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# Precision Flying

Propane Tank Swap Out Ensures Backup Power for Emergency Services Radio Communications

By Phyllis A. Muzeroll, Bill Binder e-Ticker News

CLAREMONT, NH—It was a cold, clear and bright morning last Monday when a little known but important project was completed in Claremont, ensuring backup power for emergency services radio communications.

Emergency services radio communications. Probably not a topic many in the area think about, especially the system's backup. But should power fail and there were to be no functioning backup industrial generator, the disappearance of such communications would quickly create a dire situation.

Last Monday, with the precise flying skills of a helicopter pilot, four propane tanks were swapped out on Green Mountain in Claremont, ensuring that the emergency services communications system will not go down even with a power outage.

The swap out of the four heavy tanks is done every four to five years and falls under the purview of the Sullivan County Sheriff's Department.

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With his eye on the landing site on Green Mountain, the pilot carefully lowers a full tank of propane (Bill Binder photo).



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The Library Arts Center is non-profit art gallery and studio located at 58 N. Main Street in Newport, NH. The gallery is housed in the

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former carriage house of the historic mansion occupied by the Richards Free Library, across the street from the Newport Town Common.

For more information on the Gallery of Gifts, as well as the Arts Center's many other programs, visit www.libraryartscenter.org.

# MAIN STREET CONSTRUCTION PROGRESS REPORT

By Scott Ozana • EIT McFarland Johnson

CLAREMONT, NH—The Main Street reconstruction project that began this past May is a complete infrastructure replacement. The majority of the project was completed this year and included 2140 feet of new water main, 2030 feet of new sewer main and 2175 feet of new drain pipe. The roadway itself was improved upon by removing the old gravel materials and replacing them with 18 inches of new gravel. The sidewalks were also reconstructed along the southside of the street and sidewalk was added to a portion of the north side.

The road, sidewalks and driveways currently have base pavement only. The top coat of pavement will be placed in the spring when the temperatures are higher. Also due to the cold weather, the brick pavers at the square were not reset this year. There were concerns that if they were set in the cold, that there would be heaving come spring time. So, to allow for ease of plowing, the areas where the pavers are to be reset were temporarily paved for the winter. There is also temporary sidewalk paving in front of the Sawtooth Mill and at all

the proposed pedestrian ramps at the crosswalks that are proposed to be concrete. We've had issues in the past with concrete not lasting when it is poured later than early October.

Over the winter you will see signs of a much smaller construction crew on site. They will be performing pressure tests on the new sewer lines and building the brick troughs at the bottom of the manholes. This operation should not have any major impacts on traffic and no detour will be in place.

In the spring once the weather permits, the crew will be back to begin doing small punch list items like resetting some pieces of curb, hydro seeding and prepping for top coat of pavement. They will also reset the brick pavers and do all the concrete work required for the pedestrian ramps at crosswalks. Then finish paving can be completed along with roadway stripping.

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### Letter to the Editor

#### Thank You for Supporting Buddy Poppy Drive

#### To The Editor:

Charlestown Memorial VFW Post 8497 and Auxiliary wishes to thank all the generous donors who stopped by our Buddy Poppy drive sites Saturday, Nov 10th. You made it a great success. Please continue to wear your Buddy Poppy proudly! We thank all the businesses that allowed us the opportunity to set up tables and greet the public. Specifically, Ralphs and Jiffy Mart in Charlestown, and Runnings, Wal-Mart, and Market Basket in Claremont. Thank you all.

Tom St.Pierre, Quartermaster,

**Charlestown Memorial VFW Post 8497** 

### NH Delegation Announces Additional \$2.4 Million In VAWA Funding

WASHINGTON, DC—Thursday, U.S. Senators Jeanne Shaheen (D-NH) and Maggie Hassan (D-NH) and Congresswomen Carol Shea-Porter (NH-01) and Annie Kuster (NH-02) announced an additional \$2,441,735 in grants from the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) Office on Violence Against Women. Shaheen, the lead Democrat of the Commerce, Justice, Science and Related Agencies Appropriations Subcommittee, has led efforts in Congress to support survivors of domestic and sexual violence, and has secured historic federal funding through the yearly appropriations process to fund the Office on Violence Against Women. The New Hampshire delegation previously announced \$449,139 to Strafford County, and the additional grants announced today include \$1,447,290 to the State of New Hampshire, \$457,243 to Grafton County, \$238,112 to the New Hampshire Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Violence, and \$299,090 to the Organization for Refugee and Immigrant Success. The grant funding awarded to New Hampshire for Fiscal Year 2018 totals \$2,890,874.

"Our community partners in New Hampshire provide life-saving support and care for survivors of domestic and sexual violence, so boosting investments in their programs is critical," said Shaheen. "Securing federal funding to support organizations that provide crucial services for survivors will always be a top priority for me, and as a member of the Senate Appropriations Committee, I'll continue to work across the aisle to deliver the resources community partners need to help survivors in New Hampshire and across the country."

"We must support the survivors of sexual assault, domestic violence, and stalking, and ensure that their perpetrators are brought to justice," said Hassan. "I am pleased to announce these grants to New Hampshire, totaling nearly \$2.9 million, which will help strengthen law enforcement's efforts to investigate these heinous crimes and provide services for survivors to help them through their recovery."

"These grants from the Department of Justice's Office of Violence Against Women will help our state address the backlog of sexual assault kits while better supporting the survivors of sexual assault and domestic violence," said Shea-Porter. "I am pleased that our state will be receiving significant federal funding to support law enforcement efforts to strengthen responses to sexual assault, domestic violence, and dating violence. I have always supported fully funding these important programs. Congress needs to reauthorize the Violence Against Women Act and increase funding for Justice Department efforts to reduce violence against women."

"I'm pleased that New Hampshire will be receiving these critical resources to support survivors and families during their most difficult moments," said Kuster, the founder and co-chair of the Bipartisan Task Force to End Sexual Violence. "These grants are going to effective partners in the fight against domestic and sexual violence who are making a real difference in the lives of impacted Granite State families. I will continue to support their efforts and push for a much needed reauthorization of the Violence Against Women Act."

### **Guest Commentary**

### Why Is Education Reform Stuck in a Rut?

#### By Frank Edelblut

Winter is coming and anyone who has been in New Hampshire for any length of time has probably helped someone retrieve their errant car from a snowbank. When in that predicament, some are expert drivers and accelerate just right to get the car moving; others, however, put their foot on the accelerator, spinning their tires, and actually dig a deeper hole. Undeterred, they just keep at it, spinning the tires in the same spot, imagining – or simply hoping – that the car will somehow start to make progress. It rarely does.

Educational improvement efforts reflect many of the characteristics of this second driver.

For at least a century, New Hampshire and nearly every other state have been developing plans to help turnaround low performing schools. In his 1922 book, Samuel Brooks, then the school superintendent in Winchester, NH, suggested standardized testing as a way to improve low performing schools.

This trend, toward the development of plans to turn around low performing schools, continues today.

Substantial federal funding – upwards of \$15.7 billion in 2018 – is committed to helping improve student achievement each year. Funding in this area has been around at least since 1965 with the original enactment of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act. The result of big dollars being spent has been the emergence of a "school improvement industry" and considerable growth in the number of school turnaround consultants. Every year, new providers open up shop to sell their services. However, some appear to have little or no expertise or experience in rapidly turning around persistently low-performing schools, then-education reporter for the New York Times, Sam Dillon, noted in 2010.

Under the Every School Succeeds Act (ESSA), New Hampshire receives approximately \$40 million per year under Title I to help improve student achievement. This year, the New Hampshire Department of Education will hire consultants at the state level to help schools diagnose academic growth challenges and build innovative turnaround plans. Last month, I read about 200 pages of proposals for turnaround consulting services for our low performing schools. When I completed the review of the proposals, I mentioned to my colleagues that I could summarize the various vendor proposals in one sentence – "We've been turning around the same schools for the past 40 years."

Of course, this sentence incorporates a degree of humor. And rest assured, we will focus on contracting with a firm that will deliver results for New Hampshire. However, two professors from the University of Virginia released a study this month that seems to indicate that my statement is not too far from the truth.

In their study, "So Many Educational Service Providers, So Little Evidence", Coby Meyers and Bryan VanGronigen analyzed the effective-

ness of these "so called" education turnaround consulting firms. The results are not pretty.

Meyers and VanGronigen evaluated 151 school-turnaround providers across 13 states (New Hampshire was not one of the states in the evaluation but many of the providers are working in multiple states). "Of the 151 providers identified in this study, only 17 (11%) had evidence of impact – experimental or quasi experimental research showing significant student achievement outcomes such as test scores and attendance, graduation, and dropout rates. Of those, only 7 (5%) had evidence of impact on student outcomes in samples focused on low-performing schools."

Let that sink in for a minute.

States are hiring consulting firms to turnaround low performing schools and less than 5% of those firms have actually demonstrated that they have ever successfully done the work.

Like that driver that gets stuck in a snowbank and lets rip on the accelerator but just spins their tires and digs a deeper hole, education turnaround efforts for low performing schools seem stuck. While our educators work really hard to overcome the barriers, even here in New Hampshire, we see some of the same schools appear on the low performing list, again and again.

There are some that will read this and view it as a criticism of our education system. It is not. It is a call to self-reflection and a willingness to step out of our comfort zone. We can keep doing the same thing and imagine – even hope – that it will result in a different outcome. But I think we would all agree that the students and teachers in under-performing schools deserve better. We, as a state, and as a community, need to be willing to try something different and get education improvement efforts unstuck.

Frank Edelblut is the commissioner of the New Hampshire Department of Education.

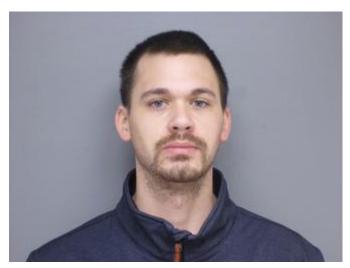
### Shaheen Leads Letter to Army Secretary Advocating for USS Thresher Memorial in Arlington National Cemetery

WASHINGTON, DC— Last week it was announced that U.S. Senator Jeanne Shaheen (D-NH) led a letter with Senators Maggie Hassan (D-NH), Susan Collins (R-ME), Angus King (I-ME) and Elizabeth Warren (D-MA) urging Secretary of the Army Mark Esper to consider the USS Thresher Arlington National Cemetery Memorial Project to establish a monument honoring the 129 men who perished aboard the USS Thresher, a submarine that sank off the coast of New England on April 10, 1963. April 10, 2018 marked the 55th anniversary of the tragedy.

In response to the Thresher tragedy, the U.S. Navy instituted a new program to ensure the health and safety of U.S. submarines, establishing the Submarine Safety and Quality Assurance Program (SUBSAFE). SUBSAFE is one of the world's most comprehensive military safety programs and has helped provide maximum protection for Navy crews.

# Arrest Announced Following Investigation into Alleged Illegal Drug Sales

CLAREMONT, NH—The Claremont Police Department announced an arrest Thursday afternoon following an investigation that lasted approximately two months. According to Capt. Stephen Lee, "Following an approximate two-month joint investigation into illegal drug sales in the City of Claremont by the New Hampshire Attorney General's Drug Task Force and the Claremont Police Department, the following subject was arrested on a warrant: Frank Heynig, age 27, of Claremont, NH."



Frank Heynig

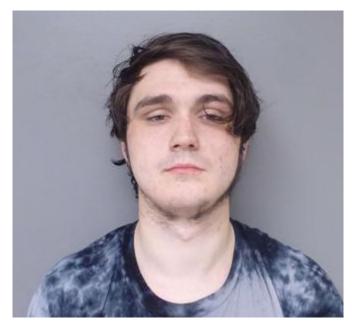
According to the statement, Heynig is charged with three counts of Sale of Controlled Drugs (heroin), and one count of Possession With Intent to Distribute. It is alleged that at the time of his arrest, Heynig was out on bail from the 5th Circuit Court – District Division – Claremont, said Lee.

Heynig was being held on \$5,000 cash bail pending his arraignment in Sullivan Superior Court on November 16.

Anyone with information about this investigation is encouraged to call Claremont Police Detective Casey Piehl at (603)542-7010 or email cpiehl@claremontnh.com.

### Suspect Arrested in City Theft Investigation

CLAREMONT, NH—On November 13, the Claremont Police Department responded



**Joshua Delaney** 

to a report of a subject attempting to break in to vehicles in the area of Main Street. According to Capt. Stephen Lee of the Claremont Police Department, "Patrol officers searched the area and observed a male subject matching the physical description of the suspect on Sullivan Street. They stopped the subject and identified him as Joshua Delaney, age 20, Claremont, NH."

Subsequent to their investigation, said Lee, Delaney was arrested and charged with Theft by Unauthorized Taking, Receiving Stolen Property and Contempt of Court. It is alleged that at the time of these offenses, Delaney was out on bail from the 2nd Circuit Court – District Division – Lebanon, said Lee.

Investigators believe that Delaney may have been allegedly involved in additional thefts in the area of Main Street and Sullivan Street, said Lee. Anyone who was the victim of theft or has additional information about this investigation is encouraged to call the Claremont Police Department at (603)542-9538.

### Schools in Springfield Reopening Following 'Threat'

SPRINGFIELD, VT—On Nov. 14, at approximately 3:38 p.m., the Springfield Police Department received a phone call from the Springfield School District reporting a student allegedly making an active threat. The Springfield Police Department responded to the Springfield High School, said the Department in a statement late Thursday afternoon. The student who allegedly was making the threat

was identified, and contact was made with the student and his family.

In a statement released Wednesday night, Superintendent of Schools Zach McLaughlin said that "Out of an abundance of caution" due to being unable to complete a risk assessment to their satisfaction, schools in the Springfield School District would be closed on Thursday.

The student, who was not identified, was described as "cooperative throughout the investigation, which is ongoing at this time. There is no threat to other students and staff or the public," said the statement.

School officials had hoped that the schools would be reopened on Friday, but the mixed precipitation dictated otherwise, and it was decided not to reopen until Monday.

#### FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 23 2:00 PM at Plainfield's Philip Read Library Sponsored by the Plainfield Historical Society

Learn about the Lafayette Trail. In 1824, General Lafayette came back to the United States as the last Revolutionary War General still alive. Invited by Congress and President Monroe, he was the Nation's Guest for 13 months, traveling across the then 24-state union. Making use of GIS technology,

The Lafayette Trail endeavors to map as accurately as possible the stops Lafayette made across the United States as well as the routes he traveled and boats he sailed. Julien Icher, the Trail's Project Manager, will talk about this endeavor, especially what pertains to Lafayette's quick trip through New Hampshire in June 1825.

# TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 27 Join the Friends of the Meriden Library as we present Cal Knickerbocker Wacky Songs That Made Us Laugh

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### Propane, from A1

The trip for the tanks began in an open field in Newport, off Barton-Whitney Road. A person on the ground, where the full tanks were waiting, alerted those working on Green Mountain to when the pilot took



off; soon he was right over the site with a full tank hanging 75 feet beneath the helicopter. The pilot really knew his business, and he came right in and lowered the tank to the ground. Mark Limoges and Travis Petrin, with Eastern Propane, unhooked the full one, the pilot lifted up and moved over to the empty ones and they hooked one to the line and up it went back to the loading zone. The transfers took about 15-20 minutes each, and soon Limoges and Petrin had the full tanks all hooked up and were testing the generator.

Each tank holds 100 gallons of propane; the tanks weigh about 400 pounds or so. Eastern Propane credits the Sheriff's Department for any propane still in the tanks that are replaced, Sheriff John Simonds told the *e-Ticker News*. The cost was \$10,140 for the airlift, said Simonds. "I completely recognize the taxpayer impact and I always try to do things at the least amount of cost to the county," he added. With costs going up, Simonds is looking to see if there are other options, but with the rough terrain leading to the site, the airlift has been the most feasible way to move the tanks in and out.

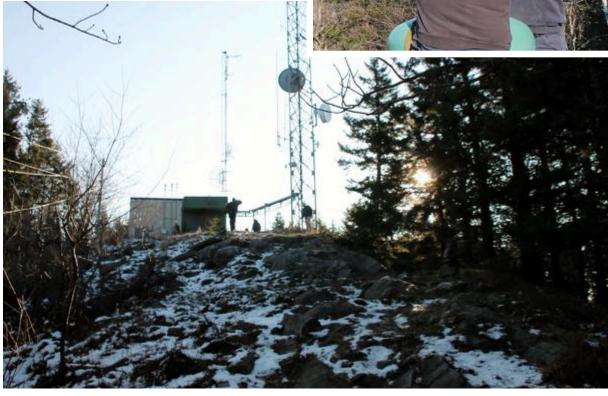
The road to the site is ATV-access only to a point, then it's a rough climb over very rocky ground to reach the towers, meaning there is no practical way to haul four full tanks up the access trail, and then up over the rocky ground to the communications building; thus, the necessity of using a helicopter. JBI Helicopter Service, out of Pembroke, NH, handled the job professionally, quickly and safely, and at times the pilot could be seen sticking his head out of his aircraft to keep his eye on things as he maneuvered the loads.

Sullivan County maintains the tower and communications shed on Green Mountain that is used to provide radio communications to a number of County police, fire and EMS services. Additionally, Claremont Highway is up there as well, said Simonds.

Clockwise: The first full tank being lowered into place. The pilot set it within five feet of the building. Precision flying! The pilot leans out for a good look; Mark Limoges and Travis Petrin hook up an empty tank; the final, rocky climb to the tower site.

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Persons desiring a hearing to be held should submit written requests to Terri Paige, Transportation Director, SCST, 6 Kinney Place, Claremont, NH 03743. All requests must be received by November 23, 2018. If there is sufficient interest, a date will be scheduled, and a notice of hearing will be published. A copy of the proposal may be seen at the Transit Director's office upon request. Persons desiring to make written comments should forward them to the above address by November 23, 2018.

Dated at Claremont, County of Sullivan, State of New Hampshire this 19th day of November, 2018.

**Terri Paige, Transit Director** 

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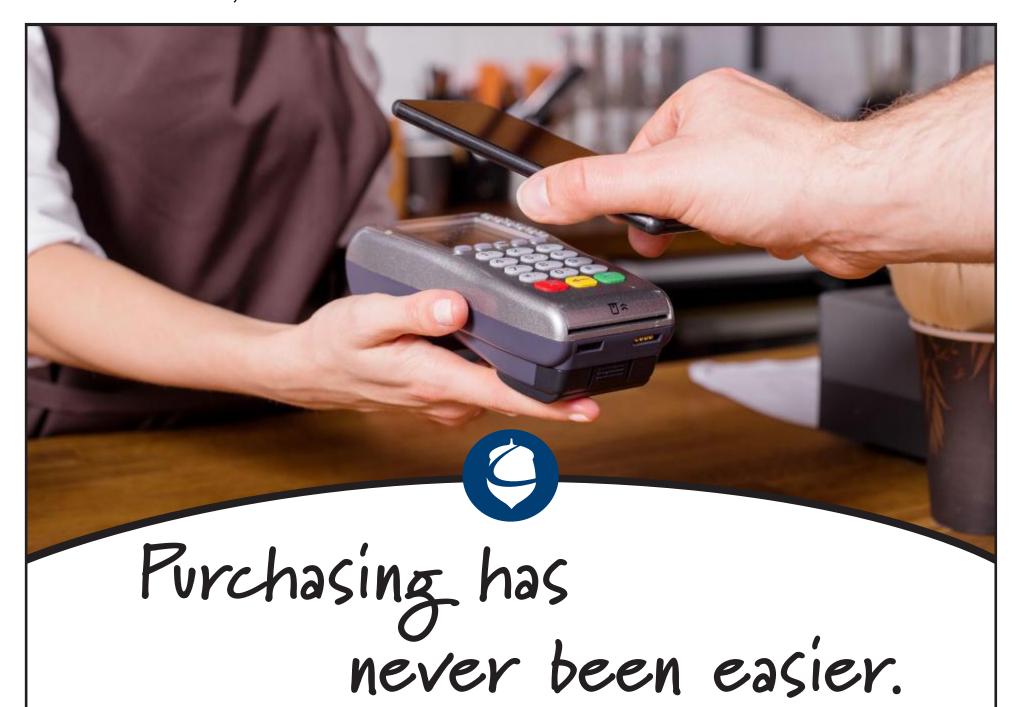
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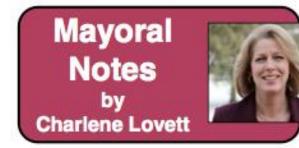
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### Claremont Makerspace – A Center of Innovation

On July 6, 2018, the Claremont Makerspace (CMS) celebrated its grand opening and the community officially embraced it as a center of innovation in the downtown district. Since that time, CMS has acquired additional state-of-the-art equipment, launched new programming, and created strategic relationships. As a result, it has become the place where men and women of all ages, both in and outside of Claremont, go to create.

Building upon Claremont's legacy of manufacturing, CMS is located in a renovated mill building. It's "saw tooth" roof with rows of windows provides ample natural light during daylight hours. This creates the perfect environment for metal and woodworking, jewelry making, quilting/sewing, laser cutting, and computer/software design. If members want to learn another form of creative art, they work with other members and the CMS team to explore the possibility. It is a place of creativity with few limitations.

Having the right tools to create is essential. CMS offers members access to a wide variety of high-end tools that few of us could afford or store at home. At the time of its opening, some of the more expensive equipment included a laser cutter, plasma cutter and long arm quilter. The newest additions include a large format printer, a tabletop wood lathe and an electronic fabric cutter. Once members are certified to operate the equipment, they are free to create.

For members who would like to try their hand at something new or enhance existing skills, CMS offers a wide variety of programming presented by experts in their fields. Recently, CMS announced its first Artist in Residence: Anna Fredrick. An installation artist known for her ability to create intimate and contemplative spaces that encourage self-reflection, inspire dialogue and celebrate the human connection, Anna will be working out of CMS through December.

The success of CMS revolves around its ability to create partnerships at both the local and state level. Individuals and local companies, such as Red River and Four Pines, have donated equipment. The New Hampshire State Council on the Arts has provided grants to support programming. Recently, CMS teamed up with the Red River Charitable Foundation to offer scholarships to qualifying veterans and active duty personnel. These scholarships offer a 75% discount on both membership and classes.

In the words of Joshua Bushueff, executive director, everyone is a "maker." CMS removes the barriers by providing the space, tools and

knowledge to create. To demonstrate this, CMS is hosting an Open House on Tuesday, November 27, from 7-9pm. The event is free and open to the public, and will include demonstrations of various tools, a showcase of projects made at CMS, and an opportunity to meet the Artist in Residence. If you would like to attend, please RSVP at www.claremont-makerspace.org/events and tour this latest center of innovation in downtown Claremont.

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



### **Tractor Trailer Crash on I-89 in Royalton**

### Speed, Weather Considered Factors

ROYALTON, VT—On November 16, at approximately 11:15 a.m., Vermont State Police, along with Royalton Fire and Rescue, responded to a reported tractor trailer rollover on Interstate 89 south in the Town of Royalton.

According to the VTSP, the investigation showed that the operator, Shamal Brown, 24, of Hagerstown, MD, was south in the right lane when he lost control of the 2016 Freightliner tractor trailer. Speed and weather are considered factors in this crash, said the VTSP. Road conditions were described as snow covered; the entire right side of the commercial vehicle was damaged.

The driver was issued a Vermont Civil Violation Complaint for traveling too fast for the current road conditions with accident resulting.

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### 'Stuffing' for Thanksgiving — and All the Way to New Year's Eve

Volunteers from Amcomm Wireless in Claremont were joined by others from Evergreen Landscaping and Claremont Savings Bank at last Saturday's Stuff-a-Truck event in aid of the annual Hannaford Helps Fight Hunger program. Pictured here: Chad Myhre (left), Claremont Hannaford Supermarket store manager, hands a box up to Catherine Andrews (Amcomm), while Cliff Roberge (Amcomm) hands one to Thomas Andrews (Evergreen). That afternoon, the volunteers delivered all the boxes to the Claremont Soup Kitchen.

On Saturday alone, Claremont customers bought 159 boxes, making a year-to-date total of more than 300. Each box, which sells for \$10, contains food essentials that provide six meals.

Shoppers can buy boxes — and make donations of gift cards, which will also be going to the CSK— to Hannaford Helps Fight Hunger through Dec. 31. If box sales meet the 500 mark, they will have provided 3,000 meals directly to their community (Eric Zengota photo).



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### **Nominations Now Accepted for the Greater Claremont Chamber of Commerce President's Awards**

CLAREMONT, NH—The Greater Claremont Chamber of Commerce is pleased to announce that nominations are now being accepted for their 2018 President's Awards:

The Citizen of the Year Award recognizes a local, inspirational role model for their meritorious service, which has resulted in a better community for us all, with evidence of a lasting contribution.

Business of the Year and Non-Profit Organization of the Year Awards honor a local business and nonprofit that contribute and promote the economic growth, stability and improvement of the greater Claremont area, and demonstrate a

commitment to community service, business innovation and excellence, investment in employees and business improvement and growth.

Model Youth of the Year recognizes a student who plays a leadership role in creating, organizing, and implementing a project in their school or community; lends a helping hand to peers or younger youth in the community; and, is involved in school, community, civic, church or charitable activities in a leadership role that motivates others to get involved.

The Young Professional of the Year Award recognizes an individual who has proven dedication and enthusiasm for the civic and economic development of the greater Claremont business community, through involvement in community, civic, church or charitable activities in a leadership role that motivates other to benefit the community.

Each year nominations are accepted from community members and then chosen by a committee of Chamber Members and past recipients. Membership with the Chamber is not required to be selected as an award recipient. Nomination submissions will be accepted until November 26, 2018, at 5:00 p.m., and should be completed at this web address:

https://www.jotform.com/GCCC\_Director/2018-

The award recipients will be honored at the 62nd President's Awards ceremony, Friday, January 18, 2019, at 5:30 p.m., at the Claremont Opera House, Tickets and additional information are available on the Chamber's website: www.greaterclaremontnh.org.

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### City Moves Forward with Board of Assessors

By Phyllis A. Muzeroll e-Ticker News

CLAREMONT, NH—The City Council moved forward at its Tuesday night meeting to create a Board of Assessors. The action followed the Policy Committee's recommendation to the council that it establish such a board. With the council's approval, which was given Tuesday night, the next step will be to send the recommendation to legal counsel so that it can be formatted into an ordinance. Once the ordinance is completed, it will be scheduled for a first and second reading. Mayor Charlene Lovett suggested that first reading be held in December, with the second taking place in January. It is hoped to have the BOA established before April, before the arrival of the "busy time" in the Assessing Department of the City.

The move follows a controversial decision earlier this year to abate some \$220,000 in back taxes owed on the Topstone mill building on Mulberry St.; the property's assessed value was also reduced by 75 percent. The abatements were granted by the City's interim assessor, Joseph Lessard. A number of residents complained that the reductions were made without the Council's knowledge, but there is nothing in the City Charter that requires such abatement requests go before the Council. It was suggested by resident Paul LaCasse that a Board of Assessors be created to add transparency to the process and allow members of the public to participate in the abatement/ assassins process.

The Policy Committee recommended that the BOA be comprised of three members, one alternate and the City assessor, who would be a permanent and non-voting member. Appointments would be made by the council. Members would need to be residents for at least one year and have a background or experience in assessing, finance, sales, real estate (sales or appraisals) and/or construction and be available to sign documents when requested by the City assessor/assessing staff. Members would also be asked to take DRA State Statute courses, funding for which would come from the Assessing Department's budget.

At Tuesday's meeting, councilors added two

changes to the proposal: That BOA members not serve on any other board or the council to eliminate any chance of a conflict of interest. Councilor Nick Koloski also requested that a line from the Keene policy—that all properties are assessed fairly so that no one pays more than their fair share of taxes—be added. Lovett said that such wording was already included in the state statute.

### Grant To Help Build New Terminal at Airport Accepted

CLAREMONT, NH—The Council passed a motion Tuesday night to accept a grant in the amount of \$111,150 from the New Hampshire Department of Transportation, Bureau of Aeronautics, for the purpose of demolishing the terminal building/hangar and constructing a new terminal building at the Claremont Municipal Airport. The current structure is approximately 100' x 60'; the new one will be approximately 1,920 square feet. Plans to include a small cafe were eliminated due to a number of issues, including costs.

Claremont Fire Chief Bryan Burr told the council that this Phase 1 includes design and a rendering; he expects that in January he will have bids as to the cost of the project. He added that March is the target date for the demolition and construction work.

---- Phyllis A. Muzeroll

### City Accepts \$8,000 Donation for Fireworks

CLAREMONT, NH—The Council passed a resolution at the Tuesday night meeting, accepting \$8,000 from McGee Toyota for the July 4th fireworks. That, combined with \$2,000 collected during last year's holiday event at Monadnock Park, will give the Claremont Parks and Rec Department \$10,000 to spend on fireworks, promising another spectacular show.

Parks and Rec Director Mark Brislin said, "I just want to give a big thank you to McGee's..." He added that the number of vendors at the park for the July 4th evening activities is growing and that McGee's was on hand to see the large crowd that the annual show draws. Mayor Charlene Lovett echoed his gratitude for the donation.

— Phyllis A. Muzeroll

### School Zone Ordinance for Speed Limit Purposes Amended

CLAREMONT, NH—Ordinance #563 was amended Tuesday night by the Council. The change was to establish an additional school zone for speed limit purposes in the area of the New England Classical Academy. This school zone extends 200 feet in each direction, for a total of 400 feet, from New England Classical Academy on Old Church Road. The reason for the amendment is that "this has been identified as an additional zone needing a reduced speed limit during opening and closing school time periods."

According to Police Chief Mark Chase, the speed limit on Old Church Road, where NECA recently relocated, is 30 mph. Making that section a school zone will reduce that speed to 20 mph, or 10 mph below the usual limit, from 45 minutes prior to school opening until 45 minutes after school closing, as is the case for the other public and private schools in Claremont. Chase said that signs will be installed to designate the school zone. He added that NECA officials had requested that flashing lights that are found at other school locations be installed, but they were informed that the school district paid for those costs and NECA would have to pay for such lights since they are a private school.

— Phyllis A. Muzeroll

### City Awarded Highway Safety Grant

CLAREMONT, NH—The Council passed a resolution Tuesday night to accept a New Hampshire Highway Safety Grant for Directed Patrols, in the amount of \$11,571. This was a grant for which the City had applied and was awarded. The directed patrols will be conducted by the Claremont Police Department.

The City also passed a motion to transfer some \$5,763 raised at the CSBCC's Annual Scholarship Golf Scramble for the Center's Scholarship Fund. The motion authorized the transfer of the money from General Fund Revenue to the CSBCC's Scholarship Fund.

—— Phyllis A. Muzeroll

### **CASA Volunteer Advocate Training** in Claremont Announced

CLAREMONT, NH-Join more than 500 citizens who are speaking up for New Hampshire's children by applying to become a CASA volunteer advocate. Training begins in Claremont on Monday, Jan. 7, 2019.

Please visit www.casanh.org/volunteer or call 800-626-0622 for more information about the program.

#### **TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 20 Catholic Daughters of the Americas** Ct. Virgil H. Barber #892 in Claremont, NH

Monthly business meeting on Tuesday, Nov. 20, at 6:30 p.m. at St. Joseph's Church Hall.

#### Ladies' Night at Gallery of Gifts

#### **Thursday December 6** 5:00 - 7:00 pm

Library Arts Center Gallery 58 N Main St. Newport, NH

The Library Arts Center will host a Ladies' Night once again in 2018 to highlight the popular Gallery of Gifts: Handmade Holiday Boutique currently on display in the Center's gallery. The event will feature refreshments of wine and chocolate, and a "holiday bling" competition. Be sure to wear your glitziest holiday outfit--complete with flair--to compete for prizes. Attendees are welcome to sip, shop, and enjoy the season. Free.

#### **SATURDAY, DECEMBER 1 SANTA IS COMING TO WINDSOR**

Santa is coming to Town by Fire Engine with a Police escort this year! He will be arriving on Saturday, December 1st at 3:00 p.m. He will be at the Windsor House, 54 Main Street, Windsor, Vermont from

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# Reminder to Follow "Jessica's Law" This Winter and Remove Snow, Ice from Vehicles

LEBANON, NH—On November 14, at approximately 12:00 p.m., Lebanon Police and Fire Departments responded to Interstate 89 Northbound between exits 18 and 19 for a report of a vehicle that was struck by snow and ice from another vehicle. The operator of the vehicle was hit with glass from the shattered windshield (right photo). The operator was evaluated by EMS personnel for minor injuries and refused transport to the hospital.

As the winter weather is upon us, The Lebanon Police Department would like to remind all vehicle operators that "Jessica's Law" requires all drivers to remove all snow or ice from their vehicles prior to travel on NH roads. Failure to comply with this is punishable under NH RSA 265:79-b (Negligent Driving).

Penalties for this are a fine of \$250.00-\$500.00 for a first offense with increased penalties for subsequent offenses; up to and including loss of license.

Jessica's Law was passed into law by the New Hampshire legislature in 2001 (subsequently amended in 2005) in response to the death of Jessica Smith, a 20-year-old woman who was killed when snow and ice flew off the

top of a large truck and hit a second truck, resulting in a head-on collision with Smith's car.



(Photos courtesy of the Lebanon Police Department).

### Road Construction in Lempster

LEMPSTER, NH—The Town Clerk's office announced that Lovejoy Road in Lempster will be closed through Nov. 30th for road re-construction work.







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### How Should You Respond to Wild Swings in Financial Markets?

What's going on with the financial markets? Specifically, what's behind the price swings of the past several weeks? And, more important, how should you, as an individual investor, respond?

To begin with, the recent volatility was not really all that extraordinary. The daily drops pushed U.S. stocks down about 10% from their recent record highs, although they have regained some of that ground. A 10% drop represents a "correction" – not a crash – and historically, corrections have occurred about once a year.

So what seems to have caused these market jitters? Here are the key culprits:

Anticipated slowdown in economic growth and corporate earnings. The stock market is forward-looking – investors make decisions based on what they think will happen. And right now, many investors are anticipating a slowdown in economic growth (partially due to higher tariffs and trade disputes) and corporate earnings (as the jolt from the corporate tax cuts begins to fade). We may still see reasonably strong economic growth and corporate profits, but possibly not at the same level as we had for much of 2018.

Rising interest rates – The Federal Reserve raised interest rates in 2018. While higher rates are not bad for all market sectors, they can slow the expansion plans for many businesses, resulting in reduced growth prospects. The Fed may continue its gradual rate increases, but investors are closely watching for any signs that might lead the Fed either to pause or increase rates more rapidly.

Slowing global economy – The global economy is growing more slowly than expected, resulting in lower returns for international stocks and a particularly sharp decline in emerging markets.

While it's useful to understand the factors causing the recent stock market gyrations, you'll want to focus primarily on what you can control. Consider these suggestions:

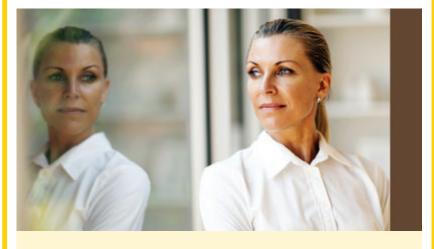
Keep realistic expectations. Try to maintain realistic expectations about how your investments are likely to perform over time. After five years in which the S&P 500's returns have averaged almost 14% per year, we may well be in for a period of more typical returns, possibly in the 5% to 6% range. As always, though, there are no guarantees when it comes to anticipating the performance of the financial markets.

Review your mix of investments. From time to time, and sometimes in response to changing market conditions, you may need to change the mix of investments in your portfolio. So, for example, if higher market volatility makes you uncomfortable, you may want to consider adding bonds or other fixed-income vehicles, as these types of investments tend to stabilize stock-heavy portfolios during turbulent times.

Don't get scared away from investing. You may not like seeing multi-hundred-point plunges in the Dow Jones Industrial Average, but don't get scared off from investing. After all, recent stock market history has taught the value of patience: If you had given up on investing in March 2009, at the market's low point in the Great Recession, you would have missed out on the 300 percent gains achieved before the current round of volatility. Of course, the market's past performance can't guarantee what will happen next.

The financial markets will always fluctuate – sometimes violently. But as an investor, you should strive for calmness, patience and discipline – because these attributes can help you look past today's headlines toward the future you envision.

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#### **Racial Healing Working Group Meeting**

Monday, Nov. 26, 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Where: Moody Building, 2nd floor conference room 24 Opera House Square Claremont, NH

Price: Free

Note: The Racial Healing Working Group welcomes all to help us work on our mission which is to create safe, supportive, diverse, and inclusive communities within our area, including government, businesses, colleges, schools, and other organizations. We will achieve this through education, community dialogue, and positive action that will promote inclusion, equity, and justice for all. Our next meeting discussions will include planning our upcoming events, how the Governor's Advisory Council was experienced by those attending, and a plan for fundraising. We are also reading the book Deep Denial: The Persistence of White Supremacy in United States History and Life by David Billings (up to p. 199) and will discuss that, too. Please join us: racialhealingworkinggroup@gmail.com.



## It's About Food By Johnny Navillus More Leftovers



As I pointed out last week, leftovers are great to play with. They are already cooked and while you warm them up, you can have your way with them.

Anything you can do with cooked chicken you can do with turkey. Probably better because turkey tends to remain moist if you wrap it up well.

One of the veggies that sells well in my house are green beans. Usually I saute them in butter and olive oil with sesame seeds thrown in to toast with the beans. What I discovered recently is to saute the beans as usual and add mushrooms early on in the process. Soy sauce adds great flavor as well as a couple of drops of liquid smoke. Go easy with the smoke. You only want a hint of smokiness. You could do this with asparagus as well.

This other tidbit I stole from a restaurant nearby. When making your own cranberry sauce, fortify it with blackberry brandy and a splash of vanilla extract. You can skip the brandy if you desire, but the vanilla is a must.

Want to do something different with mashed potatoes? Mash in some chopped chives and some bleu cheese.

Cook up the sweet potatoes as usual. Cut the in half lengthwise. Take out the middle and stuff the skins with cheese and bacon bits like you would for a white potato.

In the unlikely event you have some leftover mashed potatoes and stuffing, mix them together and form them into patties. Fry them up like a fish cake and serve as a side. Combine leftover turkey with them and you have a meal.

Layer turkey, mashed potatoes, stuffing, corn, cranberry sauce gravy, any other leftovers in a baking dish, pop into a 350° oven for 30 to 40 minutes or even less to heat everything through. One dish turkey dinner. Serve with dinner rolls. What could be simpler?

Change-up! Instead of making that red meat sauce with chopped beef, make it with diced leftover turkey. Heat. Serve over pasta. Come to think about it, you could use any sauce, red or white.

This one is a prize winner in my book. Take stuffing and form it into rolls like 1/4 size of a hot dog. Wrap these in bacon, pop into the oven until the bacon cooks.

When making French toast try this: In a mixing bowl whisk together milk pumpkin puree, eggs, brown sugar, vanilla, cinnamon, nutmeg and ginger until well combined. Cook as usual for a really different French toast experience.

I'm going to hear about the lack of measurements given. By this time everyone should know that a recipe is a guideline and not written in stone. Something as common as French toast should not need a recipe. This ain't baking, folks. Baking requires strict adherence to a recipe or the cake won't rise. That's why I don't bake. I like to play too much.

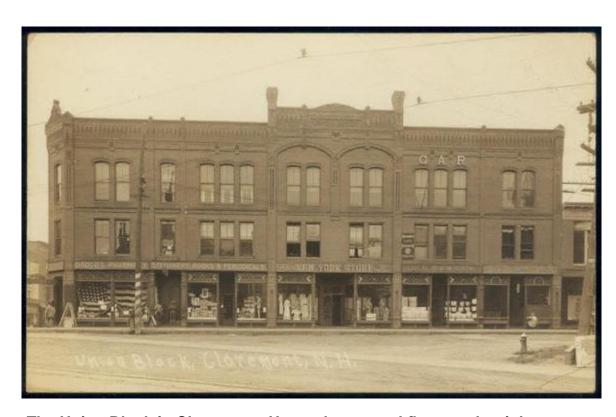
Play with your food. Leftovers are ideal.

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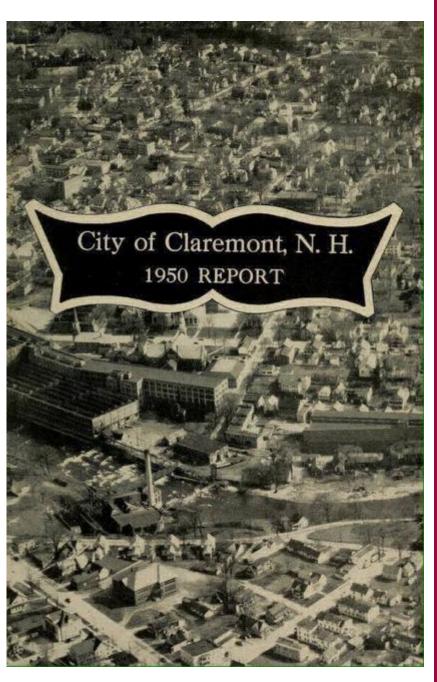
Pleasant St., Claremont, back in the olden days....





The Union Block in Claremont. Up on the second floor, to the right, note GAR. That's "Grand Army of the Republic". GAR was composed of Civil War Veterans after they were discharged. They formed the group to help each other solve post war problems-personal & family.

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### A Thanksgiving Feast...

The Claremont Soup Kitchen held its Thanksgiving dinner Thursday evening. It was a busy place as diners gathered to enjoy the holiday meal prepared by the volunteers and staff. "Due to weather, we only served 103 but provided takes-outs and with take-outs, it was 171," said Director Cindy Stevens (Photos courtesy of the CSK).











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