

All In At Moody Park Mountain Bike Race Returns June 5

CLAREMONT, NH--The Claremont Parks and Recreation Department and Claremont Cycle Depot are excited to announce that the All In at Moody Park Mountain Bike Race will take place on Sunday, June 5th. This year's race will feature laps approximately 5 miles in length with several long climbs, tight single track, the "Gravity Cavity" and the new flow trail. Race categories include Novice-2 laps, Clydsdale-2 laps, Sport - 3 laps, Fat Tire Bike - 3 laps, Single Speed - 4 laps, Expert 4 laps, and a separate kids' course for ages 3 to 11.

Awards will be given to the top three male and female finishers in each category.

"We are excited about this year's race," said Claremont's Parks and Recreation Director, Mark Brislin. "We did a lot of trail improvements at Moody Park last summer. I think the mountain bikers who have not been back to the park will be amazed by the improvements from races of previous years. This event offers multiple terrains, varying trail surfaces and plenty of challenge for racers of all skill levels. From narrow winding trails to steep uphill climbs, this course will offer it all," continued Brislin.

"Having the trails at Moody Park has been great for business," said Rob Walker, Manager



of the Cycle Depot in Claremont. "We are excited to bring Mountain Bike racing action back to Claremont."

The All In At Moody Park will begin at 9:00 a.m. with the novice division, with starts of other divisions at about 20 minute intervals. The fee for the race is \$25 for pre-registration and \$35 for race day registration and the Kids' race is \$10 for preregistration and \$15 for day of registration. For more information or to register, please visit www.claremontparks.com.

All proceeds benefit Moody Park.

Registration / start and finish will take place at the sand pit area of Moody Park. Please follow signs to registration area.

SHS Baseball Has A Busy Week

The Stevens baseball team had a busy week, playing three games, with two of them on the road. The Cardinals traveled to Kearsarge on Monday, hosted Monadnock on Wednesday, and made the trip to Franklin on Friday.

On Monday, the Cardinals played their best game of the season as they defeated the Cougars, 9-2. Stevens pounded out 13 hits, had 5 walks, and were hit twice with pitches, accounting for 20 baserunners and the season-high nine runs. All nine starters for Stevens had a hit, and Zach O'Brien went the distance for the win, allowing just 4 hits, he did walk 9, struck out 7, and gave up just two first inning runs.

O'Brien helped himself out at the plate as he had 2 hits, a triple, and 3 RBI's. Noah Spaulding had a pair of hits, scored 2 runs, and had two RBI. Drew Grenier had 2 hits and an RBI. Brendan Bean had two hits and an RBI, and Henri Bourque had a hit and pair of RBI. Coby Hussey, Login Barry, and Tyler Leahy had hits, and freshman Derrick Stanhope had his first varsity hit.

On Wednesday, the Huskies of Monadnock had the Cardinals number in winning 10-0 over 5 innings. River Fish was sharp for Monadnock allowing just a single hit, a 5th inning single to Zach O'Brien. The only other highlight of the

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day was freshman Derrick Stanhope recording another assist from his centerfield position as he made a nice throw to fellow freshman catcher Henri Bourque who applied the tag for the out on the Huskie runner attempting to score from second base on a single.

On Friday, the Cardinals had an early 4-0 lead but the lead was erased when the Cardinal pitchers could not find the plate and Franklin took a 5-4 lead in the 4th inning. Stevens would tie it in the top of the 6th as Trey Theriault reached on an error, and after advancing to second, came around to score when Aidan Cahill's ground ball was misplayed and got into the outfield. The game remained tied until the bottom of the 8th when Franklin had the bases loaded with one out and hit a ground ball to short which Coby Hussey threw to catcher Henri Bourque at home for the apparent force, but there was some contact between the runner and Bourque and the umpire signaled safe, for the apparent 6-5 win. The call was questioned by Coach Paul Silva, and he subsequently protested the game due to the belief that the rule was misinterpreted regarding no contact being allowed with a fielder on a force play. The game is under review and a decision will be made by the NHIAA.

Stevens had jumped out to the 4-0 lead when Trey Theriault, who had walked, scored on a sacrifice fly from Drew Grenier. Logan Barry followed with a single, and Derrick Stanhope, who had walked advanced to third base. Coby Hussey then blasted a triple to deep right center field, and Ryan Napsey tripled him home. Henri Bourque had two hits and has now hit in four of the Cardinals first five games.

Stevens stands at 2-3 and will play the Fall Mountain Wildcats at Barnes Park on Monday night at 7PM, then host the Mascoma Royals on Wednesday, before wrapping the week up with a game versus the Falcons of Bow on Friday.

News From The Claremont Country Club

Our golfing weather has been a little tenuous lately, but the sun Gods were with us yesterday for our first tournament of the season, the New Member tournament. Fifty

golfers enjoyed the nice conditions for the fun scramble and welcomed our newest members; the scramble was followed by a ham dinner put on by the Social committee. The following were the winning teams:

1st place - Mark and Ruth Smolnik, Ron Nelson, Kyle Dalke and Cameron
2nd place - Mike Zombeck, Debi Monroe, Scot Lucey, Ellie Gage, and Steve Palevich
3rd place - Tom Martin, Diondre Pellatier, Dan Richardson, Chris Halbert, and Ed Wiggins
4th place - Dawn Zombeck, Bob Trabka, Tammy Sanchez, Deena Bello, and Marty Wiggins

This Tuesday, May 3, the Men's League will start their season. You must sign up at the club if you wish to play. Tee off is 5:15 p.m.

This Thursday, May 5, the Ladies League will start their season with a fun scramble. Play starts at 5:15 p.m.

The Opening Cocktail party will be Saturday, May 7, starting at 6:00 p.m. Again, we welcome all new members, social members and returning members.

Please call the Country Club if you have any questions at 603-542-9550 and ask about our special rates for golf and social memberships.

---Submitted by Linda Dolan

Wilderness Survival Workshop For Women

CONCORD, NH-- Women who want to learn how to survive in an outdoor emergency situation can sign up for a one-day Becoming an Outdoors-Woman (BOW) Wilderness Survival workshop taking place on Saturday, June 4,, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at Owl Brook Hunter Education Center in Holderness, NH. Participants must be 18 years of age or older.

Registration is now open. To sign up, fill out a print-and-mail application available at www.nhbow.com. Workshop fee of \$55 is due with registration and includes program materials, use of equipment, and lunch. Space is limited, so get your application in the mail immediately if you are interested in attending. Only mailed applications will be accepted.

Taught by New Hampshire Fish and Game Department Conservation Officers, the wilderness survival course will help participants learn survival techniques such as how to find wood and build a fire, protect yourself from hypothermia, build a shelter, signal for help, find and purify a water supply, and know what should be in your survival kit.

"Beyond BOW" workshops are in-depth sessions designed to expand on the offerings of traditional Becoming an Outdoors-Woman fall and winter program.

The New Hampshire Becoming an Outdoors-Woman program is co-sponsored by the New Hampshire Fish and Game Department (www.wildnh.com) and the New Hampshire Wildlife Federation (www.nhwhf.org).



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Why Do I Follow God?

By Priscilla Hull

Some one asked me recently, "Why do you follow God?" There isn't an easy answer to that question. The simple thing would be to say that I always have followed God. That begs the question. That would be too simple. The answer goes back to my early, early childhood.

My parents introduced me to God when I was an infant. It was always just a part of my life. It is so much deeper, though. I went to Sunday School and learned to sing "Jesus loves me" and other pretty songs. I colored pictures of Jesus talking to children. Later I joined the Junior High group and couldn't wait until I could be a part of the High School group. The church I attended at that time was a part of Drew University, a great Methodist University. We had students as advisors to the group and we did wonderful things. One thing that we did was to go into New York City on Saturdays to spend time with young people at what were called "Settlement Houses". These were large buildings where inner city kids, just like us, would gather to do homework, have lunch, work on projects and play games. I loved these trips and planned and prepared for them all week. Oh yes, I was frightened anticipating the first trip, but once I got there I knew that this would be an important part of my life. It was.

From the early days in Sunday School, through those days visiting kids in New York City Settlement Houses, through adulthood, two phrases of Jesus ran through my head; "You shall love The Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and all your mind." (Matthew 22:37) "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." (Matthew 22:39)

It's relatively easy to love God. Loving your neighbor can be a little more difficult. It means loving the guy who cuts you off at the red light. It means loving the gal who pushes in front of you in the crowded grocery store on the day before Thanksgiving. It means loving the men in a homeless camp and the teenagers who are taking up the whole sidewalk who

are apparently unaware of your existence. In short, loving them is the biggest thing you can do for your neighbors no matter who they are and what they do. Remember, if we love them, some of that love will be reflected back

to us and the world will be a brighter place.

That's why I follow God, to make the world a little brighter!

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

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One on One: Countryside Chat with Bernadette O'Leary & Ex-Military American Hero, Buster Brown

"Everything Woulda Been Fine..."

Part 1



What makes one a hero? Is it performing some grand deed that saves lives? Is it running into a burning building? In a matter of speaking, yes and no. While these things do define a hero, there are other things too. Serving one's country by being willing to fight and even die for the safety, rights, and freedoms of others is one big qualification for a hero. How about coming face-to-face with a bear? Well, that certainly makes one brave. What about being part of a biker group that delivers toys to needy children for Christmas and stands up for children who are suffering from abuse or bullying? Could it be living a full life with lots of stories to share as lessons or even entertainment for those who could use some company? In the minds of many, all of these come together to make someone not only a hero but also an incredible person. One such man is 60-year-old Buster Brown. One of Mr. Brown's friends who was present during our interview, Kaitlynn, described him as a big tough guy on the outside, but warm and fuzzy on the inside. She also described him as big-hearted, dependable, and outspoken, which we had already found out ourselves within five minutes of meeting him. If you have ever sat down to chat with anyone over the age of 50, you know they have lots of stories to tell. When they were in the military, these stories get more interesting to listen to, and when they have lived and loved life as much as Mr. Brown has, they get even better still. I'm going to share some of those stories with you now.

While vacationing in Tennessee, Mr. Brown and his girlfriend were staying in a cabin in a wooded area. Upon returning to the cabin from an outing one day, they heard some neighbors yelling and carrying on about some bears. He replied, "I don't see no *bears*," and then proceeded to walk toward where the neighbors were pointing, after telling his girlfriend to get the truck and meet him where the people were pointing down a nearby hill. His decision to do so brought more yells and warnings from the neighbors, but he didn't believe them.

"Everybody's screamin' at me, 'There's a bear! There's a bear!', but I didn't believe 'em. So I'm walkin', and I'm walkin', and I'm lookin', and I'm lookin', and I didn't see no bear. Then I come around this bush, and outta the corner of my eye I looked and there was this bear on a ledge. I turned 'n looked, and she stood up. She was about seven feet tall, had three cubs..." He paused and then continued, "This crippled ol' man got him some *gone* up that hill. I can tell ya, I don't care how bad you're crippled, I don't care how bad you're injured, when a bear's on you're a##*, you can *run*. I made it to the truck. Then I got my camera out to take pictures." I then commented that I would have wanted to pet the bears, to which he replied, "Yeah, at a hun'ed miles an hour."

While making the arrangements with Mr. Brown for our interview, he surprised me by saying, "Hey, you'll wanna ask me somethin' about the time I set my mom on fire." Reluctantly, I asked him when the day of the interview arrived. His response, ever so innocently, "It was by accident. Wasn't my fault. I got in trouble. I was sittin' at the table. My dad was in front o' me. I was 16, and it was around 4th of July. I had cigar loads stuck in a cigarette. I was getting' in trouble really bad. My mother was chewin' on me, and my daddy was chewin' on me, 'n my mother reached over and got one o' those cigarettes to pull one out. I tried to stop her, 'n she tol' me to shut up. I tried to stop her again, 'n she tol' me to shut up, 'n my daddy said 'Leave 'er alone.' She pulled the cigarette out that had the cigar load in it. She put it in her mouth, 'n I was sayin', 'No, no, no!' Daddy tol' me 'Shut up!' She lit that up, 'nd that cigar load went *WHOOSH!*... Blowed up. My dad stood up 'n was beatin' the top o' momma's head 'n sayin', 'Yer hair's on fire, Mary! Yer hair's on fire!' Everything woulda been fine... except I started laughin'."

He wasted no time in starting another story. "My wife 'n I were fightin'. We were yellin' at each other, 'n my mom said something. I looked at her 'n said that she can get off my back too. Slammed that door. Started up that sidewalk, my dad's shakin' his head. I heard the door open, but I didn't hear no footsteps. My daddy's at the top o' the hill shakin' his head no. 'N I just kinda grinned. Next thing I know, seen a flash o' light. I picked myself up; I was on the ground... 'N my mom was standin' there sayin'..." He paused, hunched his shoulders forward, faced downward, squinted, and continued, "say it agin! Just say it agin!" He paused. "So I started laughin'." He paused laughing. "She reared back to kick me, and I rolled. My mom was just a little on the heavy side. So she swung that leg at me 'n missed, and landed on her a##\$. Everything woulda been fine... " He paused again. "...except I started laughin'."

As you can see, my friends, Buster Brown is quite the character. Please join me again for more of this man's stories and to find out exactly what makes this man tick and what makes him a real American hero. One article simply will not do him justice.

("Buster has informed me that he has had bad news from his doctor. He reports only having a 50/50 chance of living much longer. I don't want to give his personal details, but please storm Heaven with prayers for his health. Thank you." ~ Bernadette O'Leary).

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Calendar Of Events

Mother's Day Breakfast

CLAREMONT, NH--The Claremont Elks Lodge will once again offer a Mother's Day breakfast on Sunday, May 8, from 8:00 to 11:00 a.m. This traditional breakfast will include omelets made to order, fresh fruit, muffins and many more breakfast foods. As usual, mothers eat free, other adults are \$10.00, and children under 12 will be \$5.00. The lodge is located on Pleasant St. in Claremont, N.H.

Reservations would be appreciated, please call 542-9802.

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.

Granite State Story Swap

RYE, NH--Elisa Permain, award-winning author and storyteller from Hudson, MA, is the featured teller at the annual Granite State Story Swap on May 7 at The Seacoast Science Center, Rye, NH. Sponsored by the NH Storytelling Alliance, the event brings together storytellers, teachers, librarians, and anyone who enjoys listening to stories, for a day of workshops, story swaps, and storytelling concerts.

Permain will deliver her keynote address, "Tales As Our Teachers: Connecting Deeply to Story Wisdom," at 9:00 a.m. Her closing concert will begin at 3:45 p.m. Story Swap Circles in both the morning and afternoon will give participants a chance to tell stories in a comfortable and non-judgmental setting. Concerts throughout the day will feature experienced New England storytellers.

Registration begins at 8:00 a.m. The programs run from 8:45 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. The cost is \$25 (\$15 for NHTSA members) and includes parking, a light breakfast, and lunch. Online registration is encouraged to give an estimate for food preparation. <http://nhstorytelling.bravesites.com/granite-state-story-swap> For more information, please call (603) 735-5965.

Congress Of Claremont Senior Citizens Membership Meeting

CLAREMONT, NH--Congress of Claremont Senior Citizens, Inc. will meet at Earl Bourdon Centre in Claremont on May 6 at 1:00 p.m. for a membership meeting.

Trinity/Prince of Peace Weekly Programs

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 10:00 a.m. 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.

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.

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.

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.

SHS Class of '71 Meeting

CLAREMONT, NH--Stevens High School class of 1971 will meet May 4 at 7:00 p.m., at Lavalley's Claremont Building Supply. Please use the Pleasant St. entrance.

Sullivan County Humane Society 5K Fundraiser Fun

Please join the 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.

Children's Programs At The Fiske

Toddler Activity Time at 10:30 a.m.; runs each Tuesday morning until May 10. This program is for ages birth – 36 months. We will read a book or two, nursery rhymes, songs, and fingerplays.

LEGO Free Build each Wednesday from 11:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. gives an opportunity for children of all ages to come to the Library and spend time with others in a group or alone to build a LEGO project. LEGOS will also be available to use when there no school for the school district.

Walk-in STEM Work-time which is held 2 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. on Thursdays, through May 12. Guidelines are ages 8 and up for K'Nex & Snap Circuits (small parts and low electrical current) Ages 4 and up for "Inventor's Box".

All programs are free and open to the public. Walk-ins are welcome, no registration is nec-

essary for any of the programs. Please follow age guidelines where appropriate.

Call 542-7017 for questions about the program that you are interested in.

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Arrowhead Yard Sale Set For This Month

CLAREMONT, NH--There will be a yard sale to benefit the Arrowhead Recreation Area on Saturday, May 14th, and Sunday, May 15th, at the Arrowhead Lodge on Robert Easter Way in Claremont. Arrowhead is located across from Community Center, next to the Middle School.

"We have two big needs to make this work, donations to the yard sale and people to sort items pre-yard sale and many others to work the dates of the yard sale. If you can help let us know," said Chuck Allen, vice president of the Arrowhead Recreation Club.

Drop-off dates at Arrowhead for donating items are: Saturdays, 9AM-2PM, now through May 7th, and Tuesday nights, 6-8:30PM, through May 10th.

There are some restrictions on what can be donated. All items must be usable and in working order. No clothing that is stained, torn, worn or wrinkled. No holiday lights, garland, or artificial trees. No furniture that is torn, worn, stained or dirty. No very large or heavy furniture. No older CRT TVs or monitors; working flat screen TVs will be accepted. No electronics that cannot be plugged in to validate.

If you need someone to pick up your donated items, call (603) 542-7016 and leave a message to make arrangements.

OZOBOTS At The Fiske

CLAREMONT, NH--On May 2 and May 16, both Mondays, at 3:30 – 4:30 p.m., Fiske Free Library will present OZOBOTS for a second and third program. You do not need to have come to the prior program in order to come to either of the upcoming programs. As before, draw a line with a black marker, OZOBOT, will follow it. OZOBOT can also follow directions. Patterns of red, green and blue will make him change speed, turn in different directions, or dance! What can you get an OZOBOT to do? Come to the Gilmore Room at Fiske Free Library and find out! We're only borrowing these little guys, so come and see while you have the chance! Call 542-7017 or drop by the Chil-

dren's Desk for any information. All Children's Programs in 2016 are sponsored by the Friends of Fiske Free Library.

River Theater Co. To Present "Oliver!" At COH

CLAREMONT, NH--River Theater Company will present the classic family musical, "Oliver!" at the historic Claremont Opera House on May 13th and 14th at 7:00 p.m. and May 15th at 2:00 p.m. "This is River Theater Company's first venture into musical theater," said the show's director, Michael Wright. "We are hoping that the community comes out and supports this show. It is extremely expensive to produce a musical and we felt that the Claremont Opera House was the perfect venue for a show of this size." With a cast of over 25 local children, a large number of adult performers, and a group of musicians under the direction of Walt Sayre, "Oliver!" is sure to delight audiences of all ages.

Tickets can be purchased at the Village Square Booksellers in Bellows Falls, Jiffy Mart in Charlestown, NH, or at Marro's Home Center (Ace Hardware) and Kit N' Kaboodle in Claremont, NH. Or you can call the Claremont Opera House at (603) 542-4433. If you are interested in volunteering to help out with this production, or if you would like more information about River Theater Company visit our website at www.rivertheater.org. This production of "Oliver!" is sponsored by Tenney Roofing of Charlestown, NH.

Program On Memory Loss, Dementia At The Fiske Library

CLAREMONT, NH--A program on memory loss, dementia, and Alzheimer's Disease will be held on Tuesday, May 3, at 3:00 p.m. at the Fiske Free Library. This program is the first of a two-part program the first will be presented by Melissa Grenier from the New Hampshire Alzheimer's Association; the second program, which will be in June, is on Healthy Habits for Your Brain and Body.

This program is free and open to the public. Please call the library for more information-542-7017.

This program is sponsored by The Friends of the Fiske Free Library.

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The Doug Wahlberg Band has been electrifying audiences for years, performing originals most cannot distinguish from main stream radio play. Their music features simple, melodic hooks, both gritty and laid back but always hypnotic and driving. These tunes will etch their way into your memory. While reminiscent of British and American classic rock, The Doug Wahlberg Band brings a modern approach to a retro sound.

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Sullivan County ATV Club

Presents: Family Fun Day

Saturday, May 7 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM

Grace River Church grounds on Maple Avenue.

Come out and ride the ATV Simulator, check out Claremont Fire Departments new Kubota, chat with a Claremont Police Officer, and a NH Fish and Game Officer, get your face painted by Cheryl the Clown, check out a Golden Cross Ambulance.



Admission: \$5 per family
Food available for a small fee.



Sugar River Civil War Round Table May Meeting

CLAREMONT, NH--Sugar River Civil War Round Table meets 1st Monday of each month, 7:00 p.m., at the Earl M. Bourdon Center, 67 Maple Ave. Keeping the building on the left, drive toward back of building to Arts & Crafts room entrance.

May 2 Program--Medal of Honor: Civil War Speaker; Sutlers in the Civil War.

Mother's Day Plant Sale

ASCUTNEY, VT--The Ascutney Volunteer Fire Department will be hosting their Annual Mother's Day Plant Sale on Saturday, May 7th, from 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. at the fire station (just off Exit 8 of I-91). A large selection of annuals and perennials will be available for sale as well as cocoa shell mulch.

For more information, contact Cookie Shand at 802-674-5021 or by email at shand@myfairpoint.net.

Silsby Free Library News

CHARLESTOWN, NH--Have April showers made you feel glum? Are you ready for those May flowers to bloom and bring in a beautiful Spring? Come to the library and pick up a read when the weather has you cooped up in the house and also one for those wonderful afternoons when you can read outside in the warm sunshine. From romance to thrillers, we have the perfect read for you!

We have an amazing program coming to us on Saturday, May 7th at 11:00 a.m. Thanks in part to the New Hampshire Humanities, we are having Bob Contrell and his dog, Tug, come to the library and present their program, "Harnessing History: On the Trail of New Hampshire's State Dog, the Chinook". Please be sure to come and learn about our state dog and how dog sledding was developed in our great state!

Parents: We have seen a rise in children signing up for New Hampshire's 1000 Books Before Kindergarten. Research shows that children that develop a love of reading early on perform better in school. For every time a child reaches a 100 book milestone, the library will give a certificate and prize. Stop by the library and ask how!

The library will be closed on Thursday, May 5th for a staff development day. Book drop services will be available for returns.

Find all of our new book titles on Library-Thing! The log-in is Silsbyfpl, and the password is 03603. The complete catalog is viewable at <https://silsby.follettdestiny.com>.

Also be sure to like us on Facebook for the latest news and events.

Upcoming events for May 2016:

Storytime for Toddlers/ PreK

Every Tuesday @ 10:30 am

Star Wars Day!

Wednesday, May 4th @ 3:30 pm

May the Fourth be with you! Come into the library and create a Star Wars mask!

Staff Development Day: Library Closed, Thursday, May 5th.

Lunch and Learn for Adults,

Friday, May 6th @ 12 noon

Bring your sack lunch and join us for our adult coloring club.

This month's theme is flowers in honor of Dandelions Days.

"Harnessing History: On the Trail of New Hampshire's State Dog, the Chinook"

Saturday, May 7th @ 11 am

Come join us with special guest presenter, Bob Contrell, as he presents to us the history of the Chinook dog and how dog sledding was developed in New Hampshire. Contrell will be accompanied with his Chinook named Tug. This program is brought to us by the New Hampshire Humanities to Go.

Family Game Day, Wednesday, May 18th

Come into the library and play a game with us!

Lego Club, Wednesday, May 25th @ 3:30 pm

For children in grades Kindergarten to 5th grade. Come build with us in the children's area! Duplo sets are available for younger siblings.

Special Concert To Celebrate Community Arts And Retirement Of Marthe Dyner

CLAREMONT, NH--For 11 years the Rev. Marthe Dyner has served the communities of Claremont and Charlestown as the rector of Union-St. Luke's Episcopal Parish, and as an active member of the arts community as a potter and member of the board of the West Claremont Center for Music and the Arts. She has

been active in advocating for vital community programs, such as Community Transportation between Charlestown and Claremont, youth education programs, and the performing arts. Music and arts are among her great passions and she has been a huge advocate for and supporter of WCCMA's commitment to providing professional arts and music experiences without a required admission, and has been particularly moved by the young musicians performing and learning through the Youth Arts Enrichment Initiative.

Before she retires on June 5th, the West Claremont Center for Music and the Arts will host a very special community celebration, "Music for Marthe" in her honor, followed by a community pot luck meal. On May 28th at 3:00 p.m., friends and more than 15 musicians from across NH and VT will gather for an eclectic performance of music spanning from classical to jazz, followed by a pot luck dinner. Performers featured will include Angela Biggs, soprano; Peter Walker, organ; Melissa Richmond, flute; Chris Cheon, piano; the Claremont Community jazz band; and special student performers. Dyner has requested that all donations made at this event go towards the WCCMA's community and youth programs. The performance will be held at Union Episcopal Church, 133 Old Church Rd, Claremont, NH, and doors open at 2:30 p.m.

Join us to thank Dyner for her work in the Claremont and Charlestown communities, and to wish her a wonderful retirement filled with family, friends, and lots of pottery making. All are welcome, and weather permitting there will be outside seating with sound system sponsored by SRH Soundworks, so bring your own lawn chair if you prefer to sit outside.

For additional information visit wcc-ma.org or contact melissa@wcc-ma.org

Cornish Historical Center Opened For Season

CORNISH, NH--The Cornish Historical Center, on School Street, will be open Saturday, and every Saturday, during the warm months, from 9:00 a.m. to noon.

Send news and photos to

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Join Us for the...

106th Annual May Breakfast

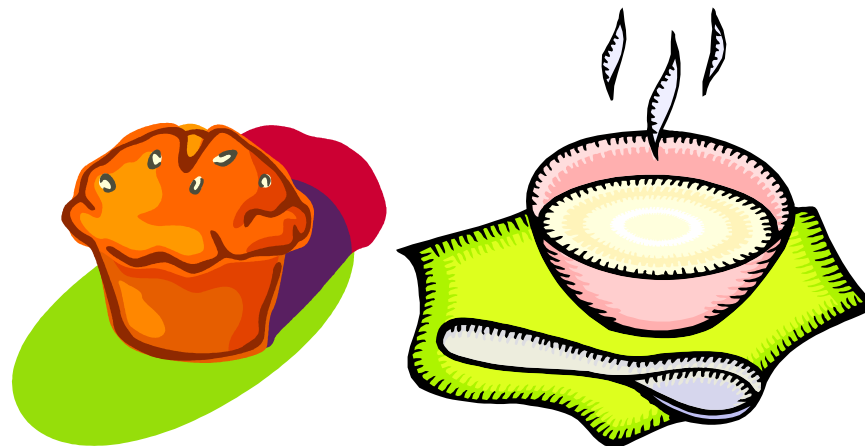
First Congregational Church

Saturday, May 7, 2016

6:30 AM – 10:00 AM



Menu includes: Fresh Fruit Cup; Bacon; Eggs, Pancakes with Real Maple Syrup; Hot or Cold Cereal; Muffins and Donuts; Beverage



Adults: \$7.00

Children 2-12: \$5.00

Under 2: Free

Pick-up orders available, please call 603-542-2892 to pre-order.

Tickets available at the door or pre-bought at the Church Office.

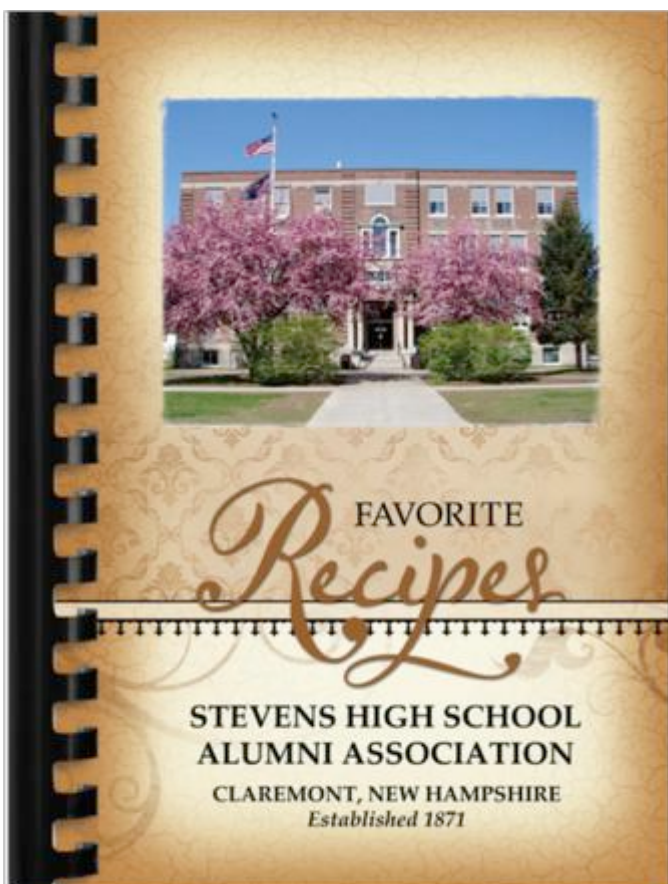
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Spring Tea And Luncheon

Sat, May 14th - 12pm

Union Church Hall, 133 Old Church Rd, Claremont Union Church Hall, 133 Old Church Rd, Claremont, NH

\$15 Adults/\$10 for 13 and under

Join us for this family-friendly event, sponsored by Century 21 Highview Realty. Delicious luncheon, tea, activities, music, games, prizes, and more! Don't forget to bring your spring hat for the hat parade. Special music featuring soprano Angela Biggs. We'll have a decorating session (free for ticket holders) and card-making workshop on May 7th.

Photographs of the event will be available to order, so get a lovely portrait taken while you are there. For tickets visit www.wcc-ma.org.

Book Reading/Signing

CLAREMONT, NH--A book reading/signing will be held at Violet's Book Exchange on Saturday, May 14th, at 10:00 a.m. by Christine Almstrom. A local freelance artist and author

from New Hampshire, she'll be reading from her children's book, "How Do You Catch a Falling Star?" and offering signed copies for sale.

Program On NE Stone Walls

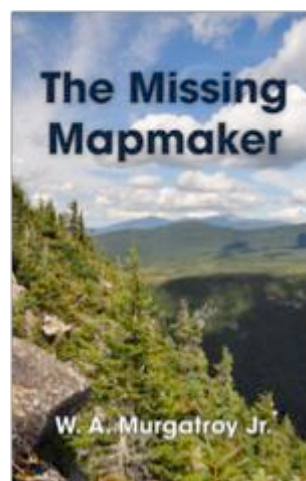
CORNISH, NH--On May 9th, Monday, at 7:00 P.M., the Cornish Historical Society will be hosting a program "Discovering New England Stone Walls". Kevin Gardner, author of *The Granite Kiss*, explains how and why New England came to acquire its thousands of miles of stone walls. He addresses how they and other dry stone structures were built, how their styles emerged and changed over time and their significance to the famous New England landscape. This program is sponsored by the New Hampshire Humanities Council and will be held upstairs at the Town Office, 488 Town House Road in Cornish.

Gardening Program In Lempster

LEMPSTER, NH--The Friends of the Miner Memorial Library will present an informational program on various aspects of gardening with guest speaker, Lionel Chute, Natural Resources Director of Sullivan County, on Thursday, May 5. The program will be held at the Miner Memorial Library, corner of Rt. 10 and 2nd NH TPK at 7:00 p.m. Some topics that will be covered are companion gardening, till/no till, fertilizing, mulching, etc. Bring your gardening questions, comments, ideas. All are welcome. Contact 863- 5023.

Lempster Writer Launches Debut Mystery Novella

LEMPSTER, NH--"The Missing Mapmaker" is a history mystery set in Pre-Revolutionary War New England that follows the journey of British surveyor Samuel Holland into the untamed wilderness of Southwestern New Hampshire where he disappears. His young assistant, Kip Kentfield, follows his trail through Camden (Wash-



ington,) Lempster, Unity and to the abandoned Fort #4 in Charlestown, N.H.

Local writer and Lempster historian, W.A. Murgatroy Jr., is debuting his mystery novella, "The Missing Mapmaker" in conjunction with Lempster's 250th anniversary celebration on January 5, 2017.

Murgatroy is a Vietnam veteran, retired communications technician and a former Lempster Selectman. He is the senior writer for the local publication, "The Historian". He has written articles for "The Soonipi Magazine" and the former "Lempster Owl". His previous work is the "Footprints of The Jolly Farmers", a history of the Highview Church Farm, from 1959 to 2000.

"The Missing Mapmaker" is currently available at Violet's Book Exchange, Claremont; Rosie and Phil's store, Lempster; and from the Lempster Historical Society. Plans are being made for a release on Amazon. Two book signing events are scheduled: The first on Saturday, May 14th, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at Violet's Book Exchange in Claremont and another later in the day from 2:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Lempster Historical Society located at 4 2nd N.H. Turnpike in Lempster. All proceeds to benefit the Lempster Historical Society.



W.A. Murgatroy Jr.

Programs At The Fiske

CLAREMONT, NH--Programs coming up in May at the Fiske Free Library include a book talk/signing featuring Claremont's own Andy Austin, on May 16th at 7:00 p.m., and on May 17, Steve Kurkjian will be on hand for a book talk/signing of his book, "Master Thieves", a book about the unsolved Isabelle Gardner Museum heist.

On May 23, the library will host Ramblin' Richard who will entertain with music and stories from WWII.

Please call the library for more information about any program at 542-7017.

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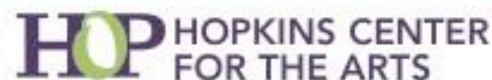


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Remembering Loved Ones...

Life Tributes

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Gary Caplan, 52

Gary Caplan, 52, beloved son of Roselyn and the late Erwin Caplan passed away at his home in West Lebanon after a brave battle with a debilitating disease.

Gary was a native of the area, born on October 29, 1962, and raised in Claremont and an alumnus of Stevens High School where he became a scholarship donor. In his high school years he became a sports enthusiast of The Ohio State University football and basketball programs and graduated from The Ohio State University with a Bachelors degree in communications. He continued long after graduation as a true "Buckeye" fan following and attending college football and basketball games. While at Ohio State Gary joined Sigma Alpha Mu fraternity where he made lifelong friends.

At the persistence of his Dad and to the chagrin of his Mother, Gary purchased Gnomon Copy Company in 2001. To the surprise of his Mother and the "I told you so" of his Dad, Gary became a very successful and respected businessman in the Upper Valley dedicated to his business, his employees, and his customers.

Growing up in Claremont, Gary had a wonderful circle of boyhood friends who continued to be a great source of friendship and humor throughout his life. Their periodic get-togethers and sports interests were a

delightful highlight for Gary and their extended families became his dear friends as well.

He purchased his first motorcycle in high school and his last motorcycle when he returned to New Hampshire 15 years ago. He enjoyed snowmobiling as well but the best stories and laughs can be told about his big love – his MG convertible purchased during his college years. Gary had strength of character, was smart, strong, had a fantastic sense of humor, a great personality, an excellent sense of business and was an avid, opinionated, political advocate.

He was deeply appreciative of the nurses and doctors care at Dartmouth Hitchcock Medical Center as well as that of Dana Farber Hospital.

In addition to his Mother, Gary leaves three sisters, Phyllis Marcus, Bari Caplan-Bolger and Joanne Elgart; his brother-in-law James Bolger; his nieces and nephews, Andrew and Ethan Marcus, Alison and Nicholas Bolger, and Sara and Leah Elgart.

Funeral services were held at the Stringer Funeral Home in Claremont on Sunday, May 1st.

Memorial donations may be sent to the Caplan Family Scholarship Fund at Stevens High School in Claremont or to Temple Meyer-David, Claremont.

Sarai J. Chapman, 66

Sarai J. Chapman, 66, of Unity, NH, died unexpectedly on Thursday, April 21, 2016, at her Britton Road home.



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She was born in Claremont, NH, on January 30, 1950 the daughter of Albon L. and Helen B. (Russell) Powell. She grew up in Meriden, Plainfield and Lebanon.

In 1979, she married Norman "Tink" Chapman. They lived in Unity for the last 15 years. Prior to that they lived on Witcher Road in Newport where they raised their three sons, Lenny, Albon and Mark.

Sarai was an LNA working for Connecticut Valley Homecare/Hospice and also worked for Alternative Health.

Her passion was spending time with her family, especially her grandchildren and great grandchildren, her five dogs, shopping, going to bingo and vacationing in the White Mountains.

Her family includes her husband of 37 years, Norman "Tink" Chapman; her sons, Leonard Chapman Jr of Unity and Albon Chapman Sr of Goshen; five grandchildren, Colby, Albon Jr, Bryan, Sarai and Chelsea; four great grandchildren, Nevaeh, Bristol, Hayden and Nyman; her sister, JoAnne Powell Hertzler and her husband, Leon of Newport; her brothers, George M. Aldrich and his wife, Joyce of Cornish, Albon A. Powell and his wife, Ruth of Greenfield, MA Raymond Aldrich and his wife, Terri of Goshen, Edwin J. Aldrich of Georgia, Michael Powell and his wife, Joan of Spofford, David Powell and his wife, Dede of Goshen; sister-in-law, Laura Baxter and her husband, Robert; brother-in-law, Leonard Chapman Sr and his wife, Debbie, sister-in-law, Alice and her husband, Woody; her ex daughters-in-law, Amy, Holly, Debbie and Tonya; her best friend, Wanda Paquette and her special boss, Judy Knight.

She was predeceased by her parents, a son, Mark Chapman, a sister, Beverly F. Green and brothers, Robert E. Aldrich and Douglas J. Aldrich.

A time of sharing was held Friday at the Stringer Funeral Home.

Donations may be made to the Stringer Funeral Home to help with expenses.

J. N. Lariviere, Jr., 63

J. Norman Lariviere Jr., 63, of Charlestown, NH, died on April 20, 2016 at his home in Charlestown, NH.

He was born in Claremont, NH, on February 24, 1953, the son of Joseph N. Sr., and Marion (Plant) Lariviere.

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Norm was a graduate of Stevens High School. He enjoyed riding his motorcycle and ATV.

His family includes his mother, Marion Lariviere of Port Orange, FL; his brother, Bill Lariviere and his wife, Lenny of Deland, FL; his sister, Lori Kent and her husband, Kevin of Claremont; his nephew, Joseph G. Lariviere, US Marine Corp stationed in Hawaii and two special aunts, Beverly Hunt and her husband, Bob and Polly Benson both of Port Orange, FL, also his beloved dog, Jake.

He was preceded in death by his father.

A graveside service was held in St. Mary Cemetery in Claremont on Thursday, April 28th. Stringer Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in his memory to David's House, P.O. Box 660, Lebanon, NH 03766.

2016 4-H Fashion Show Winners Recognized

NEWPORT, NH--Approximately 50 4-H members participated in this year's 4-H Fashion Revue showing off the outfits and items they created during our recent 4-H Fashion Show at the Claremont Middle School. These members presented their creative talents on stage to an audience of family and friends.

The top advanced sewers were Cayla Carpia of Claremont, Virginia Drye of Plainfield, Caleigh Plunkett of Charlestown and Skye Robicheau of Plainfield. These sewers will have their garments judged and represent Sullivan County at State 4-H Activities Day on June 4th at UNH in Durham, NH. In addition the following 4-Hers have been invited to model their garments at the state 4-H Fashion Revue: Kaleigh Adams, and Anna O'Hara

of Claremont, Annie Drye, and Ella Falcone, Plainfield, Hailey King, Charlestown, and Rosemary Johnson from Grantham

The Intermediate II category winners were Rebekah Baker of Charlestown, and Anna O'Hara of Claremont. Top scoring members in the Intermediate I division were Anna Gnatek, Liana Francis and Emma Gnatek all from Charlestown.

Fashion Selections winners put their decision making skills to work as wise consumers of clothing. The objective of the program is to help youth explore the strategies for getting the value from the money they have available to spend. In first place was Eric Robicheau of Plainfield; tied for second place were Clara Avery of Claremont and Hannah Falcone of Plainfield; in third Skye Robicheau of Plainfield.

In the Novice category, the following members were recognized: Ashley Putnam and her sister Emma Putnam, form Charlestown, placed first and second; Angelina Baker of Lempster placed third followed by Marina Macenfish of Charlestown in fourth.

The winners in our Aprons and Other Items category were Elizabeth Stark of Newport and Jenna Jones-Rines of Claremont.

Volunteer sewing leaders were also recognized during the awards ceremony. Each were given a carnation as a thank you for the time and talent they shared with 4-H sewing project members. Commentators for the show included Cayla Carpia of Claremont, Annie & Virginia Drye of Plainfield, Hailey King of Charlestown and Emma O'Hara of Claremont.

The theme of this year's show was "A Kaleidoscope of Color" and the stage

was decorated by the members of the Sugar River 4-H Club in Claremont.

For more information about 4-H, call UNH Cooperative Extension: (603) 863-9200 or email Robin Luther at Robin.Luther@unh.edu.



State 4-H Fashion Revue Bound: Annie and Virginia Drye, Rosie Johnson, Kaleigh Adams, Cayla Carpia, Ella Falcone, Hailey King and Anna O'Hara were selected to model the garments they have sewn at the state competition June 4th at UNH in Durham (Courtesy photo).

Claremont Fire Dept. Log

Sunday, April 24th

1448 E-3 responded to Washington St for an MVA

1453 Brush 1 responded to Charlestown Rd for a smoke investigation

1730 E-1 responded mutual aid to Unity

Monday, April 25th

1135 E-1, E-2, L-1 responded mutual aid to Ascutney VT for a structure fire

1847 E-3 responded to School St for an alarm sounding

1720 E-3 responded to Charlestown Rd for a medical call

2049 E-3, L-2, E-1 responded to Hanover St for a box alarm

Tuesday, April 26th

1243 E-3 responded to River Rd for a box alarm

1252 E-3, L-2 responded to Grandview St for a chimney fire

Wednesday, April 27th

1137 E-3 responded to Washington St for a MVA

1329 E-3, Brush 1 responded to Spring St for an illegal burn

2043 E-3 responded to the Mulberry St and Myrtle St for an illegal burn

Thursday, April 28th

0015 E-3 responded to Trinity St for a medical call

0031 E-3 responded to West Pleasant St for a MVA

0715 E-3 responded to River Rd for a box alarm

1226 E-3, L-2, E-1 responded to Kinney Pl for a box alarm

1238 E-3, Brush 1 responded to Bowker St for a brush fire

Friday, April 29th

0739 E-3 responded to Bank Ave for a water problem

1020 E-3 responded to Lincoln Heights for a well-being check

2346 E-3 responded to Central St for a public assist

Saturday, April 30th

0714 E-3 responded to North St to assist ambulance crew

1643 Utility 1 responded to Chestnut St to assist the police dept.

1648 E-3 responded to Broad St for a box alarm

Social News

Claremont Senior Center, Inc. News

By Claire Lessard, Executive Director

The annual Board of Directors election will be held at our next monthly meeting on May 3. Candidates are Debbie Bedard, Arthur Fines, Larry Johnson, June Silva. A short write-up of each candidate is now on display until elections. Stop in and take a look! Absentee ballots available and must be returned by 12 Noon on May 3.

New policy as of April 4, 2016, welcomes visitors and non-members but must sign in at the front desk with the receptionist if participating in the center's non-public activities. Three visits are allowed before membership is required. We hope you decide to join us, if not we wish you well.

Café Claremont Menu: Tuesday - May 3 ... Monthly Meeting...Salad, pork stir fry with vegetables, rice, pineapple chunks. Thursday - May 5... Mothers Day Celebration ...Broccoli & cheddar soup, roast turkey, stuffing, mashed potatoes with gravy, vegetables, lemon cheese-cake mousse. Menu subject to change!

The "Spring Fling" Craft Fair will be held on Saturday - May 7 (9:00 AM - 2:00 PM). More info, call (603) 542-5798. We will also have a food concession, baskets raffle and our famous cookie sale!

Basket Bingo sponsored by the Croydon Ladies Auxiliary and our senior center will be held on Sunday - May 15. Doors open 12 Noon. 20 Games of Bingo for 20 Gift Baskets starts at 1:00 PM. Each basket valued at least \$50.00. Enjoy a food concession and raffles. 20 games \$10.00, extras for \$5.00 each. Per State of NH must be over 18 to attend!

Our next Senior Men's Breakfast will be Monday - May 16. Center opens 8:00 AM, breakfast served 8:15 AM, guest speaker 8:45 AM, socialize till 10:00 AM. Menu: Pancakes, sausage or bacon, juice, coffee. Members \$2.00, non-member guests \$3.00. Come to or call center to sign-up!

Upcoming trips...Penn Dutch Country with the New Hit Show "Samson" May 17 - 19 (3days / 2 nights). On June 23 enjoy the Superstars of Country (Highwaymen) at the Venus DeMilo - Swansea, MA. Come to the center and check out the details and more trips!

Chair Yoga class guided by Charleigh Robbalard of the Ahimsa Yoga Center in Claremont brings you through an hour of gentle, relaxing yoga. Class uses chairs to accomplish the poses doing just what you can. No pressure here! Join us every Monday at 10:00 AM. For a small fee of \$5.00, you will receive a very relaxing hour.

"Sunday at the Center" for members and bonafide guests! Center open 1:00 PM - 5PM. Play pool, games, ping-pong, work on a puzzle, card games (Hand & Foot card game most popular), Mahjonn (instructions given) or just socialize. Bring a snack to share and bring your own beverage.

Seniors Bingo (for center members 55 years of age and older) every Wednesday at 1:00 PM. Non members are welcome but must sign in. Three visits are allowed before membership is required. Come early, have lunch! Sale of cards stops at 12:50 PM. No cards sold after that time!

Senior Game Night every Tuesday (6:00 - 9:00 PM) for members. Non-members are welcome but must sign in. Three visits are allowed before membership is required. Mahjonn, Hand & Foot card game and Pool are popular but other games are available. Attendees should bring a snack to share!

Pool 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM Monday to Friday. Hand & Foot Card Game on Monday - 1:00 PM.



The Claremont City Council will hold a public meeting on Wednesday, May 4, 2016, 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

6:34 PM 3. AGENDA (CHANGES)

6:35 PM 4. CITIZEN'S FORUM (Comments on Non-agenda Items Limited to 5 Minutes per Speaker (Council Rule 22))

6:50 PM 5. BUDGET

- A. Police
- B. Communications 911
- C. Municipal Complex (Maintenance)
- D. General Services
- E. Debt Retirement (Debt Service)
- F. City Administration (Finance)
- G. Elections
- H. Revenue

9:15 PM 11. CONSULTATION WITH LEGAL COUNSEL

9:30 PM 12. ADJOURNMENT

PLEASE NOTE: Claremont City Council's next scheduled meeting will be on Wednesday, May 11, 2016, at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall. In addition, budget meetings will be held on Thursday, May 19; Wednesday, May 25; Thursday, June 2; Wednesday, June 22, 2016.



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6:35 PM 4. REPORT OF THE SECRETARY
Minutes of April 13 and 27, 2016, City Council Meetings

6:40 PM 5. MAYOR'S NOTES
A. Stevens High School Alumni Proclamation

6:45 PM 6. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

7:00 PM 7. APPOINTMENT TO BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

7:05 PM 8. CITIZEN'S FORUM (Comments on Non-agenda Items Limited to 5 Minutes per Speaker (Council Rule 22))

9. OLD BUSINESS

7:20 PM A. Property Tax Exemption Update

7:35 PM B. 25 Chestnut Street Update

7:50 PM C. Ordinance 547 Amend Chapter 6, Article IX Outdoor Wood Boilers – Second Reading – Public Hearing

8:05 PM D. Proposed Opera House Square Fountain Update

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10. NEW BUSINESS

8:30 PM A. Sullivan County ATV Club Annual Trail Permission

8:40 PM B. Resolution 2016-32 Grissom Lane/River Road Intersection Reconstruction & Turning Lane Project – Public Hearing

8:55 PM C. Motion to Authorize Sale of City-owned Property

9:10 PM 11. COMMITTEE REPORTS

9:15 PM 12. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS AND DIRECTIVES

9:30 PM 13. CONSULTATION WITH LEGAL COUNSEL

9:45 PM 14. ADJOURNMENT

NOTE: Claremont City Council's next scheduled meeting will be on Wednesday, May 25, 2016, at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall.