday, March 18th, from 5:00 – 7:00 PM. A Memorial Mass of the Christian burial will be held on Saturday, March 19, at St. Joseph's Church in Claremont at 11:00 AM. Fr. Steven Lepine, pastor of St. Catherine's Church in Charlestown, NH, officiating.

Interment at the New Hampshire State Veterans Cemetery in Boscawen, NH, will be held at a later date.





Most of the time, a doctor can't help anything until Mom decides something isn't right. She makes the first move and calls the doctor. Dr. Sam attributes any success he and his staff have with

kids to that vital first step. Yay, Mom.

(603) 543-2020 9 Dunning St, Claremont (we're right there by the hospital) You are invited to share a memory of Florence with the family or leave a message of condolence in the family guest book at www.royfuneralhome.com.

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

William J. Dwire, 71

William Joseph Dwire, 71, of Newport, NH, died on March 6, 2016, at New London Hospital

He was born in Newport, NH, on May 9, 1944, the son of James and Beatrice (Robinson) Dwire Sr. William was a self-employed woodworker making furniture and knick knacks. He married his wife, Marjorie Abbie Holt on August 10, 1992; she died on March 10, 2010.

He is survived by four step-ons, Mark Desrosiers, Arnold Desrosiers, Arthur Therrien and Dennis Therrien; two sisters, Anita Spooner of Keesville, NY, and Ida Spooner of Newport; best friends, Orbit and Tammy Gould; also nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his wife, stepson, Kim Desrosiers and a brother, James Dwire Jr.

The family would like to thank the staff at New London Hospital for the wonderful care they showed to William.

A graveside service will be held in St Patrick's Cemetery in Newport, NH on April 1st at 11am with Rev. Father Michael Monette officiating.

Richard N. Denis, 61

Richard N. Denis, 61, of West Lebanon, NH, died, surrounded by family, on March 9, 2016, after a brief battle with cancer.

Richard was born September 11, 1954, to Norman and Eunice (Thibault) Denis of Claremont, NH. He attended St. Mary's High School and graduated from Stevens High School in 1972. Richard worked on Lake Sunapee for many years and most recently drove a truck for Suburban Propane in West Lebanon. Richard is predeceased by his parents, brother John Denis, brother James Denis, and sister Anne (Denis) Perra.

He is survived by his brother Stephen Denis of Claremont, sister Mary Ellen (Denis) Mega and her husband Tony of S Kingstown, RI, sister Linda (Denis) Schneider and her husband Bob of Yarmouth Port, MA and several nieces and nephews. Richard was a member of the 4th degree Knights of Columbus. Richard loved being on Lake Sunapee and Mt. Ascutney. He was an avid Nascar fan. Through his work, Richard knew the upper valley well, and was known for treating all the dogs along his Suburban route with biscuits. Richard was generous with his time and talents to anyone who needed help, from the church holiday meals to using his self-taught knowledge of mechanics. Richard's unique sense of humor and generous spirit will be missed by all who knew him.

A Mass celebrating his life was held on Saturday, March 12, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Lebanon, NH.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Lake Sunapee Protective Association (<u>Ispa@lakesunapee.org</u> or PO Box 683 Sunapee, NH 03782).

Virginia A. Highter, 81

Virginia A. Highter, 81, died Friday, March 4, 2016, at the Elm Wood Center.

Born on February 8, 1935, to Arthur and Lucille (Ritchie) Highter late of Charlestown, Ginger was raised in Charlestown, graduated from Charlestown High School in 1953, received a Bachelor of Education degree from Keene State College in 1957, and was awarded a Master's in Education in 1962 from the University of Connecticut. As an undergraduate, she worked at the Comstock Sunny Field Greenhouses in Charlestown where she developed a love for all things green.

She taught for one year at the Florence Elementary School in Northampton, MA, and then moved to Groton, CT, where she taught fourth grade for 34 years at the Charles Barnum School until her retirement in 1992. Ginger loved teaching young children. She was a founding member of the Groton Chapter of Alpha Delta Kappa, the International Honorary Organization for Women Educators. She was an avid flower gardener and enjoyed traveling. She never tired of watching sunsets across the Thames and the Sound. Ginger was a communicant of Sacred Heart Church in Groton, CT.

Ginger leaves her siblings, Donald Highter of Charlestown, Richard Highter of Fort Pierce, Fla., Marcia Flusche and her husband Frederick of Hyde Park, N.Y., William Highter of Amherst, Mass., and Margaret Butler and her husband Michael of Yuma, Ariz., her brother in law Charles J. Mitchell of Pembroke, N.H. and many nieces and nephews.

She was predeceased by her sister Shirley Mitchell.

There are no calling hours.

A memorial Mass will be held Saturday, May 21, at 11:00 a.m. at St. Catherine's Church in Charlestown where she was baptized in 1935, followed by burial in the family plot alongside her beloved parents in St. Catherine's Cemetery in Charlestown.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Ginger's name to the Alzheimer's Association of Massachusetts/New Hampshire, 480 Pleasant Street, Watertown, MA 02472.

Barbara S. Sherman, 70

Barbara S. Sherman, 70, of Claremont, NH, died on January 24, 2016, at her home.

Barbara was born on October 5, 1945, the daughter of James and Lucy Hurdle of Barre, VT. She was educated in Barre, VT and graduated from Spaulding High School in 1963. Barbara had retired from the Sullivan County Health Care after 35 years of service as a CNA and Unit Secretary. She had married David Sherman and later divorced.

Barbara is survived by her son, William David Sherman; nephew, Kenneth G. Kriplin and his sons; niece, Lorna J. Kelin and her husband, David and great nephews, Christopher Sanborn, Scott Sanborn, Eric Sanborn and Daniel Broughton Jr.

She was preceded in death by her parents and sister, Loretta A. Kriplin.

A graveside service was held at Mountain View Cemetery in Claremont on Thursday, March 10.

Travis F. Callahan, 43

Travis Flynn Callahan, 43, died suddenly on March 7, 2016.

He was born in Alliance, OH, in 1972. He will be lovingly missed and remembered by his wife, Kelly Callahan, his daughters Haely and Cameron, Madison and Sydney Boardman, his parents, Loel and Leigh Callahan, his sister, Stacy Greene, Uncle Gary Koffman, Aunt Marcy Schaffer and cousin Sarah Broomfield. He is also survived by many nieces and nephews, and countless friends in Cornish and beyond.

He was predeceased by his stepbrother, Shane.

Travis spent his childhood in France, Zaire (Democratic Republic of the Congo), Pakistan, Mali and Chad, with intermittent years in Ohio and Florida. He attended the International School in Islamabad, Indian Mountain School in Lakeville, CT, and Kimball Union Academy. He received a Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of New Hampshire, majoring in Studio Art. He had a lifelong connection to creating beauty, and his artistic talent is reflected in his creations of dry stone wall masonry that enhance properties around the Upper Valley, Nantucket and Maryland. Callahan Stone, his business for many years, was run with dedication, professionalism and a strong work ethic. He was one of few holding a Masters Certification of the Dry Stone Walling Association of Great Britain (DSWA).

A private service was held for close friends and family on Saturday.

You are invited to share a memory of Travis with the family or leave a message of condolence in the family guest book at www.royfuneralhome.com.

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

Charlotte Sherman, 69

Do you recognize this woman? If you do, but don't know her name, then you may have seen her at one of the many area band concerts she was so fond of attending, or at a craft fair where she sold many beautiful knit or crocheted items she loved to create, or maybe you saw her riding around the Patch Park neighborhood in her power chair. If you knew her, then you know she was a loving and caring soul who believed the best of everyone.

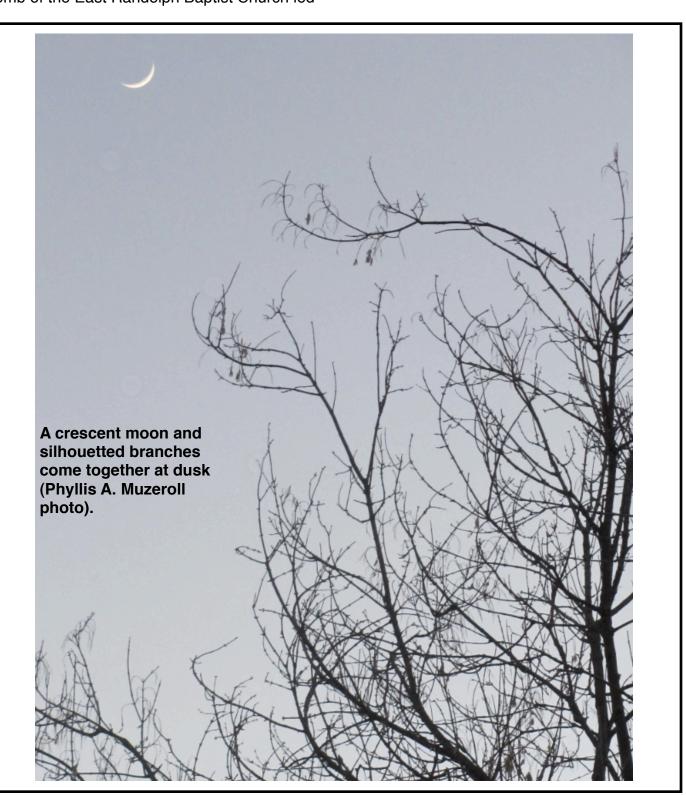
Born in Montpelier, VT, on July 21, 1946, she was the daughter of Lawrence and Priscilla (Manning) Pratt. She grew up with an older brother, Douglas, and a younger sister, Tina. Charlotte had a love for crafts, both making them and collecting them. She loved music. She and her husband bred and showed Pekingese dogs (including champions), she spent several years as a Day Care provider, and she had worked in the Special Education Department of Fall Mountain High School. Charlotte stepped through the gates of Heaven at 12:45 a.m. on Monday, March 7, 2016.

Charlotte leaves behind many loved ones: Ray Sherman, Sr., (husband of 50 years) of Charlestown; Ray Sherman, Jr. and Stephanie (son and girlfriend) of Charlestown; Tammy and Scott Pierson (daughter and son-in-law) of Vernon, CT; Britney and James Thomas (granddaughter & grandson-in-law) of Longview, TX; Caitlin Pierson (granddaughter) of Vernon, CT; Tina and Bob Mitchell (sister and brother-in-law) of Springfield; Bridgette & Girlie (adopted dogs) of Charlestown; Yvonne & the Reverbs (favorite local band who sang to her in her room hours before she passed) of Lebanon; and more friends and family members than you could count.

A celebration of Charlotte's was held at Roy Funeral Home, 93 Sullivan Street, Claremont, NH, Friday, March 11th, Pastor Marty Bascomb of the East Randolph Baptist Church led at the service.

Charlotte will be buried at the Veterans Cemetery in Randolph, VT, at a later date. While flowers are beautiful for a couple of days, we request that you honor Charlotte's love for animals by making a more lasting donation in her name to River Valley Animal Protection League, 60 Cummings Avenue, Charlestown, NH 03603.

You are invited to share a memory of Charlotte with the family or leave a message of condolence in the family guest book at www.royfuneralhome.com.



Claremont Fire Dept. Log

Sunday, March 6

0913 E3 responded to North St for a well-being check

1815 E3 responded to Kimball PI for a medical call

Monday, March 7

0636 E3 responded to North St to assist the ambulance

1434 E3 responded to Beechmont St for a fire alarm sounding

1835 E3 responded to North St for a lift assist

Tuesday, March 8

1321 E3 responded to Main St for a motor vehicle accident

2118 E3 responded to Chase St for a CO detector sounding

Wednesday, March 9

1118 E3, L2 responded to a box alarm on Bowen St

1154 E3 responded to a motor vehicle accident on Charlestown Rd

1501 E3 responded to a leaking oil tank on Upham PI

Thursday, March 10

1149 E3, L1, E1 responded to Hanover St for a box alarm

1446 E3 responded to Elm St for a fuel spill

1701 E3 responded to Broad St for a fire alarm sounding

Friday, March 11

0058 E3 responded to Girard Ave to assist the ambulance

1919 E3 responded to Myrtle St to assist the ambulance

2035 E3 responded to Washington St for a motor vehicle accident

Saturday March 12

1024 E3 responded to Chestnut St for an illegal burn

1820 E3 responded to Myrtle St for a grill fire

E3, L2, E1 responded to a box alarm on Winter St

2042 E3 responded to an odor investigation on Myrtle St

2055 E3 responded to an Illegal burn on Prospect St

Social News

Claremont Senior Center, Inc. News

By Claire Lessard, Executive Director

Open to the pubic! Chair Yoga classes will be starting on Monday - March 21 - 10:00 AM. \$5.00 per session.

The winner of our "Free Lunch" drawing held at our Monthly Meeting on March 8 was Susan Pare.

United Valley Interfaith Project in partnership with ReThink Health supports Claremont Stories Project. This is an opportunity to tell your story about what life is like in Claremont. A representative will be at the center on March 21 to hear your story. Interviews will be done every 45 minutes in the Board Room (9:00 AM - 2:15 PM). To register, come to or call the center!

Free Blood Pressure Clinic on March 17 (11:00 AM - 12 Noon). Free drawing. This is followed by a "Healthier You Series" (12:30 - 1:30 PM). Topic: Antibiotics: Why You Need To Worry & Straight Talk About Your Voice. Free door prize. More info, call (603) 543-6800. Both sponsored by Conn. Valley Home Care.

Public is invited to a "Senior Living Series" sponsored by Valley Regional Healthcare on Tuesday - March 22 - 12:45 PM. Topic: Hand Health (carpal tunnel, trigger finger, basal joint arthritis) presented by Dr. Robert Basset, MD and Cynthia Weinberger, PT/L,CHT.

Our next Senior Men's Breakfast will be on Monday - March 21. Center opens at 8:00 AM, breakfast served at 8:15 AM, guest speaker at 8:45 AM then socialize till 10:00 AM. Pancakes, sausage, juice and coffee will be served! \$2.00 for members, \$3.00 for non-member guests. Come to or call the center to sign-up!

Our yearly dues have not changed for many years! We are looking for your input regarding changing from \$15.00 to \$20.00. A sign up sheet with your Yes or No is now available at the front desk or give us a call (603) 543-5998. A decision will be made at the April monthly meeting.

Café Claremont Menu: Tuesday - March 15... Appetizers, hot turkey sandwiches, mashed potato & gravy, vegetables, dessert. March 17... Birthday Celebration...Soup, baked chicken, roasted potatoes, vegetables, birthday cake. Menu subject to change!

Upcoming trips...Penn Dutch Country with the new hit show "Samson" May 17 - 19. Travel from New York City to Bermuda June 5 - 12. Come to the center and check out the details!

"Lucky" Scratch Tickets Raffle tickets available till drawings on March 31. \$3 per ticket. 4 Tickets \$10. 1st Prize - \$200 worth of Scratch Tickets, 2nd Prize - \$125 worth of Scratch Tickets, 3rd Prize - \$75 worth of Scratch Tickets.

The center is forming a Grants Committee. If you have experience with obtaining grants and would like to share your knowledge and serve on this committee, please call the center and talk with the executive director.

"Sunday at the Center" is a new program for members and bonafide guests! Center opens at 1:00 PM. Play pool, games, ping-pong, work on a puzzle, Mahjongg (instructions given) or just socialize. Bring a snack to share and bring your own beverage. However, this is weather permitting!

Seniors Bingo (55 years of age and older) every Wednesday at 1:00 PM. Come early, have lunch! Sale of cards stops at 12:50 PM. No cards sold after that time!

Pool 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM Monday to Friday. Hand & Foot Card Game on Monday - 1:00 PM. Exercise sessions - Tuesday & Thursday - 10:00 AM. Ping Pong - Wednesday & Friday - 10:00 AM. Bridge on Thursday - 1:00 PM. MahJongg & Knitters - Friday - 1:00 PM.

The Claremont Senior Center...It's "The Place Where You Want To Be!"....Monday - Friday (9:00 AM - 3:00 PM) and for any of our events! Call (603) 543-5998.

To keep up to date, visit our Web Site. Punch in cnhcs.org.



The Claremont City Council will hold a public meeting on <u>Wednesday</u>, <u>March 23, 2016</u>, at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall.

AGENDA

6:30 PM 1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

6:32 PM 2. ROLL CALL

6:35 PM 3. MAYOR'S NOTES

6:40 PM 4. CITIZEN'S FORUM (Comments on Non-agenda Items Limited to 5 Minutes per Speaker (Council Rule 22))

5. OLD BUSINESS

6. NEW BUSINESS

6:55 PM A. Street Light Update

7:10 PM B. Forestry Update

7:25 PM C. Property Tax Exemption Update

7:55 PM D. Councilor Training

BREAK

8:35 PM E. City Manager Search Discussion

9:05 PM 7. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS AND DIRECTIVES

9:20 PM 8. CONSULTATION WITH LEGAL COUNSEL

9:30 PM 9. ADJOURNMENT

PLEASE NOTE: Claremont City Council's next scheduled meeting will be on Wednesday, April 13, 2016, at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall.





By Bernadette O'Leary

I previously wrote about a terrible experience that I had when attending a concert at an arena in Oklahoma City. To recap, I am disabled, and I was denied access to the front doors of the arena by one of the local law enforcement officers who shut down the street during events. It was only after much humiliation, and the officer realizing I know disability laws in my state, that I was allowed the proper access to the front doors of the arena. Before I continue, I must explain how unusual this is. Our officers here in Oklahoma are among the finest, and I love every one of them. In fact, my husband and I often secretly pay for their meals when we see any in restaurants. They work hard and put their lives on the line daily for us, and I am not afraid to stand up alongside any of them and take a bullet for one of them myself. To officers across the country, and especially within my home state, I say, "Thank you, and God bless you all!"

I heard back from Mayor Mick Cornett's office regarding the situation. Sadly, I still have not heard back from Governor Mary Fallin's office. A representative from the Mayor's office, Kristy Yager, Director of Public Information and Marketing, spoke with me at length, both over the phone and in person, regarding the issue. Afterward, I received a phone call from Pat Byrne, Security Manager over two of Oklahoma City's arenas, to further discuss the issue and get more information from me. Both Ms. Yager and Mr. Byrne were obviously upset by the way that I was treated and the lack of proper access that I, along with many others, faced that evening at the arena. They both apologized to me numerous times, and they thanked me for bringing this problem to their attention. As each one separately stated, they can neither know about nor fix problems unless people let them know the problems exist.

The way things are supposed to operate is simple: allow the driver of the disabled patron to drive through the barricades, park at the front door to drop off the disabled party, and then pull back out through the barricades to find a place to park within the designated parking areas. This was explained by both Ms. Yager and Mr. Byrne, and it is a very simple and easy to follow procedure. So, why then did this officer not follow procedure and behave so offensively toward me? Neither could answer that, and that's to be expected in all honesty. He could have had a bad day. He could have been feeling unwell. He could have not fully understood the procedure and didn't want to stop to take the time to discuss the matter with me. There are many possible reasons (some reasonable, some not so reasonable), and it would be merely speculation to assume as to one over another. I will neither speculate nor be angry. I will simply thank Ms. Yager and Mr. Byrne for taking the time to speak with me, to listen to the details, and to show that my home state truly cares about its citizens and patrons to the many public access areas.

I was very happy to receive the reception that was given to me by Ms. Yager and Mr. Byrne. I could see that they truly cared about this issue, and I fully believe their assurances that they will take the proper steps to address and correct the problem for future events, including making sure the officers are fully aware of the proper procedures. Our men and women in blue in Oklahoma are phenomenal, and I fully support and thank them for all that they do each and every day. I state again that this officer's behavior was most unusual for Oklahoma. I am proud to be an Oklahoman, and this is why. We care about everyone, in spite of race, creed, color, religion, or physical capabilities. Oklahoma strong, through and through.

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CITY OF CLAREMONT DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

ROADWAYS POSTED FOR 6-TON LIMIT

The following list of streets and roads will be posted for a 6-ton limit effective February 24, 2016. This posting is due to spring thawing conditions and will remain until the ground stabilizes. We sincerely regret any inconvenience this may cause; but such action is necessary to protect the road surfaces.

Ainsworth Road Alden Road Beauregard Street Bible Hill Road Bonmark Drive Bonneau Road Bowker Street (Bowker to 120) Calavant Hill Road Cat Hole Road Case Hill Road Clay Hill Road Craigue Hill Road East Green Mountain Road Elm Street Extension

Pappas Road (Thrasher to 120) Ferry Landing Road Fitch Reservoir Road

Foisy Hill Road Goss Street Half Mile Road

Hewitt Road Hogback Road Holly Hill Road Ironwood Hill Road Kingsbury Street Lane Ridge Road Lincoln Heights (gravel) Minckler, Road Old Highbridge Road Old Church Road Olde Coach Road Paddy Hollow Road

Piper Hill Road Puckershire Ave. Red Water Brook Rd.

(120 -Thrasher) Roberts Hill Road Roosevelt Road

Russell Jarvis Homestead Rd

Skyline Drive Slab City Road Spring Farm Road Steward Avenue Strand Road

Sugar River Drive Tengren Avenue Thrasher Road Twistback Road

(Citizen to Old Church) Veterans Park Road Whites Hill Road

Whitewater Brook Road

Windy Hill Road Winter Street (Washington to 120)

Scott W. Sweet Director of Public Works