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Claremont First Night: A New Year's Party for All!

CLAREMONT, NH--Claremont Sugar-River Rotary Club is excited to announce the last event of the year and this event is sure to go off with a bang! On December 31, come celebrate the New Year with Arrowhead Recreation Club, Claremont Parks and Recreation Department, Claremont Opera House, Family Fun Zone and Meyer Maple Lanes at a fun community event. The evening kicks off at 6:00 p.m. and will go until midnight with events scheduled at Arrowhead Lodge, the Claremont Savings Bank Community Center, Claremont Opera House, Family Fun Zone and Meyer Maple Lanes. "There will be something for everyone," said Mark Brislin, Claremont's Parks and Recreation Director. "Whether you are looking to go tubing at Arrowhead, take a dip in the pool at the Community Center, or enjoy some of the great entertainment that we have lined up, there will be something for everyone to enjoy."

At 10:00 p.m., there will be a spectacular fireworks display over the ski area at Arrowhead, which will also be televised live on CCTV, channel 8. After fireworks, the evening is not over. Myer Maple Lanes will continue activities for all to ring in the New Year until midnight with a live DJ. "Local businesses have been very supportive of this event and seem excited to bring a New Year's Eve Celebration back to Claremont," said Joshua Nelson, President of the Claremont Sugar-River Rotary Club. "We are thrilled to be able to offer this event to the community of Claremont and are looking for ways to help sustain this event for years to come."

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The Claremont Soup Kitchen gathered donations of toys and filled over 200 Christmas stockings for local kids in need. The wooden toys were donated by the Toys for Needy Children organization and the rest of the toys were from local donations. Along with a special Christmas meal, each child received a stocking from Santa Claus on Friday. Pictured: Aeva Brunt, 10, visited with Santa and received her stocking while wearing her special Christmas outfit (Bill Binder photo).

No Paper Week of Christmas

Hi, All:

With Christmas Eve and Christmas day falling on Sunday and Monday respectively this year, I have decided not to publish the week of Christmas. In truth, other than dealing with some serious health issues and the passing of my father, I have not had any time off since starting the paper nearly nine years ago, so I thought this would be a good time to take a little, and, much needed break. :) Any important news that happens during this time will be posted on our website and Facebook page. I wish you all joy and happiness during Christmas and the holiday season. Thank you for your continued and amazing support. I am very grateful.

---Phyllis "Pam" Muzeroll

First Night, from A1

There will be four performances held at the Claremont Opera House presented by World Under Wonder that will feature scenes from the "Tempest". The Family Fun Zone, located on Pleasant Street, will be back as a venue this year. People will have full access to the inflatables and bounce houses. "It is exciting to watch this event grow," said Brislin. "When we brought the First Night activities back four years ago, all of the activities took place at the Community Center and Arrowhead. The community and local businesses are really embracing this event."

Food and beverages will be for sale at Arrowhead Lodge, Claremont Savings Bank Community Center and Meyer Maple Lanes. Parking will be available at the Arrowhead Lodge, Claremont Savings Bank Community Center Claremont Middle School, and Claremont Savings Bank with a Shuttle Service running from Broad Street Park to the Community Center between the hours of 6:00 and 10:45 p.m.

This event is sponsored by the Claremont-

Event	Time	Location
Bowling	6-8:30PM & 9-12AM	Meyer Maple Lanes
Live DJ and Photo Booth	6-8:30PM & 9-12AM	Meyer Maple Lanes
Bounce House Fun	6-9PM	Family Fun Zone
Tubing/Skiing <i>(weather permitting)</i>	6-9:45 PM	Arrowhead
World Under Wonder Presents Scenes from the Tempest	Shows at 6,7, 8 & 9 PM	Opera House
Pool & Gym Activities	6-9:45 PM	CSBCC
Midway Carnival Games	6-10 PM	CSBCC
Carols with St. Mary's Choir	6:45-8 PM	St. Mary's Church
Resolutions with CCTV	6-10PM	CSBCC
Horse Drawn Wagon Rides	6-9PM	CSBCC & Arrowhead
Robert Clarke – The Lucky Show (Show 1)	6:15-7:15PM	CSBCC
Off Broad Street Players	7:30-8:30PM	CSBCC
Robert Clarke – The Lucky Show (Show 2)	8:45-9:45PM	CSBCC
Fireworks	10PM	Arrowhead

Sugar River Rotary Club with the assistance of Claremont Savings Bank, Lake Sunapee Bank, Mascoma Savings Bank, McGee Toyota, Sears Hometown Store, Huberts, Goodrich Oil, Curt Insurance, Biron's Flooring, Towline Equipment, The Ink Factory, KM Early – CPA, Springer Funeral Home, American Plate Glass, Claremont Custom Framing and Pleasant Street Antiques.

Please help support the Claremont-Sugar River Rotary in sponsoring the First Night events by purchasing a Claremont First Night 2018 button, which is available from any Rotarian or supporting merchant in town for \$1.00.

For up to date information, please visit

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Commentary

NH House Happenings

By Rep. John Cloutier



Wild Goose Point Issues, Supplemental Appropriations

The Sullivan County Delegation to New Hampshire's House of Representatives has declined as an official body to take a position on the controversial Wild Goose Boat Launch on Lake Sunapee in the Town of Newbury.

On Dec. 13 by a 9-2 roll call vote, the Delegation voted not to take up a resolution submitted by Claremont's Donald Clarke endorsing House Bill 1706 which will be considered by the full House in 2018, and would appropriate \$2,075,000 for a boat launch at Newbury's Wild Goose Point on Lake Sunapee, which is off Birch Grove Road. The bill would appropriate the bonded funds from New Hampshire's Fish & Game Dept. and is sponsored by two representatives- Amherst's Peter Hansen and Wentworth's Duane Brown. Originally, the launch was included in the 2017 Capital Budget as originally proposed by Gov. Christopher Sununu, and adopted by the House in April. But the New Hampshire Senate removed the launch as part of its version of the capital budget in May, and then adamantly refused to re-include the launch in the final Committee of Conference version of the budget as eventually approved by both House and Senate in June, a refusal which I have already written about in my June 19 column.

Then last August Gov. Sununu changed his mind about Wild Goose, revoked its state wetlands permit, and appointed a 14-member study commission to examine alternative ways to increase boat access to Lake Sunapee other than Wild Goose. The commission has until March 1, 2018, to issue its report.

Lempster Rep. James Grenier said it would be disrespectful action by the Delegation to the Governor to discuss Mr. Clarke's resolution endorsing Wild Goose because he has appointed the commission to consider alternatives to the controversial boat launch opposed by many residents of Newbury, New London, and Sunapee. Sunapee Rep. Linda Tanner reminded the Delegation that its main purpose as an official body is to act as the legislative branch of Sullivan County Government, and not take positions on measures to be considered by the New Hampshire Legislature in Concord. Sunapee Rep. Suzanne Gottling, a member of the study commission, added that county residents supportive of Wild Goose like Mr. Clarke, who was submitting the resolution on behalf of the Sullivan County Sportsmen, are perfectly free to contact each representative on the 13-member Delegation to urge support for House Bill 1706. Finally, she stated that the Delegation should not be endorsing the construction of a boat launch in neighboring Merrimack County.

However, Claremont Rep. Raymond Gagnon said that he favors House Bill 1706, and has heard from many Claremonters supporting Wild Goose. He added that similar resolutions endorsing the bill have

already been approved by the Sullivan County Commissioners, Claremont City Council, and Newport Board of Selectmen. He urged his fellow representatives to at least consider the resolution so as to listen to Mr. Clarke's case for Wild Goose. Ultimately, only he and I opposed Rep. Grenier's motion not to take up the Wild Goose resolution. By the way, Claremont Rep. John O'Connor and Plainfield Rep. Lee Oxenham were absent from the Dec. 13 meeting, and thus did not vote.

I am disappointed that a majority of the Delegation did not give Mr. Clarke an opportunity to briefly speak in favor of the Wild Goose Launch. But I pleased that it at least allowed Mr. Clarke to distribute materials about the launch afterwards to each of the 11 representatives present. From my experience over the past year, I have discovered that Wild Goose and the entire problem of greater boat access to Lake Sunapee are contentious issues that won't be easy to resolve without patience and compromise on both sides. More updates in the future.

Furthermore, at its Dec. 13 meeting the Delegation by unanimous voice votes approved three separate supplemental appropriations to the Fiscal Year 2018 Sullivan County Budget as requested by the County Commissioners and earlier recommended by the Delegation's Executive Finance Committee on Nov. 29. The three supplemental appropriations will have no impact on county taxes, according to County Manager Derek Ferland.

The three appropriations include up to \$350,000 for an ESP (Electrostatic Precipitator) for the biomass plant at the County Complex in Unity. By the way, an ESP is an emission control device which removes air pollution particulates from the emissions of such energy production facilities as biomass plants. Manager Ferland said that installation of the ESP is necessary in order for the plant, first opened in 2012, to meet federal and state air emissions. He added the device should pay for itself within four years.

The second approved appropriation was for \$35,000 to enable Sullivan County to begin making preparations to host the Annual NHAC (New Hampshire Association of Counties) in late September 2018 at the Mt. Sunapee Resort in Newbury, which is in neighboring Merrimack County. Manager Ferland said that the \$35,000 is critical so as to allow the county to start entering into contractual agreements for facilities at Mt. Sunapee and other nearby venues. He added that because these annual conferences are funded entirely thru vendor sponsorships and registration fees, the \$35,000 will eventually be recouped by the county.

The third appropriation was for up to \$7,500 for the purchase of holiday gift cards to be given to all county employees in December. Manager Ferland said that the gift cards serve as a small token of employee recognition and appreciation, the expense of which will be "far outweighed by the benefits of positive employee relations, morale, and ultimately retention."

Finally, attending his first meeting as the Delegation's newest member was Grantham Rep. Brian Sullivan. Rep. Sullivan was sworn into office by Gov. Sununu on Nov. 22 after winning a Nov. 7 Special Election to fill House seat of former Grantham Rep. Andrew Schmidt, who had resigned last June. Welcome aboard, Rep. Sullivan!

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In Letter to New Hampshire Attorney General, Congressional Delegation Urges Participation in Net Neutrality Legal Action

WASHINGTON, DC--Friday, Senators Jeanne Shaheen (D-NH) and Maggie Hassan (D-NH), and Congresswomen Annie Kuster (NH-02) and Carol Shea-Porter (NH-01), are urging New Hampshire Attorney General Gordon MacDonald and Governor Chris Sununu to take action to protect Granite State consumers and small businesses from the negative impacts of the Federal Communications Commission's (FCC) decision to rollback net neutrality regulations. Yesterday the FCC voted 3-2 to dismantle Obama-era regulations that maintain a level playing field for internet users. In the wake of that decision, numerous states have indicated their intention to bring legal action against the FCC to protect net neutrality.

"Start-ups and small businesses in New Hampshire should be able to use the web to reach consumers throughout the country and world unhindered," the delegation wrote. "We have heard from thousands of people in New Hampshire who are opposed to the FCC's decision and are concerned about the impact it will have on their lives. As we pursue legislative solutions in Congress to protect the rights of Granite Staters on the web, we urge you to join with states across the country that are planning to bring legal action against the FCC to block this decision."

Hassan Cosponsors Bipartisan Bill to Support State and Local Veterans Treatment Courts

WASHINGTON, DC--Senator Maggie Hassan has cosponsored the bipartisan Veterans Treatment Court Improvement Act, a bill that would require the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) to hire additional Veterans Justice Outreach (VJO) specialists in order to ensure veterans have greater access to effective and tailored treatment. The veterans treatment court model removes veterans from the regular criminal justice process and helps to address symptoms that are unique to veterans, such as post-traumatic stress disorder and substance misuse.

Hassan also cosponsored the bipartisan Veterans Preventive Health Coverage Fairness Act, which would help make health care more affordable for America's veterans by changing current law that forces veterans to pay co-pays for preventive health care services that military retirees and civilians with private insurance plans currently receive at no cost.

"Our nation's veterans deserve the best care possible, and these bipartisan bills are positive steps toward fulfilling the promises we have made to all Granite Staters and Americans who have served," Hassan said.

Canadian Parliament Approves Bilateral Preclearance Agreement Spearheaded by Kuster in U.S. Congress

WASHINGTON, DC--Wednesday, Congresswoman Annie Kuster (NH-02) applauded the approval by Canadian Parliament of a bilateral border security agreement that will allow the United States and Canada to expand preclearance customs facilities. Kuster's bipartisan legislation, the Promoting Travel, Commerce, and National Security Act, which was signed into law last year, will improve travel and trade opportunities for businesses in northern border communities and help to strengthen national security. The next step is putting in place regulations between the United States and Canada so that the expansion of preclearance facilities can move forward.

"I'm excited that Canada has approved the border agreement that will allow my legislation to facilitate trade between the United States and Canada to move forward," said Kuster. "Expanding preclearance facilities at land, marine and rail ports of entry will encourage economic growth in New Hampshire and across the northern border states. Creating more opportunities for our small businesses to reach new customers will help create jobs and grow our economy. This common-sense legislation, which will strengthen security along our northern border and boost tourism, is a win for New Hampshire and communities across the country.

"I look forward to regulations being finalized between the United States and Canada so the Agreement can be ratified."

Pedestrian Bridge to be Named After Former City Manager Santagate

By Phyllis A. Muzeroll
e-Ticker News

CLAREMONT, NH--With a policy recently put into place for the naming of City properties, action was approved Wednesday night to name the pedestrian bridge linking the Visitor's Center Green with the historic mill district after former City Manager Guy Santagate. Councilor John Simonds read into the record a letter he had written championing the proposal. "The naming of the bridge for Mr. Santagate is in recognition of his leadership and achievements as City Manager of Claremont in the successful completion of the pedestrian bridge as the first step and pivotal accomplishment of what would become the wider Monadnock Mills Revitalization Project. The concept of a pedestrian bridge was an idea that had been floated in the city for many years before Mr. Santagate came to Claremont, but he was the one to turn this goal into a reality...

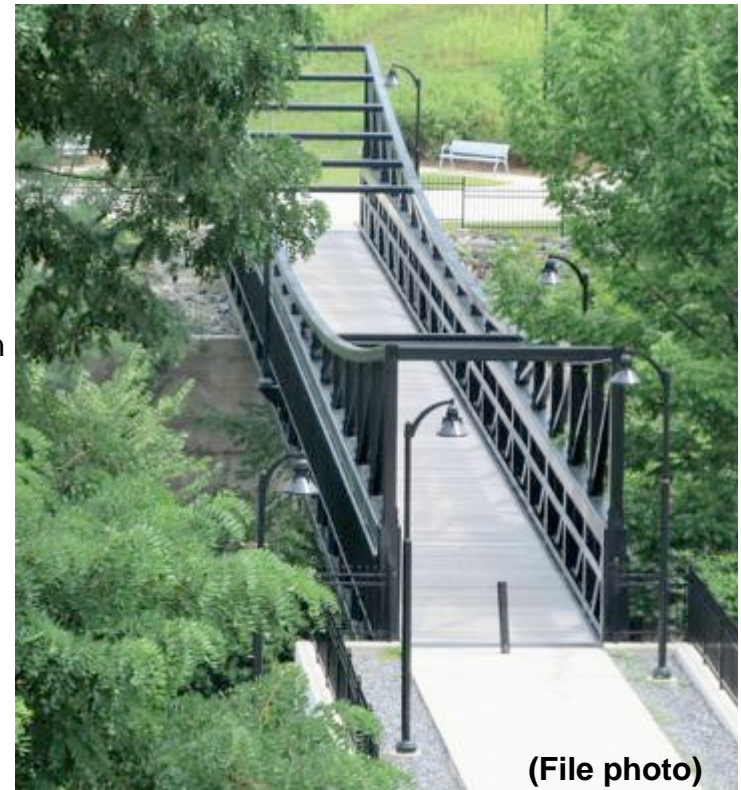
"By linking the Monadnock Mill buildings on the south side of Sugar River with the parking created on the north side of the river near the Visitor Center, full development of the complex was made possible. This was accomplished with a bridge structure that enabled full utilization of the site, enhanced the historic ambiance of the district and created a popular recreational resource...

"To take the district from historic decay to rebirth, Mr. Santagate approached the project as an economic development challenge. A major key was to identify private partners that were financially sound and had a history of success. The concept of multiple private developers in revitalizing separate buildings on a compatible timeline evolved as a model. The buildings involved were the Woven Label Building, now the Common Man Restaurant, the Wainshall Building, which currently houses Red River Computer Company and the Common Man Inn, the Peterson Building, in which a \$1,000,000 investment was made, and the Sawtooth Building, a 256-car parking garage, constructed following required brownfield remediation for contamination of the property. Additionally, the renovated Sawtooth property houses the Claremont MakerSpace, slated to open soon..."

The proposal falls in line with the ideals of the Historic District Commission, which "enthusiastically supported" naming the bridge after Santagate. Several residents also spoke in favor of the naming at Wednesday night's meeting, including Mike Satzow, who said he had been involved in the mill district project since the mid-70's and credited Santagate with getting the plan off the ground. "This would be a small honor," he said. Sculptor Ernest Montenegro said he very "heartily" supported the proposal. Others who spoke in favor of the idea included Andre Lafreniere and Kyle and David Messier; Kyle Messier said that Santagate was someone who "planned his work and worked his plan". Josh Bushueff, with MakerSpace, said, "I think it's a very worthy action."

The council unanimously approved the naming request. Simonds suggested forming a committee to follow through to make sure the proper signage is installed in the spring. The Ad Hoc Committee will include Simonds, who has completed his council term and did not run for re-election, Councilor Scott Pope and a member of the community.

The bridge is often referred to as a structure that connects the past with the future. It will now bear the name of the man whom many credit with orchestrating that link.



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New Fire Chief...

City Manager Ryan McNutt officially announced at Wednesday night's Council meeting that Deputy Chief Byran Burr has been selected as the new fire chief in Claremont, succeeding Rick Bergeron who is retiring at the end of this month after a 40-year career with the department. Burr has also served as the Code Enforcement Officer (Bill Binder photo).



New Police Officer...

A picture of Claremont's newest police officer, Margaret Barry (daughter of SHS principal Pat Barry and John Barry). "We are very proud. She graduated from the policy academy [Friday]!" Pat Barry said. She is pictured here with Claremont Police Chief Mark Chase (Courtesy photo).

TLC Volunteer Orientation

CLAREMONT, NH--TLC Family Resource Center, 109 Pleasant St. in Claremont, will be holding a Volunteer Orientation on Tuesday, Dec. 19, at 5:30 p.m. Learn more about the agency and the possible volunteer opportunities. Free refreshments. Contact Neil at 603-542-1848 ext. 311 or neil@tlcfamilyrc.org.

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Gallery of Gifts: Handmade Holiday Boutique

Through December 23, Hours: Tues.-Fri. 11am-4pm, Saturdays, 10am-2pm
Library Arts Center Gallery
58 N. Main St.
Newport, NH

Admission is free.

The Library Arts Center presents its famous annual holiday exhibit of handmade craft—Gallery of Gifts. The event is a great way to find unique, locally hand-

made gifts for holiday giving, while supporting local artisans. The juried show features unique and carefully curated handmade crafts and art pieces from more than 100 local artists, and is also an important fundraiser for the Library Arts Center.

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



A Service of Lessons and Carols

NEWPORT, NH--A Service of Lessons and Carols will be held on Sunday, Dec. 24, 1:30 p.m., at the Grace Anglican Church, Laurel Street, Newport. All are welcome.

Sing! A Joyful Christmas Sing-Along

December 21st, 6:30pm
At Union Church, 133 Old Church Rd, Claremont, NH.

Sing along to favorite sacred and secular holiday music with local musicians Kirsten Becker, piano; Angela Biggs, soprano; and Melissa Richmond, flute. From mangers and wise men, to nutcrackers and dancing reindeer this will be an event to remember. Admission is by donation, we ask you to consider a donation in support of our local musicians and youth.

Hosted by the West Claremont Center for Music and the Arts, visit wcc-ma.org for more info.



Christmas Eve Celebration

CLAREMONT, NH--Christmas Eve Celebrations will be held at 10 a.m. and 7 p.m. on Sunday, December 24, at First Congregational Church, 72 Pleasant Street, Claremont NH. There will be special music, singing, a story for children, refreshments, and a message for adults. Everyone is welcome. Bring family and friends.

Christmas Vacation Activities at the Fiske

CLAREMONT, NH--The week of Christmas vacation, the Fiske Free Library will have many activities for families to enjoy!

Wednesday, Dec. 27- Puzzles

Thursday, Dec. 28- Popcorn and a movie (Despicable Me 3) at 1:00 p.m.

Friday, Dec. 29- Keva planks for building!

Saturday, Dec. 30- Puzzles, Legos, Keva Planks

On all days there will be many games available for families to play. Drop in and join us for fun activities at the library.

Sponsored by: The Friends of the Fiske Free Library.

Call the library for more information at 542-7017.

Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

Union Episcopal Church
133 Old Church Rd, Claremont
Friday, December 24th, 7:00PM

A beautiful traditional service that was historically the first gathering by candlelight in the region. The community service is held in the historical church which is decorated with boughs of evergreen and lit by the warm glow of candles. The service includes the readings of Christmas, special music, and many carols. Special Musical guests will appear just before and during service. All are welcome! Visit us online at

www.facebook.com/UnionEpiscopalChurch/

Service of Lessons and Carols at Union Church

Union Episcopal Church
133 Old Church Rd, Claremont
Sunday, December 31st, 9:00AM

A special service of Lessons and Carols with musical guest Angela Biggs (soprano and harp) will be held on New Years Eve morning. All are welcome, and a pot luck breakfast will follow the service.

Christmas Eve Services

Sunday, Dec. 24, United Church of Cornish 9:30 a.m. Morning worship Christmas eve service at the United Church of Cornish vestry on Center Road, 7:30 p.m. Family candlelight Christmas Eve Service . All are welcome.

Sunday, Dec. 24, Plainfield Community Baptist Church

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10:00 a.m.: Advent service, music & surprises

7:00 p.m.: Candlelight Christmas eve service with Pastor Maggie Monroe-Cassel.

Christmas Eve Service

Dec 24, 4:30pm

St Luke's Episcopal Church

188 Main St, Charlestown, NH

Join us for a Christmas Eve Eucharist, Rite II, at St Luke's in Charlestown. All are welcome. For more information contact

unionchuchnh@gmail.com or 802.738.0678.

Mayoral Notes

By
Charlene Lovett



Tribute to Departing Councilors

On December 13th, the Claremont City Council held its last meeting together. It is hard to believe that two years have passed, but rewarding to see how much has been accomplished. As anyone knows who has ever served on the Council, it takes a lot of time and the meetings that occur at least twice a month are only a small part of the commitment. Preparing for meetings, serving on committees, attending events and listening to constituents are just some of the responsibilities that come with being a Councilor. The fact that this is all done without compensation is a tribute to the people who serve our City.

Of the nine Council members, four decided not to run for re-election and will be departing at the end of the year. At our last meeting, we recognized Councilors Raymond, Simonds, Temple and Towle for their service with a plaque and token of our appreciation. Now that our time together is drawing to a close, I thought I'd share a brief summary of each Councilor and the contributions that they have made while serving on the Council.

Councilor Raymond has served twice for an extended period of time. After a break, he returned to the Council in April of 2008 and has served continually since then. In addition to the Council, he has also been a member of the Airport Advisory Board and the Claremont Development Authority. His longevity on the Council and experience, as a business owner, on-call firefighter and avid outdoorsman, has given the Council a unique perspective on economic development, public safety and recreation.

Councilor Simonds was first appointed to the Council in August 2013, and ran for election in November of the same year. After winning his seat, he has served since 2014. During that time, he also successfully ran for County Sheriff after being a police officer for many years. While on the Council, he has served on the Policy Committee. With an extensive background in law enforcement, he has been an

excellent resource with regard to public safety, public relations and policy creation.

Councilor Temple came to the Council for the second time in 2016. He had first served on the Council before becoming the Director of Public Works, a position he held for many years until 2014. While on the Council, he volunteered to become a member of the Finance Committee. His years as a Councilor and the Director of Public Works have been a great asset to the Council. His in-depth knowledge of city infrastructure and its relation to public health, contracting and personnel management have proven to be invaluable in Council discussions.

Councilor Towle was first appointed to the Council in August 2013 along with Councilor Simonds. Like him, she chose to run for election in the same year, won her seat, and has served since then. She has served on numerous boards and committees to include the Zoning Board of Adjustment, Parks and Recreation Commission and the Ad Hoc Committee for the Claremont Amtrak Station. Her experience as a Director of Operations for a convenience store chain, legal assistant, and avid community volunteer have provided the Council with insight pertaining to personnel management, budgets, and community engagement.

Each of these councilors has served the City of Claremont while simultaneously working full-time jobs. They have had to balance their duties of being a Councilor with the demands of work, family and their health. Their dedication and commitment to Claremont is to be commended, and it has been a privilege to serve with each of them.

Charlene Lovett is the Mayor of Claremont and

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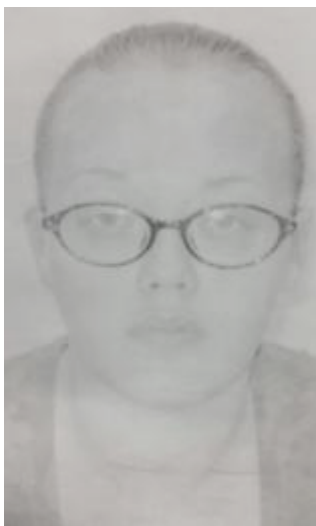
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Description: White female, 5'02", 130 lbs., blue eyes, blonde hair

Reason: Violation of Probation

Original Offense: Possession of Suboxone, with the Intent to Sell, a Class B Felony



On Oct. 22, 2014, the Sullivan County Grand Jury indicted Kristy J. Hastings on one count of Possession of Suboxone, with the Intent to Sell, a Class B Felony.

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On March 2, 2015, Hastings was sentenced and as part of her sentence, she was placed on probation. On Oct. 5, 2017, the New Hampshire Department of Corrections filed a Violation of Probation against Hastings.

On Oct. 11, 2017, the Sullivan County Superior Court issued a warrant for Hastings' arrest for Violation of Probation.

This information is provided by Sheriff John Simonds, of the Sullivan County Sheriff's Department. Anyone with information regarding this individual is asked to contact their local police department.

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The recreation site is still looking for volunteers for the season for lift operators and tubing area help, ski shop help, instructors and concessions.

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Plainfield Man Found Not Guilty in Murder-for-Hire Case

NEWPORT, NH--A Plainfield, NH, man was found not guilty Tuesday in an alleged murder-for-hire plot. Maurice Temple had been accused of hiring someone to kill his ex-wife. His mother, Pauline Chase, also arrested and charged in the case, was found incompetent to stand trial. According to prosecutors, Temple and his mother had allegedly hired an acquaintance, Mark Horne, to "get the job done" for a price. The defense contended that "Horne and Jean Temple hated Maurice Temple, the former blaming him for a failed business and the latter angry about money owed through a messy divorce," reported WMUR.

Temple and Chase were arrested during the summer and charged with attempted murder, conspiracy to commit murder and criminal solicitation to commit murder. Temple contended during the trial that he did not consider the plot to be serious and that comments heard in secretly recorded tapes were nothing more than joking. "It was kind of a standing joke as far as I was concerned," Temple testified during the trial.

---Phyllis A. Muzeroll

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Sullivan County Selected to Participate in Arts-Driven Economic Development Program

NEWPORT, NH--The National Association of Counties (NACo) recently announced Sullivan County was among seven counties selected to participate in the Creative Counties Placemaking Challenge. Over 40 counties across the nation applied for this opportunity. NACo is partnering with Americans for the Arts and will provide the Sullivan County team with training at a 3-day workshop in Des Moines, Iowa in March 2018 followed by 2 years of individualized assistance. The full article can be found at:

<http://www.naco.org/articles/teams-chosen-ne-w-arts-driven-economic-development-program>

Sullivan County's six-member team is comprised of local government leaders, small business, education, and the arts. The team members are Jeff Barrette, Chairman of the Sullivan County Board of Commissioners; Virginia "Biddy" Irwin, NH State Representative and member of the Newport Opera House Association Board of Directors; Kate Luppold, Executive Director of the Newport Library Arts Center; Melissa Richmond, Executive Director of the West Claremont Center for Music and the Arts; Stephanie Kyriazis, Chief of Interpretation, Education, and Visitor Services at Saint-Gaudens National Historic Site; and Penny Whitman, Community and Economic Development Field Specialist with UNH Cooperative Extension.

According to Barrette, this was an opportunity that was too good to pass up. "We have been working on finding ways for the County to do more to assist our communities with economic development. This program will provide us with tools to leverage the arts and our existing cultural, architectural, and natural assets to bring our communities together and attract more people to our area who will want to live, work, and play here in Sullivan County."

This program complements the County's ongoing regional economic profile initiative which is bringing dozens of regional leaders together to talk about issues such as workforce development, demographics, economic infrastructure, quality of life, and regional identity.

Bank of New Hampshire Makes Donations to NH Food Pantries

Bank of New Hampshire's 8th annual Feeding New Hampshire Food Drive collected nearly 4,300 non-perishable food items and over \$1,000 in monetary donations. These do-

nations were delivered to twenty-one local food pantries throughout New Hampshire the week prior to Thanksgiving.

"We are very thankful to those who were able to help us maintain this commitment to the communities again this year. Our partnerships with local food pantries are important to us because it allows us to have a direct impact on the community," stated Cydney Shapleigh, EVP - Chief Wealth Management & Retail Banking Officer for Bank of New Hampshire. "Being an outstanding corporate citizen is very important to Bank of New Hampshire and we are proud to do our part."

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Stay Safe and Save this Holiday Season

MANCHESTER, NH--With the holiday season upon us, neighborhoods are twinkling with festive light displays. Fortunately, enjoying those seasonal lights doesn't have to break the bank. Eversource is reminding customers about some effective ways to get in the holiday spirit while saving energy and money, and staying safe.



"Before stringing holiday lights throughout the house, or putting the blow-up snowman on the front lawn, it's best to go through a quick safety checklist," said Eversource Vice President of Safety Bob Coates. "It's important to inspect all lighted decorations, particularly older ones, for broken or cracked sockets; frayed or bare wires; or any loose connections. Also, be sure the lights you're putting outside are labeled for outdoor use, always look up and stay away from all power lines when decorating outdoors. Never raise ladders or extend objects anywhere near cables and equipment."

The company also offers ways to help customers better manage their energy this holiday season. If it's time to replace older decorations, Eversource's energy efficiency experts suggest LED lights which offer many benefits over traditional incandescent lighting. LED strings generally last much longer than traditional bulbs and longer strings of them can be safely run from the same power source. In addition to a longer lifespan, LEDs offer significant cost savings. A string of standard incandescent mini lights uses around 40 watts while a comparable string of LEDs typically uses just 4.8 watts, which can make a big difference over the course of the season.

For example:

- Three strings of incandescent mini lights, on for 150 hours, will cost about \$3.00.
- Three strings of LEDs, on for 150 hours, will cost about 40 cents.

Eversource also offers these holiday tips to help customers stay safe and save money, while protecting our planet:

- Never run extension cords under rugs or coil them tightly around themselves, which can cause them to overheat.

- Use a programmable timer for lights to ensure they aren't accidentally left on.
- Check extension cords for wear, and plug outdoor lights and decorations into GFCI outlets.
- Use advanced power strips where possible for all holiday lighting to eliminate standby energy loss.
- Turn off room lights when the tree is lit to save energy while creating a festive atmosphere.

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Hypertherm congratulates 2017 Community Hero award recipients

Though it's focus is on making industrial cutting systems sold around the world, Upper Valley based Hypertherm continues to live by its mission of enriching the community and environment. To that end, all Associates receive paid time off to volunteer. This year each Associate received 32 hours, an increase of 8 hours from 2016. Still many go above and beyond, volunteering in excess of that amount while inspiring those around them to also volunteer. The Hypertherm Community Hero award recognizes those Associates. This year's heroes are **Dave Brenner**, a new business development specialist, and **Bubba Von Baltzer**, a machine operator.



For the last nine years Community Hero Dave Brenner has championed a monthly dinner at Listen Community Services, overseeing a team of Hypertherm volunteers as they plan, cook, and serve a hearty dinner to approximately 100 people.

Dave completely owns this volunteer event, coordinating with Listen to ensure there is enough food on hand, encouraging colleagues to volunteer, and finally leading a crew in the Listen kitchen on the first Friday of every month.

Dave takes great care to ensure these dinners are both nutritional and flavorful, making "Dave's dinners" the most attended Friday dinner that Listen sponsors. With 12 dinners a year, Dave quickly exhausts his 32 hours of time. Still he keeps going, volunteering on his own time to ensure people needing a hot meal don't leave with an empty stomach.



Community Hero Bubba Von Baltzer devotes his time to keeping our rivers clean for this and future generations. Bubba's journey started with Hurricane Irene. The devastation inspired Bubba to help Vermonters clean-up and rebuild their homes, businesses, and communities.

For the last several years, Bubba has championed Hypertherm's participation in the Connecticut River Conservancy's annual Source to Sea Cleanup. Bubba's enthusiasm combined with his natural leadership qualities have helped Hypertherm's volunteer base grow from three Associates in 2013 to more than 40 today.

In addition, his passion for our natural resources has enabled him to successfully recruit fellow Associates to volunteer at the Vermont Institute of Natural Science and Claremont's Moody Park.

In addition to its Community Service Time program, Hypertherm's philanthropic work extends to the Hypertherm Owners' Philanthropic Endeavors (HOPE) Foundation. Learn more about the HOPE Foundation and how you can support its strategic funding areas of STEM and Substance Use Disorder at www.HyperthermHOPEFoundation.org.



Council Accepts K9 Unit Establishment Grant

By Phyllis A. Muzeroll
e-Ticker News

CLAREMONT, NH--The City Council passed a resolution Wednesday night to accept a K9 Unit Establishment Grant. The grant was awarded by the Stanton Foundation for the K9 Unit Establishment in the amount of \$25,000 for the start-up and an additional \$18,000 for overtime while the officer is in training, for a total of \$43,000.

Police Chief Mark Chase told councilors that Capt. Lee, a former K9 handler for the State Police, had found the grant. K9s serve an average of seven to 10 years. Police dogs are trained to track criminals, sniff out illegal materials, search buildings, and do other jobs human police officers can't do as well as a dog can. Chase said such dogs are valuable "PR assets, who doesn't like dogs", he smiled. He also said they are "seen as a mutual aid tool. We would supply that as best we can."

An officer will train with the dog in the spring.

The Stanton Foundation provides grants to support the creation of new K9 units in cities and towns in Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island and New York.


Chase also said that a number of businesses have contacted his department offering to help with any other expenses associated with the program. Hannaford, he said, has said it would like to purchase a bulletproof vest for the dog.

Open House in Windsor

WINDSOR, VT--Historic Homes of Runnemedde, on Main Street in Windsor, is hosting an open house on Thursday, Jan. 18th, from 1:00--3:30 p.m. This is a great opportunity to meet your local non-profit Residential Care Facility and learn more out senior options. This is open for the public and we welcome family, friends, or anyone who is interested in learning more about Historic Homes of Runnemedde.

If you or anyone you know is interested, please stop by during that time or reach out to Barbara Spear or Ashley Parker at 802-674-6733.

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Are You a Snowbird? Protect Your Finances While You're Gone

Winter is (just about) officially here – but you may soon be leaving it behind if you're a snowbird. When you go, though, you'll want to keep your financial situation from getting caught out in the cold.

These are a few suggestions you may want to consider:

Protect your home. If you're like many people, your home is your biggest investment, so you'll want to protect it while you're away. You're probably already familiar with the steps you should take, such as informing your neighbors that you'll be gone, stopping your newspapers, forwarding your mail, using a timer to turn lights on and off, and so on. And these days, with smart phones and advanced security systems, you can look in on your home whenever you like.

Notify your bank. Recognizing the prevalence of identity theft, the fraud departments of many banks are getting more aggressive in spotting and denying unusual charges. Consequently, you'll want to give your bank your temporary address and contact information before you leave. By doing so, you can reduce the risk of your account being frozen temporarily if your financial institution can't reach you with questions about charges from an unexpected location. You might also find it useful to open a bank account at your snowbird site.

Gather your tax forms. If you're gone most of the winter, you may bump up against the tax-filing deadline, which, in 2018, is April 17. So, to allow yourself enough time to prepare your taxes, or to have them prepared by a professional, gather your tax information before you leave. Make sure you've got all your investment-related forms, such as your 1099-INT (for interest income) and your 1099-DIV (for taxable capital gains and dividends).

Track your investments. You can probably track the progress of your investments online, and it's a good idea to do so, just as you would at your permanent residence. Even if you're only gone a couple of months, you may need to make some investment moves, such as "maxing out" on your IRA, so stay on top of your accounts and contact your investment professional, as needed. As always, though, don't overreact to sudden market swings – ideally, you've got long-term strategies in place that can serve your needs in most investment environments. In any case, it also wouldn't hurt to notify your financial professional that you'll be away for a while, even if you typically only see him or her a couple of times a year.

Arrange for bill payments. If you handle most of your bills online or through auto-pay, you won't have to worry about missing a payment while you're gone. Still, if you take care of some bills the old-fashioned way, with checks, envelopes and stamps, you may want to give yourself some sort of reminder of when these payments are due.

Be careful on social media. To be on the safe side, you may not want to trumpet your extended time away from home on Facebook or other social media platforms. It's sad but true that identity thieves watch for information like this.

In all likelihood, you'll enjoy being a snowbird – and by making the above moves, you'll have less financial baggage to deal with when you take off.

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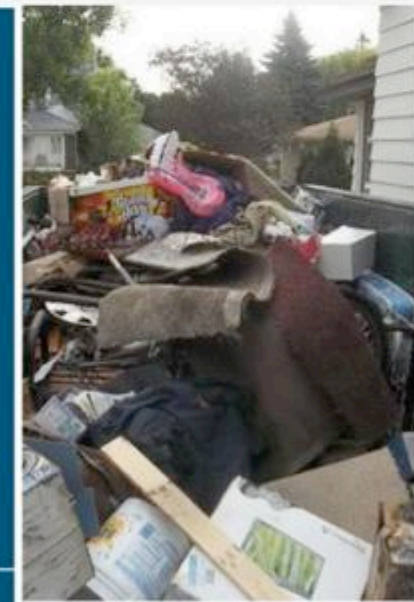
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It's About Food

By Johnny Navillus



No Title

I just get tired of trying to come up with snappy titles, so this is what you get.

Day to day, I really prefer rustic cooking. Don't "fancy up" things that are meant to be "homemade". Case in point is a ravioli made with goat cheese and dressed with sour cream, lettuce and jalapeno peppers. This mixing of Mexican and Italian just doesn't get it in my book. I have never had an Italian dish with sour cream and jalapenos. Not to mention the lettuce and other hard to identify stuff. Keep Mexican and Italian separate. This isn't playing with food, it's a misdemeanor.

Ravioli are meant to be boiled and served with a red gravy (sauce). Play with the sauce, but let's stick with tradition. Tacos Stroganoff is something I never want to see. There. I'm done ranting for this week.

One of the things that slow cookers do best is tenderizing tough cuts of meat. I think the toughest is stew beef. Very little fat and no marbling to speak of. Stew beef begs for the crock pot.

Flavorful Beef Stew

1/2 pound medium fresh mushrooms quartered (or canned mushrooms)
2 medium red potatoes quartered
3 medium carrots cut into slices
1 medium onion chopped
1 celery rib sliced
1/4 cup all purpose flour
1 tablespoon paprika
3/4 teaspoon salt 1/4 teaspoon pepper
1 pound stew beef cut into 1 inch cubes
1 14 1/2 oz can of beef broth
4 1/2 teaspoons teriyaki sauce
2 cloves garlic minced
1 bay leaf

In your slow cooker, combine mushrooms, potatoes, carrots, onion and celery. In a large re-sealable plastic bag combine the flour, paprika, salt and pepper. Add the beef a few pieces at a time and shake to coat.

Place over the vegetable mixture.

Combine the broth, teriyaki sauce, garlic and bay leaf in a bowl. Pour over the beef.

Cover and cook on low for 6 to 8 hours or until the beef and vegetables are tender. Discard bay leaf. Serve with a hearty bread and red wine.

If you really want to make this your own, you can substitute Worcestershire sauce and ketchup for the teriyaki. You can also add a bit of red wine as well. This recipe tenderizes the beef and will be requested throughout the winter.

Dinner rolls also compliment this dish but starts to get away from the rustic feel.

Remember, any recipe is just a guide and starting point. Use your experiences and knowledge, especially with the rustic dishes. These come out of home cooking traditions and not some five-star restaurant.

Play with your food. Your guests will appreciate it.

Write to Johnny at etickernews@gmail.com.

Springfield, VT, Police Log

Loralie Fuller, age 27, Ascutney, VT

SUMMARY OF INCIDENT: Springfield Police were dispatched to Chester Rd. in Springfield, VT, for a report of suspicious activity. Upon investigation, Loralie Fuller was taken into custody on an active arrest warrant.

Shalon Barth, age 27, Springfield, VT

SUMMARY OF INCIDENT: Springfield Police were dispatched to Mineral St. in Springfield, VT for a report of a subject with an active warrant for their arrest. Upon investigation, Shalon Barth was taken into custody and lodged at Southern State Correctional Facility.

Miles Wood, age 55, Wilder, VT

SUMMARY OF INCIDENT: A vehicle allegedly driven by the defendant was reportedly observed being operated over the yellow center line multiple times on Routes 5 and 11 in Springfield, Vermont. Concerned motorists alerted police. The vehicle was subsequently located and stopped. Following a roadside investigation, the defendant was cited for alleged Negligent Operation.

Charles Nourse, age 40, Springfield, VT

SUMMARY OF INCIDENT: Springfield Police conducted a motor vehicle stop on Mount Vermont St. in Springfield, VT. Upon investigation, Charles Nourse was cited into Windsor Superior Court-Criminal Division for alleged Criminal-DLS.

Justin Farnsworth, age 34, Springfield, VT

SUMMARY OF INCIDENT: Springfield Police received a complaint of a credit card fraud. Upon investigation, Justin Farnsworth was cited into Windsor Superior Court-Criminal Division for alleged Identity Theft, Fraudulent Use of a Credit Card and Illegal Possession of a Credit Card.

Brenda Kennett, age 53, North Springfield, VT

SUMMARY OF INCIDENT: On December 9, the Springfield Police Department was called with the complaint that Kennett had allegedly driven away from her residence in her own car, after being very unsteady on her feet. It was reported that Kennett was allegedly impaired. Upon arrival of the area, Kennett was allegedly located back at her residence. Through inves-



Nick Koloski, back row, left, thanked local Girls Scout Troop 30261 for all of the donations of warm goods and supplies for area families in need. "It was a pleasure getting to meet you all today (Wednesday). Thank you." The troop collected blankets, toiletries, sleeping bags, coats, hot hands, toys and stuffed animals and brought them to Nick Koloski at the Time Out Americana Grill in Claremont (Courtesy photo).

igation, Kennett was taken into custody for allegedly having driven her car while under the influence of alcohol.

Corey Nutting, age 37, Springfield, VT

SUMMARY OF INCIDENT: On 12-9-2017 Officers stopped a vehicle for an alleged traffic violation. It was determined that the operator was allegedly under the influence of alcohol. The operator was arrested and processed without incident.

Kathleen M Kennedy, age 63, Springfield, VT

SUMMARY OF INCIDENT: The defendant was issued a citation for Attempted Retail Theft after allegedly being caught concealing merchandise in her purse at the Dollar General store.

December to make the Christmas and New Year's season safe for the motoring public.

Toys for Tots in Sunapee

SUNAPEE, NH-- While doing your holiday shopping this weekend, please give a thought to a family less fortunate and consider picking up an extra gift for the Sunapee Fire & Police Departments' Toys for Tots collection boxes. Boxes will be available at the Safety Services Building (9 Sargent Rd) for drop off until the afternoon of December 20.



Windsor County Sobriety Checkpoints

SPRINGFIELD, VT--The Springfield Police Department will be conducting sobriety checkpoints in Windsor County during the month of

Coffee with the Chief

SUNAPEE, NH--The next date for Coffee with the Chief is Wednesday, January 3, from 7:30 to 8:30 a.m. at the Sunapee Safety Services Building. Join the chief for coffee, snacks and conversation.



*Merry Christmas
and Happy Holidays
from the e-Ticker News*

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St Joseph Church
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- **Sunday December 24th**
10pm - Christmas Eve Mass
- **Monday, December 25th**
8am & 10am - Christmas Mass
- **Sunday, December 31st**
5:00 pm - Mass for the Holy Day, Jan 1
- **Monday, January 1st**
Mass at 10 am

St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church
Central St. – Claremont, NH

MASS SCHEDULE

CHRISTMAS
Sun. Dec. 24 - 5:00 PM
Mon. Dec. 25 - 12:00 AM (Midnight Mass)
Mon. Dec. 25 - 10:00 AM

NEW YEAR'S
Sun.. Dec. 31 - 5:30 PM
Mon. Jan. 1 - 10:30 AM

Sununu Signs Executive Order, Joins AG MacDonald in Announcing New Civil Rights Unit at NH DoJ

CONCORD, NH--Thursday, Governor Chris Sununu joined Attorney General Gordon MacDonald to announce the signing of an executive order establishing the Governor's Advisory Council on Diversity and Inclusion, and the formation of a new Civil Rights Unit at the New Hampshire Department of Justice. New Hampshire NAACP State Coordinator Rogers Johnson, community leaders and State Government officials joined Sununu and MacDonald at the announcement.

"Today is an incredibly important day for New Hampshire," said Sununu. "If we really want to be the Live Free or Die State, we must ensure that New Hampshire is a place where every person, regardless of their background, has an equal and full opportunity to pursue their dreams and to make a better life for themselves and their families. I am proud to join Attorney General MacDonald to bring together leaders from across the State to engage in these efforts, and to establish the first Civil Rights Unit in the history of the New Hampshire Department of Justice. The actions we are taking today will keep New Hampshire on the forefront of efforts to combat discrimination and promote diversity and inclusion. As Governor, I am committed to ensuring that everyone is welcome and valued in the Granite State."

The new Advisory Council will work collaboratively with the New Hampshire Commission for Human Rights and any other relevant State entities to review state laws, regulations and policies and recommend changes to further combat discrimination and promote diversity and inclusion. The Council will also recommend ways in which the State can support local and community efforts and partner with non-governmental organizations to advance diversity and inclusion. Sununu announced that Rogers Johnson, the State Coordinator of the New Hampshire NAACP, has agreed to chair the Council.

"The course we are about to undertake is nothing short of historic, and I am humbled that I was asked to be a part of it," said Johnson.

MacDonald offered his thoughts on today's announcements and the new Civil Rights Unit. "The creation of the Civil Rights Unit reinforces and advances the fundamental mission

of the New Hampshire Department of Justice to enforce our laws, protect our residents and visitors, and provide training, resources and support to state and local officials," said MacDonald. "I thank Governor Sununu for his strong support of this initiative. I am delighted that Assistant Attorney General Elizabeth Lahay has agreed to be the first leader of the Civil Rights Unit. She brings to this new position not only exceptional skills as a lawyer but also a deep commitment to equality and justice."

Governor Joins Bipartisan Letter from Governors on Re-funding CHIP

Children's Program Running out of \$

CONCORD, NH--On Tuesday, Governor Chris Sununu released a statement informing the public that he had joined 11 other governors in signing a bipartisan letter urging the re-funding of the Children's Health Insurance Program, also known as CHIP. Federal support is needed to continue the program. "...Resources are nearly exhausted", said the governors in their letter, and "children's coverage may end on Jan. 31."

In the letter addressed to the Congressional Leadership, the governors wrote, "We ask that you make it a priority to reauthorize the Children's Health Insurance program (CHIP) as quickly as possible. We believe covering children and pregnant women without disruption is one thing we can all agree on.

"For twenty years, this program has successfully provided vital health coverage and care to about nine mil-

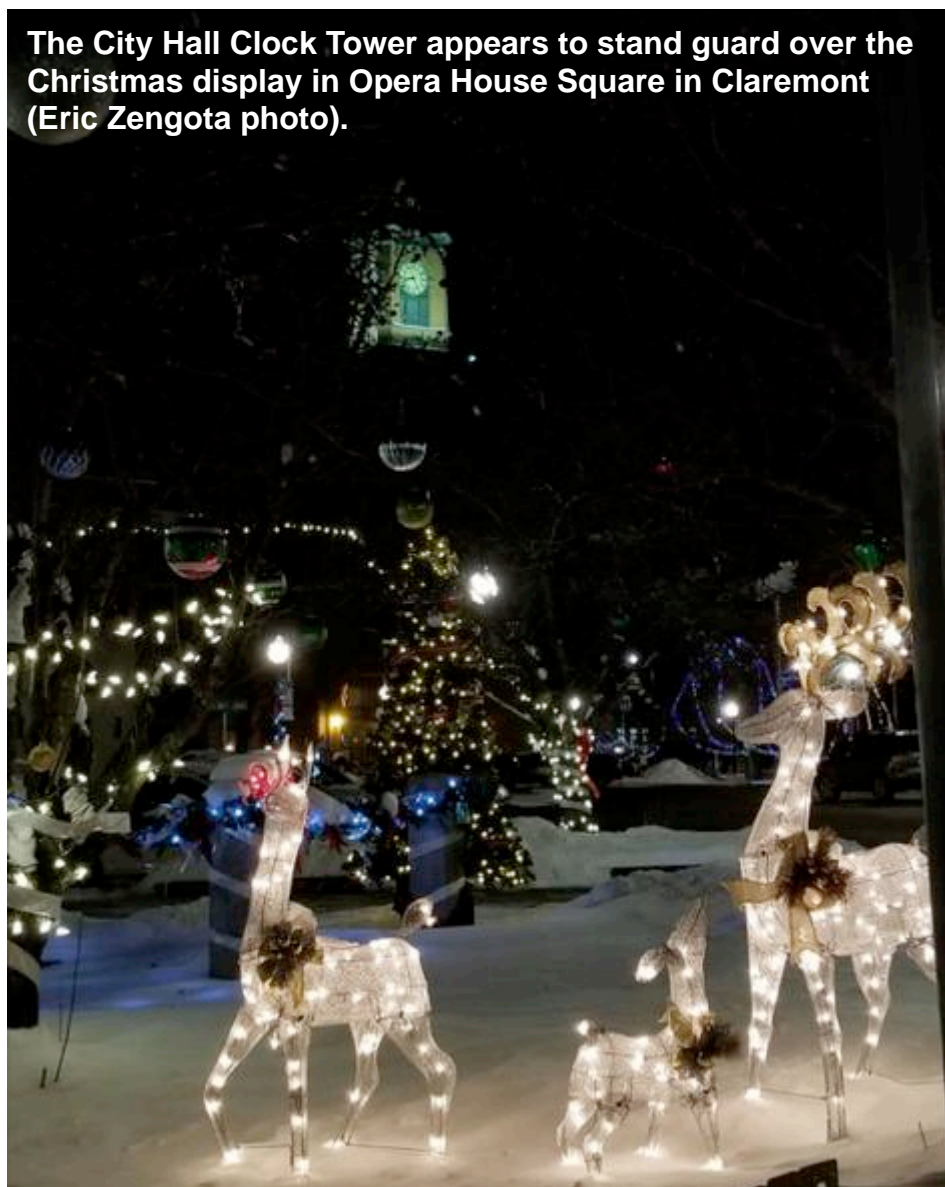
lion children. Without it, access to essential health services like well child exams, asthma medicine, and hospitalizations will be at risk. As health insurance premiums climb at unsustainable rates, this program gives hard-working families access to otherwise unaffordable coverage.

"In the absence of Congressional action, we have worked to protect coverage for children and pregnant women in each of our states, but we will need federal support to continue the program. Resources are nearly exhausted and some states already have begun to inform families that their children's coverage may end on January 31.

"Since its creation, CHIP has enjoyed strong bipartisan support. We encourage you to work across the aisle to find common ground that will allow this important program to continue and give the families who rely on CHIP the peace of mind of knowing that their children will be able to get the health care they need in the new year."

---Phyllis A. Muzeroll

The City Hall Clock Tower appears to stand guard over the Christmas display in Opera House Square in Claremont (Eric Zengota photo).



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Keno Comes to Claremont

By Bill Binder
e-Ticker News

CLAREMONT, NH--Sweet Fire BBQ on Mulberry St. is the first establishment in Claremont (and actually on this side of the State) to have the new Keno machine setup. When Keno became legal, cities and towns could vote to have Keno machines in certain businesses known as "pouring establishments". Claremont voted to allow Keno when residents went to the polls in November, and Sweet Fire BBQ decided to add the game to their bar area. Sweet Fire owner Michael Brown said he had quite a few customers tell him that they wanted

draws depending on how much money they want to spend. Each draw costs \$1.00. Depending on how many of their numbers come up on the draw determines how much they win.

While he knows more Keno games will be showing up, Brown is happy that he was the first. Brown said, "The Lottery people have been great. They explained everything and were very helpful during the setup process." He said that the restaurant will receive 8% of the revenue from the machine. Statewide proceeds from Keno will be used to help fund full-day kindergarten in the State.

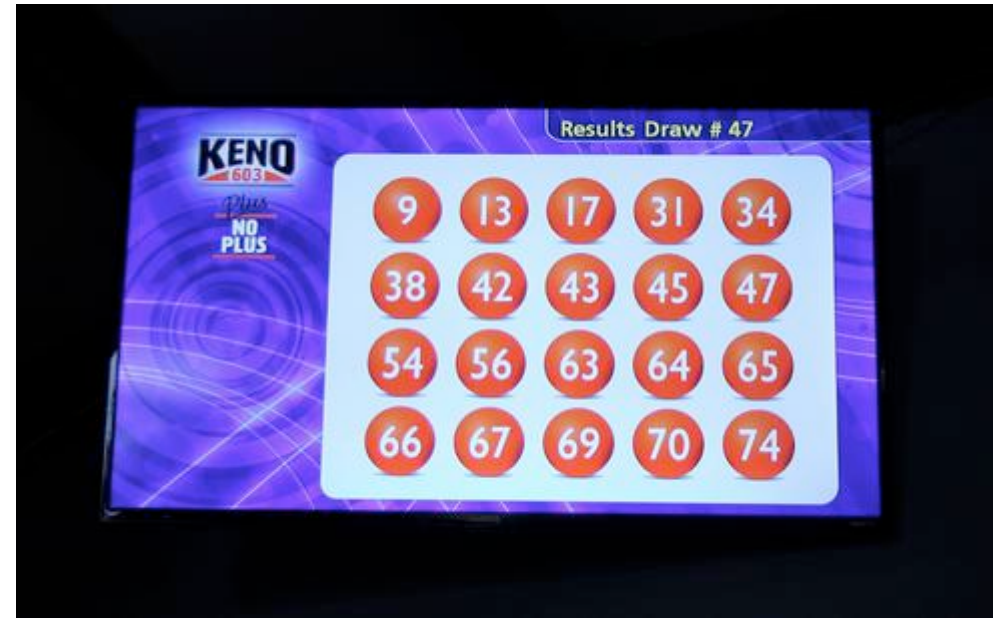
Fire Destroys Family Home in Acworth

ACWORTH, NH--A devastating fire destroyed the Blaisdell family home in Acworth Friday night. According to the daughter, Lyndee Beisel, who lives in Ohio, "My parents house burned down in the middle of the night. My mother is a stroke victim and is wheelchair bound and has no mobility. They have lost everything and escaped the fire with hardly anything on their back. The funds will help to meet the immediate medical needs of my mother as well as the physical needs of clothing, food, and assist with temporary shelter. Funds are needed immediately, with medical needs already existing there was pre existing financial stress in the household. All assistance is appreciated."

Blaisdell's son and husband lived with her at the home and helped take care of her.

A GoFundMe account has been set up at <https://www.gofundme.com/blaisdell-family-fire-recovery> for anyone who would like to help the family.

---Phyllis A. Muzeroll



Above: Picture of how the draws are displayed on the Keno monitors. Draws are numbered so you know which draw you are playing on. If any or all of the numbers you picked come up on the monitor on your draw you are a winner. Left: The Keno machine at Sweet Fire BBQ (Bill Binder photos).

Red River to Hold 2nd Annual Blessing Bag Program

CLAREMONT, NH--Red River will be holding its second annual Blessing Bag program for the homeless Veterans serving Vermont and New Hampshire. "This year we have grown the project and are prepping for our goal of 100 bags," said Melissa Tucker, Inside Account Manager with Red River.

"We will be stuffing the bags on Dec. 21 here in our Claremont Corporate Office from 3:00-4:00 p.m. We have worked with many local businesses to help us reach that goal."

Red River said its top sponsors this year include: Mr. G's in Windsor, VT; UNFI in Chesterfield, NH; Crown Point Cabinetry, Claremont NH; Country Cobbler, West Lebanon, NH; Tractor Supply Claremont, NH; Walmart, Claremont, NH; Home Depot, Claremont, NH; BJ's, West Lebanon, NH; Shaw's, West Lebanon, NH; Hannaford, West Lebanon, NH, and its very generous employees in NH, VA.

Last year the project filled more than 50 of the bags. They included a wide range of goods, from emergency sleeping bags, gift cards, and snacks to personal care items, ponchos, hats and gloves and more.

Red River is a supporting partner of the WRJ VA Medical Center and Friends of Veterans.



the game and he said that he is pleased with the attention the game has attracted.

Keno is a lottery style game where random numbers are drawn and displayed on monitors on specially-installed machines. These draws are done every five minutes, from 11:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. every day. To play, patrons choose 12 numbers to play on each draw. They can enter their numbers on multiple

Shop With A Cop!

The Claremont Police Dept. held its Annual Claremont Police "Shop with a Cop" event on Wednesday, Dec. 13. The night out was organized by School Resource Officer Crystal Simonds and funded by a grant from Walmart and a grant from the Jack and Dorothy Byrne Foundation as well as a donation from the Claremont Police Association. Over 80 boys and girls got a chance to shop and visit with some of our local Police and Sheriff Dept. members. They could pick toys they wanted or something for a friend and all went home happy and excited to play with their new toys. Top: Chief Mark Chase helped Johnathon Howe pick out his gift; center: Sullivan County Deputy Sheriff Jeremy Wilson worked with Theresa Meyette to pick out her gifts; bottom: Claremont Officer J.A. Wade and Mackenzie Burns picked out some stuffed animals. (Bill Binder photos).



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