

Claremont Confidential

By Les St.Pierre



A Hidden Gem In Claremont

They haven't raced yet and they are chomping at the bit raring to go. The kids, I mean. In case you haven't noticed, and my guess is you haven't, there is something out there just waiting to burst at the seams. It is the Claremont Karting Series at the Claremont Speedway.

"People just haven't noticed," said Shelly Page during an interview late last week. "We've got to get the word out. No one knows about it. It is a hidden gem."

Rained out a couple of Sundays ago in its initial running of the 2016 season, the Claremont Karting Series, hopefully, will get underway May 15 after taking a week off for Mother's Day this past Sunday.

We all know how excited kids can get when they are pumped up for something they especially enjoy and when that joy is put at a standstill the kids get a bit antsy, sometimes frustrated, and begin to take it out on their parents and grandparents. That is why Bruce Batchelder hopes the weatherman will come through May 15 with a promise of no precipitation.

Batchelder, well-known in the racing circuit at the Claremont Speedway, has taken on the task of running the Claremont Karting Series

for kids aged 5 to 12 and on up since his retirement from modified racing Batchelder, son of the famed Howard Batchelder, who raced in the 1950's and 1960's in the old jalopy days with his Ford Coupe number 99, retiring in 1967, began his own legend on the racing circuit in 1971 and, in his words, "raced every year since" before finally retiring, too, a short while ago. Batchelder, the son, circled the track over the last 40-plus years in cars sporting the numbers 811, 311, and 77.

Racing fans surely know it is Sonny Rabideau who brought 311 to prominence. "I took it over when he retired," Batchelder confessed during the same interview with Page. "His motor builder stayed with me for the whole time I raced," Batchelder reported.

As you might have guessed, racing is in his blood, and he is still with the sport, although, now, it is for the kids where all his attention is focused these days.

"I took the Karting Series over this year from Archie Archibald," Batchelder stated. "He and his wife Deb had a great thing started for the last five years and when they retired, nobody stepped up to the plate to take it over. There isn't another one around for 100 miles. I thought it was a good thing for the kids. I know my grandkids love it and I stepped up."

Racing on Sunday afternoons the Karting Series consists of as many as 10 qualifying heats and then a 25-lap



Shelly Page and Bruce Batchelder see a bright future for go-karting in Claremont (Les St.Pierre photo).

feature. Gates open at 10 a.m. with activity starting at 11 a.m. and finishing somewhere between three and four in the afternoon. Wednesday evenings from 4:30 to 7:00 p.m. the go-kart kids practice right along with the big car drivers. The little track is a 1/8 mile banked oval inside the perimeter of the main racing circle.

"What I like about it," said Batchelder, "is that the kids all play together, then have to stop what they are doing, and go race. When they get done they all hang around with each other. It teaches them sportsmanship."

Page, the Karting Series right-hand person and self-imposed secretary, added, "They can

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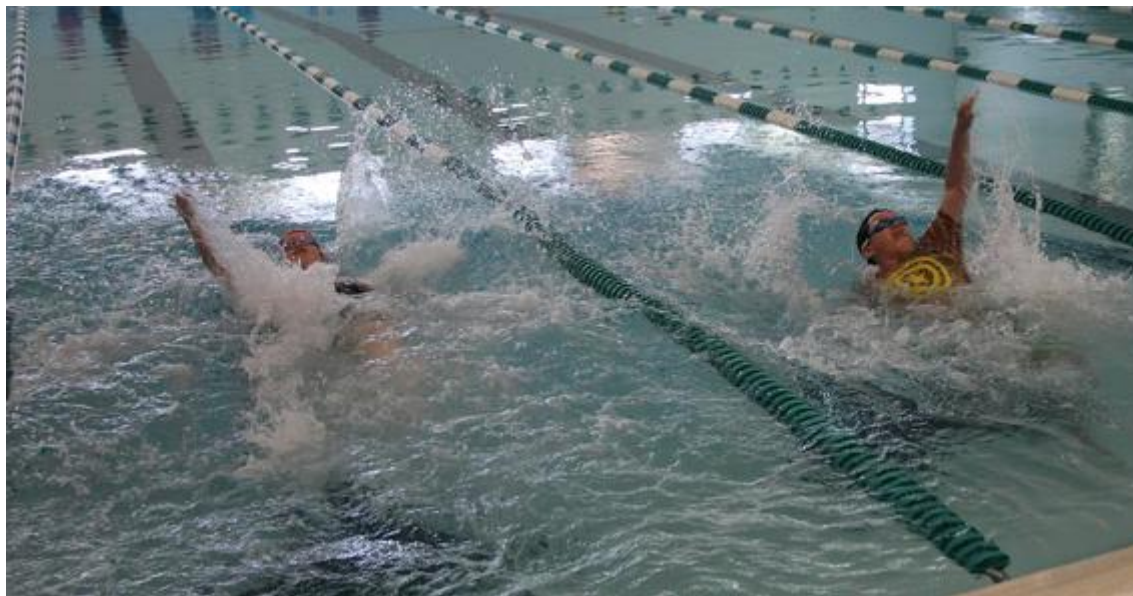
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Claremont's local Special Olympics Swim Team, The Claremont Cool Cats, held their first swim meet at the Claremont Savings Bank Community Center on Saturday, May 7. The Claremont Cool Cats, coached by Beth Lemieux and Patricia Peters, invited the Upper Valley Hawks Special Olympics swim team, coached by Missy Rodriguez, to the meet. Left: Two competitors go head to head; right: Molly Kirby of Canaan, NH, gets her 1st place award from Claremont Police Sargent Brent Wilmot (Bill Binder photos).

Go-Karting, from B1

get irritated with each other during the race, but within five minutes the kids go shake hands. It takes a village to help the children. It is fun!"

To date, Batchelder and Page have held a couple of cart shows, one at Runnings in Claremont and one at McDonald's in Springfield, VT. "Runnings was very good to us," reported Page, and Batchelder chipped in with, "Both places we were very successful. We got the word out and we gave away hot dogs, chips, and soda and ran a raffle. It built a lot of interest. McDonald's pretty near doubled its business that day."

No more shows are planned since the racing season is now at hand and with Batchelder also interested in baseball and other summer activities the Springfield resident stated, "Time is running out."

What is planned, however, is for Batchelder and Page to showcase their Karts Friday evenings when the big boys race. "We'll put some on display Friday night so people can see what we do on Sundays," he quipped. "We are hoping for two or three shows under the lights during intermission. Nothing is etched in stone yet, though."

"The track has been amazing for us," said Page. "They have helped us out a lot. Jim Ambrose and Phil Hayes are the new track owners. "It is a truly beautiful facility," voiced Batchelder. "They are doing some really great things with it. Everyone seems happy with

what they have seen. It was rundown pretty hard over the last few years. People get uptight and then they don't show up. Things get stagnant, especially when you don't enforce the rules. I like what I see now."

Batchelder was born and raised in the Londonderry, VT, area but came to Springfield in 1962 and has pretty much spent the rest of his life in the community. Asked if he misses racing Batchelder was quick to say, "Oh yeah! When I see them all out there I say to myself, 'I could still do that', and I could. But, money-wise, I really can't, now that I am retired."

Page was born in Charlestown and brought up in Keene but returned to the area 20 years ago and has remained in Charlestown.

Batchelder reported the cost for a brand new go-kart is in the \$6,000 range but most have used vehicles, which can be purchased in the \$1,000 to \$2,000 range. "We run our Series as a club to keep the costs down for parents and grandparents," Batchelder added. "It is all run by volunteers. Without them we wouldn't have anything to show. It is a good baseline to get the kids out. While spectators can get into the stands for free, it does cost to get into the pits."

There are currently seven division sponsors helping out with the registration process and pit entrance fees. All money received goes back into the program to alleviate fuel expenses, insurance costs, and any other unforeseen financial costs.

"I ask anyone interested to come on out Sundays," Batchelder expressed. "It is a great family sport. These kids are our future racers."

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Season Opens At Claremont Speedway With Plenty Of Action

Ricky Bly and Joey Jarvis were the big winners on opening night Friday at Claremont Speedway on April 29. Bly led the 25-car Super Street division under the checkers to top the 50-lap Richardson Memorial Race, while Jarvis made easy work of winning the 40-lap Modified feature.

Other winners of the season-opening event were Tyler Janovsky, victorious in the Limited Sportsman feature, and Josh Rondeau, who earned the Wildcat victory.

Dylan Bodreau led the full field of Super Streets to the green, with Joe Tetreault alongside him. Bodreau would set the pace the first five laps, with Rick Bly glued to his bumper, until Bodreau was shuffled back to third on lap six.

With Bly then pacing the field, Aaron Fellows – from row four – was the other man noticeably on the move. Storming up to third on lap eight, and into second three laps later, the Croydon pilot pulled up on Bly's back bumper on lap 14.

Racing both nose-to-tail and wheel-to-wheel, they sailed around the third-mile oval inches apart, sometimes closer. The furious battle came to a head as the lead pair stormed through turn four on lap 19, sparks flying as they rubbed down the frontstretch, with Fellows then slowing with a cut tire, a souvenir of the contact between the two.

Fellows was able to stay on the lead lap, thanks to a caution flag, with his father, Allen Fellows then moving up to second to lead the furious pack in pursuit of Bly. By the time lap 27 was completed, Bly had opened up a 15-length lead, and would widen that to a full straightaway by lap 40.

A lap-40 caution, though, brought the field again to Bly's back bumper, with Aaron Fellows now all the way back up to fourth, behind Allen Fellows and 2015 track champ Jack McClay.

Aaron Fellows made quick work of moving up to second, but Bly held strong over the final three circuits to score the win. With both McClay and Geoff Rollins suffering late-race spins due to spent tires, Ben Poland made a thrilling charge to take third just ahead of John Lavoie, Tetreault completing his solid night's work in fifth.

Sean Bodreau led the first nine laps of the Modified main event, with Joey Jarvis virtually

glued to him. Bodreau and Jarvis hit the stripe in a dead heat on lap nine, with Jarvis inching ahead the next time around.

Nick Boivin, running in the lead pack all night long, powered past Bodreau to claim second on lap 20. There was no catching the speedy Jarvis on this night, though, as he was able to open a 15-length lead before a lap-29 caution tightened the field again.

With Jarvis winning by 20 lengths, Dana Smith turned up the volume in the last laps to claim second. Boivin was strong in third, with Russ Hersey and Bodreau rounding out the top five.

Tyler Janovsky led all the way in the Limited Sportsman feature, at times opening a sizable lead, as Scott Vien and Gary Colburn battled for the deuce spot behind him.

With five laps to go, Janovsky held a five-length advantage over Vien, but when the checkers waved to end the 25-lap event, it was Janovsky scoring the victory over Vien, Colburn, and Chris Emerson, as the front four hit the stripe nose-to-tail. Not far back, Alexis Aiken came home fifth.

Josh Rondeau and Craig Smith led the Wildcats to the green, but it was Alex Poisson – from row two – taking the early lead, then holding Rondeau in his shadow until the Charlestown pilot dove low into turn one to snatch the top spot on lap 21.

The two would race the final



Veteran racer Ricky Bly #28 of Sunapee NH took home the \$1200 top prize in the Super Street 50 lap Richardson Memorial race April 29 (Courtesy photo).

four laps under a blanket until Rondeau prevailed to score the win ahead of Poisson. Kodi Sabins came home third, with Smith and Greg Millette rounding out the top five.

Claremont Speedway will be back in action Friday, May 6, when the North East Street Stock Tour visits the third-mile speedplant. The Late Models will make their 2016 season debut on the same card, along with the sizzling Super Streets and Wildcats.

Post time each Friday at Claremont Speedway is 7:00 p.m. For more information, visit www.claremontspeedway.net.

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Busy Schedule Ahead For Cardinals Baseball

Mother Nature interrupted two of the three games scheduled for the Stevens baseball team this past week, but the Cardinals did host the Bow Falcons on Friday afternoon at Barnes Park.

The two teams went 10 innings before the Falcons bats came alive in the 10th inning and they scored 8 times to break open a 3-3 tie for a hard fought 11-3 decision over Stevens.

The Cardinals took an early 1-0 lead in the bottom of the first as Noah Spaulding reached on an error, moved to second when Drew Grenier was hit by a pitch and came around to score on a Coby Hussey

single. Stevens made it 2-0 in the bottom of the third as Spaulding and Grenier both singled before Spaulding scampered home on a wild pitch.

Bow added a run in the top of the 5th on a single and three walks, and had the bases loaded with just one out, before Grenier came on in relief and started a 1-6-3 double play to get out of the inning.

It stayed 2-1 until the top of the seventh inning when Bow tied the game after a hit batter, a stolen base, and a pair of bunts, the last one a successful suicide squeeze. The Falcons would take the lead in the top of the 8th, 3-2, on a walk, stolen base, sacrifice bunt, and single.

The Cardinals were not done, however, as they refused to go quietly. Hussey and Zach O'Brien had back to back one out singles, before freshman Henri Bourque lined a clutch two out single to score Hussey with the tying run.

Stevens had a big opportunity in the bottom of the ninth, loading the bases with one out but Bow was able to get out of the jam and the Falcons would then generate 8 runs in the top of the 10th after two were out to spoil the day for the young Cardinals. Stevens battled all



game long and had two hits a piece from Hussey, Bourque, and freshman Derrick Stanhope. Ryan Napsey started for Stevens and pitched 4 1/3 innings before Grenier came on. He went on to throw 5 1/3 innings.

Due to the weather and postponements, Stevens now has 4 games in each of the next two weeks. They will host Mascoma in a makeup game at Barnes Park on Tuesday afternoon, before taking on the Tigers of Newport in a double header on Wednesday. Game one will be played at Newport at 3:30PM, with the nightcap being played at Barnes Park at 7PM. The Cardinals will wrap up the week hosting the Hillcats of Hillsboro-Deering on Friday afternoon at Barnes Park.

Fisher Cats Bid For Sweep Spoiled In One-Hitter

MANCHESTER, NH - After back-to-back late rallies ended with wins by the Fisher Cats, first-place Hartford bounced back in dominating fashion with a 10-0 win over New Hampshire Sunday afternoon.

21-year old RHP German Marquez took a no-hitter to the top of the eighth inning before allowing a single by Fisher Cats catcher Wilkin Castillo. Marquez (W: 3-1) did not allow a run in his eight innings, walked two and struck out eight batters. Johendi Jiminian worked a perfect ninth as the Yard Goats salvaged the final game of the series.

The series was played at Northeast Delta Dental Stadium in Manchester as construction continues on the new stadium in Hartford, CT.

The Yard Goats put together two hits for a 1-0 lead in the bottom of the first inning. Raimel Tapia tripled and scored on a double by Ryan McMahon.

Hartford rolled out to a 6-0 lead, scoring five runs on six hits in the bottom of the third against New Hampshire starter Casey Lawrence (L; 0-2). Pat Valiaka and Rosell Herrera plated runs with singles and Dillon Thomas hit a two-run homer.

Herrera added an RBI double in the bottom of the fourth and David Dahl ripped a two-run homer in the fifth off rehabbing Major Leaguer Bo Shultz as the Yard Goats ran it out to 10-0.

On Monday, the Fisher Cats open a three-game series with the Portland Sea Dogs, Double-A for the Boston Red Sox. Game time is 5:35 p.m. and there will be a Chamber Networking Mixer prior to the game sponsored by

TD Bank and Fairpoint Communications. The scheduled starters for the first meeting of the year between the EL rivals will be RHP Jason Berken for New Hampshire and RHP Teddy Stankiewicz for the Sea Dogs.

All In At Moody Park Mountain Bike Race

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, Clysdale-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.

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.

Moose Lottery Deadline Is May 27

CONCORD, N.H. -- Want to hunt moose in New Hampshire this fall? The deadline for entering the New Hampshire moose hunt lottery is May 27, 2016. It costs just \$15 for residents and \$25 for non-residents to enter the lottery (non-refundable). A total of 71 permits are proposed to be issued this year. The state's moose hunt will run from October 15 - 23, 2016. Last year, the statewide hunter success rate was 69%. Apply now by visiting www.huntnh.com/hunting/moose-lottery.html, where you can apply online or print out a mail-in application.

Inspiration



Vicious Beast of Addiction Part I

By Bernadette O'Leary

Many people who don't face addiction often tell sufferers of addiction to "just get over it" or to "just get help." Neither of those solutions is as simple as that. Addiction is more than a simple problem with a simple solution. It is an all-consuming, driving force that fills every fiber of your being with a need that is so powerful you feel you'll go crazy or die without it. It literally takes over one's mind and life. The sufferer might also feel there is nothing wrong with him or with the desire he seeks so desperately to fulfill.

How do I know this? I have known many people who suffered addiction: drugs, alcohol, sex, gambling, and more. Not good enough? Okay. I'll let you in on a little secret, my faithful readers: I have a history of alcoholism. I have been completely dry now for ten years, but I did suffer some minor setbacks twice during that time: one around 7 years ago, and another about a year and a half ago. What does 'minor' mean? It means I caught myself a few times with drinks in my hand and was able to pour them out. Each lasted less than a week, and one look at my babies reminded me of why I could not allow myself to relapse. I'm luckier than most because I did have that failsafe in my two children. My children had been through a lot, and I knew I had to be their one constant. Thankfully, my children were the one saving grace for me that was strong enough to jolt me back to my senses.

Most people who suffer addiction don't have that. Not because they don't have anything as important as loved ones who mean everything to them, but because the addiction is so strong that it removes logical thought from the equation. It becomes a mental illness where the process of rational thought is, at times, impossible. It's not that the sufferer doesn't love his family, but the intensity of the need is so strong that he feels he simply can't fight it... and often doesn't want to. Giving into it seems to be the only way to ease the need.

The addiction can vary from one person to another in both severity and vice. However, for most, if not all, the addiction is there because the person has some void within himself. That void results in the person grasping desperately to fill the emptiness, end the pain, or find what is missing from his life. Sadly, it never works. Not all addictions can be seen easily. It could be shopping or even exercising. Some people will go into debt trying to spend their way to happiness or make themselves sick as they drive themselves into the ground physically and mentally exercising excessively (yes, it is quite possible). For the exercising obsession, this can even lead to drug abuse trying to "buff up" or get thinner, thinking they are fat. In truth, the only true answer is therapy to figure out what is causing that void and address it properly.

Join me next week for more on living with addiction.

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Calendar Of Events

Family Science Night

CLAREMONT, NH--The Science Club is hosting a family friendly night of science with activities for all ages on Wednesday, May 25, from 5:00-7:00 p.m. in the Falcon Room at River Valley Community College. For more information on the program, contact Bonnie Akerman at Bakerman@ccsnh.edu.

This popular event fills quickly, so register by emailing sherrie.fontaine@unh.edu or call 603-863-9200.

This program is co-sponsored by River Valley Community College, UNHCE, 4-H, and Runnings.

Book Talk, Signing At The Fiske

CLAREMONT, NH--A book signing and talk will be held on Saturday, May 14, at 1:00 p.m. by New Hampshire author Philip Soletsky at the Fiske Free Library.

Soletsky holds a PhD in physics and has served 12 years on the Brookline, NH, Fire Department. His mystery series features firefighter Jack Fallon and is set in a small New Hampshire town much like Brookline.

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

Call the library for more information, 542-7017. Books will be available to purchase at the program.

Newport Rotary Penny Sale

NEWPORT, NH--Newport Rotary Club's 6th annual penny sale is fast approaching. With little more than three weeks remaining before the event takes place on Saturday, May 21st. To be held at the Newport Middle High School gym. Doors open at 6:00 p.m. and the first prize will be drawn at 7:00 p.m.

For more information about the penny sale or Newport Rotary visit www.newportnhrotary.org.

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

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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.

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.

Car Wash Fundraiser

CLAREMONT, NH--Earl Bourdon Centre staff and residents will be hold an Aid Children in Ecuador Car Wash Fundraiser on Thursday, May 12th, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.; \$5 donation.

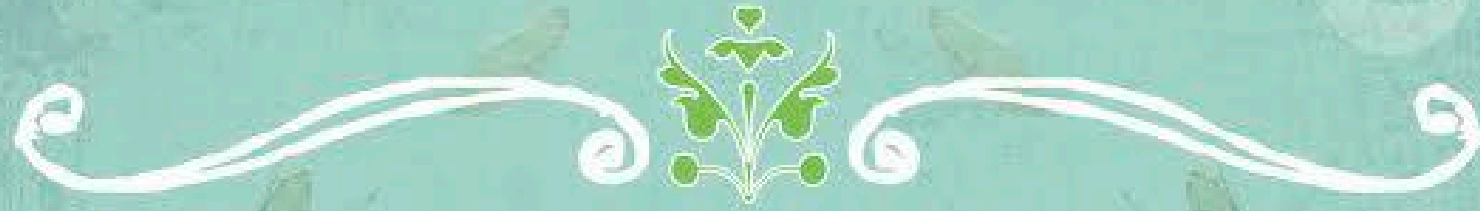


The grey, dreary day kept the attendance down at the Sullivan County ATV Club fun Day held on Maple Ave. on Saturday, May 7. Vendors promoting off-road vehicles and safety, including the New Hampshire Fish and Game Law Enforcement Division, were set up, and race cars, police cars, a Golden Cross ambulance and the new Fire Department ATV brush unit were on hand as well (Bill Blinder photo).



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Children's Programs At The Fiske

CLAREMONT, NH--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 necessary for any of the programs. Please follow age guidelines where appropriate.

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

Sponsored by the Friends of FFL.

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 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 16, from 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 Children'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 Roof-

ing of Charlestown, NH.

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.

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!

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!

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>.

Upcoming events for May 2016:
Storytime for Toddlers/ PreK
 Every Tuesday at 10:30 a.m.
Family Game Day, Wednesday, May 18th
 Come into the library and play a game with us!
Lego Club, Wednesday, May 25th at 3:30 p.m.

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

Summer Reading is right around the corner! Get ready to get in the game and read!

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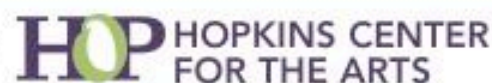


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May 21—Lebanon Waste Facility, 370 Plainfield Rd (Rt 12A South)

June 18—Newbury Highway Garage, 50 South Road, Newbury, NH
(tricky location—watch for signs: Rt 103→Village Rd→South Rd)

August 20—Newport Highway Garage, 449 S. Main St (Rt 10 South)

Oct 15—Lebanon Waste Facility, 370 Plainfield Rd (Rt 12A South)

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Asbestos: Contact NH DES at 271-1370 for disposal info. Ask if a private hauler is working in your area who might take your asbestos.

Automotive batteries: Take to parts store for cash back.

Empty aerosol cans: Can be recycled with scrap metal. Talk to your town.

Fluorescent lights: May be taken at your town facility. Check with your town. Food Co-ops and Home Depot take may take CFLs (spiral bulbs), not tubes.

Latex paint: Use kitty litter, sawdust, or shredded paper to dry out latex paint, then throw in your trash. Empty, dry metal cans may be recycled as scrap metal at your recycling facility. If it says "clean up with soap and water," it's latex.

Medicine: See www.twinstatesafemeds.com for police stations taking meds.

Medical sharps: Place in a rigid container such as a detergent bottle with cap, seal cap with duct tape, and label container with marker, "Sharps, not for recycling." Dispose of with regular trash by handing to a waste collector. See www.nh.gov/medsafety. Can now drop off at Lebanon Police Station.

Propane or helium tanks and fire extinguishers: Propane can be exchanged or refilled at a distributor; or contact town transfer station about empty tanks.

Spray insulation tanks: Empty before taking to transfer station for scrap.

Used motor oil: Take to town transfer station or garage for recycling.

CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE FOR MORE INFO: <http://hhw.uvlsrpc.org>

AARP Meeting May 12

CLAREMONT, NH--The Claremont Area AARP Chapter will meet Thursday, May 12, at noon at St. Joseph's Church Hall on Elm Street in Claremont (note venue change) for installation of officers and their Spring banquet catered by Chef Katie Taylor. Seating is by reservation. Any questions should be directed to Brenda Saunders at 603-542-5335.

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.

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. The performance will be held at Union Episcopal Church, 133 Old Church Rd, Claremont, NH, and doors open at 2:30 p.m.

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.

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.

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 (Washington,) 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.

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.

Coffee With The Chief

SUNAPEE, NH--This month's Coffee with the Chief in Sunapee will be on Thursday, May 26, from 7:30 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. at the Safety Services Building. Joining the Chief on the 26th will be Scott Blewitt, Sunapee's Recreation Director, who will be discussing upcoming summer events. NH Fish and Game Conservation Officer Kevin Bronson will also be joining the Chief to talk about hunting and fishing in Sunapee and the wildlife in your own back yard.

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Theresa M. LaPointe, 83

Theresa M. LaPointe, 83, of Claremont, NH, died on May 7, 2016, at her daughter's home in Cornish surrounded by her family.

She was born in Belmont, NH, on April 4, 1933, the daughter of Alfred and Irene (Parent) Dupont.

Theresa was an RN and had worked for 25 years at Claremont General Hospital and Sullivan County Nursing Home. She was former member of the Ladies of St. Anne Society and President of AARP. She had volunteered at the Adult Education Program, American Red Cross and at Valley Regional Hospital. Theresa enjoyed walking, reading and spending time with her family.

The family includes her husband, Donald "Red" LaPointe whom she married on July 4, 1953; their daughters, Rhonda Sharkey of Claremont; Donna Tewksbury and her husband, Alan of Cornish; Karen Pore and her husband, Jerry of Plainfield, IL; and Pamela Fairbanks of Claremont; their son, Colan LaCroix and his wife, Cindy of Claremont; 13 grandchildren, 11 great grandchildren; four great great grandchildren; her brother, Alfred "Tommy" Dupont of New Jersey; also many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her son, Richard "Duke" LaPointe; her son-in-law, Bruce Sharkey and her siblings, Oscar F.

Dupont, Blanche Condon and Rita Forcier.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at St. Mary Church in Claremont on Wednesday, May 11th, at 11 AM with Father Shawn Therrien officiating. Interment will follow in St. Mary Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made in her memory to St Mary Church, 32 Pearl Street, Claremont, NH 03743.

The Stringer Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Wilbur W. Brehio, 87

Wilbur "Bill" W. Brehio, 87, of Charlestown, NH, died on May 6, 2016, at his home.

He was born in Cumberland, RI, on April 29, 1929 the son of Charles Joseph and Melina (St.Thomas) Brehio. Wilbur was a veteran, serving in the US Air Force for 10 years. He had worked for Rugers for 12 years and had been a self-employed painter. Wilbur had been a resi-

dent of Charlestown since 1975.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Edith Rose (Ganung) Brehio who died on May 27, 2007.

The family includes his three sons, Bruce Brehio of Charlestown, Benjamin Brehio and Verne Brehio both of Lempster and four grandchildren.

Services will be held by the family at a later date.

The Stringer Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.



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Rev. Fr. Leonard R. Foisy, 85

Rev. Fr. Leonard R. Foisy, 85, of Manchester, NH, died April 29, 2016.

Born in Claremont, NH, on September 3, 1930, he was the son of Rosario N. and Lea (Lambert) Foisy. Father Foisy was ordained a priest on June 15, 1957, by Bishop Matthew F. Brady, at Saint Joseph Cathedral in Manchester. He studied at St. Andrew Seminary, Rochester, NY, the Seminary of Philosophy, and the Grand Seminary, Montreal, P.Q., Canada, where he earned a S.T.B. and S.T.L. He attended the Sulpician Seminary of the Northwest and was a full member of the Society of St. Sulpice. He attended the Theological College of Catholic University, Washington, DC and St. John's Provincial Seminary, Plymouth, MI. He earned a master's degree in theology from the University of Windsor, Windsor, Ontario, Canada.

Father Foisy served as academic dean, vice-rector, and rector of St. Thomas Theologate, Kenmore, WA. He was a member of the Provincial Staff of U.S. Province where he served as director of formation and recruitment. He was elected vice-chairman of the board of trustees at St. Mary's Seminary & University, Baltimore, MD. Afterwards, he was rector at St. Mary's Seminary from 1977 to 1980.

He served as associate pastor of Sacred Heart Church, Lebanon, Sacred Heart Church, Concord, and Saint Mary Church, Claremont. He was also temporary administrator of Saint Joseph Church, Claremont, Saint Mary Church, Hillsborough, and Sacred Heart Church, Laconia.

Father Foisy was appointed pastor of Ste. Marie Church, and Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, Manchester. Later, he was chaplain at Concord Hospital as well as Catholic Medical Center, Manchester.

Family members include several nieces, nephews, grandnieces and grandnephews.

The Rite of Reception of the Body took place on Friday, May 6, in Ste. Marie Church, Manchester, NH; burial in St. Mary Cemetery, Claremont.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to Bishop Peterson Residence, 221 Orange Street, Manchester, NH. 03104.

The Connor-Healy Funeral Home and Cremation Center, 537 Union Street, Manchester, NH is in charge of the arrangements. For more information or to view the online guest registry please visit www.connorhealy.com.

Julia T. Sanders, 99

Julia T. Sanders, 99, passed away on Tuesday, May 3, 2016, at the Sullivan County Health Care in Unity, NH.

She was born in Cleveland, OH, on April 14, 1917, the daughter of John and Nora (Fleming) Barrett.

Julia has resided in Claremont since 1961. She was member of the Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court Virgil Barber #892, St. Anne Society, Church Cenacle. She also volunteered at the Sullivan County Nursing Home, Valley Regional Hospital and St. Mary Rectory. She did service as a Lecturer, Adoration Chapel and to the sick, she also brought communion to shut-ins as a Eucharist Minister.

Julia was the widow of Frank J. Sanders who died on November 11, 1981.

The family includes her sons, Frank Sanders Jr and his wife, Marianne, of Keene, John Sanders of South Portland, ME, James Sanders of Scarborough, ME; her daughters, Jean Belaire and her husband, Robert, of Claremont, Kathleen Wojciechowski and her husband, Charles of Cincinnati, OH, Mary Ellen Sanders of Lebanon and Norita Pacanza of Keene; 13 grandchildren and 16 great grandchildren; several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband and siblings, John Barrett, Sister Norita Barrett, Rose Barrett, Mary Kaltenbach and Ann Kall.

A Mass of Christian burial was held at St. Mary Church in Claremont on Monday, May 9th. Burial followed in West Claremont Burying Ground.

Donations may be made in her memory to the St Mary Church, 32 Pearl Street, Claremont, NH 03743.

Donna C. Partlow, 65

Donna Cheryl Partlow (Carter) 65 died May 3rd, 2016, at her home in Claremont surrounded by her family and close friends after a long illness.

Donna grew up in the Newport- Claremont area and was the daughter of Roland and Jennie (Kingsbury) Partlow. Donna continued to live in the area and raised her six children here. Donna loved to be around her children, go for motorcycle rides or even just a good ole car ride around the area. She enjoyed pizza and ice cream, especially when sharing it with her grandchildren and great grandchildren.

One of Donna's proudest moments besides the birth of her six children was when she was baptized and became a Jehovah Witness.

Survivors include her mother Jennie (Kingsbury) Partlow of Claremont; five of her children: Tammy Rizza of Missouri, Hollie Bunker of Charlestown, Tonia Flanders of Newport, Tracy Conroy of Newport, and Crystal Carter of Claremont; three brothers Michael Beauman, Jackie Partlow, and Roland Partlow Jr.; two sisters, Barbara Blake and Lola Rogers; and many grandchildren, great grandchildren, and many nieces and nephews

Donna was predeceased by her father, Roland Partlow; her son, David Bunker, Jr. (2007); and her brother, Davis Partlow (2009).

Funeral services were held Saturday, May 7th, at Kingdom Hall in Claremont NH.

In lieu of flowers donations in Donnas' Memory (name) can be made to The Kingdom Hall in Claremont NH or to Stringers Funeral Home in Claremont NH to help the family with funeral costs.

Larry R. Ayer, Sr.

Larry Richard Ayer, Sr. of Ascutney, VT, died peacefully at his home surrounded by his family on Wednesday, May 4, 2016.

He was born in Claremont, NH on October 5, 1949, the son of Percy Elmer and Louise "Dolly" (Simms) Ayer.

Larry had worked as a dry waller and craftsman for himself and other companies.

He enjoyed fishing, playing horseshoes, cribbage, watching Nascar and football as well as reading. His pride and joy were his grandchildren, Tre and Relic. Humor and his handlebar mustache were a big part of who Larry was.

The family includes his wife, Joyce (Sherette) Ayer; his sons, Larry "Phelicks" Ayer Jr. and his wife, Hillary, of Claremont and Benjamin Ayer and his wife, Amanda, of Claremont; his daughter, Misty Ayer of North Walpole; two grandchildren, Larry "Tre" Ayer III and Relic Hanna Ayer; his sister, Jane Companion and her husband, Dan, of Claremont; two sisters-in-law, Jennifer Ayer and Lorraine Goyette; step daughter, Michele (Sherette) Gosselin and her husband, Mark; six step grandchildren; his friend, Rob Woodhams and his wife, Sheila; also several aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his brothers, Thomas Goyette and Donald Ayer;

and his longtime friends, Leonard "Spunk" DeLine and Ronnie Martin.

A graveside service was held in the West Claremont Burying Ground on Saturday, May 7th, with Marthe Dyner officiating.

The Stringer Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Ralph C. Lumbra, 81

Ralph C. Lumbra of Claremont NH, passed away in Nelson, NH, with his family by his side on May 2nd, 2016, at the age of 81.

Ralph was born on January 8th, 1935, in Waterbury Center, VT, to Ralph George and Nellie Maybelle Hunt Lumbra. After moving around frequently during his younger years, his family eventually settled down in West Unity around 1940 where he had many fond memories. During his high school years he participated in the band and was a state ranked runner for the Stevens High School Cross Country Track and Field Team. He graduated from Stevens in 1953. In 1954, he began his career with the USAF training in "special" atomic weapons mechanics. While serving his country, he met his wife Jenefer Rix in Norfolk, England, where they married on November 16th, 1957. Ralph and Jen had five children: Stanley, Karen, Jacqueline, Dale and Jennifer. Ralph worked for Joy Manufacturing R & D for many years, participating in the design and patenting of the Roof Bolter and the Hefti Hammer. Additionally he tried his hand at small business in Claremont. He was an accomplished league bowler and eventually worked at Maple Lanes during his retirement years. Most important, his family and home meant everything to him.

He leaves behind his wife of 59 years, his brother Robert Lumbra of Montpelier, VT, his five children, 12 grandchildren, 10 great-grandchildren as well as many dearly loved nieces and nephews.

He was predeceased by his parents, younger brother Stanley, sister Barbara and grandson Nolan.

His family will honor his request for no formal services. Graveside services were held Friday.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in his name to the Epilepsy Foundation of New England. Condolences may be sent to 676 Nelson Rd Nelson NH 03457. You are invited to share a memory of Ralph with the family or leave a message of condolence in the family guest book at www.royfuneralhome.com.

Social News

Claremont Senior Center, Inc. News

By Claire Lessard, Executive Director

The Board of Directors May 3 election results were Arthur Fines, Larry Johnson and June Silva. The new officers are Tom Liveston, Chairman - June Silva, Vice Chairman - Larry Johnson, Treasurer and Marilyn Gilbert, Secretary. Thank you to all who voted and attended the annual meeting!

Our "Free Lunch" winner for attending our May meeting was Claire Lessard.

Come check out our "Spring Fling" Craft on Saturday - May 7 (9:00 AM - 2:00 PM). For lunch, enjoy our delicious corn chowder. We also will have our 3 Baskets raffle and famous cookie sale!

Café Claremont Menu: Tuesday - May 10 ... Soup, Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes with gravy, vegetables, dessert. Thursday - May 12... Soup, elegant chicken, roast potatoes, vegetable, dessert. Menu subject to change!

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!

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 such as Pool, Ping Pong, Mahjonn, Hand & Foot Card Game, Bridge, Puzzles & Book Exchange. Knitters and use of our 2 Computers. Three visits are allowed before membership is required. We hope you decide to join us, if not we wish you well.

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/call center to sign-up!

Free Blood Pressure Clinic - Thursday - May 19 (11:00 AM - 12 Noon). Free drawing. Followed by "Healthier You Series" (12:30 - 1:30 PM). Topic: "What's Really Causing Your Gas & Bloating ... A New Look at Colonoscopies." Both programs sponsored by the Connecticut Valley Home Care. Questions, call (603) 543-6800.

Enjoy a Mohegan Sun bus trip on Tuesday - May 31. Bus will depart at 6:30 AM from the Wal-Mart parking lot in Claremont and return at 6:00 PM. Cost is \$55.00... register before May 15. Checks payable to: New England Coach. To register, call Claire at the center!

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. Fee: \$5.

"Sunday at the Center" for members and bonafide guests! Center open 1:00 PM - 5PM. 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. 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. Exercise sessions - Tuesday & Thursday - 10:00 AM. Ping Pong - Wednesday & Friday - 10:00 AM. Bridge on Thursday - 1:00 PM. Mahjonn & 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 public 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 Wednesday, May 11, 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

6:33 PM 3. AGENDA (CHANGES)

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

BREAK

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.

CITY OF CLAREMONT

Department of Public Works

Notice of

HYDRANT FLOWS WATER MAIN FLUSHING

MONDAY, MAY 16th - FRIDAY, MAY 20th

MONDAY, MAY 23rd - WEDNESDAY, MAY 25th

We will be cleaning the **ENTIRE CITY WATER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM** as part of our annual maintenance program to maintain high quality potable water and provide continued flow capacities. Although this process will produce temporary discoloration and pressure fluctuations, the safety of the water is **NOT** compromised in any way. *However*, we would advise scheduling washing clothes and cleaning projects at other times.

It is suggested that restaurants, laundromats, etc., keep their use to a minimum until the water clears. The water system will be riled and cloudy, but this condition will clear upon completion of the work.

MONDAY 5/16

Winter Street (below Water Treatment Plant)
Veterans' Park area
Washington Street and neighborhoods

Park Avenue area
Myrtle Street / Bluff area
Central Street and Pearl Street areas
Summer Street
Maple Ave area and sides

Claremont Fire Dept. Log

Sunday, May 1

1432 E3 responded to Washington St for a possible medical call.

Monday, May 2

1601 E3, E1, L2 responded to a Box Alarm on River Rd.
2112 E3 responded to Hanover St for a CO problem.

Thursday, May 5

0214 E3 responded to Main St for a medical call.
1400 E3 responded to a well-being check on Walnut St.
1806 E3, L2 responded to a Box Alarm on Acer Heights.

Friday, May 6

2002 E3, L2, E1 responded to a fire on Green St.
2106 E3 responded to North St for an illegal burn.

Saturday, May 7

E3 responded to Half Mile Rd for a tree on wires.
E3 responded to Washington St for a 2 car motor vehicle accident.
E3 responded to the high bridge on Main St for a person on the bridge.
E2 responded mutual aid to Newport for a structure fire.

TUESDAY 5/17

Water Street and Mill Road
Opera House Square
Main Street (142) to Union Street
Broad Street
High Street neighborhood
Chestnut Street and sides
Sugar River Drive and Case Hill
South Street
Pleasant Street and sides to Drapers Corner

FRIDAY 5/20

Grissom Lane to River Road (junction)
Industrial Blvd.
Sullivan Street and Twist-back Road areas
Old Church Road and Plains Road areas

MONDAY 5/23 through WEDNESDAY 5/25

Bible Hill / Ridge / Durham neighborhoods
Ledgewood Road and Glenwood Drive areas
Charlestown Road and sides to Lane Ridge
Winter Street (above Water Treatment Plant)
Thrasher Road, Slab City
Hanover Street
Elm Street and Dunning Street areas

Blow-offs throughout City

(minimal disturbance expected)

WEDNESDAY 5/18

North Street / Lincoln Heights
Lower Hanover St, Lafayette
Lower Elm Street and neighborhoods to Main St
Main Street and neighborhoods to Coy Bridge

THURSDAY 5/19