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SAU #6 Board Votes to Replace McGoodwin

By Phyllis A. Muzeroll
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CLAREMONT, NH—In a letter dated May 22, the SAU #6 School Board informed Superintendent Middleton McGoodwin that it had “recently met regarding your employment as Superintendent of the Claremont and Unity School districts. After a lengthy discussion, the Board voted to pursue other leadership of SAU 6 effective at the end of this current school year. As you are aware, Paragraph 8 of your employment contract provides for termination of your contract with six months of severance pay and one year of health insurance coverage. In lieu of using this provision, the Board will give you an opportunity to voluntarily resign prior to June 30, 2018.



Middleton McGoodwin

“The Board appreciates that this is an important decision for you and would like to give you an opportunity to consider this news and to meet with personal legal counsel if you elect to do so. The Board meets again on June 14th and would like notification of your decision

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The “new” Claremont Farmers’ Market opened Saturday, May 26, at the Visitors Center Green. Vendors who were set up were happy with the turnout and several sold out of their product within the first two hours of the event. Coordinator Debbie

Tardiff, who spent many hours bringing the event together, was very pleased with the turnout from the public and hoped that more vendors will sign up for the rest of the season. Music for the event Saturday was supplied by The Occasional Jug Band. The Claremont Farmers’ Market is open from 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. every Saturday through Sept. 8 at the Visitors Center Green on North St. It will be held rain or shine. Stop in, check out the great goods for sale, listen to some awesome music and enjoy the view (Bill Binder photos).



Board, from A1

prior to that meeting. If you elect not to resign, the Board will plan to take action in accordance with Paragraph 8 to terminate your contract with pay that evening. If you elect to resign, the Board will honor the severance provisions in Paragraph 8 and would like to execute a settlement and release agreement with you....” The board added that it “plans to review and vote to approve any such agreement at its meeting on June 14th.”

The board went on to thank McGoodwin for “your years of services...”. It was signed by Sara Lowe, Chair of the SAU #6 Board, and Michael Petrin, Vice-Chair of the board.

When contacted late Thursday afternoon and asked if he had resigned, McGoodwin said, “I have not resigned” in an email to the e-Ticker News.

He provided a copy of his response to the SAU Board, dated May 24, which said in part, “In an effort to remain invested with many ongoing initiatives involving SAU #6, the City of Claremont, Sullivan County as well as educa-

tional matters at the state level, I plan to extend professional courtesy to certain individuals I interact with in order to explain the situation I have been placed in as a result of this SAU #6 School Board action.

“I am very proud of the professional and personal relationships I have formed over the past seven years as SAU #6 Superintendent of Schools. As a result, I intend to be thoughtful, and knowledgeable, as I process the SAU #6’s School Board action, to determine what steps will be necessary to be least disruptive to the overall well-being of the SAU #6 School District...”

McGoodwin received word of the board’s decision at approximately 4:30 p.m. May 22, he said in his letter.

With the departure of Cornish, the SAU #6 board now consists of the members of the Claremont and Unity school boards.

Former Claremont School Board member and vice chair Chris Irish, who did not seek reelection this year, said he viewed the development as one that reflected the board “finding its voice and defining roles.”

The move comes off a particularly difficult budget process this year, although how much of that, if any, was a factor in voting out McGoodwin is not clear. Current board members have not publicly commented on the contract termination.

McGoodwin has served as superintendent for the SAU #6 for seven years. Reaction on social media to the news by area residents to the news was mixed.

Needle Disposal in Sunapee

SUNAPEE, NH—The Sunapee Police Department now has a “sharps” container for needle dis-

posal. The container is attached to the side of the green prescription drug disposal bin currently in the lobby of the Safety Services Building at 9 Sargent Road.

Please feel free to use these containers to safely dispose of any needles or prescription drugs that you no longer want in your home.

Access to the lobby is between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Public Ham & Baked Bean Supper

CHARLESTOWN, NH—The public is invited to a Ham & Baked Bean Supper at the Congregational Church on North (71) Main Street in Charlestown on Friday, June 1, from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.

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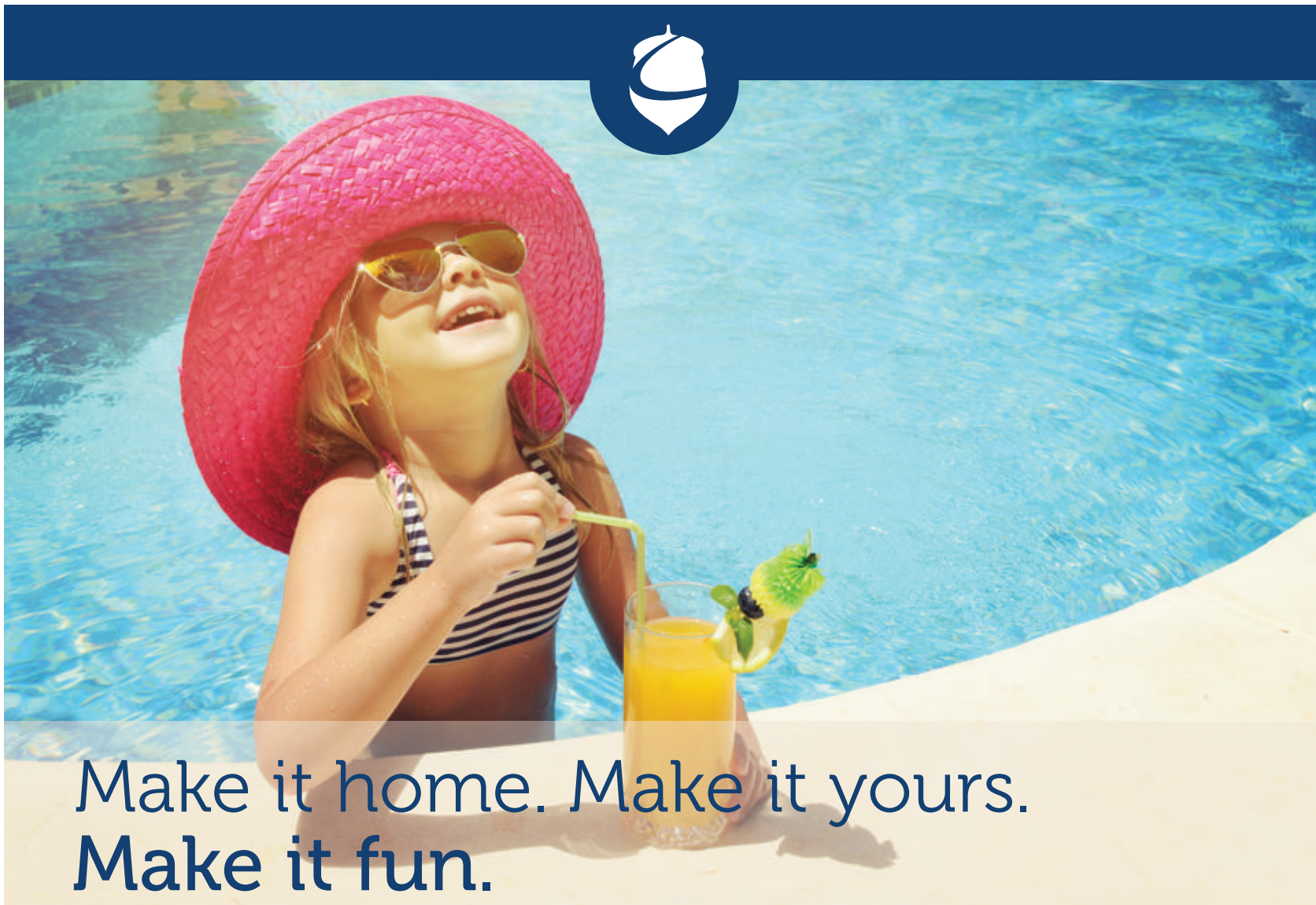
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Commentary

NH House Happenings

By Rep. John Cloutier

Winding Down the Legislative Season

New Hampshire's House of Representatives just about wrapped up its business for the 2018 Regular Session as well as 2016-2018 Legislative Term last week.

On May 23 the House met to act upon all remaining committee of conference agreements for the 2018 Session. As readers may remember from previous columns, committees of conference are ad hoc bodies established with approval of both the New Hampshire House as well as Senate, and are charged with negotiating compromises on legislation with which the House and Senate often have slight disagreements. Such ad hoc bodies usually consist of four representatives appointed by the House Speaker and three senators appointed by the Senate President. These bodies usually meet at the end of legislative sessions, and must unanimously come to agreement on their pieces of legislation in dispute. Such unanimous agreements must be ratified by each member of the committee of conference either personally signing off on the agreement, or giving permission to either the House Speaker, Senate President, or House or Senate party leaders to sign off for them depending to which political party the representative or senator belongs. If the committee of conference for a specified piece of legislation cannot reach agreement, then the legislation cannot become law. For the 2018 Session all committee of conference agreements had to be signed off by May 17 at 4 pm, after meetings that began nearly a week earlier.

Among the committee of conference agreements adopted by the House on May 23 was the one concerning House Bill 1817. The agreement was approved by a 242-92 roll call vote. Originally, House Bill 1817 was only about establishing the position of New Hampshire State Demographer and a commission on demographic trends in our state. But it was amended several times by both the House and Senate so as to add various appropriations totaling approximately \$102 million in state funds. The appropriations included approximately \$44 million to the state's hospitals so as to help settle a lawsuit filed by the hospitals over their uncompensated care of low-income individuals on Medicaid, who have no other means of paying for such care. Also approximately \$30.4 million was designated for repairs to state and municipal red-listed bridges that are bridges usually most in need of such repairs. Next, \$12.7 million was allocated to fund pay raises for unionized state employees which are the result a recently-negotiated employment contract between the state employees' union and Gov. Christopher Sununu. Finally, \$10 million was given to the New Hampshire Revenue Stabilization Account, more popularly known as the "Rainy Day Fund", that helps pay for state services and keeps the operating budget balanced in the event of financial emergencies.

House Bill 1817's Committee of Conference Agreement was ap-



proved after brief debate, despite opponents like Dunbarton Rep. J.R. Hoell, a Republican, who criticized the omnibus spending legislation as being similar to Christmas tree spending measures regularly approved by the United States Congress. Instead, Rep. Hoell stated that the House leaders of both major political parties and Gov. Sununu should have called a special legislative session to deal with each of the legislation's various appropriations as separate bills. But Kearsarge Rep. Karen Unberger, another Republican, said that the omnibus legislation was needed to deal with major challenges like settling the hospitals' lawsuit against the state over uncompensated care, and keeping promises to state employees.

The version of House Bill 1817 as agreed to by its committee of conference as well as approved by both House and Senate now goes to the Governor for his expected signature.

I did vote for House Bill 1817 as agreed to by its committee of conference for three main reasons. First, it should help settle the lawsuit between our state government and our state's hospitals, including Valley Regional Hospital, over uncompensated care. Second, it allocates more badly-needed money to our state's crumbling bridges. Third, it helps fund necessary pay raises for state employees, including slightly-higher raises for correctional officers, who have sometimes have hazardous duties, and often work overtime because there is presently a shortage of qualified correctional officers in New Hampshire.

Additionally, on May 23 the House approved by a 262-76 roll call vote a committee of conference agreement on House Bill 1415. Originally, the bill as passed by the House on March 22 would have just created a \$100,000 death benefit for the families of school employees killed "in the line of duty" because of school shootings or other school-related violence, which thankfully hasn't yet happened as of today. A similar benefit is now paid to the families of all New Hampshire law enforcement officers killed in the line of duty. But after passing the House, the Senate then amended the bill to include a \$10 million appropriation in state funds so as to help public schools improve their security, thus hopefully reducing the chance of violence.

House Bill 1415's final version as agreed to by its committee of conference and then approved by both House and Senate now proceeds to the Governor for his expected signature. The bill is sponsored by a bipartisan group of nine lawmakers lead by Manchester Rep. Mary Heath, a Democrat, and including Lempster Rep. James Grenier, a Republican.

I voted for House Bill 1415's final version as well as its original version passed by the House in March. I did so because I agree that New Hampshire needs to do everything humanly possible to improve the security of its public schools, and that families of school employees killed protecting students and/or fellow school employees ought to receive a little extra compensation.

Speaking of Rep. Grenier, I want to publicly send him best wishes for a speedy recovery from a mild heart attack he suffered recently. I believe he has served New Hampshire and Sullivan County well as a lawmaker in his three terms. I'm just sorry he is not running for re-election this year, but I wish him the best in his future endeavors.

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Shaheen Secures \$20 Million for Northern Border Regional Commission in Funding Bill

WASHINGTON, DC— U.S. Senator Jeanne Shaheen (D-NH), a senior member of the Senate Appropriations Committee and a member of the Energy and Water Development Appropriations Subcommittee, secured \$20 million for the Northern Border Regional Commission (NBRC) in the spending legislation for fiscal year (FY) 2019, which was reported favorably out of the Committee Thursday afternoon. This represents a \$5 million increase over previous funding levels for the program that provides economic development assistance to Coos, Grafton, Carroll and **Sullivan counties**, as well as other economically distressed areas of the Northeast. The bill also includes Shaheen's language ensuring that NBRC funds be used to address the needs of rural communities impacted by forest product plant closures. President Trump's budget request for FY 2019 sought to eliminate the critical program.

“The Northern Border Regional Commission plays a crucial role in northern New Hampshire communities, providing much-needed assistance to continue infrastructure investments and to help ensure the economic stability of the North Country,” said Shaheen. “I appreciate the bipartisan effort that went into boosting federal funding for the NBRC, and I look forward to continuing that work as this process moves forward so we can deliver these critical federal dollars back to Granite State communities and the coalition of partners within the NBRC.”

Shaheen has consistently helped procure federal support for the NBRC, including securing \$15 million in funding for the NBRC in the government funding bill for FY 2018. In March, Shaheen led a bipartisan coalition of Senators to introduce her bill, the Northern Border Regional Commission Reauthorization Act, legislation that would extend the authorization of the NBRC for five years and make additional reforms to encourage business retention and expansion.

Senator Hassan Statement on USS Manchester Commissioning

PORTSMOUTH, NH—Senator Maggie Hassan issued the following statement Saturday after participating in the commissioning of the Navy's latest Littoral Combat Ship (LCS), the USS Manchester (LCS 14): “The commissioning of the USS Manchester is a great honor for our state, the city of Manchester, and all of the New Hampshire men and women who have bravely served in our armed forces. I commend my colleague Senator Jeanne Shaheen for her years of work to help make this commissioning happen. As the USS Manchester officially joins the operating forces of the United States Navy today, the ship – and all the brave men and women aboard it – will play a vital role in keeping our nation safe, secure, and free. We must continue working to build an even stronger United States of America that is ever worthy of their service, and I will also keep working to ensure that all of our service members, veterans, and their families have the support and resources they deserve and have earned.”

Kuster Introduces Legislation to Promote Business Exports

WASHINGTON, DC—last week, Congresswoman Annie Kuster (NH-02) introduced the Export Promotion Act, legislation that would consolidate federal export assistance programs to reduce overlap and make it easier for exporters to interact with federal agencies.

The internet and global transportation have made it easier for American entrepreneurs and businesses to reach customers across the globe. Unfortunately, many small businesses never take this step, because they don't know where to start. This is where federal export promotion programs step in. The federal government operates numerous programs that are designed to connect small- and medium-sized businesses with overseas opportunities.

While federal programs play a critical role in helping businesses connect with global customers, they are strewn across more than a dozen different departments and federal agencies. This dynamic results in an overly complex and inefficient bureaucracy that does not maximize the effectiveness of these services. Kuster's bill will help companies reach new markets by consolidating many of the export assistance programs under the Department of Commerce to improve access to resources for small businesses and save taxpayer dollars.

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New England Classical Academy Announces New Location in Claremont

CLAREMONT, NH—After many months of planning, New England Classical Academy will relocate this summer into a new location, having signed an agreement to purchase the former National Field Representative's building on Old Church Rd. in Claremont. Situated just down the road from the old St. Mary's Church, and in a



quiet residential neighborhood, the new school property is well-suited to meet the needs of the ten-year old private school, said school officials in a press release. Only minutes from Claremont's

downtown, the new location is convenient for returning students and easily accessible for commuting families from surrounding communities and Vermont. Executive Director Elizabeth Wilber made the announcement to the student body Thursday afternoon, and there were shouts of joy and smiles all around. "I'm grateful for space to call ours; finally having our own building signifies that we are planting roots here in Claremont which gives us great hope and opportunity for the future," said Wilber.

NECA has rented the former St. Mary's school building on Central St. in Claremont for the past nine years, always intending to find a permanent home. St. Mary Parish recently announced that it plans to open a school this fall in its school building across from the church, part of the diocese's plan to increase such schooling.

The new facility includes just over five acres of land and a spacious, single-story building that will offer flexible classroom space for kindergarten through twelfth grade. The grounds offer a sizable green space and woods, which is ideal for the several daily recess periods, as well as outdoor lunches and classes and a small community garden. The woods will support not only outdoor science lessons, but also nature walks and hiking. When viewing the pictures of the new school property, the students were really excited about the idea of their own private hiking area, said the school.

Plans are already underway to begin the renovations necessary for occupancy for the 2018-19 school year. The building is around 30 years old and offers an updated heating system with radiant heat and central air conditioning. Renovations to make the building fully ADA compliant, installation of a larger septic system and a fire alarm system, and some other minor construction projects are expected to begin following the closing at the end of June. The cost of the initial renovation project is around \$35,000, and the school has already raised \$23,000, thanks in part to a

generous grant from the Byrne Foundation of \$15,000. The NECA Development Committee, working with the Lumen Gentium Board of Directors, will continue to seek funds from foundations, private and corporate donors and fundraisers. The school will need to raise \$400,000 in a three-year period as part of the financing agreement with National Field Representatives.

"We couldn't be more grateful to National Field Representatives for working with us to make this move a reality. There are so many people who have helped get us to this place and will continue to do so," Wilber said. The Lumen Gentium Group board, which is the non-profit that oversees NECA, is a small but dedicated group of local supporters who have worked tirelessly with the NECA staff to make this dream a reality. Wilber extended her gratitude to this hard-working team. "Thank you to Eugene Lattuga, Frank Emig and Marianne Kepler for their huge efforts in this pursuit."

With this announcement, NECA continues its plans for the upcoming school year, and is currently accepting applications for all grades, from kindergarten through twelfth. NECA is an independent

school that seeks to educate young people in the traditional understanding of education as the pursuit of wisdom. The school follows a classical Catholic tradition of education, but is not a parochial school affiliated with the Diocese.

The City of Claremont has offered invaluable support for the NECA relocation, said Wilber. "The Mayor and City Manager of Claremont and the Planning and Development Office have been fully supportive through this search, and we so enjoyed having them present at several school events this year. We are excited to continue to serve Claremont families as well as other families from other local towns with this unique academic experience."

The school will continue to offer visits for prospective families throughout the remainder of the school year, which ends June 13.

Information is available at www.newengland-classicalacademy.com or call (603) 542-6341 or email neca_office@yahoo.com to arrange a visit. The school also posts ongoing activities on their Facebook page.

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Sullivan County Grand Jury Indictments

NEWPORT, NH—The Sullivan County Grand Jury released the following indictments on Thursday:

Gabrielle A. Williams, 21, Claremont, NH, indicted for Reckless Conduct Deadly Weapon, (vehicle) on April 16, 2018; Conduct After Accident-Bodily Injury, April 16, 2018.

Robert Stoodley, 28, Unity, NH, indicted for Second Degree Assault-Domestic Violence, Jan. 22, 2018.

Matthew A. Cook, 35, Westminster, VT, indicted for Duty to Report (Sexual Offender Registry), between Aug. 31, 2017, and March 2, 2018.

Michael Rogers, 46, Pittsfield, NH, indicted for Bail Jumping, April 19, 2018; Bail Jumping, April 19, 2018.

Destiny Rogers, 20, North Haverhill, NH, indicted for Sale of Substance Represented to be a Controlled Drug/Heroin (Offense Committed While on Bail), April 3, 2018; Sale of Controlled Drug/Heroin (Offense Committed While on Bail), March 15, 2018; Sale of Controlled Drug/Heroin (Conspiracy Offense Committed While on Bail), March 15, 2018; Sale of Controlled Drug/Heroin (Conspiracy, Offense Committed While on Bail), March 19, 2018.

Samantha Davis, 28, Claremont, NH, indicted for Sale of Cocaine (Conspiracy, Offense Committed While on Release, March 15, 2018; Sale of Cocaine (Conspiracy, Offense Committed While on Release, March 15, 2018.

Nicholas Grasso, 21, Claremont, NH, indicted for Second Degree Assault-Domestic Violence, on or between March 24, 2018, and March 25, 2018.

Robert Clark, 51, Springfield, MA, indicted for Theft by Unauthorized Taking, May 3, 2018; Receiving Stolen Property, May 3, 2018.

Jonathan W. Baldwin, 33, Newport, NH, indicted for Driving a Motor Vehicle after having been declared a Habitual Offender, April 29, 2018.

Talyen R. McGuire, 29, Claremont, NH, indicted for Aggravated Felonious Sexual Assault, Jan. 26, 2018.

Amanda Bateman, County Farm Rd., Unity, NH, 42, indicted for Delivery of Articles Prohibited, between March 30, 2018, and April 20, 2018.

K-9 Joins Claremont Police Department

CLAREMONT, NH—At a recent Council meeting, Police Chief Mark Chase filled in councilors on his new officer for the City, K-9 Officer Maverick, aka, Ricky. In a monthly report to the council, Chase said that “One of the most exciting events to occur for me as the Chief was the addition of the K-9 program. I have been talking about it for some time, and I am very excited to say we have the dog.”

Ofc. Petrin picked Maverick up at the end of March. “I have also picked up the K-9 vehicle, so everything is in motion for Off. Petrin and Ricky to [complete] training.” That training started in April.

Chase said that Ricky had been to the CPD a couple of times since he had been picked up.

“The new surroundings caused Ricky to cry a bit, but he has gotten over that now. He has formed a bond with Ofc. Petrin, and it is very interesting to watch Ricky just stare at Ofc. Petrin, waiting for a command or a word from him,” said Chase. “Ofc. Petrin is very excited to go to training and come back and have a partner on the road with him.”

—Phyllis A. Muzeroll



K-9 Officer Maverick, aka Ricky, is the newest officer for the City of Claremont.

Children's Community Lunch Gearing Up; Volunteers Sought

CLAREMONT, NH—The Children's Community Lunch is in full swing in preparation for feeding and entertaining Claremont's Children and their parents this summer.

Children's Community Lunch, sponsored by the New Hampshire Food Bank in partnership with the Claremont Soup Kitchen and the local SAU, provides free lunches, Monday through Friday, over summer vacation. Last year it served 2,250 meals at four locations in Claremont, and in partnership with the Fiske Free Library and Rogue Robots of 4-H, added a recreational component at the sites. This year the program will again be serving at four locations in town: Claremont Middle School, Maple Ave. School, Disnard School and the Claremont Soup Kitchen. Three of these locations are staffed by volunteers.

Volunteers are the direct service link at these three sites. They are there to receive coolers of food and an activity box approximately half an hour before meal time, serve meals to children and their accompanying adults for an hour, keep track of the required paperwork, as well as do minimal cleanup and return the cooler to the Claremont Soup Kitchen at close. The time commitment is about an hour and 45 minutes each day staffing a site. Individual volunteers are asked to commit to a minimum of five days during the summer. Volunteers in this position are required to be over 18 years of age and have a background check, provided by the SAU. (Teens and children are welcome to join a parent or guardian who has signed up). A training will be offered and required for all volunteers.

The Claremont Soup Kitchen will once again be providing lunches to accompanying adults. To do this they will again rely on volunteers to prepare sandwiches while the program is in session (June 18th - August 31st). They are accepting volunteers 13 and older. Younger children are welcome, with a responsible adult. Volunteers are asked to commit to at least five days. Sandwiches must be completed by 10:30 a.m. One volunteer staffing a shift should schedule about an hour and a half. Two volunteers staffing should schedule about 45 minutes and so forth. Soup Kitchen Staff will be available to direct and orient volunteers to the space.

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Arrive at 7:30 a.m. to stroll around the campus to enjoy its natural beauty with Stan McCumber narrating the Natural Resources Bird Walk.

At 10:30 a.m. check out the local 4-H youths modeling their newest sewing projects.

And, throughout the morning - before or after you eat delicious pancakes - take time to chat with non-profits and County personnel in the Frank Smith Living Room where you can gather program information for services provided by: Lake Sunapee VNA & Hospice, TLC Family Resource Center, Turning Points Network, West Central Behavioral Health. And info on the County’s latest job openings, maps of the new 4-mile Unity Mountain trail, and community gardens.

Additionally - check out the NH Antique Tractor Clubs cool tractors and a Sheriff’s Office cruiser, OHRV & Tactical Trailer.

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Author Event at the Miner Memorial Library

LEMPSTER, NH—Lempster author Maggie Kemp will launch her debut children's novel on Sunday, June 3, 1:00 p.m., at the Miner Memorial Library located at 3 Second NH Turnpike. Kemp will do a reading of her book, “Sam Fisherwoman”, and will also discuss what she learned about the process of getting her book published.

“Sam Fisherwoman” is a collaboration between Kemp and illustrator, Melodie Russell of Hancock, NH, who will do a brief demonstration of potato printing. Light refreshments will be served by the Friends of the Miner Memorial Library. Contact 863-5023.

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The City of Claremont, **Zoning Board of Adjustment** will meet on Monday, June 4, 2018 Council Chambers, City Hall at **6:00 p.m. for Public Hearings** and at **7:00 PM for Training Session**

CORRECTED NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that public hearings will be held concerning the following applications:

A.(ZO 2018-00004) Philip Osgood Sr., 50 West Pleasant St – Application for a variance of Sect. 22-168 (RR lot size and area) and 22-169 (RR yard) of the Claremont Zoning Ordinance to permit placement of a mobile home, garage and storage shed on the lot at **55 Case Hill**

Road. Map 159, Lot 60. Zoning District: RR

B.(ZO 2018-00005) Christopher Anastopoulos, 269 Pleasant St – Application for a Special Exception for a Family Dog Training Facility as a Home Occupation at **269 Pleasant Street.** Map143, Lot 44. Zoning District: R1

Interested parties may review these applications at the City of Claremont’s Planning and Development Department, 14 North Street during normal business hours. Comments about these applications may be submitted by any of the following methods:

- In person at the hearing, or
- In writing at 14 North Street, Claremont NH 03743, or
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Pictured left to right are: Terry Callum, Crescent Lake Regional Sno-Riders President; Chris Gamache, DNCR-Division of Parks & Recreation, NH Bureau of Trails, Chief; Lionel Chute, Sullivan County (SC) Director of Natural Resources; Bennie Nelson, SC Board of Commissioners (BOC) Vice Chair; George Hebert, SC BOC Clerk; and Jeffrey Barrette, SC BOC Chair (Courtesy photo).

Sullivan County Receives Trails Award

SULLIVAN COUNTY, NH—The New Hampshire Bureau of Trails, a program of the state's Division of Parks and Recreation, recently honored Sullivan County as its Landowner of the Year. The award was presented at the annual meeting of the NH Snowmobile Association on May 19th.

"Each year the NH Bureau of Trails recognizes a landowner for going above and beyond the permissions to have a public snowmobile trail on their property," said Trails Bureau Chief Chris Gamache. "This year we wanted to recognize Sullivan County for the effort that the County put forth over the past year to work

with the local snowmobile clubs in the County. Lionel Chute and Sam Sprague of the County's Natural Resources Department were instrumental in rerouting the NH Corridor #5 trail this past fall when permission on a private parcel was lost."

Corridor 5 starts at the Massachusetts state line and continues to the US/Quebec border crossing in Pittsburg. Terry Callum, the president of the Crescent Lake Regional Sno-Riders, nominated the County for the award in appreciation for what the County did to help move this valuable trail.

"It's a real honor to receive this award" said Lionel Chute, the Director of Natural Resources for Sullivan County, "we are committed to partnering with the County's outdoor organizations to increase access to the County's public lands. The Crescent Lake Sno-riders have been great to work with - they are a model of responsible stewardship".

Claremont Savings Bank Announces New Lending Office in West Lebanon

CLAREMONT, NH—Claremont Savings Bank has announced the opening of a lending office located at 93 South Main Street in West Lebanon, NH. The bank is expanding into the Upper Valley to offer its loan products and services to individuals and businesses in the region. The office will open in early July. Experienced bankers Allison Childs, AVP and Mortgage Loan Originator, and Dennis Driscoll, Vice President, Commercial Banking, will be based in the office.

"Allison and Dennis understand the local market and how to assist consumers and businesses with their borrowing needs," said Reggie Greene, President and CEO. "Our new office location will help us to serve our customers and accommodate our growing bank offerings from a convenient Upper Valley location," added Greene.

"We have already established relationships with a number of companies located in the Upper Valley and are hopeful that opening our new lending office in West Lebanon will provide us with opportunities to work with more local business owners and their employees," said Jim Lynch, Senior Vice President, Commercial Banking.

"Claremont Savings Bank looks forward to serving our customers in the Upper Valley with mortgage products delivered with a home-town touch," said Carol Vivian, Senior Vice President of Retail Banking. "Allison Childs brings a friendly smile and a breadth of experience to help borrowers navigate the multiple financing options available to purchase or refinance a

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CSB, from A13

home,” added Vivian.

Claremont Savings Bank is committed to providing resources to help consumers and businesses succeed, said the institution. “With a spotlight on industry trends, sharing insights and offering expertise, Claremont Savings Bank lenders develop those personal relationships and community ties as is expected of local bankers.”

They invite anyone in need of a home mortgage or business loan to contact the West Lebanon team to set up an appointment at 93 South Main Street, West Lebanon, NH.

Public Invited to Community Discussion on Housing and the Future of Claremont

WHITE RIVER JUNCTION, VT— What types of housing does Claremont need to have a thriving community for all those who live and work in the City? This is the core question to be explored at a community conversation on Housing and the Future of Claremont, hosted by Vital Communities, the City of Claremont, Healthy Vibrant Claremont, the Greater Claremont Chamber of Commerce, and the Upper Valley Lake Sunapee Regional Planning Commission.

The free, public event is set for Thursday, May 31, from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. at Sugar River Technical School’s Goodwin Community Room. The conversation will be facilitated by New Hampshire Listens. Citizens who live or work in Claremont are invited to attend. A light meal will be served at 5:30 p.m. Those who wish to attend should register in advance at VitalCommunities.org/Housing.

“Adequate housing for the workforce is among the top concerns of citizens and officials in Claremont. Safe, affordable housing is one of the most important needs we all face,” said David Putnam, a member of the Claremont Planning Board and co-founder of Healthy Vibrant Claremont.

“Vital Communities is glad to partner with a number of thoughtful organizations to host a conversation about a key issue facing Claremont and other communities in the greater Upper Valley region,” said Vital Communities Executive Director Tom Roberts.

Those who wish to attend should register online or contact Elyse Payson at (802) 291-9100 ext. 104 ahead of time.

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CSB Announces Allison Childs, Assistant Vice President & Loan Originator

CLAREMONT, NH—Claremont Savings Bank, a mutual savings bank headquartered in Claremont, New Hampshire announces the hiring of Allison Childs, Assistant Vice President and Mortgage Loan Originator.

“With her extensive mortgage origination background, Allison will be a welcome addition
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Allison Childs

to the Claremont Savings Bank team,” said Reggie Greene, President and CEO.

Childs comes to Claremont Savings Bank with more than 19 years of successful banking experience, previously working as a Loan Originator at Ledyard National Bank. Allison will be working from Claremont Savings Bank’s new Lending Office at 93 South Main Street in West Lebanon, NH.

“Allison’s existing relationships and experience in the Upper Valley will be an asset to expanding our marketshare in that area,” said Brandy Blackinton, Vice President Retail Lending. “Allison knows the consumer process from application to servicing. Her knowledge of financial products offers our community a benefit of ultimate client service,” added Blackinton.

“I am grateful to be given the opportunity to join the mortgage team at Claremont Savings Bank,” said Childs. “The Bank’s reputation as a community lender brought me here along with their experienced staff and excellent customer service,” added Childs.

Childs is currently on the Board of Realtors in Sunapee, NH and the Upper Valley, as well as the Upper Valley Green Real-Estate Network at Vital Communities. Her previous volunteer and committee work includes being a Rotarian in Hartford, Vermont.

Allison resides in Wilder, VT, with her husband, Kevin, and has two daughters, Abby and Paige. She holds a Bachelors of Arts Degree from Vermont College/Union Institute & University, Brattleboro, Vermont and received her Residential Mortgage Lender Certificate from the Center for Financial Training and Education Reliance.

D-H System Members Sign Employer Statement of Support for Guard, Reserve

LEBANON, NH – Dartmouth-Hitchcock and its members (formerly known as affiliates) have committed to increasing diversity among our workforce by recently signing statements of support, the cornerstone for the Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve (ESGR) program.

Five member CEOs gathered at a monthly system CEO meeting at Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center, where all signed their Statement of Support. CEOs present at the meeting included Dr. Susan Mooney, Alice Peck Day Memorial Hospital; Bruce King, New London Hospital; Dr. Don Caruso, Cheshire Medical Center; Dr. Joe Perras, Mt. Ascutney Hospital and Health Center; and Jeanne McLaughlin, Visiting Nurse and Hospice for Vermont and New Hampshire. Dr. Joanne Conroy, President

and CEO, signed for Dartmouth-Hitchcock Health.

The intent of the program is to increase employer support by encouraging employers to act as advocates for employee participation in the military. Supportive employers are critical to maintaining the strength and readiness of the nation’s Guard and Reserve units.

Fiat Chrysler recalls 5.3 million vehicles for cruise control defect

Fiat Chrysler Automobiles NV has announced that it is recalling more than 5.3 million vehicles in North America over a defect that could prevent drivers from deactivating cruise control, the company said on Friday, warning owners not to use the function until they get software upgrades.

The Italian-American automaker said no injuries or crashes are related to the large recall campaign but said it had one report of a U.S. driver of a 2017 Dodge Journey rental car being unable to deactivate the cruise control.

FCA says it will alert affected customers starting this week, and it will upgrade the software on these cars to fix the potential issue free of charge.

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Report on Condition of City Hall Building Discussed at Council Meeting

By Phyllis A. Muzeroll
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CLAREMONT, NH—At Wednesday night's meeting, the Council was given a preliminary review of an assessment of the condition of the City Hall building; the report was recently released. Planning and Development Director Nancy Merrill explained that the assessment was needed for future plans to seek funding for renovations for the building. Back in 2016, the Council authorized an application for a New Hampshire Land and Community Heritage Investment Program (LCHIP) grant for the purpose of performing a City Hall/Opera House Historic Building Assessment. The Claremont Master Plan, Community Facilities Chapter, outlines a number of long-standing capital projects at City Hall, including the roof, accessible bathroom facilities, City Council Chambers and energy efficiency. The assessment, compiled by Corzilius Matuszewski Krause Architects, includes a comprehensive report on the history, preservation objectives, existing conditions assessment and recommendations for short, mid and long range preservation strategies.

Merrill said that the "roof is leaking badly" and that the estimated cost for a new copper roof would likely be in the \$700,000-\$800,000 range. There are less expensive options for repairing it, she said, and construction grants, with 50% matches, are available; she will be applying for a construction grant soon as the deadline is mid-June. She also said that windows are also a big item that need work. "Windows are a big one, as well as the roof," she said. "There's a lot of heat loss, I think." The building is on the National Historic Register and would qualify for federal historic credits that could be used to help offset costs.

Also at Wednesday night's meeting, a motion was approved to hand off oversight of the rail trail to the Parks and Recreation Department; it has been under the domain of the Conservation Commission, which felt that the

trail is more of a "recreational resource than a natural resource and would be better overseen from a recreational perspective."

Parks and Rec Director reminded the Council that his proposed budget for the next cycle had tentatively been cut by \$5,000 and that he would have less money to take care of more things. However, the Conservation Commission had never allocated funds for the trail, so it was unlikely that funds would be required for it at this time. Councilor Abigail Kier said that the City would need to think about allocating funds for it at some point. City Manager Ryan McNutt agreed, saying "We're going to have to, as a community, come up with a way to pay for maintaining the rail trail; the City owns it. We're just changing it from the Conservation Commission to Parks and Rec."

Also at the meeting, the Council took up the

issue of reducing the speed limit on South Street to 20 mph following a petition recently presented by 4th grader Oliver Beeman who was concerned about traffic going too fast with children and pets living on the street. The issue went before the Traffic Advisory Committee which recommended, said Police Chief Mark Chase, that speed be 20 mph on South, from Broad to Chestnut, rather than the entire length of South St. Councilor Scott Pope said he would like to see that recommendation be reconsidered, due to children attending the school and what he called blind areas in relation to several side streets. Chase said the area they were recommending was "the high traffic area" due to the school and community center. "We saw concern about that area. For this immediate concern that's the solution we came up with," he said.

The issue was moved to a future first reading.

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Lake Sunapee VNA Honors Area Women

NEW LONDON, NH – Lake Sunapee Region VNA & Hospice (LSRVNA) held its 19th annual Women Who Make A Difference Luncheon on May 16 at Colby-Sawyer College in New London. Net funds in excess of \$13,000 were raised for the LSRVNA Pediatric Program.

Among the highlights of the luncheon was the guest speaker, Kasey Mathews, and her inspiring message about shifting your perspective to see the opportunities that often come with challenges we face. Of course, the other highlight was the much-anticipated recognition of area women who do extraordinary service to make a difference within the 29-town region served by LSRVNA. This year's "Woman Who Makes A Difference Award" was presented to Deborah Mozden, a resident of Unity and executive director at Turning Points Network in Claremont. In the words of those who nominated her, "Deb has restored faith and hope in thousands of area women by being their advocate; she has helped the most vulnerable members of society in her decades of work and volunteerism." Lexie Grenier, a senior at Stevens High School in Claremont, received this year's "High School Student Who Makes A Difference Award." In the words of leadership from Stevens High School, "Lexie is the epitome of what I consider to be 'extraordinary' and one of the most talented, driven, dedicated and empathetic young women I have ever met."


"We are truly grateful to the 220 people who attended the sold-out luncheon, and for so many in-kind donors and generous sponsors," says Cathy Raymond, development officer at LSRVNA. Special thanks go out to the 2018 STAR sponsors Ellie Snyder and Ledyard National Bank, and the 2018 ANGEL sponsor Mascoma Savings Bank.

For more information about pediatric care or any of the services offered by Lake Sunapee Region VNA & Hospice, call 603-526-4077 or visit www.lakesunapeevna.org.



Deborah Mozden, executive director at Turning Points Network, and Lexie Grenier, a senior at Stevens High School, were honored at the LSRVNA "Women Who Make A Difference Luncheon" on May 16 (Courtesy photo).

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CPD Launches its 2018 ATV Enforcement Efforts

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CLAREMONT, NH—Claremont Police Chief Mark Chase announced last week that the Claremont Police Department has launched its 2018 ATV enforcement efforts. Specially-trained officers will be performing safety checks and enforcing speed limits, registration laws, and other violations of the NH OHRV Statutes. The patrols will take place on a regular basis until late autumn.

Chase reminded users that all local ATV trails opened on May 23rd.

This enforcement program is funded through a grant from the New Hampshire Fish and Game Department. “The goal of the Claremont Police Department’s program is to reduce the number of OHRV accidents and create an atmosphere that is more attractive to families who wish to utilize Claremont’s recreational trails for hiking, bicycling, fishing, or ATV-riding,” said Chase.

Local OHRV riders are reminded of a number of key New Hampshire statutes:

- * The Sugar River Trail has a speed limit of 25 miles per hour.
 - *The trail from Monadnock Park to the trail head on Washington Street by Old Newport Road is currently closed to motorized wheeled vehicles except for authorized emergency vehicles.
 - *OHRV’s must be registered annually.
 - *Trail bikes and OHRV’s cannot emit noise levels that exceed 96 decibels.
 - * Removing, destroying, defacing, or obstructing signs and markers on trails is a misdemeanor.
- Persons with questions regarding OHRV use in the City of Claremont are encouraged to contact police headquarters at 542-9538 or visit the Sullivan County ATV club’s web site at www.sullivancountyatv.org or the NH Department of Fish and Game at www.wildlife.state.nh.us/.

Voter Registration and Correction

CLAREMONT, NH—The Supervisors of the Checklist will be in session on Tuesday, June 5, from 7:00 to 7:30pm in the City Clerk’s Office at City Hall, for the purpose of registering new voters and making corrections to the voter checklist. This is the last day to change party affiliation for the State Primary Election (September 11, 2018). The Claremont City Clerk's Office is open Monday-Friday, 9:00am-12:30pm and 1:30-5:00 pm for voter registration.



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What Should You Look for in an Annual Financial Review?

Given the complexities of the investment world, you might consider working with a financial professional to help you move toward your goals, such as a comfortable retirement. You'll want to establish good communication with whomever you choose, and you should meet in person at least once a year to discuss your situation. At these annual reviews, you'll want to cover a variety of topics, including these:

Your portfolio's progress – Obviously, you will want to discuss how well your investments are doing. Of course, you can follow their performance from month to month, or even day to day, by reviewing your investment statements and online information, but at your annual meeting, your financial professional can sum up the past year's results, highlight areas that have done well or lagged, and show you how closely your portfolio is tracking the results you need to achieve your long-term goals.

Your investment mix – Your mix of investments – stocks, bonds, government securities and so on – helps determine your success as an investor. But in looking at the various investments in your portfolio, you'll want to go beyond individual gains and losses to see if your overall mix is still appropriate for your needs. For example, is the ratio of stocks to bonds still suitable for your risk tolerance? Over time, and sometimes without you taking any action, this ratio can shift, as often happens when stocks appreciate so much that they now take up a larger percentage of your portfolio than you intended – with a correspondingly higher risk level. If these unexpected movements occur, your financial professional may recommend you rebalance your portfolio to align it more closely with your goals and risk tolerance.

Changes in your family situation – A lot can happen in a single year. You could have gotten married, divorced or remarried, added a child to your family or moved to a new, more expensive house – the list can go on and on. And some, if not all, of these moves could certainly involve your financial and investment pictures, so it's important to discuss them with your financial professional.

Changes in your goals – Since your last annual review, you may have decided to change some of your long-term goals. Perhaps you no longer want to retire early, or you've ruled out that vacation home. In any case, these choices may well affect your investment strategies, so it's wise to discuss them.

Changes in the investment environment – Generally speaking, it's a good idea to establish a long-term investment strategy based on your individual goals, risk tolerance and time horizon, and stick with this basic strategy regardless of the movements of the financial markets or changes in the economy. Still, this doesn't mean you should never adjust your portfolio in response to external forces. For instance, if interest rates were to rise steadily over a year's time, you might want to consider some changes to your fixed-income investments, such as bonds, whose value will be affected by rising rates. In any case, it's another thing to talk about during your annual review.

These aren't the only elements you may want to bring up in your yearly review with your financial professional – but they can prove to be quite helpful as you chart your course toward the future.

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The farm is located at 104 Cornish Turnpike, Newport, NH. If you would like to carpool and live in Cornish, attendees are planning on meeting at the Cornish Town Hall and leaving there by 8:20 am. Feel free to meet them right at the farm as well.

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It's About Food

By **Johnny Navillus**



Curry and Things

This was curry week for me. At least part of it was. I tried the Red Thai Curry with some chicken. I cut up four chicken breasts and used a whole one ounce package of the curry powder.

I really expected the meat and sauce to come out red. The curry was the same shade of red as paprika. After a healthy dose of ground roasted garlic, I emptied the package of curry over the chicken as it started to saute. It turned light brown! I don't know if it was the garlic or I had the heat too high. It really surprised me.

Once the chicken was cooked through, I added the light cream. I put in about a cup or maybe more. I wanted it to be soupy so it would soak into the rice when I plated it. There was something I needed and turned away from the skillet for just a second. The cream had just started to boil and when I turned back about 80% of the liquid had vanished. The chicken absorbed it.

I plated out some rice and spooned the chicken and a bit of the sauce over the rice. For some reason I stirred it all up and the rice seemed to pull the sauce out of the chicken. So I got my flavored rice that I wanted.

The flavor was awesome. Just the right amount of heat but not enough to overpower the chicken, Many flavors coming through and it was absolutely delightful. Mike and his family thought it was awesome, too.

The next thing was Vindaloo curry. Chicken again, of course. This time there were no surprises about color.

Vindaloo is supposed to be sweet and sour. Mike tried it before I did and he said that he didn't get any sour flavor from it at all. So he added vinegar. Vinegar added to a light cream sauce? Yuk! I couldn't do it. It took me a couple of days of thinking about it and if he wanted sour, he should have added pickle juice. Even then, I would hesitate. That's too much playing. Anyway, the Vindaloo turned out just fine. It was sweeter than the Red Thai but that's OK with me. And no pickle juice.

Do you patronize the fundraising breakfasts and/or dinners? These are for local non-profits like volunteer fire departments and churches and whatever organizations need a couple of bucks.

These folks put on quite a spread and feature good home style cooking. They serve only dishes they know are their best and take a lot of pride in what they do. You get a great meal and don't have to dress up. Get there early before they sell out. the Elks sell out their barbecued chicken every year on Alumni Parade day. The money raised stays with the organization and there aren't any administration fees coming off the top.

Play with your food. Everyone else does.

Write to Johnny at etickernews@gmail.com.

Mayoral Notes

by
Charlene Lovett



A Day of Remembrance

For many of us, the approach of Memorial Day weekend is an eagerly awaited event as it marks the unofficial beginning of summer after a long and cold winter. It is a time to celebrate the arrival of warmer weather with barbecues and picnics, trips to the lake and a stop for an ice cream. Businesses offer Memorial Day sales and Farmers' Markets open for the season. It is a time filled with the joys of summer, but it is also a time of remembrance.

On May 28th, communities across the nation take time to celebrate Memorial Day, giving us the opportunity to remember the men and women who died while serving in the military.

This annual tradition first started in America after the Civil War when it became apparent that communities wanted to officially honor the hundreds of thousands who died while fighting in that terrible war. After World War I, the holiday was expanded to honor those who died in all American wars. Later in 1971, Congress made Memorial Day a national holiday and declared that it be celebrated on the last Monday in May.

How communities choose to celebrate this holiday often varies, but there are commonalities. Cemetery plots of the fallen are decorated with flags. Parades and ceremonies are organized and flags flown at half-mast. These are all activities usually organized by military-related organizations with the support of the municipalities.

However, honoring those who have made the ultimate sacrifice is also an individual action. Some attend or participate in a Memorial Day parade. Others attend ceremonies that commemorate the dead, visit a cemetery or hang a flag, wear a red poppy, the modern day symbol for those who died while in service, or post a sign or decorate their home.

Whatever the choice, it is a gesture of remembrance and gratitude to those whose lives were cut short. It is for us, the living, to ensure that their sacrifice is not forgotten. This requires action on our part.

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

Leave Fawns and Other Young Wildlife Alone

CONCORD, NH – Wildlife has begun giving birth around the state, with the majority of deer fawns in New Hampshire being born in May and June. Each spring, many New Hampshire residents see young wildlife by themselves and fear the worst. Has the mother died? Has she abandoned her baby? The answer in most cases is NO. The mother is likely not far off,



Whitetail Deer Fawn © Patrick Lamont

waiting to return to feed her newborn.

Unfortunately, well-intentioned, but misguided, individuals see young alone, assume they are abandoned, and take them in to "help" them. Most of the time, they are removing the young from the care of its mother, who was waiting to return. The best chance a young wild animal has to survive is in its natural environment under the care of its mother.

If you see a fawn or any other young wildlife and suspect it has been abandoned or orphaned, do not move the animal. Contact NH Fish and Game Dispatch at (603) 271-3361, e-mail dispatch@wildlife.nh.gov, or our Wildlife Division at (603) 271-2461, e-mail wildlife@wildlife.nh.gov to make a report. Fish and Game staff can as-

sess the situation and help determine the best course of action. In most cases, it is best to leave the young alone and allow time for the mother to return to move it to a different location.

Adult deer can be detected easily by predators due to their scent and large size. Because of this, does will spend long periods of time away from their fawns to disassociate their scent from the fawn and keep them safe from predators. For the first month of life, the doe will only visit the fawn a few times a day to nurse quickly before leaving again, although usually not going too far.

NEVER take in wildlife. You could be exposing yourself to rabies, which is a fatal disease. Additionally, picking up any newborn could lead to that animal being euthanized for required testing. Only qualified people with special rehabilitator permits, issued through N.H. Fish and Game, may take in and care for injured or orphaned wildlife. Improper care of injured or orphaned wildlife often leads to their sickness or death. For example, deer fawns that have been fed cow's milk will develop severe diarrhea (scours). Every year, the state's only licensed fawn rehabilitator has several fawns die from scours because they have been improperly fed or cared for by the public. Unless you have rehabilitator credentials, it is ILLEGAL to have in your possession or to take from the wild New Hampshire wildlife and keep it in captivity. For a full list of licensed wildlife rehabilitators, go to www.wildnh.com/wildlife/rehabilitators.html.

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Claremont Confidential

By Les St.Pierre



Glad To Be Back

When the Stevens High School Alumni Parade goes off as scheduled at 10:30 a.m., Saturday, June 9, onlookers will, once again, witness an antique automobile, driven by Myron Wadleigh, with a 1966 banner attached to the side.

I say "once again" because this will be Wadleigh's ninth consecutive drive around town combating rain, cold, wind, and bright sunshine over those years. As usual, there will be the oohs and aahs from the youngsters along the parade route as Wadleigh and his 1961 Pontiac Sky Chief makes its way through the streets of Claremont.

But along with those oohs and aahs will also be the usual, "Who's he?" from the alumni of '66 as they joggle their memories from 52 years ago while taking in the celebratory fanfare amidst the balloons and cotton candy toted by street vendors. "I don't remember him graduating with us. He's not in the yearbook."

...and that would be correct! Wadleigh never did graduate from Stevens High, through no fault of his own. Still, he has a passion for that class of 1966 and for the school, as well.

Wadleigh was born in Augusta, ME, and came to Claremont with his family in 1953 taking up homestead working for Ken Lane on property off the Charlestown Road on what is now known as Lane Ridge Road, across from the present T-Bird convenience store. He went through the school system

from first grade to the 11th and in August, 1965, was involved in an automobile accident on the River Road near Taylor's Auto Parts. The driver, classmate Ken Colby, couldn't navigate the 1959 Chevrolet around the steep curve and the three occupants, all in the front seat, met their fate. Colby suffered a broken leg and Wadleigh, the one sitting in the middle, without wearing a seat belt, caught the rear view mirror with his right eyebrow, setting up the stage for migraine headaches in years to come. The third passenger, underclassman David Hentschel, escaped with no injuries.

A few weeks later the Wadleigh family moved to Connecticut and Wadleigh missed out on his chance to graduate with his classmates. Still, his ties to Claremont were strong and he reunited with fellow classmates and friends entering the United States Army after high school. Interviewed late last week, Wadleigh recalled going into the service with Claremonters Mike Moote, Mike Carroll, Richard Desmarais, Del Richmond, Gary Whipple, and Rick Scott.

"Those guys were awesome!" Wadleigh said, saddened now by the deaths of classmates Carroll, a retired state trooper, and Whipple, killed in Vietnam.

Wadleigh, himself, did not escape the wrath of Vietnam. After completing missile school, tank school, jump school, and assignment at Fort Bragg, NC, in the 82nd Airborne Division for nine months and another stint with the 173rd Airborne Division, his life radically changed once he made the fateful trip to the Southeast Asian nation of 'Nam.

"On the very first tank I was on, I got blown to crap," Wadleigh reported. "I busted nine bones in my body."

Wadleigh spent two weeks in a hospital in Vietnam, another two weeks in a hospital in Japan, and in traction for six months at Fort Devens, MA. To this day, he wears braces on both legs and specialized shoes.

To make a long story short, Wadleigh is back now and has been for quite some time, as his parade appearance attendance bears out. He bought his prized Pontiac for \$500 in 1991 when it had 135,000 miles on it. Today, it has over 478,000 miles on the odometer, thanks to the mechanical expertise of his brother, Melvin, owner of Morningside Service Station, in North Charlestown.

"The car attracts people like a magnet!" exclaimed Wadleigh. "It's always interesting."

The rear window shelving encompasses 42 miniature jalopies and a replica of Melvin's truck representing the Claremont Speedway, a place Wadleigh often went to in his younger days and still does today. "I'd always get there somehow and always hitchhike back home," he recalled listing Mike Cody, Buddy Bardwell, and Ernie Boudreau as his favorite race car drivers.

Wadleigh, who divorced in 1988 after 20 years of marriage, has three children and seven grandchildren, anxiously awaits yet another Stevens High Alumni outing.

"I just felt a duty to represent the Class of 1966," Wadleigh confirmed. "It's great to be back and being involved with alumni. It's a pleasure to represent the class of 1966 each year, and the school, too!"



Myron Wadleigh still feels a duty to represent the Class of '66, even though he did not graduate from SHS (Les St.Pierre photo).



OUR TURN #MeToo Going Forward

Now that the #MeToo movement, the Cosby trial and the number of resignations by men who abused their power across the political, media and entertainment spectrum has got everyone's attention, what can we do to keep the momentum moving forward?

We have work to do. All of us. We perpetuate the pervasive culture of misogyny and violence by not speaking up, every time men are contemptuous of women, women are dismissive of other women, and men are indifferent to other men who trivialize women.

This is the time to raise our voices whenever we are offended or made to feel uncomfortable; to call out the offender, like the woman in the elevator who recently rebuked a Dartmouth professor for his "ladies lingerie" remark. All of us, men and women alike, should no longer be passive bystanders to sexual comments, innuendoes or actions that make anyone uneasy in the workplace, in the community and in social exchanges. And, it must also be said, at home.

Our conversations might include what is fair in terms of amends, what the accused can reasonably expect, what range of punishment is appropriate and what weight does a heartfelt apology carry, especially if behavior changes? We can look at this culture of misogyny and violence and realize that it begins with observations by the very young, and then work toward encouraging a kinder, gentler, more respectful next generation. It means acknowledging that young white boys are born into unbelievable privilege they're not even aware of, and how easy it is to grow up misusing that privilege, especially if they see it happening all around them.

And it will help as more and more women become political and corporate leaders, societal influencers and role models, public figures and spokespersons which is also happening as a result of the spotlight on #MeToo.

The more we can dialogue about the way we treat one another and the more we can say, "I'm sorry" or "I get it," the more awareness we will generate. Awareness is key because for

too many generations, the "boys will be boys" adage has automatically excused behavior that is hurtful and oppressive and ultimately damaging to all of society.

As the crisis center for domestic and sexual violence in Sullivan County, Turning Points Network has, for more than 40 years, been deeply involved in support and services for all levels of personal abuse and its effect on individuals, families and our communities.

Since 2016, Claremont has been participating as one of two Green Dot pilot programs in New Hampshire that champion a message of zero tolerance for violence.

As part of its four-year commitment to the Green Dot project, Turning Points Network staff and Claremont Green Dot offer free trainings for corporate and municipal employees, service organizations and community groups designed to raise awareness of violence all around us, provide positive action choices, produce healthier, safer outcomes and help us

all be effective bystanders. Statistics show that the four-year Green Dot program has reduced violence by as much as 38% in other pilot communities across the country.

For more information about TPN survivor services or Green Dot training for your organization, call Turning Points Network, 1-800-639-3130.

OUR TURN is a public service series by Turning Points Network (TPN) serving all of Sullivan County with offices in Claremont and Newport. We provide wraparound supports for survivors of domestic and sexual violence, stalking and human trafficking and we present violence-prevention education programs in our schools. For more than 40 years, TPN has helped people of all ages move from the darkness of abuse toward the light of respect, healing and hope. For information contact 1.800.639.3130 or www.turningpointsnetwork.org or find us on Facebook.



"Humming" Along...

This female hummingbird stops at a feeder to check out the sweet offerings on a warm May afternoon (Phyllis A. Muzeroll photo).



On Wednesday, May 23, Disnard School held its annual student art show. Heather Leonbruno, the Disnard art teacher, holds the art show each year to allow parents and friends to see the different projects the students worked on during the year. Students in kindergarten through 5th grade presented their best work and got to take their work home after the event (Bill Binder photos).

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Heart of Claremont volunteers worked at planting the flowers around Opera House Square on Saturday, May 26. Project leader John Hall had all the supplies ready for the project and he and the other volunteers made it look easy. Thanks to all who worked on the project to make Opera House Square beautiful again this year! The core group of volunteers—L-R—Abigail Kier, Curtis Kier, Matthew Kier, Laurel Hall, John Hall (Bill Binder photos).

Unpacking Systemic Racism:

Advancing Equitable Outcomes in Our Claremont Community

WHEN:

Begins Tuesday, May 29th, 2018 from 5:30 – 8:30 PM
Series continues June 5th; June 12th; and June 19th from 5:30 – 8:30 PM
(a total of 4 sessions for the series)

If you would like to bring your "brown bag" meal to eat together at 5 PM, please feel free to do so.

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Do you wish you had more opportunity to think and learn about race, race relations and the impact of racism? Do you sometimes feel uncomfortable in multiracial groups? What if you could increase your capacity to improve race relations, change the way we think about race, address systemic racism, and advance equitable outcomes in our community?

Join others in a small group of 20-30 individuals to reflect, learn, and act to address racial bias and discrimination. Our ultimate goal is to continue to nourish a Claremont community where everyone can reach their full potential.

Please plan to attend all four sessions as the information builds on the previous sessions.

This series will be facilitated by Dr. Dottie Morris of Keene State College.



As the Associate Vice President for Institutional Diversity and Equity, Dr. Dottie Morris is a member of the Keene State College President's Cabinet. Her main foci are providing support and direction to the Executive, Academic, Student Affairs, Advancement and Finance and Planning divisions of the college as the institution works to fulfill its commitment to diversity and multiculturalism. Dottie is a NH Listens Fellow and a member of the Governor's Advisory Council on Diversity and Inclusion, which just came to Claremont for a listening session.

Recovery Center Program Adopted by TLC Family Resource Center

Collaborative Effort Bears Fruit

CLAREMONT, NH—The Center for Recovery Resources is officially a program of TLC Family Resource Center. The board of directors for TLC recently voted to adopt the program during a regular board meeting.

TLC had been the fiscal sponsor following the announcement in February that the HOPE for NH Recovery office in Claremont was closing. A local steering committee, including TLC's executive director Maggie Monroe-Cassel, has been working on developing a plan for the continuation of recovery services. The committee is co-chaired by Mayor Charlene Lovett and Valley Regional Healthcare CEO and President Peter Wright, FACHE.

"Our work with families has highlighted the need to offer recovery services, for them and others in the community. The support we can now offer on so many levels will help reduce child abuse numbers and strengthen families," said TLC board of director president Clara Sheehy. "The need for these services is great and this is a huge step forward in the work that TLC does within this community."

Wayne Miller will remain the program manager for The Center. He will have assistance from Jeremy Hartsell, an AmeriCorps member, and Gabrielle Kendall, who has been working with The Center as an intern. As the program develops, other staff will be added to meet the requirements of the anticipated state funding.

The Center for Recovery Resources continues to plan on working with Harbor Homes, located in Nashua, as the facilitating organization offering technical support and collaboration with nine other recovery centers across the state. Harbor Homes will also manage the state contract that provides funding to peer recovery centers across the state. Bridge funding has been provided by Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center, Valley Regional Healthcare, and NH Charitable Foundation.

"It has been a rewarding experience to work with a team of individuals and organizations at both the local and state level who are committed to ensuring that the Claremont community has access to the full spectrum of services needed for long lasting recovery," said Lovett.

Wright also is pleased with the outcome. "I take great pride in working and living in a community that comes together in times of challenge. The way community leaders assembled to ensure residents/members would not lose service was impressive and reassures me that we can accomplish anything when we pull together!" said Wright.

With things settling down for The Center, Miller is excited for the future. "I am grateful that the board members were able to recognize the importance of the services and support that The Center will provide to the community," said Miller. "We have recently begun coaching relationships with several new members who were previously unaware of the availability of peer support services in Claremont."

The first collaboration between The Center and TLC began last week with the first meeting of Parents Together, a support group for families in recovery. The group is led by Miller and Liz Morse-Boynton, a parent educator at TLC. The group is supported by funding from the Boyle Pediatric Fund at the Vermont Community Foundation.

While TLC is searching for a location for The Recovery Center to lease in the downtown area, those seeking recovery support may contact Wayne Miller directly at 802-294-2755 or by email at wayne@tlcfamilyrc.org. TLC is enthusiastic that a new location will be announced in June and the doors opened to those in recovery.

"I am looking forward to developing this new space over the coming months," said Miller. "The Claremont community deserves quality and compassionate care and that is what I intend to deliver. I have continued meeting with many of our community partners to discuss the future of The Center and the various ways that we will be able to collaborate on programming, events, and services."



I WAS THERE

I was there in the winter, with the cold chilling wind blowing through my tattered uniform.

I was there with the rockets red glare, glimmering in the dark of the night.

I was there for three days in a very muggy July, when brother fought brother for his beliefs.

I was there in the desert southwest, with its thirst-stealing sun and burning sand to make this country whole.

I was there charging up an unknown hill to free oppressed people from those who enslaved them.

I was there in the insect-ridden, mud filled trenches of no-man's land.

I was there on a peaceful Sunday, when death and destruction rained down on me from above.

I was there marching into a hell not known to man.

I was there landing on sandy volcanic beaches, watching my flag waving in the afternoon sun.

I was there walking in the ice and snow so far away, feet wrapped in blankets to keep from freezing.

I was there in the steaming, humid, green jungles of the Pearl of the Orient for a war I did not know.

I was there in the sandy desert, smoke filled air that makes your eyes and nose itch and burn.

I was there as many times as my country calls, for I am a brotherhood of men and women to give whatever is needed.

I was there. I am here. I will be there for I am an American – an American Veteran.

David G. Collise

Remembering Memorial Day in Claremont....



Cloudy skies and slightly cool temperatures did not deter area residents from filling Broad St. Park in Claremont this Memorial Day to honor those who have made the ultimate sacrifice for our country. American Legion Post 29 sponsored the ceremony that included a parade and a stop at the West Pleasant St. Cemetery to lay a wreath. The parade, which included marchers, school bands and a number of vehicles and began at the Claremont Middle School, made its way down Pleasant St. to the park. Legion Adjutant Michael Richmond opened the ceremony at the park, which included a prayer by the chaplain and the playing of the National Anthem by the SHS band. Those listed as MIAs and POWs were honored by two members of Rolling Thunder who placed the official MIA/POW insignia on the back of a lone chair and then saluted those lost. Post Commander Moe Ferland spoke, taking on the question, "Was it worth it?" quoting in part Gen. John Kelly who lost his son in action. "They were where they wanted to be," said Ferland. "It is not us who should answer it." A wreath was also laid at the memorial, and Taps was played. Top left: American Legion Color Guard; top right: Mayor Charlene Lovett and her husband, Bob, join the members of the American Legion; honoring the MIAs and POWs with a salute (Phyllis A. Muzeroll photos).

Members of the Oliver Lacasse VFW Post #808 marched in the Memorial Day parade in Claremont.



The SHS Cardinals mascot leads the way for the school's band.

American Legion Commander Moe Ferland addresses the crowd (Phyllis A. Muzeroll photos).

More photos may be found on our Facebook page later today.

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