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BANNERS UP Banners were installed along the roadside of the Hills House letting residents know that the annual Hudson Old Home Days will be taking place this week. Weather forecast are not looking good, so keep an eye on social media for updates and cancellations. Photo by Chris Paul

## **Benson Park Committee Eye Several Ongoing Projects**

PAUL CONYERS **HUDSON TIMES** 

The Benson Park Committee opened its July 19 meeting with a quick, formal welcome to its newest full member. Sue Clement. who was officially approved by the Board of Selectmen on July 9.

Despite the confirmation, Clement was already involved with Benson Park,

shirts, where she was happy to announce that she found a designer.

"It's just about figuring out what color we want to do," said Clement. "They'll do the design, let us know, and we'll make a vote on which one we want. The cost will come after that."

The Committee considered a proposal for a new notably with her role in the mural for the park. Friends

rollout of Adopt-a-Spot T- of Benson Park liaison, Natalie Newell, gave an update.

> "I ran it by our board, but because the structure of the Elephant Barn will be altered with the new construction company we'll be working with for the museum. They didn't feel like right now was a good time to put a mural up, because it could be harmed," said

# Selectmen Pick Acting Town Administrator For September

While there has been no decision made on who will be the next Hudson Town Administrator when current Town Administrator, Steve Malizia, retires at the end of the month, the Board of Selectmen made a decision on who will be the Acting Town Administrator.

According to the draft minutes of the July 23 Hudson Board of Selectmen nonpublic meeting, the Selectmen unanimously approved making Chief Assessor, James Michaud, as the Acting Town Administrator for the month of September, while also forming those duties.

tion of the meeting, the hiring of the next Town Administrator was also addressed.

"I just wanted to reiterate that I was disappointed that... creating a process for selecting a Town Administrator was not on our agenda for today," Selectman, Heidi Jakoby, said during her liaison report, explaining that it was her understanding that it would be on the agenda during the meeting.

Board of Selectmen Chair, Bob Guessferd, also addressed the process during his liaison report at the meeting.

"I know everybody's approving to increase his probably concerned about salary by 15% while per- the status of the Town of Administrator search," he

During the public por- said, noting that he wanted to give an overview of where they are in the process.

> Guessferd said the consulting firm, hired to help with the process, will be doing the initial selection process.

> "MRI, as we know, is doing the initial selection process," he said.

> Guessferd explained that all the applications were submitted, and that they went through them saying "they are going to be recommending finalists hopefully by the end of the

> From there, Guessferd said, "They're doing telephone interviews and once they get the telephone inter-

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## Michael Johnson Selected As Next HCTV Director

ALEX MALM **HUDSON TIMES** 

The Hudson Board of Selectmen made a number of personnel decisions during the non-public session of its July 23 meeting, according to the draft minutes of the meeting.

One of those decisions was related to who will be the next director for HCTV Director, following James McIntosh, previously announcing he would soon be retiring.

During the meeting, the Board of Selectmen unanimously approved appointing current HCTV Production Coordinator, Michael Johnson, to the position of continued on page 8 HCTV Director of Commu-

date of Oct. 1. He will be paid an annual salary of \$71,000.

Another decision made during the non-public session was to appoint Donna Melanson as the Deputy Tax Collector, which was recommended by Hudson Tax Collector, Christine Strout-Lizotte.

The Board of Selectmen also unanimously approved appointing Donna Melan-

nity Media with a starting son as the Deputy Town Clerk, which was also recommended by Strout-Lizotte.

> During the Selectmen liaison reports, Selectman, Heidi Jakoby, raised concerns regarding various open positions in town, asking that moving forward they have updates during their meetings about open positions they have including the Town Planner posi-

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Lots of Old Home Day information inside!

## **Robinson Road Complex Allowed to Remain at Four Units**

**HUDSON TIMES** 

The Hudson Zoning Board of Adjustment met on July 25 to hear a renewed variance request to allow unpermitted multi-family use at 19 Robinson Road. Back in 2015, a similar variance request on the property was denied after the property owner added a third and fourth unit to what had been

Hartigan, from Gottesman and Hollis was there with property owner, Rowdy Smith, to make their presen-

"There was an application made in 2015, I've gone through the minutes. While it may have been a lengthy discussion, I think they missed many of the required points," said Hartigan. "Specifically,

"As a Board, we may want

to discuss other options for

a duplex. Attorney, Elizabeth they missed whether there would be an impact to the neighboring properties, and they did not provide a hardship argument at all."

> She emphasized that the property owner did have a hardship argument, noting that the most recent owner bought the property in 2021, well after the addition of two new units and the denial

of the original variance. "Should the town require any public board,

committee, or general public meeting, to include time for public input regarding anything that board or committee has control over at the start of each meeting? This will offer consistent and reliable opportunities for citizens to express their thoughts, insights, concerns, thanks, and ideas,

standing and transparency." Jakoby also asked that during a meeting in August they have an agenda item related to the town's website and social media policy.

which will foster under-

'Requiring a conversation to less units would put a substantial hardship on the owner, and including the tenants who already occupy to property," she argued. "There's no valid reason with regard to density or overcrowding. Granting the variance for the four existing units would be lawful and all tenants would be able to remain the place."

According to the application, there would be no visible change to the property, with or without variance approval, since any change back to a duplex would involve "changing walls on the inside," not the outer profile of the property.

"He knew it was a fourunit? They sold it to you as a four-unit building?" asked Board member, Tim Lan-

Hartigan confirmed this was the case, and claiming the Robinson property's legal status as a duplex with two non-conforming units was only discovered after

"Where's the building permits to build those other town units?" asked Town Liaison, Chris Sullivan.

Neither Hartigan nor Smith had access to a building permit, and it was not even clear when the extra units were added, only giving a rough date of around 2007.

Vice-Chair, Norm Martin, noted that there was no reason why town officials should have missed the nonconforming nature of the property during a sale or for recent projects like the installation of the larger septic system.

"The Fire Department has been there, the assessor's office has been there, a larger septic system was approved by the town, and yet it wasn't caught until recently," said Martin. "We've had all those years of people going to there, doing the inspections for the septic, and you can see the units sitting there, you can see four units, why wasn't anything said then?"

He found it hard to oppose the variance request when town officials failed to act on an apparent, known violation for so long. Building inspectors also discovered the issue in 2015, when the matter first went before the ZBA.

Hartigan confirmed the house was currently being taxed as a four-unit structure.

Brian Tarr from unit A of 19 Robinson Road spoke in favor of the variance, saying "it would be a hardship for us if any of us had to move."

"I can't picture it being put down to a two-unit home. There's no way you could split up walls or break anything down to make it a smaller house and better for a two-family than it is for a four-family home," added Molly Blaine from unit C of 19 Robinson Road. "The money it would take to save up up to even find a new place to rent is unfeasible."

The ZBA unanimously agreed to grant the variance, overturning the 2015 denial.

## HCTV

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tion "and possibly other ways or other things that we might need to do to continue to find applicants."

She noted that they had accepted a resignation earlier in the evening, and that they may want to look at different ways to try to recruit candidates for various positions.

"We had another resignation this evening, and I think it's just a different world out there as far as recruiting," Jakoby said.

that." Jakoby also asked for Selectmen to make sure public input is occurring at meetings that they attend as liaisons for different boards and commissions. "I'm asking my fellow

Selectmen to please continue to ensure that public input is addressed at all public meetings going forward," Jakoby said during her liaison report.

During the March election, voters overwhelming approved a citizen petition warrant article which stated:

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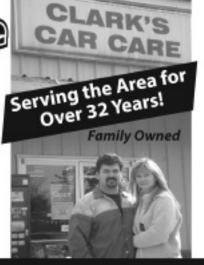
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## School Board Briefed On Distrct's Financial System

**HUDSON TIMES** 

The Hudson School Board received an update from Finance Director, Melissa VanSickle, regarding a conference she recently attended during its most recent meeting.

"I am providing a summary of the information I Sickle that she discovered gained from the Finance they aren't the only school and HR software conference I attended in May of this year," she wrote in a memo to the School Board. public employees in atten- ments and efficiencies they

try. As a reminder, Tyler Technologies offers a full suite of software products for schools and municipalities; Enterprise ERP, formerly known as MUNIS, is the product we use at the Hudson School District."

It was explained by Vandistrict who are experiencing some challenges with the system.

She said she originally "I appreciate the opportuni- went to the conference to ty to be one of over 5,000 see what process improve-

there are "a bunch of challenges that were not certain we can overcome them without a significant cost barrier."

"I attended several sessions from financial reporting, human resources, payroll, purchasing, and system administration to ensure users have access to information they need within their role," VanSickle wrote in a memo. "At each session Tyler staff informed us that any new enhancements would be applicable to those hosted by Tyler (SaaS) and not those maintained in-house (on-prem). Late last year, I reached out to our representative to get a quote for the SaaS hosting fees. That quote was over \$90,000 a year; something Jen Burk, Kevin Peterson and I agreed was not worth the investment."

dance from across the councould make and discovered VanSickle that they were er solution that will work board. I plan to involve notified last month that "support is ending in October for our reporting solution; reports we use for budgeting and the monthly financials."

> "The end user impact is migrate clients to Microsoft SSRS; work with a consultant on rewriting our reports or have Tyler's reporting analysts write the reports for us. They are offering a limited time discount for the latter option," VanSickle said.

> She told the Board that they paid \$56,202.76 to Tyler Technologies for "licensing and support last year, and this cost is expected to increase annually."

" The feedback I got from other users, and support themselves, coupled with the information gathered from the sessions leaves me with the belief It was also noted by that it is time to find anoth-

for us," VanSickle said. "This has been discussed with Jen and Kevin, and I have begun the search for other software that may be a better fit. Only Londonderry and Manchester schools are using MUNIS, most other NH schools are using School ERP, another Tyler product, or ADS ProFund. Jen, Kevin, and I agree we should migrate away from Tyler products as support has not been as it should be for the cost we pay."

She also noted that there would be costs associated with "implementation and licensing of a new ERP system."

"In my experience, either the system is strong financially, but weak for HR and Payroll, or vice versa," VanSickle wrote. "I am hopeful we can find one solution that is supportive of our needs across the

Finance, HR, IT, and the Business Administrator in demonstrating products and discussions moving forward."

VanSickle said they have been brainstorming alternative solutions, and reached out to some other vendors.

"I am hoping Jen and the team will plan for implementation costs for FY 26," VanSickle told the Board.

She said it would take about 12 to 18 months to implement the new system.

School Board member, Gary Gasdia, said, "Thank you for being honest," noting that oftentimes when people go to conferences people are trying to sell them stuff, but said in this case she went and realized they could go with a different option.

## **Town Administrator**

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views done, then we will ther define at the next meet- ting by the wayside."

Guessferd said he wanthave our time to face to face ed to make sure everyone interview them and go knew that they were activethrough the rest of the ly working on it, and "it's process which we will fur- not something that's just sit-







## **Editorial**

## It's All in These Pages

Want to know where to register for youth league soccer? Curious about what events are coming up? Curious about what the planning board did about the development down the road? Interested in how your local tax dollars are being spent? How about the results of the local sports teams who won their games last weekend? All that and more can be found inside your free weekly newspaper, the one you're holding in your hands right now.

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**Voting Location Change** The Voting Location for Ward 1 has moved to Hudson Memorial School this year. There will be no voting at the Hudson Recreation Center this year. All voters who live in Ward 1 will now report to Hudson Memorial School for the September 2024 and November 2024 elections. If you have questions on the change, call the Town Clerk at (603) 816-1279.

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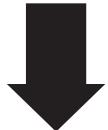
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## Subdivision Risks Running into Zoning and Environment Issues

PAUL CONYERS **HUDSON TIMES** 

The Hudson Planning Board met on July 24 to hear a four-lot subdivision plan at 288 Webster Street. Land Surveyor David Jordan of Greenman-Pedersen, Inc. was before the Board with Manny Sousa of property owner K and M developers to make their case.

"It's currently a vacant 6.5-acre parcel, basically farmland, hay fields, it's bisected into two distinct parts. There's a screen that runs through the middle of the property with large uplands on either side," Jordan explained. "What we're proposing to do is subdivide for duplex residences."

frontage and size requirements under Hudson's Zonsome of the wetland approval.

impacts for accessing the properties. The duplexes would be served by septic systems and a municipal water line.

Board member, James Crowley, wanted information on whether the plan might require any further approval from the NH Department of Environmental Services.

"Will the applicant agree to resolve peer-review issues and obtain a written understanding of the NH DES whether an alternation terrain permit is required?" asked Crowley, who also asked for a revised stormwater report.

Jordan indicated that this property into four lots such a permit would not be needed, as the project only All lots would meet all disturbed about 40,000 square feet of contiguous land, well below the ing code. Curb cuts on Web- 100,000 square feet requirster Street should avoid ing alternation of terrain from concerns over legal

added that if the project violates state law, it would be enforced by state regulators, not Hudson's Planning Board.

The lot will have a homeowners' association to oversee collective maintenance in the duplexes and will include rain gardens.

Crowley also read an email calling the field around 288 Webster Street "a highest ranked habitat."

"Is the applicant aware of this email concern?" asked Crowley.

Jordan and Sousa claimed not to know about the email, saying they were hearing about the issue "for the first time."

"We don't have the email, I can't respond to something I don't have," said Sousa.

Another issue came

which seemed to have a noted that the applicants standing issues, no immediwetland in the frontage area, blocking access.

"The rules state that frontage shall be capable of providing access," Malley noted. "I'd like to see from the Zoning Administrator, a determination of how that actually classified as frontage, just for clarity."

Alternate, Todd Boyer,

could apply for Zoning relief to build a culvert for access across the wetlands, although it was unclear whether this counted as "access" for legal purposes. Jordan promised to do more research on the matter and to make changes to the

Without several out-

ate vote was taken on the application as the Board chose to continue the presentation to a later meeting.

The Hudson Planning Board is scheduled to meet again at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, August 28, in the Buxton Room of Town Hall

## Fun Fest Set for 27th Year

application if necessary.

Fall Fun Fest is the property at 182 Lowell Rd., biggest event for the Presentation of Mary Academy (PMA), kicking off each new school year for the PMA community and local communities alike. They will celebrate their 27th Fun Group, Alumni, and a com-Fest this September. This event draws thousands of visitors and acts as the access to one of the lots, throughout the schools Center and grounds.

Hudson. This years Fun Fest will take place on Saturday, Sept. 21, between 11 a.m. and 4 p.m. This event is planned and orchestrated by the schools Parent munity of parents and stu-

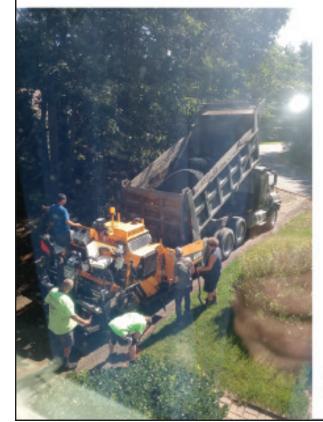
Fun Fest is both an schools biggest fundraiser. indoor and an outdoor event available throughout the Fun Fest takes place utilizing the Thompson day.

Indoors will host a Yankee Raffle, Craft and Vendor Market, Bake Sale, and Sister's Fish Pond. Outdoors activities include a Touch a Truck, Petting Zoo, inflatables and rides, games and activities, performers, and the beloved inflatables race. There will be food trucks and concessions



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## Sustainability Committee Start New Fiscal Year, Prepares for Event

**HUDSON TIMES** 

The Hudson Sustainability Committee met on July 22 to briefly discuss expenditures with the formal end of the fiscal year on June 30.

"We ended the fiscal year when we only had \$75 left," reported Chair, Deb more often to buy extra

Putnam. "That went back passes. into the general fund and as of July 1, the account start- iced by curbside collection ed again with \$1,300."

Members considered \$1,300 more than enough to cover expenses for the upcoming fiscal year.

July 1 also marked a year on June 30 with change to Hudson's Trans-\$651.30 and we did a lot fer Pass system, by allowbetter than the previous ing residents who need to use the Transfer Station

"Each residence servwill be allowed to purchase up to three additional Passes at \$30 per pass each calyear," endar explained.

The next opening day for the Transfer Station is Saturday, Aug. 10, from 8 a.m. to noon. As is usual for the season, the Station is open every Saturday for

yard waste, metal, and mittee pop-up tent exhibit cardboard drop-offs without a pass.

The next day for hazardous waste collection is set for Saturday, Aug. 24, from 8 a.m. to noon. The Chair reminded everyone that Hudson has no site available, and hazardous waste disposal will occur at 9 Stadium Drive in Nashua.

Members were ready to open a Sustainability Comat Hudson's 2024 National Night Out on Tuesday, Aug. 6 from 4:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the Rodgers Memorial Library. Preparation for the tent included making a banner for the Committee and buying bags of chalk to give away.

"At the National Night Out, we want the public to look at our exhibit," said Putnam.

The focus would be spreading information about the Community Aggregation Plan while answering any question that might come up regarding Aggregation.

"There will be 250 handouts coming in," said Alternate, Craig Putnam. "We'll hand out whatever we can on National Night Out and the rest of them we can put around Town Hall, the Senior Center, the Rec Center, things like that."

Logistical included getting everything to and from storage. Member, Chris Thatcher, offered to lend his tent for the

"I had a thought on that night: one of the things they typically don't do there is provide recycling for cans and stuff, which would be nice to do," Thatcher suggested. "We could bring a recycling bin to the Sustainability Committee booth. We could put a sign out that says anytime you bring a can, you get a piece of candy."

The Chair thought it was a great idea and agreed to implement a prize system for cans.

With most members set to be out of town, the Aug. 26 meeting of the Hudson Sustainability Committee was canceled. The next meeting is set for Sept. 23, at 7 p.m.

## Hudson Looking for

CHRIS PAUL HUDSON TIMES

A vacancy for the elected position of Town Moderator has recently been announced in the Town of Hudson and the Town Administrator's Office is accepting applications for the position.

Moderator is an elected offi-

cial and this appointment is until the next annual Town Meeting in March 2025.

The moderator presides over the town meetings, regulates the business thereof, decides questions of order, makes a public declaration of every vote passed, and may prescribe rules of pro-The position of Town ceeding; but such rules may be altered by the town.

Applicants must be a resident of the Town of Hudson. The Town Moderator shall preside at town meetings, and is the election official for the Town.

The Moderator will be appointed by the Supervisors of the Checklist. The position is open until filled. The Town of Hudson is an Equal Opportunity

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Applications should be submitted to: Town Administrator's Office, Town of Hudson, 12 School Street, Hudson, NH 03051.

The current Town Moderator is listed on the Town of Hudson website as Alanna Stangroom. She was elected in March of 2024.



## **Brox Industries Propose Land Donation for Town Conservation**

HUDSON TIMES

Board met on July 24 to dis-Blatchford from the civil engineering company Hayner/Swanson was there to make a presentation on

owner, Brox Industries.

"The purpose of the The Hudson Planning application is that we're seeking Planning Board cuss a lot line relocation at approval for a lot line relo-85 Greeley Street and 10R cation to facilitate a transfer Hazelwood Road. Earle of about 6.236 acres from town represents part of Brox to the town of Hudson," said Blatchford, "Brox has been working with the wetland consultant as part behalf of the property of their dredge-and-fill per-

land pocket areas within their property adjacent to their ongoing gravel pit operation."

The land transfer to the Brox's mitigation process, in agreement with the Board of Selectmen and the Conservation Commission. Blatchford called the 6.236-acre plot a "valuable wetland area" with an "adjacent wetland" that would be added to a nearby conservation area.

To reduce costs related to the transfer, Brox asked the Planning Board for four waivers associated with the delineation of all wetlands. a topographical survey, a plan scale, and a boundary survey.

Erik Stevenson, Brox Industries' Vice President of Real Estate, called the land donation "phase one," expanding their existing gravel pit mine. Phase two will involve filling in a little over two acres of wetland.

There was some public input on the land transfer. focusing on whether that land would include publicly accessible trails.

"If a town resident wants to go there, are they allowed to go there? How do they get to it?" asked Ken Low of 42 Pinewood Road.

Selectman, Morin, responded by saying much of the conservation land is "there to preserve" wildlife using the wetlands, and it's all town whether the donated parcel was entirely composed of wetlands as Low stated there could be some trails on the land.

"There are trails at the end of the cul-de-sac, there's a trailhead, people use it all the time," said Mike Koumarianos of 23 Sandalwood Road, pointing to a map at the end of Pinewood Road. Board

mit to fill a couple of wet- property. It was unclear members and Brox noted that any such trails are currently on private property and are off-limits. Blatchford indicated that the area was not part of the dona-

> "If the Planning Board approves this relocation and you go back to Conservation and they want to move it a foot, you know you have to come back here, right?" said Chair, Tim Malley.

Blatchford and Stevenson acknowledged the need to get approval from the Conservation Commission.

The Planning Board unanimously voted to tentatively approve the lot line adjustment, with all four waivers.

The Planning Board is scheduled to meet again at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, August 28, in the Buxton Room of Town Hall.

#### **OBITUARY**

Sandra (Snay) Bastien



Sandra (Snay) Bastien, 80, of Hudson NH, passed away on Sunday, Aug. 4, 2024 at The Community Hospice House in Merrimack, NH. Loved ones were by her side daily in prayer and comfort during this extremely difficult time.

Sandra was born on March 25, 1944, daughter of the late Ernest and Mary (Fitzpatrick) Snay. Sandra was also predeceased by four of her siblings; William Snay, Ernest Snay, Joseph Snay and Donna (Snay) Petrain.

She was the beloved wife of Alfred Bastien of Hudson, with whom she shared 61 years of marriage. Prior to her retirement, Sandra was employed for many years at the Nashua City Hall, in Nashua NH. Sandra loved laughter and always gave with so much love to all. She crocheted and read for many years of her life. She loved the ocean and appreciated having years of many family gatherings. Sandra was also an active parishioner of St Kathyrn's Church in Hudson.

Besides her beloved husband, Alfred, survivors include a brother; Roy P. Snay and his wife Sandra as well as many aunts, uncles, in laws, nieces, nephews, great nieces, great nephews, cousins and friends.

Visiting hours were held on Wednesday, Aug. 7, in the Dumont-Sullivan Funeral Home. A Mass of Christian Burial took place on Thursday, Aug. 8, in St. Kathryn Church. Burial will be held in St. Patrick Cemetery in Hudson. In lieu of flowers the family encourages donations be made in Sandra's loving memory to Home Health & Hospice Care, Attention Hospice House. The link for online options for donations may be found at www.hhhc.org/how-tohelp/memorial-gifts.

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## **ZBA Approve Home Exemption for Davis Drive Landscaping Storage**

The July 25 meeting of the Hudson Zoning Board of Adjustment saw a presentation from Todd Hirst of 9B David Drive, who requested a Home Occupation Special Exception allowing him to use a home office for work purposes. The application included a request for storing tools and equipment while parking up to four business vehicles.

"There's no customers that come to the house, I don't do any actual business at the house, it's just a place for me to keep my stuff," Hirst explained. "It's a landscaping business, we do all landscaping at the homeowner's house, so somewhere else. For the mosquitos, I just have a cabinet with pesticides on the property, the Fire Department is aware of all that."

runs two businesses, one for a landscaping company and one for mosquito control, with no other employees for the mosquito business.

"I don't have a shop, I don't have a building or any of that, it's just where I keep my stuff," said Hirst. "It's just tools, a couple of sheds, I have machines, and a couple of trucks."

He stated the property had no sign and no noise beyond loading and unloading vehicles in the driveway. The trucks were all under 13.000 pounds.

"We have four vehicles, are you only using one at a time?" asked Board member, Dean Sakati.

According to Hirst, most of the time only one vehicle was being used. He went on to say that an employee from the landscaping business did some-

times come over to load or unload supplies, although he claimed this did not create any meaningful noise or rise in traffic for anyone living nearby.

"How does that street look like?" asked Board member, Tim Lanphear, who wanted to know if the area was entirely residential or if there were similar setups in the area. "Are there other businesses?"

The Zoning Administrator responded by saying there were "a few" other small businesses in the area, noting that the direct abutter favored Hirst's

"I give my permission for Todd Hirst, the owner of 9B David Drive, to operate his business from his home," wrote neighbor Trudy Durham of 9A David Drive in support of the Special Exemption.

Nobody spoke or wrote to the Board in opposition to the application.

"If he were to increase the use or change the use in some way, he'd have to come back, right?" asked Sakati.

promising any future growth of his businesses would include a purchased or rented location with a lot.

After taking everything into account, the Zoning

Sullivan confirmed that Board unanimously voted to was the case, with Hirst approve the Special Exception.

> The Zoning Board of Adjustment is scheduled to meet again on Thursday, August 22, at 7 p.m. in the Buxton room of Town Hall.

## Benson

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Newell, referring to the ongoing construction for Benson's Museum and Discovery Center. "We'd like to ask if we can wait and maybe put a mural on the outside of the building at some point."

She floated the idea of putting the mural on a blank side of the building once the museum was ready. It was unclear when that might happen.

It was also unclear exactly when repairs for the Old Woman in the Shoe would be complete, although there was a tentative plan to prepare it for a public opening by the end of summer.

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find out when that will be complete, it could be in September, but we wanted to do an opening where kids could come in and actually go inside the Shoe," said Clement. "I think they're getting close, and we'd like to make the area around the Shoe perfect for people to visit for a great photo-op

Acting Chair, Judy Brouillette, suggested coordinating with the library for help and suggestions.

Member, Gary Willaims, raised a new idea for a new plan on repaving the dog park after Sunshine Paving could not volunteer the needed labor for the task.

"Instead of one person being responsible, the whole plan of what needs to "The Shoe, I need to be done trying to get other

businesses that are affiliated with Hudson to some donate dirt, some donate asphalt, instead of one company trying to do all of it," said Willaims. "Once we get the proposal, we're going to go out and solicit people."

He figured that getting many companies to donate \$1,000 each might be easier than trying to get one company to donate \$20,000. There is no budget for the upkeep of the dog park, meaning any work must be funded through donations and voluntary labor.

The Benson Park Committee is scheduled to meet again on Thursday, Aug. 15, at 7 p.m. in the Hudson Cable Access Center.

The next Volunteer Clean-up Day for Benson Park is scheduled for Saturday, Aug. 17, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The Fourth Annual Family Fun Day is scheduled for Saturday, Sept. 14, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.



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## Fire Department Grant Funds Approved by Selectmen

**HUDSON TIMES** 

The Hudson Board of Selectmen approved accepting grant funds for the Fire Department during its latest

the Hudson Fire Department submitted a formal application for the 2023 Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program (AFG) for funding to support a comprehensive physical and mental health program and Safety and Survival course for our firefighters," Fire Chief, Scott Tice, wrote in a memo to the Board of Selectmen.

He explained that on July 11, they were notified by the FEMA office that the grant application had been approved.

"Tonight, we would ask for you to officially accept this grant award so we can

to secure the funding," Tice access to a clinician for any wrote in a memo.

The grant amount is \$429,527.27, Tice said, and it is for two years.

"This program does "In March of this year, require a 10% match of \$42,952.73 for a total of \$472,480.00. The period of performance covers a span of two fiscal years (FY25 & FY26)," Tice wrote in the memo. "We have identified funding within the operational budget to cover the match."

> It was explained by Tice that with securing the funding it will help the Fire Department in a number of different ways.

"With this funding, we will be able to provide our front-line personnel with a comprehensive annual physical including cardiovascular and cancer screenings, as well as annual menemergent needs," Tice wrote in a memo to the Selectmen.

Deputy Fire Chief, Francis Enos, said the grant will help in a number of ways including allowing them to have a clinician to reach out to in the case someone part of the Department is in a mental health

"We're going to have a clinician on call that's available to us," he said.

Tice also noted that the funding "will support the IAFF Fire Ground Survival (FGS) program. "

"This is the most comprehensive survival skills and Mayday prevention program currently available within the fire service. Incorporating federal regulations, proven incident management best practices

move forward with FEMA tal health counseling and and survival techniques from leaders in the field, and real case studies from experienced firefighters, the FGS program aims to educate all firefighters to be prepared if the unfortunate happens," Tice wrote in the memo

Tice also thanked members of the Fire Department administration who helped to secure the grant funding.

"I would like to thank Deputy Chief Enos, Captain Mamone, and our Executive Coordinator, Erika LaRiviere, who put together and

prepared all the required data and information for this grant," Tice wrote in a memo. "To date, this (is) the largest non-staff related funding award the department has received through AFG."



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## **Old Home Days Set for Thursday Through Sunday**

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The annual Hudson Old Home Days will take place this year starting on Thursday, Aug. 8, and will continue through Sunday, Aug.

The fairgrounds are located at the historic Hills House again this year and will feature a number of family-friendly events throughout the festivities.

Once again, the major attraction will be the carnival rides and midway, brought by Fanelli Amusements.

There will also be crafts, foods, games, and other attractions available for four days of family fun.

Below is a list of the events planned, according to the Hudson Old Home Days website.

The event is free admission, but there is a per-ride cost to the carnival rides.

**Schedule of Events** Thursday, Aug. 8

Starting on Thursday, Aug. 8, the Carnival Rides, sponsored by Fanelli Amusement, will take place from 5 to 10 p.m. The rides will feature an Adventure Slide, Bear Affair spinier, Berry Go Round, Chop-A-Rama Helicopters, the Cliff Hanger, Dragon Wagon, a Bungy Jumper, the Hurricane, a Ferris Wheel, Merry Go Round, Train Rides, Rond Up, Bumper Cars, Tempest, the Twister, and

Families can purchase wristbands or tickets for the Carnival Rides on-line to save time and cost at https://fanelliamusements.c om/events.

A 30-Ride Pre-Sale group of tickets will cost \$30.99 if purchased before Thursday, Aug. 8. A 50-Ride group of tickets will cost \$50.99 if purchased

before Thursday, Aug. 8.

A pre-sale Unlimited Ride Wristband can also be purchased at the website. Wristbands are \$30.99 each and can be used only Thursday and Sunday. Note: The Bungy ride and Bumper Cars are not included with wristband.

"Free Family Game Night" under the Community Tent will take place from 5 to 10 p.m. Games will include: Pie in the Face Game, Plinko, Connect Four, and many more games to enjoy.

The "Big Blue Sky Band" performs under Band Tent starting at 5 p.m. The band "Tainted Hearts" will be playing under the Tent from 7 to 8 p.m. followed by "Day To Attend" from 8 to 10 p.m. All shows are free and open to the public.

> Friday, Aug 9 Day Two of the Hudson



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Old Home Days Event will that donated gifts. feature Carnival Rides from 5 to 11 p.m.

"Free Gift Card BINGO" will be under the Community Tent from 5 to 10 p.m.

cards donated by sponsors take the stage from 8 p.m.

The band "Standard Tuning" will under the Band Tent free entertainment starting at 5 p.m. and running until 8 p.m.

Following that, Join the fun and win gift "White Street Band" until 11 p.m.

Saturday, Aug. 10

Day Three of the Hudson Old Home Days Event will feature Carnival Rides from noon to 11 p.m.

> It will also feature a continued on page 11

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## Roadside Cleanup Subcommittee Move Forward with Long-Term Plans

The Hudson Sustainability Committee met on July 22 to discuss what progress had been made by the Community Roadside Cleanup subcommittee.

"Right now, basically under way identify the best practices for safety and sucsaid Committee cess," member, Karl Huber. "We're pretty much hitting

the pause button, just because a couple of things we want to do together around this initiative is focusing on our town website, but we have to wait."

The subcommittee plans to gather more information from residents interested in there are documents that are a more structured road cleanup program while coordinating with other agencies, including the Hudson Police Department, the Fire Department, and

the Department of Public Works. Huber expects to be able to move forward once they can make some additions to the Sustainability Committee webpage.

"Corporate entities, groups like the Lions Club, they'll be directed to 'click here to submit a request,' and that request will come to an entity yet to be determined," Huber explained. "The intent of that is to identify the streets, identify

the request, identify dates, and then the conversation would go on between our team, PD with Patrick, DPW with Director Jay, and the FD Chief, just to keep everybody in sync."

While road cleanups sound straightforward, they need to happen in a safe location with resources like safety vests and signage available while following a standard procedure. Several factors still need to be make a presentation before the Board of Selectmen fairly soon. "We've been trying to

"ironed out," although the

stay in touch," added Chris Thatcher, who's also on the subcommittee.

Sustainability Chair, Deb Putnam, confirmed that roadside cleanup activities did not require formal approval of the Board of Selectmen, although she agreed that doing one presentation on the matter was a good idea.

"Do one presentation to the Board of Selectmen to advise them on how we're going to move forward and that this has the blessing of the HPD, the HFD, and the DPW." said Putnam. "There's an importance to basically grading roads in Hudson, and that's going to continued on page 12 take a bit of work as to

which ones are completely subcommittee hoped to no go and which ones are completely green, this would be no problem even if a single individual wants to pick up."

> Certain roads, no matter how in need of a cleanup might not be suitable candidates for several reasons, including safety to road cleanup volunteers and issues that may arise from cleaning a state route versus a city road. Budget was another concern, as was the need for a staging area at every cleanup.

> "All-and-all it's been well-received in the conversations," said Huber. "Stay tuned for more."

The next meeting of the Sustainability Committee is scheduled for Monday, Sept. 23, at 7 p.m. in the Buxton Room of Town

## d Home Days

number of booths set up by local businesses, crafters, civic groups, food and games.

#### **Band Tent**

Under the Band Tent, from noon to 2 p.m there will be the "Let's Play

Dan Carter will take the stage starting at 2 p.m., followed by D'Amico Entertainment, beginning at 4

"JP and Friends" will be finishing the evening off on the Band Tent stage starting at approximately 7 p.m. and finishing at 10 p.m.

#### **Community Tent**

Under the Community Tent, starting at noon, there will be a Dance Demonstration on the stage.

Beginning at 1 p.m. the stage will feature a Wildlife Encounters show where children will be amazed by animals from around the

At 2 p.m. the Granite Statesmen Barbershop Chorus will be performing. Folled by a performance by Miss Nutfield at 2:30 p.m.

At 3 p.m. there is a Reptile Show scheduled.

At 4 p.m. the Police Department has planned a K9 demonstration.

Starting at 5 p.m. Family Game Night will begin,



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## Old Home Days Features a Craft Fair on Sunday Afternoon

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Organizers of the Hudson Old Home Day event urge residents to join them for the third annual Hudson Old Home Days Craft Fair, taking place on Sunday, Aug. 11 from noon to 5

Over two-dozen talented crafters from the area will have a large range of handcrafted items for sale at the event.

Crafts range from crocheted animals to terrariums and 3D printed collectibles to original artwork for your home or office.

The fair will also be featuring a raffle from our vendors that will benefit the Hudson Historical Society.

This years vendors will

Cat vs. Crafts: Perler bead characters & crocheted amigurumi

BlueBerry Bracelets: Jewelry, phone charms & keychains

Rum & Sunshine: Books, stickers & jewelry

Luna Dreamcatchers, bookmarks & stickers

Cool Beanz: Crochet Paintings: plushies & keychains

Neon Yokai: Digital art, stickers, original prints & trading cards

3D Prints by Tracy: Keychains & 3D printed mini pagodas, items: lanterns, birdhouses

Steriorgon: Toys, fidgets, Pokémon cards, pantings, pin & jewelry

Crafty Creations by Rylee Ames: crocheted bags, plants, plushies, chapstick holders & more

Momos Endless Knots: cookies & cupcakes Jewelry, crocheted amigurumi & gnomes

Uniquely Mystical: Original artwork stickers

Naturally Designed: engraved items Rare terrarium plants, terrarium kits, ready-made terrariums & supplies

Twins 4 Life Creations: Rose Décor: New Hampshire blueberry sauce & herbal tea jelly

> Charles Lawrence Framed unframed paintings

Crystal X Clear Collection: Reusable hot/ cold therapy packs, headbands & keychains

Crafts & Design by Melissa: 3D printed critters, accessories, beaded bracelets & seasonal gift items

Patty's Paintings: Painting, resin glasses, wine bottles and mason jars with lights

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Fabric Creations by Elizabeth Snee: Orna- Jenn: Fabric tote & zip bags, coasters, bowl cozies. Her daughter will be joining her booth selling her memoir

> Love from Lolo: Handpicked items used to create

gift bags, boxes, and baskets for all ages

Mommy & Me: Jewelry, toys, handmade framed poems & quilted items

Utterly Eclectic: Handmade wreaths & décor

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featuring: Pie in the face; Plinko; Connect 4; BINGO and a Summer Shields Showdown.

Eating Contest will be taking place.

The Hay Stack Hunt will be happening at 7 p.m. followed by the start of the Corn Hole Competition, at 8 p.m. until 10 p.m.

Annual Fireworks Display, by JPI Pyrotechnics, will begin at roughly 9:15 p.m. at last approximately 30 minutes. The fireworks display is sponsored by "SL Chasse Steel" of Hudson.

> Sunday, Aug 11 Day Four of the Hudson

Old Home Days Event will feature Carnival Rides from noon to 5 p.m.

The "Third Annual Craft" will take place under the Community Tent from noon to 5 p.m.

The "Windham Swing Then at 6 p.m., a Pie Band" is scheduled to be under the Band Tent from noon to 2 p.m.

> The band "Off The Cuff" will take to the stage under the Band Tent, from 2 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

#### **Cow Pie Bingo:**

Two years ago Hudson Old Home Days committee brought back cow pie bingo.

Bingo squares will be sold for \$25 and based on the number of participants a grid of approximate numbers of entries will be constructed.

The cow was donated by Carriage Shack Farm of Londonderry and will be walked around the grid by Ava Malley.

Once the cow "pies" on a square that's the winner. This is run 50/50 style with half going to the winner and half going to our scholarship fund.

The more people who buy squares the more fun everyone has rooting for their square(s).

People can buy as many squares as wanted and between 2 and 3 p.m. on Sunday, participants are pulled from a hat and assigned a random square.

Squares can be purchased at: hudsonoldhomedays.com to purchase as well as to see a copy of the

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## Alvirne Broncos Athletic Boosters Club Hosts Color Run

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The Alvirne High School Athletic Boosters Club will be raising money through a "Color Fun Run" during the Old Home Days festivities this coming weekend.

The club has announced that on Saturday, August 10, runners are invited to get covered in color with a Two-Mile Run near the historic Hills House.

According to the Booster Club's website they announced, "Lace up those sneakers and prepare for a fun-filled, color-splashed adventure through the beautiful surroundings.

Whether you're sprinting for the finish line or strolling with friends and family, this event promises laughter, camaraderie, and memories to last a lifetime. Join us as we support our student-athletes and celebrate fitness in the most col-

orful way possible. Be sure to wear white or purchase our commemorative shirt."

The club also mentioned that participants will get one FREE hour of rides at Old Home Days carnival from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. with each registration.

Registration for the Color Run will take place at Hudson Hills House, 211 Derry Road, Hudson, starting at 9:30 a.m. with the race scheduled to begin at 10 a.m.

Race Registration And Registration Packages:

One Adult Run: \$30.00 - Includes one adult race registration fee (13+ years), one free hour of Old Home Days rides, 11 a.m.-12 p.m., and a pair of sunglasses.

One Child Run (Under 6) FREE with an Adult Registration. Includes one child race registration fee (under 6), one free hour of Old Home Days rides (11 a.m.-to 12 p.m.), and a pair of sunglasses (Children under



6 are free with an Adult Registration)

One Child Run (6-12 years) - \$25.00 - Includes one child race registration fee (6-12 years), one free hour of Old Home Days rides (11 a.m. to 12 p.m.), and a pair of sunglasses.

Family Fun Group Registration - \$100 - Includes race registration fee for two adults and two children,

one free hour of Old Home Days rides (11 a.m. to 12 p.m.) for four people, and four pairs of sunglasses \_

One Adult Color Fun Registration Package -\$40.00 - Includes one adult race registration fee (13+ years), one free hour of Old Home Days rides (11 a.m.-12 p.m.), sunglasses, and an adult white commemorative T-shirt. One Child Color Fun Registration Package - \$35.00 - Includes one child (6-12 years) race registration fee, one free hour of Old Home Days rides (11 a.m. to 12 p.m.), sunglasses, and a youth white commemorative T-shirt \_(children 6 and under are free with an adult registration)

Folks can also buy just the Commemorative White

T-shirt for between \$15 and \$20

The premium cotton shirt with commemorative Color Fun Run logo will be perfect for getting doused in color during the race.

For information on how to make a donation to help support the Alvirne Athletic Boosters Association visit: https://alvirne-broncoboosters.square.site

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## **Hudson Old Home Days: A Brief History**

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Hudson Old Home Days is a yearly event residents of our busy small town look forward to attending; made possible by generous benefactors and tireless volun-

From the fireworks, that never disappoint, to the roar of the rides, this yearly fair has a bit of everything for everyone.

But, while a fun time for all ages, the question always arises, "Why is it called Old Home Days?"

Initiated in 1899, by town guaranteeing a boost

Governor Frank Rollins, Old Home Week was an exciting new concept to invigorate the state's economy. Towns across New Hampshire were experiencing a loss of residents after the Civil War and opportunities in the West. To combat the issue, Governor Rollins created a sort of homecoming celebration to entice former residents to return and celebrate in their hometowns. Inevitably, those returning would be spending money at the shops and restaurants in

The event would help the towns be economically stable while creating a fun new annual affair for all.

To ensure the success of the event he asked that New Hampshire towns compile a list of addresses for former residents. The plan was to send invitations to those who had moved away from New Hampshire to invite them to this celebration.

Their letter read: "The residents of New Hampshire have conceived the idea of celebrating...Old Home Week, and of invit-

ing every person who ever resided in New Hampshire, and the descendants of former residents, to return and visit the scenes of their youth and renew acquaintance with our people... In behalf of the people of New Hampshire, I heartily invite all to who New Hampshire is a former home or place of nativity to visit the state during Old Home Week." His plan worked and communities across New Hampshire began planning.

The first Old Home tradition. Week had a bit of everything. They had sermons, addresses, parades, concerts, literary exercises, games, fireworks and much more. The event gained enough popularity that it enticed some famous fairgoers like Robert Frost and Mrs. Woodrow Wilson to make an appearance. The event gained so much popularity that more New England states and provinces of Canada also adopted the

Since the inception over a hundred years ago many towns have stepped away from the practice of Old Home Days. But not Hudson! Each year the volunteers strive to make it bigger and better for all who attend the four days of fun. Want to learn more about the history of Old Home Days? Be sure to visit the Hills House this Old Home Days for a fun tour and exciting facts from Society Volunteers.

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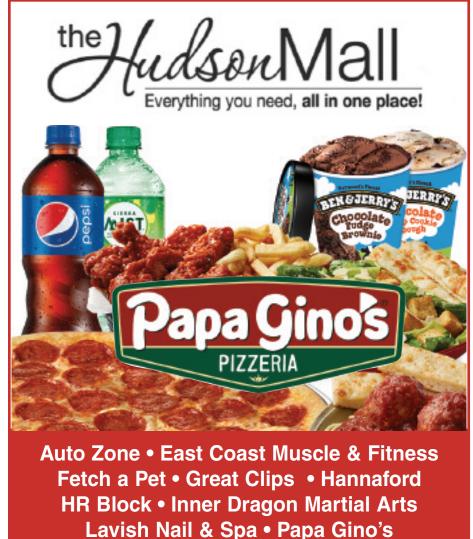
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## Sustainability Committee Prepares for Possible Composting Project

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ity Committee met on July 22 with an update from their Composting subcommittee from member Chris Thatch-

"We've had a couple of The Hudson Sustainabil- meetings of the Composting subcommittee," said Thatcher. "We've had some very interesting discussions specifically with Black Earth a lot of operations down in Massachusetts. They have not entered into New Hampshire per se, but they're very interested in moving into the area and they service about 35 towns, 40,000 people, 200 schools, and 800 commercial facilities."

He expected the process to speed up after summer when liaisons from Black Earth and the competing Renewal Composting would have greater availably for meetings with the subcommittee. Thatcher wanted to find a third composting company to compare services if possible.

Another subcommittee goal was to research other towns with composting programs to see what practical benefits Hudson might get from such a service.

"I would really like to be able to put together a little presentation for a couple of these places," he said. "On Black Earth, one of the

Composting. They're doing interesting things was that son and then accepting from they have the ability to create a composting center or hub." Black Earth would buy

or lease land for a decomposing facility capable of processing compositing and yard waste from across Hudson, taking some pressure away from the Transfer Station, the facility currently managing yard waste. Once processed, the compost is s typically sold to farmers. They also offered to service the school system for free.

"Correct me if I'm wrong, but I thought I heard something about how Nashua used to run composting at one of their transfer stations/dump facilities before that was terminated for some reason," said Chair Deb Putnam. "Black Earth setting up business in Hudother towns could be a money maker for them and us."

By contrast, Renewal Composting primarily offered more of a home service with possible drop-off locations as an alternative.

"In order to move to a pick-up service, they need a minimum of 100 or 150 homes to participate in that Thatcher program," explained.

Putnam admitted that composting would be a "big project."

Alternate member Craig Putnam gave an overview of opt-in activity for Hudson Community Power. Opt-in numbers for new customers were slightly up, with a majority of residents choosing the cheapest Granite Basic plan.

"These are primarily people who have seen the value in joining Hudson Community Power, it's also possible that some of these opt-ins are net metered customers who have determined they can opt-in without any financial harm," he said. "I'm hoping we'll see a new bump in that with the new rate period."

There was a slightly higher number of opt-outs for the town, most residents defaulted to a Community Power plan from Eversource. There are around 8,500 Hudson accounts currently on the aggregation plan. The Sustainability Committee is working with state officials to improve the accuracy of those numbers with better research to track residents who move in and out of Hudson.

#### **OBITUARY** Harold T. Estey



Harold T. Estey, 77, of Hudson, NH died Wednesday July 31, 2024 at his home surrounded by his loving family. Harold was born in Londonderry on Aug. 19, 1946, a son of the late Harold L. and Elizabeth (Crosby) Estey. Harold

was a lifelong resident of Londonderry.

Harold's first business venture was raising chickens and selling eggs. He was a graduate of Alvirne High School in Hudson, NH, Class of 1964. Harold's father died at the age of 50 which prompted Harold at the young age of 18 to take over the family business, Harold Estey Lumber and dairy farm. He would go on to dedicate his life to the daily operations of the business to this day. Harold was a member of the FFA. the Future Farmers of America. He enjoyed spending time at the annual agricultural fairs, including the Deerfield and Fryeburg Fairs. He also enjoyed going to White Mountains, and looking at the trees. Harold loved to tell stories about the history of Londonderry and enjoyed time spent working with his father. Harold loved meeting with a group of close friends every Friday morning at the Northside Grill in Hudson for breakfast.

He is survived by his wife of 50 years, Arlene (Dobbins) Estey of Hudson, one son, Thomas Estey and his girlfriend, Amy Nickulas of Londonderry, one granddaughter, Danielle Estey of Londonderry, two sisters, Maria Simmons and Betsy Child, both of Derry, one brother, William Estey of Londonderry, as well as several nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his sister, Evelyn Mason in 2023.

Calling hours were held on Monday Aug. 5, in the Peabody Funeral Homes and Crematorium. Funeral services were held on Tuesday at in the funeral home with burial to follow at Glenwood Cemetery, Londonderry.

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## The Benson Park Shoe Gets Some Much Needed TLC

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One of the most memorable attractions at Benson Park is The Old Woman Who Lived in a Shoe. Parents and grandparents bring their children and grandchildren to The Shoe to share the magic of that historic Benson's Wild Animal Farm attraction.

When the park closed in 1987, the property sat idle for almost 20 years and lapsed into serious disrepair. That included the Shoe. But thanks to the work of volunteers, the shoe, which to all appearances was a total loss, was miraculously restored.

But over the years since then, time, the elements, and even vandalism have taken their toll on The Shoe. That did not go unnoticed to Paul Tracy who saw that The Shoe was due for some paint and repairs. For the last sev-

weekends two hours from their home in Orford, New Hampshire to take on this task!

The first time Paul had ever visited Benson Park was only a year ago at Family Fun Day in 2023. His wife Claudia grew up in Wells, Maine and she had only visited once many years ago. Claudia says, "I knew Benson's Wild Animal Farm had gone out of business in the late 1980s, but last year I heard it was now open as a park and was really nice. I came to check it out one day and was very impressed"! Claudia then had husband Paul bring her to Family Fun Day last year, and Paul was impressed, too.

Paul and Claudia joined the Friends of Benson Park and Paul says, "On the volunteer form I shared that I

eral months Paul and his wife painted and before I knew it, Claudia have been driving on Î had volunteered to paint and repair The Shoe! I am a handyman and I do gravestone preservation and restoration for the state of New Hampshire, so I am experienced at doing this type of work. I am glad that I am able to make this contribution to Benson Park".

Paul has removed graffiti, scraped paint, and filled dents. He is currently in the process of priming and applying two coats of premium exterior paint.

Family Fun Day, sponsored by the Friends of Benson Park, is scheduled for September 14th this year and a storyland walk is planned where children will get to meet The Old Woman who Lived in a Shoe IN PERSON and IN HER HOUSE! The Friends of Benson Park hope to see you



Volunteers Claudia and Paul Tracy with puppy dog Piper are ready to paint the historic Old Woman Who Lived in a Shoe on a Saturday morning.

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## HUDSON SPORTS

## Overall Winners Named as Fun Run Season Concludes





Overall season winners of the Greater Derry Track Club's Summer Fun Runs were presented backpacks on Monday night. Photos by Chris Paul

CHRI PAUL HUDSON TIMES

The Greater Derry Track Club Kids Summer Fun Runs season came to an end on Monday, Aug. 5, and before the final races of the season took place, awards were presented to the overall winners.

Just under 30 runners were given backpacks and honors for finishing in the top three of their divisions over the course of six weeks of racing.

Other runners, ages two-years and up, took to the Londonderry High School track to compete, just for fun, in seven age categories to finish the night and the season.

the Londonderry High School track with the nine through 13-year old divioverall winners, listed below.

This week's winners

#### **Nine-Year Old Girls:**

Girls: Sasha Solovyev of Hudson, as mentioned, took first; Second went to Samantha Pannell of Londonderry; and Nyree Zambrana and Mia Swenson of tied for third place.

Boys: First went to Malik Brahim of Windham; second went to Sam Smith

The free event has hap- of Londonderry; and Liam pened each Monday night at Kobisky of Derry came in at

#### Ten-Year Old:

Girls: First was Ryla sions being recorded for the Zatsky of Windham; Ryley Menard of Chester took second overall; and Sydney Kingsland was third.

> Boys: First went to Derek Bath of Derry; second was Jacob Edwards of Londonderry; and third place went to Lukas Jonesinski of Londonderry.

#### 11-Year Old Results:

Girls: Cerie Girouard of Londonderry as well as Derry took first again; sec-Vanessa Fongemie were ond went to Ava Miller of Litchfield.

> Boys: Christopher Mercurio of Derry took first; second went to Andrew

Soloyev; and Brendan Kuncik of Derry was the third place winner.

#### 12-Year Old Results:

Mullaney of Derry; second was Adelynn Mullaney of Derry; and third went to Emma Wainwright of

Boys: Nick Tiney of Sandown was the top run-

#### 13-Year Old Results:

Girls: First overall went to Stella Dutton of Londonderry; second was Isley Morrision of Londonderry; and Kelsey Santosuosso of Derry took third.

Boys: First went to Jacob Tiney of Sandown; second place went to Dillon

Bath of Derry; and Benett ishable food item, as part of MacCulloch of Londonderry finished in third.

Over the summer, par-Girls: First was Megan ticipating family wwere asked to donate a non-per- Judes's in Londonderry.

the registration, which goes to two food pantries in the community, St Thomas Aquinas, in Derry, and St.

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## **Hudson's Post 48 Prep Wins Legion State Crown**

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After a strong regular season in which Hudson's Legion Prep team finished 16-3, 15-3 in District B play, Hudson made their way into the N.H. American Legion Baseball Prep State Tournament in Portsmouth. Hudson went 3-1 in the modified double-elimination tournament, earning their second consecutive Prep State Title, beating Lebanon before finding themselves in the loser's bracket after a loss to Bedford, beating Salem Gold, and then getting revenge against Bedford in the finals

While the tournament saw a washout of its opening games on Wednesday, Hudson made quick work of District A's second-seeded Lebanon with a 10-0 beatdown in five innings. After a scoreless first inning, Hudson jumped out to a 3-0 lead

inning after Gavin Baviello singled to score Memphis Beach and give Hudson a 1-0 lead, then Cole Baker picked up an RBI ground out that scored Jackson Quinn to make it 2-0, and Holden Olsen reached on an error that allowed Baviello to score.

Hudson then tacked on more in the third, as, after back-to-back errors put Jasper Workman and PJ Millette on base, Memphis Beach tripled to center, scoring both Workman and Millette to give Hudson a 5-0 cushion. Beach would score two pitches later after Jackson Quinn bounced a ball back to the pitcher and the ball was thrown away. Quinn also scored later in the inning thanks to a Cole Baker RBI single to make it 7-0 Hudson through three innings.

In the fourth, Hudson added two more runs on a



Memphis Beach two-RBI single and an error charged to the Lebanon third baseman that allowed Beach to

As far as pitching goes, Hudson proved that they were far more dominant than Lebanon, as Jasper Workman and PJ Millette combined to toss a one-hitter, a refrain that has been more common than not for Post 48's pitching staff this summer. The pair struck out three and walked six on the night, but combined for the shutout with neither throwing more than 45

On Friday, Hudson had a chance to move directly into the finals as they faced off against Bedford in the 4:30 game after Salem Gold, Hudson's Achilles heel, beat Sweeney (Manchester) 13-3 in the 2:00 game to move on to the loser-bracket finals. Hudson had already faced District A's top seed earlier in the season and beaten them 9-0 in Bedford back on July 16. Friday's early game, however, would not be more of the same for Hudson as Bedford exploded for three runs in the first inning and five in the second off Hudson's ace PJ Millette. Of the eight runs, six were earned as Millette allowed six hits while striking out four and walking five in four innings of work. The bright side was that Jackson Quinn, who relieved Millette, pitched three no-hit innings while striking out three and walking two Bedford hit-

Jasper Workman picked

up the lone RBI in what was tied for the worst loss of the season for Hudson on an RBI groundout that scored Holden Olsen in the first inning.

Post 48 was given a second chance, however, with a chance to even the season series at 2-2 with a win over Salem Gold. Salem's "Ateam" was the only team to boast a winning record against Hudson in the regular season, and Post 48 knew this fact and wanted nothing more than to show Salem that they were District B's top dog.

Salem jumped out to a 2-0 lead in the top of the first, as Hudson won the coin toss and elected to be the home team. An error charged to Jasper Workman allowed the first Salem run to score and a bases-loaded walk surrendered by Cam St. Clair gave Salem a 2-0 lead without the benefit of a hit in the first inning. Salem only picked up one hit all night.

In the bottom of the sec-

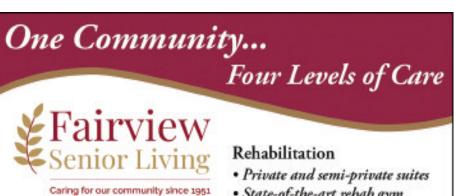
ond. Hudson evened the game at 2-2 after Gavin Baviello drove in a run on a single to right and Jackson Quinn scored two batters later on a throwing error after Hudson attempted the first-and-third steal play, and the throw was sailed into the outfield.

The two squads engaged in a pitcher's duel like no other until the top of the sixth inning when Salem Gold finally broke through, getting two runs on an error charged to Gavin Baviello that scored Brody Lyons and Mason Wiles to give Salem a 4-2 lead.

That lead would not last long, however, as, with a runner on second base after an error, Holden Olsen singled to right to cut the Salem lead to one, and then, three batters later, after Hudson loaded the bases with two out, Memphis Beach grounded a ball to short that resulted in a throwing error on Anthony Roman that allowed Cam St. Clair and Jasper Workman to score, giving Hudson a 5-4 lead that would stand throughout remainder of the night, sending Hudson to the

To wrap up the season, the 19-4 Post 48 team took on Post 54's 16-3 team, whose only losses on the year came to Hudson or for-

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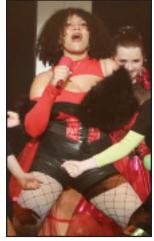
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## Six Local Talents Take to the Opera House Stage















Ovation Theatre Company's production of SIX: The Musical-Teen Edition, was performed at the Derry Opera House last week, featuring the extrodinary singing talents of six local ladies. The six wives of Henry the Eighth were perfomed by: Esmé King Farbstein of Exeter, playing Cathrine of Aragon; Jennah Gunawan of Manchester playing Anne Boleyn; Debrah Hernandez of Chester, playing Jane Seymour; Annie Gorman of Stratham, playing Kathrine Howard: Janet Sesay of Manchester, playing Anna of Cleves; and Chloe Orlando of Windham, playing Catherine Parr. The musical production is led by Director, Meg Gore, Music Director, Kevin Fisher, Choreographer, Katy Gore, Stage Manager, Lizzie Sosa, and Production Assistant, Chloe Ferraro.

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New research reveals that New Hampshire has the 10th lowest medical malpractice rates in the country,

100k residents

Louisiana tops the list with the highest malpractice reports per capita, followed by Colorado

from the U.S. Census Bureau and identifies the most negligent practitioner types and the most-affected

have some of the lowest malpractice rates, highlighting significant regional disparities in healthcare quali-

A new analysis by a personal injury law firm Zinda Law Group reveals the states with the highest and lowest rates of medical malpractice reports, scaled to per 100,000 population (per 100k residents), and the most reported practitioner type in each state.

In positive news, New revealed as the state with the tenth lowest medical malpractice rates, with just 11.5 reports for every 100k residents. This puts its malpractice rate 28% below the national average of 16 reports per 100k.

At the very top of the list for the lowest number of medical malpractice reports is Idaho, with only 6 reports per 100k residents.

Hawaii comes just after Idaho for low malpractice rates. Hawaii's malpractice rates are an impressive 54.4% below the national average at 7.3 reports per 100k residents, while North Carolina reports a malpractice rate of 9.2 per 100k.

Connecticut is fourth with a low rate of 9.3 malpractice reports per 100k residents. Rounding out the top five states with the low-

Idaho and Hawaii also est malpractice rates, Missouri reports 10.3 malpractice cases per 100k residents - which is 36% below the national average.

> Meanwhile, Louisiana leads with the most malpractice reports per capita at 33.3 per 100k residents with Advanced Nurse Practitioners (ANPs) the primary offenders. This is more than double (108% above) the national average of 16 malpractice complaints per 100k.

Colorado follows close-Hampshire has been ly with 28.7 malpractice reports per 100k residents, most of which involve Registered Nurses. In third is Wyoming, where malpractice reports stand at 27 per 100k residents - again with ANPs singled out as the worst offenders.

Kansas ranks fourth, reporting 25.3 malpractice cases per 100k residents, most of which relate to ANPs. Oregon completes the top five, with 23 malpractice reports per 100k residents. However, most complaints in Oregon relate to Physician Assistants.

A spokesperson for Zinda Law Group emphasizes the importance of these findings, saying: "The data highlights which states need to work to lower medical malpractice rates, which may be caused by inadequate training, high

patient loads, or deeper systemic issues within workplace culture.

"It may be helpful to look at the regulatory frameworks of states with fewer malpractice reports, like Idaho and Hawaii, to understand how they maintain these rates - and more importantly, draw correlations between the worstaffected states to see what factors elevate the likelihood of negligent practi-

"For those who have been affected by medical malpractice, legal avenues exist to hold negligent practitioners accountable and to make sure you receive the compensation you deserve. Please seek support if you feel you've been a victim of malpractice."

This story was a submission by the Zinda Law Group find them at www.zdfirm.com.

Data on the number of Medical Malpractice or Adverse Action Reports filed in each state was sourced from the National Practitioner Data Bank (NPDB) at www.npdb.hrsa.gov/analysistool/ (Jan. 2020 to March 2024).

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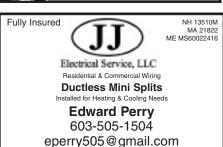
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#### Friends of the Library Book **Donation Day**

Aug. 15 is Hudson Friends of the Library monthly donation day at Rodgers Memorial Library from 9 a.m. - 9 p.m. This month's focus is adult fiction and nonfiction in good condition, newer than 2005 (unless classics). Books may be dropped off at Rodgers Memorial Library study room. Other books not meeting requirements can be placed in the blue book bin in the library parking lot or held for a future donation day.

#### Friends of the Library Book Sale

Mark your calendar for the Aug. 11 Friends of the Library's monthly Secondhand Prose book sale at Hills Memorial Library (downstairs), 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. A wonderful opportunity to browse a large selection of gently used books, CDs, and DVDs for all ages at prices of \$2 or less. Book purchases support library programs, museum passes, and a scholarship. New books arrive every month.

#### **Characters & Cocoa**

On Thursday, Aug. 15, at 5:30 p.m., come join this monthly group for writers to socialize and talk about the craft at the Rodgers Library. The emphasis will be more on discussion than workshopat the Rodgers Library

#### **Book Sale**

On Sunday, Aug. 11, at 11 a.m., Sponsored by the Hills Memorial Library (downstairs), 18 Library St., Hudson. Books, CDs, DVDs, for all ages. \$2 or less.

#### **Meet and Greet**

**Dungeons & Donuts** 

geons & Dragons players?

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Rodgers Library on Saturday,

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Genealogy Club

Library on Friday, Aug. 9, at

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Friends of the Library wil hold a Meet and Greet on Monday, Aug. 12, at 9 a.m., at Rodgers library. Come and meet the "friendliest" Friends in Hudson.

#### Wildlife Encounters

On Thursday, Aug. 15, at 1:30 p.m., enjoy learning about seven live animals at Junior Zookeeper Encounter at the Rodgers Library. Bring a blanket or lawn chairs.

#### **Mystery Lovers Book Club**

This month's book pick for the Rodgers Library Mystery Book Club will be 'The

craft with Oonagh Williams Bullet that Missed' by Richard Osman. Join in on Monday, Aug. 19, at 1 p.m.

#### **Afternoon Book Group**

On Tuesday, Aug. 20, at Friends of the Library. At 1:30 p.m. join in to this Rodgers Library book club discussion on "Remarkably Bright Creatures" by Shelby Van Pelt.

#### **Brunch Bunch**

On Fridays at 11 a.m., Eat pancakes and talk about books you love or hate at Rogers Library. For students entering 5th-12th grades. Those attending will be divided by age (Tween 10-13 and Teen 13-18) if the group is large enough.

#### Preschool Water Play

On Wednesdays at 10 a.m., Preschoolers ages 2-5 are invited to play with water tables and toys on the Rogers library lawn.

#### **Book Donation**

The Hudson Friends of the Library will hold monthly

book donation day Aug. 15 at Rodgers Memorial Library, 9 a.m. - 9 p.m. Donation days are always on the Thursday following Second-Hand Prose Day. Current fiction, non-fiction and children's books in good to excellent condition are gladly accepted. Books may be dropped off at the Rodgers Memorial Library study room. Do not use any outside donation

#### **Benson Park Saturday** Cleanup

Please join the Friends of Benson Park on the third Saturday of each month to make the beautiful park even more beautiful! Donate whatever time you can between the hours of 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. Tools are available but bring your own shovels, rakes, pruners, loppers, etc. if you have them. Great people. Great fun. Great exercise. Lunch provided. Sign up online by going to the Friends of Benson Park website (friendsofbensonpark.org) and providing your

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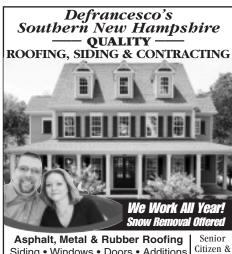
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feit to Lebanon. Hudson sent Jasper Workman to the mound in their final game of the season, while Bedford turned to Jason Topf. Both pitchers were excellent as advertised with Topf going five innings allowing just one run while striking out four and dancing around eight walks. In most other

games, Bedford would likely be running away with the score after an outing like that, but thankfully for Hudson, Jasper Workman was just as good, if not better on the night, as by the time Topf exited the ballgame, Hudson had a 1-0 lead thanks to a PJ Millette RBI double that brought Workman in to score. Workman had only allowed one hit to that point on the night.

In the sixth, having got-

ten Topf off the mound in favor of Cole Sufat, Hudson rallied to give Workman three more runs to work with on an Adam Willet RBI single, an error charged to Joey Suozzo that allowed Willet to score, and then an RBI single by PJ Millette that gave Hudson a 4-0 lead that would hold, giving Hudson a 4-0 win and their second consecutive NH American Legion Prep State Championship.

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#### A Good Yarn

On Tuesdays at 5 p.m., (except Aug. 6) come to the Rodger Library to Share tips, tricks, and stories while you work on your latest project and connect with fellow fiber enthusiasts. Bring your own supplies and stitch the evening away.

#### **Buy-A-Brick**

Buy a memorial brick in honor of that special someone for this Friends of the Library fundraiser. Details are availLibrary website rodgerslibrary.org

#### Dino the Therapy Dog

Every Tuesday at 2:30 p.m., come meet Dino, the therapy dog at the Rodgers Memorial Library. Dino is a St. Bernard who loves to make new friends.

#### **Drop In Stitchers**

Come to the Rodgers

Memorial Library every Friday at 9:15 a.m. for this craft group. If you love to craft, whether it be quilting, knitting, crocheting, rug making or plastic canvas, you will LOVE this group! If you're starting a new skill

able at the Rodgers Memorial or brushing up on an old one or even if you just like to chat while pretending to work, this is a judgment free

#### Songs & Snuggles

On Thursdays at 10 a.m., enjoy time together with other caregivers and their babies to learn, play, and develop language and motor skills at the Rodgers Memorial Library.

#### **Laptop Donation Program**

United Way of Greater Nashua is reintroducing their Tech Connect United Laptop Donation Program. Donate your working laptops, tablets, and smartphones,

and they will in turn refurbish them for use by lowincome individuals and families. The client recipients are A) low-income, and B) living in our Greater Nashua catchment area. Devices can be dropped off at the United Way office located at 20 Broad St., Nashua between 9:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. on weekdays or by appointment. Please email info@unitedwaynashua.org if you have any questions.

#### **Movers & Shakers**

Every Wednesday at 10 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. there will be a Toddler storytime for kids that don't sit still for long at the Rodgers Memorial Library. Songs, stories, games, and activities for ages 1-3. Registration is required. Please indicate how many will attend including adults, infants, and siblings. Caretaker participates.

#### **PFOA Water Test**

You can request a water sampling here: Southern NH PFOA Investigation Private Well-Testing Request Form Survey (surveymonkey.com) Questions contact Amy Rousseau | PFAS Response Administrator - MtBE Remediation Bureau at NH Department of Environmental Services Email: Amy.Rousseau-Phone: @des.nh.gov, 603.271.8801

#### BINGO!

Bingo is back at the Senior Center, 19 Kimball Hill Rd., Hudson, every Tuesday afternoon. Slider cards will start being sold at 1:15 p.m., \$1.25 each. You must be registered at the Senior Center to play.

#### **Teen Hangout**

On Tuesdays in Aug. at 2:30 p.m., the Rodgers Memeorial Library will have a Teens only time for snacking, playing board games and video games, doing crafts after school, and just hanging out. Ages 13-18 only.

## America's Takeout Capitals, States That Spend the Most on Take-Out

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Hawaiians spend the most on takeout, at \$5,322 per year.

New Hampshire and Maine rank second and third, spending \$5,190, and \$5,151, respectively each vear.

Oklahomans were found to spend the least on takeout, at just \$3,198 per year.

A new study has revealed the states that are spending the most money on takeout.

Online ordering system Owner.com analyzed data from the Bureau of Economic Analysis, to find personal expenditure on food and beverages for off-premises consumption in each US state. States were then ranked by how much the average person spends on takeout each year.

Second place goes to New Hampshire, with each resident spending, on average, \$5,190 per year on takeout, or \$432 per month, almost a quarter (24.08%) more than the average American.

In New Hampshire, the average yearly disposable income was found to be \$69,245, meaning that residents spend approximately 7.5% of their income on takeout.

In first place is Hawaii. with each resident spending a staggering \$5,322 per year to \$443.5 per month on average - 27% higher than the national average.

With the average yearly disposable income for Hawaii residents being \$57,427, this means that each person spends 9.27% of their income on food and drink to take away every

Notably, Hawaii residents not only spend the most on takeout in terms of total dollars, but also the most in terms of percentage of disposable income of any

Third place goes to Maine, which spends \$5,151 per year on takeout per capita or \$429.29 per month, which is 23.14% more than the average American.

Approximately 9.12% of the average Maine resident's yearly disposable income is spent each year on takeout, the second highest percentage in the US behind Hawaii (9.27%).

Vermont ranks fourth, with a per capita spend of \$4,957 per year on takeout. This means that Vermonters spend \$413.08 per month on food and drink to take away, equating to 8.35% of a resident's average yearly disposable income (\$59,330). Vermont residents spend almost a fifth (18.51%) more on takeout

on takeout, which works out than the average American.

Fifth place goes to Massachusetts, which was found to have a per capita spend of \$4,789 per year just on takeout, or \$399.08 spent per month. This figure is 14.49% higher than the national average of \$4,182 per year.

Massachusetts residents have the highest average annual disposable income of any state (\$74,342) and spend 6.44% of their yearly income on takeout.

Oregon ranks in sixth place, with residents each spending \$4,784 per year on takeout, or \$398.67 per month, which is 14.37% more than the average American. Approximately 8.35% of the average yearincome disposable (\$57,306) in Maine is spent on takeout each year, the ninth-highest percentage of any state.

Colorado ranks seventh with a per capita spend of \$4,781 per year on takeout. This means that Coloradans spend \$398.42 per month on food and drink to take away, equating to 6.89% of the state's average yearly disposable income (\$69,353).Coloradans spend 14.3% more on takeout than the average Amer-

Wyoming takes the eighth spot on the list, with residents spending an average of \$4,777 per year on takeout, or \$386.75 per Owner.com commented on takeout, or \$398.08 per month - 14.2% more than the average American. Wyoming has the seventhhighest average yearly disposable income of any state (\$69,039), meaning that 6.92% of the average Wyomingite's income is spent on takeout.

Ninth place goes to Montana, with a per capita spend of \$4,775 per year on takeout. This means that Montanans spend \$397.92 per month on food and drink to take away, equating to 8.42% of the state's average yearly disposable income (\$69,353). Montanans spend 14.16% more on takeout than the average American.

Rounding the list in tenth place is Alaska, with residents spending an average of \$4,641 per year on

month, which is 10.92% more than the average American. Alaska residents have an average yearly disposable income of \$69,039, which means that 7.04% is spent on takeout.

Oklahoma was found to be the state spending the least on takeout, at just \$3,198 per year, or \$267 per month. Oklahoma's average yearly disposable income is \$53,761, meaning that Oklahomans spend 5.95% of their income on food and drink to take away throughout the year.

The average American was found to spend \$4,181 per year on take-out, or \$348 per month. This means that 6.93% of the Average American's income is spent just on food and drink to take away.

A spokesperson for

the findings, saying:

"The findings reveal intriguing trends in takeout spending across the U.S. The sheer amount spent on takeout nationwide, from a daily coffee to the occasional lunch, goes to show that these small purchases add up considerably and quick-

This trend in consumer spending highlights the increasing convenience that takeout offers, with consumers not having to plan meals, spend time cooking, and cleaning after. However, it also underscores the financial drain that these small transactions end up making on Americans nationwide."

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