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Ribbon Cutting Held at Large-Scale Solar Array in Claremont

CLAREMONT, NH—A public ribbon cutting and tour were held on July 24 to showcase a solar array recently installed near the wastewater treatment plant in Claremont. The project is a key feature of the city's multi-year plan to cut costs and reduce environmental impacts. Last year, the Claremont City Council approved funding for the solar array, which has no impact on the city's tax rate and is forecast to save taxpayers more than \$800,000.

"Claremont has, and will remain, commit-



ted to cost-effective, alternative energy resources that lower costs both financially and to the environment," said Claremont City Manager Ryan McNutt prior to the event.

Claremont's wastewater treatment plant is the city's largest electricity user. "Water and wastewater treatment facilities are typically the largest electricity users in a given municipality, therefore providing the largest opportunity for savings," according to ReVision Energy Branch Manager and Employee-Owner James Hasselbeck. "These plants often have underutilized rooftops or land available for solar generation with existing electrical equipment that typically can support large-scale solar electric systems without costly upgrades."

Incorporating solar energy demonstrates the municipality's commitment to sustainability while reducing its reliance on fossil fuels. The array lowers peak demand at the wastewater

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Cutting the ribbon—L to R—City Councilor Nick Koloski, Public Works Director Scott Sweet, City Manager Ryan McNutt, Mayor Charlene Lovett, Asst. Public Works Director Victor St. Pierre, State Senator Martha Hennessey, Rep. John Cloutier, Economic Development Director Nancy Merrill, City Councilor Abigail Kier and Revision Energy Co-owner Jack Ruderman (Bill Binder photos).

Solar, from A1

treatment plant and protects against electricity price spikes by locking in energy prices over the 40-year lifespan of the system.

The 151.2-kilowatt array consists of 432 solar panels installed across three rows on land adjacent to the plant. If each panel were laid end-to-end lengthwise, the array would span the length of eight football fields. The system will generate approximately 190,522 kilowatt hours per year and offset more than 200,000 pounds of carbon pollution each year, which is equivalent to the emissions from 100,000 pounds of coal or 10,000 gallons of gas.



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About 40 people attended the ribbon cutting on Tuesday, and a number of local officials attended, including Mayor Charlene Lovett who addressed the gathering, saying in part that the City is committed to lowering energy costs. The City has undertaken a number of initiatives to do just that, including upgrading lighting, taking water conservation and efficiency measures, installing pellet boilers, composting leaves, composting wastewater sludge into farm fertilizer and heating the Public Works garage with used motor oil. **Shot of the Treatment plant with the solar array off to the right (Bill Binder photo). See related piece, page A6.**

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Commentary

NH House Happenings

By Rep. John Cloutier



Resolving Online Tax Hits Snag

The New Hampshire Legislature's attempt to quickly respond to a recent United States Supreme Court decision that could hurt our state's online retail businesses hit an unexpected snag last week when the House and Senate couldn't agree on legislation to deal with the decision.

On July 25, a one-day Special Legislative Session was held at the order of Gov. Christopher Sununu and the Executive Council in response to the Supreme Court's June 21 *Wayfair vs. South Dakota* Decision, a decision, which would allow South Dakota and the 44 other states in our nation that impose general sales and service taxes, to require all online retailers, including those in New Hampshire, which doesn't impose such taxes, to collect these taxes from the residents of the total 45 sales and service tax states, if they buy goods and services in our state. The narrow 5-4 decision overturned a previous court decision of nearly 50 years ago permitting these 45 states to only collect sales taxes from New Hampshire retailers, if the retailers had a "bricks and mortar" location. The decision upset Gov. Sununu as well as House and Senate Republican leaders, who fear that it would hurt our state's on-line retailers, and thus weaken what they claim is "The New Hampshire Advantage."

The Governor and Council formally ordered the one-day Special Session on July 11 by a 4-1 vote with only Councilor Andru Volinsky, a Democrat, opposed, with the stipulation that the Session occur by August 15 at the latest. On July 12 the Joint Task Force on the *Wayfair* Decision started work in preparation for a July 25 Session. The July 25 date was determined both by House Speaker Gene Chandler and Senate President Chuck Morse. The Task Force, a joint House-Senate ad hoc committee, was charged with considering and recommending legislation to both bodies for the July 25 vote. Its membership consisted of 17 lawmakers of both parties, including 12 Republicans and five Democrats. It was chaired by Plaistow Rep. Norman Major, who is also House Ways & Means Chair. After a week's worth of hearings and meetings, the Task Force recommended SSSB (Special Session Senate Bill) 1. The bill was sponsored by a bipartisan group of the six top legislative leaders of both bodies.

SSSB 1 contained four main provisions. The first provision prohibited out-of-state entities from collecting sales or service taxes in our state only after first registering with the New Hampshire Dept. of Justice. The second one provided consumer protection for New Hampshire businesses against possible fraud by these out-of-state entities, or even "spammers" impersonating such entities. The third provided an expense reimbursement for our state's businesses ultimately required to collect such taxes. The fourth and final main provision would have established a 13-member study commission to continue examining

ways to protect New Hampshire from any uncertainties created by the *Wayfair* Decision. A commission composed of legislators, executive branch department heads, as well as business owners and leaders.

On July 25 the Senate voted first on SSSB 1, approving it by a unanimous 24-0 roll call vote. The Senate then adjourned, assuming the bill would easily pass in the House. But after some debate, the House, by a surprising 164-151 roll call vote, adopted a floor amendment stripping the measure of all its main provisions, except for the one establishing a study commission. The amendment was sponsored by three Republican representatives who are members of the House Freedom Caucus, a dissident group often at odds with House Republican Leadership. But in an unusual coalition, the adopted Freedom Caucus amendment was also supported by approximately half of all Democratic representatives voting that day. Next, the House approved the bill's stripped-down version on a 258-57 roll call vote. A version that the Senate promptly rejected altogether by another unanimous 23-0 vote, after hastily reconvening the same day.

July 25's surprising turn of events in Concord produced outrage from Gov. Sununu and many Republican senators, who believe the House's approval of SSSB 1's stripped-down version was an "insult" to New Hampshire's business community. Senate President Morse vowed to work on alternative legislation responding to *Wayfair*, and then bring back both Senate and House to vote on it as early as next month. But the legislature's next scheduled meeting of the 2018 Regular Session isn't until Sept. 13, when the Governor's vetoes on six bills passed earlier this year will be considered. Whether the Governor and Council would take another chance on scheduling another one-day Special Session before Sept. 13 is doubtful in my opinion.

I voted for the SSSB 1 floor amendment sponsored by the Freedom Caucus that stripped out all its main provisions, except for the study commission, a provision that the five Democratic legislators on the Joint Task Force had championed. Next, I voted for the bill's final passage as modified by the floor amendment. Initially, I was planning to vote for SSSB 1 as recommended by the Task Force, and against the Freedom Caucus' amendment. But subsequently I listened to some of my fellow Democratic representatives, who were opposed to SSSB 1 as a whole, at a Democratic Caucus meeting before the Special Session began, and then to several Freedom Caucus representatives, who spoke in opposition during the actual session on the floor. I came to understand that responding to the recent *Wayfair* Decision is not as easy a task as Gov. Sununu as well as House and Senate Republican Leadership is claiming. That passing SSSB 1 as recommended by the Task Force, except for the study commission, was premature as of July 25, and could result in either the entire bill, or portions of it being declared unconstitutional by federal courts because it would have been contrary to the United States Constitution's Article 1, Section 8, that permits only the United States Congress to regulate interstate trade. Furthermore, I became concerned as July 25 unfolded that the legislature was only given approximately two weeks to consider legislation like SSSB 1, not a lot of time to craft responsible measures to deal with the complicated issues now raised as a result of the Supreme Court's unfortunate *Wayfair* Decision. **Email: joeloutier@comcast.net**

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Letter to the Editor

A Tribute to Lew Gage

To The Editor:

My name is Nancy Miville and, along with Lew & Ginny, I belong to Green Mountain Civil War Round Table. I first met Lew as he gave a talk about Civil War Fire Zouaves, and I also attended a program Lew and Ginny gave together about Civilians of Gettysburg at the time of the battle. All this happened about the same time I discovered my great grandfather had been in the Civil War, a young man in Co.A, 1st NH Heavy Artillery assigned to the defenses of Washington. Those three events came together and became the Civil War "bug" that bit me and I was hooked. I read books. For more than a year, I faithfully watched a weekly History Channel series "Civil War Journal". Over the next few years, I built a large library of books about Civil War battles, campaigns, generals, cavalry, the navy, slavery, photography, Lincoln, and other related topics. I researched Claremont in the Civil War Years and found, among other things, Claremont had a real war hero and a soldier brevetted to general. I visited battlefields and attended many programs and guided trips. I tried re-enacting. After awhile, I found my niche to be researching, writing, and giving talks about topics related to Civil War History, and participating in group presentations and organizations which work toward battlefield preservation as well as preservation of Civil War photography. It became a passion for me.

Lew, one more time, I want to thank you for inspiring me to explore the American Civil War and to find a comfortable place for myself in helping to preserve its history.

Nancy Miville
Claremont, NH

During Questioning, U.S. Trade Representative Lighthizer Tells Shaheen No Aid Planned for Small Businesses Harmed by Trade War

WASHINGTON, DC—Thursday, U.S. Senator Jeanne Shaheen (D-NH) questioned U.S. Trade Representative Robert Lighthizer during an Appropriations Subcommittee hearing. As the lead Democrat on the Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies, Shaheen led questioning of the U.S. Trade Representative on the Trump administration's trade policies and how they are affecting small businesses in New Hampshire and across the country.

Shaheen highlighted Moonlight Meadery of Londonderry, a small business that has been forced to lay off workers due to retaliatory tariffs imposed by China and canceled a critical contract for the local company, as a result of the administration's trade war. Shaheen toured Moonlight Meadery last Friday, and posed the following question from its founder and CEO Michael Fairbrother during Thursday's hearing:

"I'd like to ask them what the plan is. And I'd like to ask them why they are asking small businesses to bear the brunt of this policy. It doesn't seem fair."

When pressed by Shaheen on whether the administration is contemplating providing aid to small businesses who have been negatively affected, as they have for farmers, Lighthizer said: "Not at this time, no."

Shaheen is strongly opposed to the administration's tariff policy, which has escalated a trade war with China, as well as critical US allies and New Hampshire trading partners. In response to tariffs imposed by the Trump administration, Shaheen sponsored bipartisan legislation to require congressional approval of tariffs. Shaheen, a member of the Senate Small Business and Entrepreneurship Committee, has also called on the Small Business Administration (SBA) to investigate the impact of the Trump administration's tariff policies on American small businesses, and sent a letter to President Trump urging him to reconsider his tariff plan.

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Claremont Defined as a Progressive Community

Changing Claremont's image or how others perceive our community has been the topic of discussion for many throughout the years. Those of us who live and work here know what Claremont has to offer, but projecting that beyond our city limits has often been a challenge. Though developing an overall strategy to achieve that has yet to be accomplished, it seems that our individual accomplishments are gaining the attention of other municipalities.

This week we held a ribbon cutting ceremony for our first municipally owned solar array. Located at the wastewater treatment plant, the 432-panel solar array will generate 190,522 Kilowatts of energy a year. It will reduce the electricity costs of operating the plant, the City's largest electricity user, by 25 percent. By utilizing a renewable energy, the reduction in carbon emissions equals approximately that of 10,000 gallons of gas a year.

The cost savings will not only benefit the users who are on the wastewater system, but also the community and region at large. It is for this broader benefit that dignitaries from other municipalities were present at the event. In addition to State Senator Hennessey and

Representative Cloutier, Councilman Werner of Concord and Councilman Raynolds of Portsmouth attended. Also in attendance was April Salas, Executive Director of the Revers Center for Energy at the Tuck School of Business at Dartmouth.

Supportive of our actions in Claremont to utilize renewable energy, I learned from talking with them that Concord does not yet have a municipally owned solar array. However, the state capital is planning to develop a solar field on its municipally owned landfill. Familiar with the City's record to reduce energy costs and environmental impacts, one Councilman commented that Claremont is becoming quite progressive. Ms. Salas spoke favorably of our latest accomplishment and offered assistance in future energy-related endeavors.

Such feedback from other municipalities is proof that Claremont's image is indeed changing in the region and in the state. It is a collective effort that requires our best. In the case of the construction of the solar array, the Council approved the project and the Administration implemented it. Planning and Development and the Department of Public Works (DPW) worked many hours with ReVision, the company who built the array, to ensure that construction was successfully completed, on time and within budget.

As a result, the array was built in eight short weeks, and is now operating for the benefit of the community and the region. The work of City staff on this project, most notably that of DPW Assistant Director St. Pierre, City Planner McCrory and Parks and Facilities Superintendent Heron, has reinforced Claremont's evolving image of a progressive community.

Charlene Lovett is the Mayor of Claremont and welcomes your feedback. Please email

questions, comments or concerns to her at clovett.ccc@gmail.com.

East Street Culvert Work

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Week 2 Week 4 Week 6 Week 8 Week 10	French Toast Sticks, berries, yogurt, snap peas, 1% milk, granola bar	Turkey and Cheese Sandwich, baby carrots with dip, apple, 1% milk, granola bar	Salami and Cheese Sandwich, cherry tomatoes, berries, 1% milk, granola bar	Ham and Cheese Sandwich, cucumber with dip, grapes, 1% milk, granola bar	Chicken Salad Sandwich, baby carrots with dip, watermelon, chocolate milk, granola bar

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Interim SAU 6 Superintendent Named

By Phyllis A.Muzeroll
e-Ticker News

CLAREMONT, NH—The SAU 6 Board approved a nomination at its Thursday evening meeting to hire Dr. Keith Pfeifer as interim superintendent. He replaces Superintendent Middleton McGoodwin who was terminated in May after the board decided to “go in a different direction.” Assistant Superintendent Cory LeClair has been serving as acting superintendent in the interim.

Pfeifer’s nomination was approved contingent upon “successful negotiations,” the board said in its motion to nominate him for the position. Following his approved nomination, Pfeifer said he did not think there would be any problems.

Board chair Marjorie Erickson said that there were 16 applications for the position and that the list had been whittled down to three candidates who were interviewed in mid-July.

Pfeifer seemed at ease as he spoke briefly to the board, sharing a bit of his academic experience. He said he has had extensive experience as a superintendent in Massachusetts, Pennsylvania, Maine and New Hampshire. He has served for 45 years in public education, having started as a Social Studies teacher in Philadelphia and has worked as a superintendent or an interim superintendent in a number of locations, including Grantham, Mascoma and Littleton.

It is hoped that he will begin his position in mid-August. He lives in Andover.

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John Paul II Academy Gears Up for Sept. Opening

By Phyllis A. Muzeroll
e-Ticker News

CLAREMONT, NH—The St. Mary's School building on Central St. is a beehive of activity these days as staff and volunteers scurry to get the facility ready for a new endeavor: Opening the John Paul II Academy, a PreK-12 Catholic school dedicated to the "education of all children regardless of faith, culture, or race". It seems unlikely that Headmaster Roxanne Raeside Wilton would have it any other way. The high level of activity means that work is getting done and plans are moving forward to open the area's newest school this fall.

The school's mission statement "is to teach and nurture a strong sense of the dignity of the human person through solid academics with emphasis on character building and intellectual maturity. Our ultimate goal is to strengthen and enrich families and communities through the development of each individual child." Plans for opening a new Catholic school at St. Mary's have been in the works for a good three years now, reflecting a new push by the Diocese of Manchester to reinvigorate Catholic education across the state.

The school building, which was home to the New England Classical Academy for nine years, was described by Raeside Wilton as having good bones, and much of the work being done these days consists of cleaning, maintenance and minor repairs. A chapel will be added for weekly adoration, and Mass will be celebrated every Friday. Raeside Wilton, who hails from the Seacoast, said the school will provide a "rigorous academic experience that is authentically Catholic. It won't be watered down." She said that teaching what it means to "be a virtuous person" is among the components of what will be taught at JP2. There will also be an emphasis on early childhood education starting at age 3, she said. There will be a library and a Mary Garden as well.

She recently moved to Claremont, in June, to join her husband, James, who has been

working at Valley Regional Hospital for four years as a foot/ankle/peripheral nerve surgeon. They have five grown children and have had eight foster children. Circumstances arose that enabled Raeside Wilton to finally join her husband here in Claremont. James is also a deacon, and Raeside Wilton served as Director of the Office of Evangelization in Kittery Point, ME, and was an associate professor for the Community College System of NH. Fr. Shawn Therrien, pastor of St. Mary's, approached her about the position of Headmaster, a position that she said, after much prayer, she felt called to accept. "We



Headmaster Roxanne Raeside Wilton (Phyllis A. Muzeroll photo).

are a PreK-12 Catholic school dedicated to the education of all children," she said.

With opening dates of Sept. 4 for the upper grades and Sept. 5 for the lower, Raeside Wilton said there has been interest in all grade levels. Interest in the school has been coming from not only the City, but surrounding communities as well, and on Thursday, Raeside Wilton said she had just taken a call from "a woman in Vermont". Financial aid to help with



tuition costs is available through the Diocese of Manchester; families can apply for FACTS Management, a tuition payment plan, or for the Children's Scholarship Fund NH. There will also be a raffle for a year's free tuition. The school is setting up special funds, such as the St. Mary Scholarship Fund, St. Joseph Building Fund, the St. Isidore of Seville Technology Fund and the St. Albert the Great Science

Fund. For more information about the full list of funds and how you can help, call the school at 603-542-2157. Those interested are also invited to consider "adopting" a student. Four teachers have been hired thus far, and Raeside Wilton said they have received many applications for positions at the school.

Raeside Wilton said she already has found Claremont to be a kind and generous community, and she will be working on a "strategic partnership" with area businesses as part of her overall community building. She has been speaking at weekend Masses, sharing details of the school and introducing a Capital Campaign.

St. Mary Grammar School closed in 2009, and the high school, home of the Comets, closed in 1971.

Volunteers have been stepping forward to help in a variety of ways, including people who attended St. Mary's Grammar School many years ago and who have fondly regaled her with school stories; with much work still to be completed, all hands are welcomed to help with cleaning, repairs, moving furniture, painting and other chores needed to button things up. Volunteers are welcomed as well to help with office and other skills, and for those interested, there is a Volunteer Interest Form available.

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"There is lots of interest," finished up Raeside Wilton, "and so much need to teach the love of Christ."

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Grand Jury Indictments Released

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Shawn Bartley, 34, 103 County Farm Road, Unity, NH, indicted for Assault by Prisoner, June 15, 2018; Assault by Prisoner, June 15, 2018; Tampering with Witness, June 15, 2018.

Sarah Harvey, 25, Claremont, NH, indicted for Willful Concealment—Committed on Release, July 11, 2018; Simple Assault, June 23, 2018; Criminal Threatening Deadly Weapon, June 23, 2018.

Leigha Keller, 20, Lebanon, NH, indicted for Tampering with Witness or Informant, July 13, 2018; Tampering with Witness or Informant, July 13, 2018; Simple Assault, July 13, 2018.

William Dalling, 61, Charlestown, NH, indicted for Possession of Controlled Drug, Fentanyl, Dec. 18, 2017; Possession of Controlled Drug, Heroin, Dec. 18, 2017; Bail Jumping, July 12, 2018.

Michael Johnson, 31, Easthampton, MA, indicted for Possession/Intent to Distribute, MDMA aka ecstasy, June 3, 2018.

Victoria Voydatch, 38, Claremont, NH, indicted for Bailjumping, July 5, 2018.

Danielle Nelson, 50, Laconia, NH, indicted for Operation after Certification as Habitual Offender, March 25, 2018; Aggravated Driving Under the Influence, March 25, 2018.

Joshua Partlow, 23, Newport, NH, indicted for Reckless Conduct with a deadly weapon, June 17, 2018.

Roberta Johnson, 43, Claremont, NH, indicted for Possession by Felon Prohibited (electronic defense weapon), May 26, 2018.

Tanya Braga Pillsbury, 45, Lempster, NH, indicted for Perjury, Dec. 15, 2017; Falsifying Physical Evidence, Dec. 15, 2017.

Brittany Curtis Handy, 28, Claremont, NH, indicted for Possession of Controlled Drug.

Fugitive of the Week

Daniel Spaulding

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On March 30, 2016, the Sullivan County Grand Jury indicted Daniel Spaulding on on count of Assault by Inmate, a Class B Felony.

On May 5, 2016, Spaulding was sentenced and as part of his sentence he was placed on probation. On July 18, 2018, the New Hampshire Department of Corrections filed a Violation of Probation against Spaulding in Sullivan County Superior Court.

On July 25, 2018, the Sullivan County Superior Court issues a warrant for Spaulding's

arrest for Violation of Probation.

This information is provided by Sheriff John Simonds of the Sullivan County Sheriff's Department. If you have information regarding this individual, please contact your local police department.



Nano Brewery to Open in Claremont on Plains Road

By Phyllis A. Muzeroll
e-Ticker News

CLAREMONT, NH—The Claremont Planning Board approved an Administrative Waiver Application for change of use of the existing warehouse from machine manufacturing to beverage manufacturing at 354 Plains Road last Monday night. The approval paves the way for Eric Dean Rouleau of Gilford, NH, to open a nano brewery in that location. In addition to purchasing this property, Rouleau has also purchased 350 Plains Road, an abutting parcel, although he has no plans for the brick paper mill building and will “mothball” it. That property shares a driveway with the red wooden building that will house the brewery, and Rouleau said that was his reason for buying the second building. Any occupancy of 350 Plains Road would require a return visit before the Planning Board.

The nano brewery will have just five barrels that will be capable producing 31 gallons of beer. By law, such a site with a tasting room has to serve food, and he said he plans to use local vendors such as a bakery or North Country Smokehouse as his food suppliers. Product will be available for sale. There will be no wine or hard liquor for sale, and the food menu will not be large. There will be an indoor sound system but no outdoor music. Rouleau said he would like to add “live performing music” at some point. Hours will be seasonal.

Board member Charlene Lovett suggested a site visit before approving the waiver to ensure that the business did not expand into a bigger operation, but other members pointed out that his only intent was to operate in the one building and with the motion indicating that, Lovett was satisfied that a site visit was not necessary. The building is 3,100 square feet and one level. Rouleau does not yet have an opening date. The property has not been used in years and the board welcomed the new investment in the building.



(File photo)

New Hampshire Education Funding Discussion

NEWPORT, NH—The Newport School Board is joining Claremont, Fall Mountain, and Unity to host a discussion on New Hampshire Education Funding.

Our state’s over-reliance on local property taxes to support public schools disadvantages Newport students and other New Hampshire students who live in towns with limited ability to support its students,” said SAU 43 Superintendent Cindy Gallagher. “The negative effect of the state’s funding formula is well documented. In short, Newport and similar communities could see a reduction of approximately 10% in State aid between 2017 and 2022. Assuming nothing else changes, this alone accounts for an increase in tax rates of almost 10% - before allowing for other costs like teacher raises.

“The result of this inequity contributes to the significant tax impact for our town, making budgets and raises for teachers hard to support in community votes.” On August 14, Attorneys Andru Volinsky and John Tobin will be providing a public workshop on New Hampshire school funding. This workshop will be held at 6:00 p.m. at Richards Elementary School in Newport NH. The public is invited to attend.

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Upper Valley television viewers who turned the channel to WNNE 31 July 24 got a new experience. Nothing.

At midnight the night before, the former NBC affiliate -- based in Plattsburgh, NY and in Burlington, VT -- turned off its transmitter atop Mt. Ascutney. Viewers in this region who rely on an antenna to get television broadcasts will no longer get the station. It's still available through satellite and cable, but its only over-the-air transmission will now be from Mt. Mansfield -- as a CW affiliate. The station's Upper Valley office, off Sykes Mountain Avenue in White River Junction, will remain open.

Please use this link for the rest of the story: <https://dailyuv.com/feed/963736?location=claremont-nh>.

Mt. Ascutney Hospital Welcomes Vermont Governor for Healthcare Reform and Community Health Roundtable Discussion

WINDSOR, VT – Mt. Ascutney Hospital and Health Center (MAHHC) hosted Vermont Governor Phil Scott, members of his cabinet, and extended cabinet on Monday, July 23, for a lunchtime roundtable discussion about the Hospital's experiences and insights related to healthcare reform and community health initiatives. The Governor and his team also took a tour of the Hospital's recently renovated Acute Rehabilitation Center. In addition to the Governor's team, attendees included Dartmouth-Hitchcock CEO and President Joanne M. Conroy, MD, as well as several Windsor County legislators.

The Governor's visit to Windsor County was part of his administration's ongoing "Capitol for a Day" tour of Vermont towns, to engage with and learn from Vermonters across the state, from all walks of life, on a range of issues. His

team's other stops in the town of Windsor included recognition of the Windsor High School Class of 2018, and a "Let's Go Fishing" clinic at the Windsor Recreation Center.

Presenters included MAHHC's President, CEO and Chief Medical Officer, Dr. Joseph Perras, who provided the Governor's team with a brief overview of the Hospital. He explained MAHHC's designation as a Critical Access Hospital, meaning that it meets the criteria to provide critical health care services to a rural area, with reimbursement benefits. Dr. Perras highlighted MAHHC's high occupancy rates compared to many small hospitals, and

cited as a strength MAHHC's willingness to pioneer and perfect the integration of technologies, practices, and services as a member of Dartmouth-Hitchcock Health System. He pointed to the successful collaboration of the two institutions on everything from radiology and materials management, to system-wide strategic planning and sharing of medical staff, which he said have had significant benefits for MAHHC efficiency and patient access to high quality care. Dr. Perras said, "All of our services support our goal to be excellent in our

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primary care mission. We concentrate on what we do well, in order to best serve our communities.”

MAHHC Director of Community Health, Jill Lord, RN, kept the focus on community as she spoke about the importance of building community connections, in order to foster better health and wellness for all. “The community is who we are,” she said, “and why we are here.” She explained that the Hospital’s mission extends beyond its exam rooms and surgical suite to where people live and work. “We’re collaborating with community partners on numerous levels to achieve success as an Accountable Community for Health,” she explained. “As the community’s health center, we provide leadership. For instance, we step in to organize efforts when Rachel’s Kitchen needs staff and resources to keep serving free meals. We connect kids with dental services in schools. We help organize drug abuse prevention efforts.” Lord told Governor Scott that MAHHC’s community health goals are determined by the Community Health Needs Assessment, a regular survey of community members to learn their most urgent health needs.

Perras outlined four main areas of focus for the Hospital, including employee wellness, building a high-quality organization centered on quality of care, patient safety, and organizational readiness; growing clinical service lines; and ensuring sustainability to guarantee care for generations to come. That sustainability will come in part from MAHHC embracing smart healthcare reforms, he said. “We’re moving away from the traditional fee for service model of healthcare,” explained Perras, “to a model with predictable, fixed revenues, focused on delivering high-value care.” The Hospital is making this transition as part of the OneCare Vermont statewide Accountable Care Organization that includes hospitals, primary care providers, health centers, and agencies. Governor Scott commented that he was impressed by the scope and depth of services available at a small hospital. He said, “It was extremely valuable to see and learn more about the work being done at Mt. Ascutney

Hospital, the critical services it provides its community and its innovation and leadership, particularly, in its inpatient rehab center. As my Administration focuses on enhancing access to care and improving health with a focus on prevention, I appreciate its community-approach to healthcare.”

Belinda Needham-Shropshire, MAHHC Director of Rehabilitation Services, led a tour of the Rehabilitation Center at Mt. Ascutney Hospital, remodeled in 2015. Governor Scott and his cabinet were shown the facility’s state-of-the-art rehabilitative technology, including an advanced, computer-aided vector gait and safety system designed to support a patient’s

weight while tracking their movements to help them re-learn balance and walking; an electronic screening system to help patients improve motor skills and reaction time; the Miller Therapeutic Pool for aquatic physical therapy; a cardiac rehabilitation program; kitchen and home environments designed to help people master the activities of daily living; rehab gymnasiums; and an array of specialized rehabilitative therapies.

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Submitted by Marta Smith, Fiske Free Library

CLAREMONT, NH—Once again we will be hosting the CLiF Program with a story by the presenter and free books for any children who attend—ages 0-14. The CLiF Program will be on Monday, August 13, at 2:00 p.m.

As always, the programs are free and open to the public. Most of the programs do not require sign-ups; however, a few require sign-ups so that we will have enough supplies for all attendees: The Harmonica Program with Mike & Beverly Rogers on Tuesday, July 31st, is one, so they will know how many harmonicas to bring; the Yo-yo program on Thursday, August 2nd, is another—so that we will have enough yo-yos—and especially for the CLiF Program on Monday, August 13, so that they will bring enough books to give away.

On Wednesdays throughout the summer, we will be having Wacky Wednesdays where we will have a different activity every week—rock painting, tissue paper craft, sponge craft and Makey, Makey or Lego activity; the Wacky Wednesday programs will be on Wednesdays at 2:00 p.m. Please call the library for more information at 542-7017.

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Consider These Financial Tips for Single Women

If you're a single woman, most of your financial challenges and aspirations may resemble those of single men. Men and women face the same economic stress factors of modern life, and both groups have similar financial goals, such as the ability to retire comfortably. But women still face specific obstacles. You need to be aware of these challenges – and do everything you can to overcome them.

For example, women still face a wage gap. In 2017, women earned 82% of what men earned, according to the Pew Research Center. However, the wage gap narrows among younger workers, and may even disappear for highly educated women, especially those in the STEM fields – science, technology, engineering and mathematics.

Another financial concern for women is connected to their role as caregivers. Women spend an average of 12 years out of the workforce to care for children, elderly relatives and even friends, according to an estimate by the Social Security Administration. Other studies report different figures, but all the evidence points to women being the ones who take time off from work to care for loved ones. This means fewer contributions to Social Security, 401(k)s and other retirement plans.

Faced with these and other issues, what can you do to help yourself move toward your important goals? Consider these steps:

Develop good financial habits. Establishing good financial habits can pay off for you throughout your lifetime. These habits can include maintaining a budget, keeping your debts under control, and putting aside some money for a “rainy day.”

Take advantage of available opportunities. If you work for an organization that offers a 401(k) or similar plan, contribute as much as you think you can afford. At the very least, put in enough to earn your employer's matching contribution, if one is offered. And every time your salary goes up, increase the amount you invest in your plan. Also, think about opening an IRA, which, like a 401(k), can offer tax-advantaged investment opportunities. If you have children, you'll also want to explore college savings vehicles, such as a 529 plan.

Educate yourself about investing – and get professional advice. Some people think investing is just too complex and mysterious to be understandable. Yet, with patience and a willingness to learn, you can become quite knowledgeable about how to invest, what you're investing in and what forces affect the investment world. And to help you create an investment strategy that's appropriate for your goals, risk tolerance and time horizon, you may also want to work with a financial professional.

Discuss financial issues with your future spouse. If you get married or re-married, you'll want to discuss financial issues with your new spouse. Specifically, you'll want to answer questions such as these: What assets and debts do each of you bring to the marriage? Do you plan to merge your finances or keep them separate? Are your investment styles compatible? Do you have similar long-term goals? You and your new spouse don't need identical views on every financial topic, but you both need to be willing to work together to advance your common interests.

Ultimately, you have a lot of control over your own financial future. And making informed choices can help make that future a bright one.

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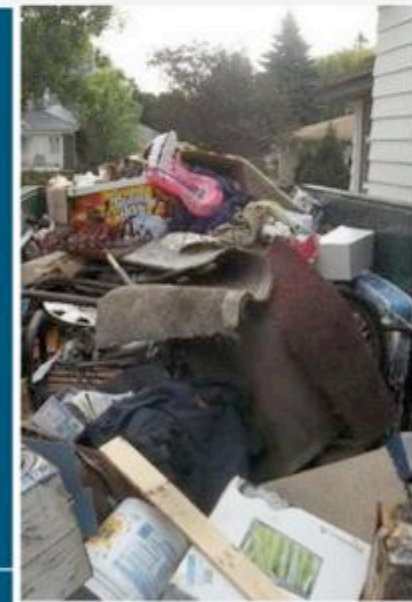
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Arrowhead Meeting Aug. 7th

CLAREMONT, NH—There will be an Arrowhead meeting on Tuesday, August 7th, 7:00 PM at Arrowhead. Topics will include upcoming activities and projects; all are welcome and encouraged to attend.

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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 some- thing 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.

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Greetings from Omaha Mitch...It's corn on the cob season...Did something different yesterday. Deep fried some of it... 385 degrees for 3 minutes. Wifey said it was awesome. I thought so as well.... Yep, we play with our food out here as well.....

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Power of Produce Clubs are simple, fun, and free. Families sign up at the POP table and start the day’s activity—a farmers’ market scavenger hunt, a vegetable quiz, an art project or other produce-related fun. Once they complete the activity, they return to the POP table to receive their POP Bucks: \$3 in market tokens just for kids to spend on fruits and vegetables at the market.

POP Clubs are running through August 18 at the following Upper Valley locations:

Beaver Pond Farm Stand, Newport, Thursdays, 3-5 p.m.

Canaan Farmers and Artisans’ Market, Canaan, Sundays, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Chelsea Farmers’ Market, Chelsea, Fridays, 3-6 p.m.

Claremont Farmers’ Market, Claremont, Saturdays, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

Edgewater Farmstand, Plainfield, Wednesdays, 3-5 p.m.

Hartland Farmers’ Market, Hartland, Fridays, 4-7 p.m.

Hanover Farmers’ Market, Hanover, Wednesdays, 3-6 p.m.

Lebanon Farmers’ Market, Lebanon, Thursdays, 4-7 p.m.

Newport Farmers’ Market, Newport, Fridays, 3-6 p.m.

Norwich Farmers’ Market, Norwich, Saturdays, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

Royalton Farmers’ Market, South Royalton, Thursdays, 3-6 p.m.

Spring Ledge Farm Stand, New London, Tuesdays, 3-6 p.m.

Greater Falls Farmers’ Market, Bellows Falls, Fridays, 3-7 p.m.

Wilmot Farmers’ Market, Wilmot, Saturdays, 9 a.m.-12 p.m.

In the last year, Upper Valley POP Clubs have grown in number from 5 to 14, all of which currently receive support from Vital

Communities. As part of its POP outreach, Vital Communities is promoting the acceptance of SNAP benefits at many participating farmers’ markets and farm stands; more and more Upper Valley farmers’ markets even double SNAP benefits through Granite State Market Match or Vermont’s Crop Cash program. A complete list of Upper Valley farmers’ markets accepting and doubling SNAP benefits is available at <https://bit.ly/2JEnXb0>.

Promotional support for this year’s POP Clubs comes from the University of New Hampshire Cooperative Extension Sullivan County Nutrition Connections, Newport Health Center, Valley Regional Healthcare, New London Hospital, Newport Food Pantry, Richards Free Library, Southwestern Community Services, Claremont Soup Kitchen, Friends of Mascoma, Mascoma Community Health Center, Merrimack County Conservation District, First Baptist Food Pantry, Kearsarge Food Hub, Upper Valley Haven, LISTEN, Mount

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Claremont Confidential

By Les St.Pierre



The Veteran and the Rookie

We see them every day, except on weekends.

Who are these guys, and how is it and why is it they do what they do?

I'm talking about the two gentlemen who man the upper Main Street and lower Main Street positions during the current on-going Main Street Revitalization Project here in Claremont.

The flagmen, or flaggers, if you will.

Well, if you can recall that Norman Rockwell painting of the young kid at his locker with other ballplayers eyeing him as he prepares to suit up his first day, you can get some idea as to who these two gentlemen are who direct passing and, at times, confused motorists to where they need to be.

In effect, they tell people where to go...and get away with it.

Sort of like the veteran Ted Williams and the rookie Carl Yastrzemski in that Rockwell artistry.

In this case, the veteran is Patrick Bailey and the rookie is Ron Cartwright, both single, and employed by S U R West Construction, Inc. out of Winchester, NH.

Bailey, constantly seen near Leo's at the lower end of Main Street, is 59 and has been employed by the construction company for six years now. Cartwright, forever seen at the upper end of Main Street near Daddy Pop's Diner (the former Tumble Inn Diner), is 21 and has been on the job only two months. He is a student at Keene State College majoring in Occupational Safety. He plans to leave his post at Opera House Square at or around the 24th of August to return to his classes. The rookie will miss the \$24.65 per hour payment he receives for directing motorists. Bailey, on the other, hand, will stay on for the duration of the project, estimated to finish in mid-November. The veteran declined to announce his remuneration but did confess,

based on his years of experience, his payment is more than that of Cartwright's.

Each flagger is usually on the job 6:30 a.m. and retires for the day between the 5:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. hour. Both arrive from and return to Keene, NH, each day and both often bring their own lunches. The times they do not arrive with lunch in hand they are in good shape as Cartwright reported he will go to the diner or to Farro's Deli to satisfy his hunger while Bailey is very pleased with Leo's Market at his fingertips.

Like many professions, their job looks easy. However, when you get to observe them in action each day you sometimes wonder how they do it. Their perseverance, stamina, and loyalty is incredible. They bring the postal creed of "Neither snow, nor rain, nor



Patrick Bailey (Les St.Pierre photo).

"I worked in a warehouse for three years so I'm used to standing," Cartwright said while being interviewed, using the Detour and Local Businesses Open signs for support.

Cartwright, whose skin has noticeably darkened from the sunshine since day one at work, has a birds eye view of Opera House Square

and is in constant observation of the goings-on around the rotary. "A lady backed up into another car the other day," he stated. "I'm surprised it hasn't happened more. Surprisingly, a lot of people go around this rotary the wrong way. It blows my mind," Cartwright reported, saying he has seen automobiles come up Tremont Street into the square only to take an immediate left past the offices of Jeanne Sheehan and A.G. Edwards to enter onto

Broad Street and, in some cases, onto Pleasant Street.

Bailey, too, is usually found standing on his own two feet most of the time. He does sport an umbrella more often than does Cartwright and has an arsenal of brightly colored broad-brimmed hats, although, on this particular day, went hatless.

"I've had multiple hours of training for public relationships," Bailey emphasized. The Gorham, NH, native added, "I know how to talk to people and relieve those who are stressed out. They realize when we show up we are going to throw a monkey wrench into everybody's

schedule. Some people adapt more quickly than others and it's the ones who don't adapt as quick who you have to talk to. I will give them the heads up in advance and then everything usually seems to flow smoothly. The rule of thumb is you can please ninety per cent of the people and there are ten per cent, know matter what you do, you are not going to please them. They are going to be angry about something."

All in all, though, Bailey and his counterpart are both pleased with the people of Claremont. Cartwright, a native of Acton, ME, said, "Claremont is a nice, quiet town." He went on to note he might not come back, however, since his future goal is to live in Boston.

Bailey had nothing but strong praise for the city and its people. "Everybody on this street has treated us great!" he exclaimed. "I have had people pull up and hand me an iced tea bottle, and the people at Sugar River Mills have dropped off cases of water for us. I would like to thank the people of Claremont for showing some respect and some love for us. I have no complaints."



Ron Cartwright (Les St.Pierre photo)

heat..." to a higher level.

"Everyday we work through it," Bailey pointed out. "No matter what it is, we work through it!"

Cartwright rarely uses an umbrella upon rain days opting, instead, to stand upright allowing the water to drip from his ever-present baseball cap. He does have a chair nearby but, again, rarely uses it.

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Red River Hosts 12th Annual Charity Golf Classic to Benefit the Red River Charitable Foundation

Red River Awards Scholarships to Local Students, Supports STEM in NH & VT

Red River would like to thank everyone who helped to make this successful event possible. To our corporate sponsors, participants and any others who made generous donations, including raffle and auction items, we couldn't have done it without you.

Most importantly, congratulations to our scholarship recipients!

"This marks the 10th consecutive year of our scholarship program," said Kim Vacca, Director of the Red River Charitable Foundation. "Since 2008 we have been able to award \$151,000 to 48 high school seniors pursuing majors in STEM fields. Those numbers are pretty remarkable, and we can't wait to see what these students will accomplish."

RRCF provides opportunities for students in middle school through college interested in Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) fields with scholarships, internships, mentoring and donations of IT equipment. The organization also supports causes that help U.S. military veterans transitioning to civilian life.

RRCF's scholarship recipients completed a lengthy application process and received monetary awards for their college tuition and books, as well as Dell laptops and printers. The students and their families were the guests of honor at this year's event.

Please join us in congratulating the 2018 scholarship winners:

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Amber Beliveau – attending Worcester Polytechnic Institute for mechanical engineering

Hartford High School

Brianna Aubrey – attending Dartmouth College for neuroscience

Homeschooled

Matthias Page – attending the University of New Hampshire for ocean engineering

Lebanon High School

Elizabeth Jones – attending Colorado State University for biomedical and chemical biological engineering

Stevens High School

Elyse Scott – attending Clarkson University for environmental engineering

Windsor High School

Vincent Moeykens – attending the University of Vermont for computer science

"It was a great day on the course, having fun with guests and celebrating the amazing RRCF student scholarship recipients. I am thrilled that we are able to provide scholarships for these students and support their ongoing education in STEM related fields," said Rick Bolduc, Executive Chairman, Board of Directors for Red River. "The Foundation could not have chosen more qualified candidates, and we are endlessly thankful to our sponsors, partners and local business owners who continue to support us and the causes we believe in."

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Claremont Fire Department Rescues Child From Sugar River

CLAREMONT, NH—On July 24, at 7:44 p.m., the Claremont Fire Department was dispatched to the Sugar River in the area downstream from the Charles Puksta Bridge located on Broad Street. Initial response included Rescue One and Ladder Two and Car One. On arrival at 7:45 p.m., the on-scene company officer reported having visual contact with approximately a 12-year-old female child. Crew members donned swift water rescue floatation vests with tag lines. One member entered the water. The child was located at approximately mid-way between the shoreline of the river. Crews were able to access and retrieve the child in an area where the water was shallow, making a safer outcome for both the child and rescuers. Once onshore, the child was carried up a steep embankment to the awaiting ambulance. The incident was deemed under control at 7:51 p.m. The fire department was assisted by the Claremont Police Department and Golden Cross Ambulance.

“The Claremont Fire Department would like to remind those enjoying the summer season that water with current is dangerous even at what appears to be slow moving,” said Claremont Fire Chief Bryan Burr. “One should not enter water with current unless you have proper training, proper personal floatation device and experience doing so. A person can easily become hypothermic when exposed to water having current.”



Unattended Candle Said to Have Been Cause of House Fire in Claremont

CLAREMONT, NH—The Claremont Fire Department responded to a structure fire involving a cape style single-family home on Saturday. Fire crews were called to 67 Sugar River Drive at 5:45 p.m. The fire was reported by a resident working at the City’s community garden. First arriving crews were on scene at 5:49 p.m. Crews were able to knock down the flames, confining the bulk of the fire damage to the area of origin. The fire started in the kitchen. Heat and smoke damage extended throughout the home. No one was home at the time of the fire. No injuries reported. Two pets were rescued and given supplemental oxygen. One pet did perish due to smoke inhalation. Departments from Ascutney, Cornish, Newport covered the Claremont station. The fire was called under control at 6:22 pm. The cause of the fire resulted from an unattended candle placed too close to combustibles. There were no working smoke alarms in the home.

Claremont Fire Chief Bryan Burr would like to remind home owners of the importance of working and properly placed smoke alarms in the home. “Alarms give the occupant early notification and valuable time to escape safely,” he said. “Smoke alarms should be installed on each level of the home including the basement. A smoke alarm should also be located in each sleeping room. If you are using fossil fuel—heating oil, propane—or wood to heat your home, you should also install a carbon monoxide alarm on each level.”

If you have questions regarding the installation of smoke and carbon monoxide alarms, you may call the fire department at 542-7012 to speak

with Burr or Deputy Chief Tom Belaire. **Photos: A firefighter carries a cat from the home; a dog is administered supplemental oxygen; damage to one part of the building (Bill Binder photos).**

