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## Holiday Cheer

The Alvirne High School cheering section was in a festive mood despite the outcome of the Broncos Boys' Basketball finish against Exeter last week. See story on page 10.

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## Planning Board Votes to Sunset Non-Agenda Public Comment

CHRIS PAUL  
HUDSON TIMES

During the on Dec. 10 Hudson Planning Board, members voted 5-2 to end a trial period allowing public comment on non-agenda items. This decision concludes a three-month experiment despite some board

members favoring an extension.

Some of the key reasons given for the majority's decision included:

- Redundancy of Forum: Some board members argued that the Planning Board was becoming "just another place to voice your

opinion," noting that the same public comments were often already being delivered at Board of Selectmen meetings.

- Existing Input Channels: Members of the majority emphasized that the public already has

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## School District Grapples with the Rising Technology Costs

PAUL CONYERS  
HUDSON TIMES

The Hudson Budget Committee met on Dec. 11 to finalize its contribution to the upcoming school budget after several earlier meetings. SAU81 Superintendent Dr. Dan Moulis presented the district's technology spending plan, highlighting growing costs for hardware and software replacements.

"A couple of things that popped out to me," said Committee member Kevin Walsh. "On page four, you talk about the tech equipment replacement - the switch replacement has up to a 46% discount. Is this the discounted price? Or is this the gross price and you're expecting to have a

discount for the \$90,000?"

Moulis confirmed that the \$90,000 figure reflected the discounted price, noting that even with savings, replacing obsolete servers had become more expensive than anticipated.

"Those switch-server costs, in the last two years in particular, have increased exponentially," he said.

Staff laptops were another priority for SAU81 officials, as many devices are now over seven years old. These expenses come on top of student laptop purchases, which raised questions from Committee member Shawn Jasper.

"If you go into the detail on the IT for grade six, we're buying 250 laptops. In grade six, we have 160

students," Jasper said. "We're budgeting for 80 more laptops than we have students. There's something wrong there."

Board member Donna Boucher noted a similar discrepancy for grade nine.

"It seems like it's overstated by at least a little bit - maybe a ten percent cushion sounds generous," added Committee member Bob Wherry.

Moulis promised to review the numbers, explaining that the district follows a "refresh cycle" for critical equipment like laptops, which represents an annual, ongoing cost.

"We do try to shop around to see where we can get the best vendor," he

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## Proposed State Bill Could Shift Library Governance to Towns

PAUL CONYERS  
HUDSON TIMES

At the latest meeting of the Rodgers Memorial Library Board of Trustees, members discussed a proposed bill before the New Hampshire legislature that could significantly change library governance.

"There's new legislation some representatives want to add. What they want to add is a new section about public libraries where a municipality may, according to the provisions of RSA 39:3, elect to have a municipality's governing body assume control of the governance of the library," explained Vice-Chair Lisa Weber. "If a municipality assumes control of the pub-

lic library, the Library Trustees shall serve in an advisory role to the governing body."

Framed as an amendment, the bill would allow a town council or board of selectmen to assume direct control of a local library if approved by voters. A public hearing on the bill is scheduled for January.

"If a municipality determines they want to put this on the ballot, it can be voted on," said Library Director Linda Pilla. "It would be something somebody would want to do, then it would have to make it on the ballot, then it would have to be approved by the electorate in town."

Pilla noted that the leg-

islative process is still in its early stages and the bill could change.

"I don't know, I'm not a representative, but it seems to me that there's always a lot of discussion that goes into these things," she said.

Supporters argue the measure would give towns greater flexibility in library governance, though concerns remain about reducing the authority of trustee boards.

On the town side, Selectman Bob Guessferd reminded residents of upcoming budget and voting sessions.

"Once we get through the holidays and we're on the other side in January,

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# School Board Facing Deadline Pressure on Warrant Articles

PAUL CONYERS  
HUDSON TIMES

On Dec. 17, the Hudson Budget Committee met to review final items related to the upcoming school budget, including drafts of several warrant articles. These ranged from collective bargaining agreements to maintenance projects.

“Warrant Article 6 is the fire alarm panel replacement at Alvirne High School,” explained SAU81 Superintendent Dr. Dan Moulis. “The next one in this series is Warrant Article 7, science labs renovation at Hudson Memorial School. ‘Shall the Hudson School District vote to raise and appropriate a sum of up to

\$125,000 to upgrade one science classroom/lab at Hudson Memorial School?’”

Other articles addressed long-term planning, including contributions to capital reserve funds and creating a health insurance expendable trust fund to help cover premiums.

“It would raise and appropriate the sum of \$1 to be added to the fund and further, to name the Hudson School Board as agents to expend from this fund,” said Moulis, referring to the final warrant article expected on the ballot.

Articles exceeding the operating budget and those tied to collective bargaining were expected to use the

June 30 fund balance rather than tax revenue.

“How much is in the capital reserve fund now for school renovation?” asked Committee member Kevin Walsh.

Moulis did not have the figure but promised to provide it soon.

Committee member Randy Brownrigg questioned why certain repairs required warrant articles.

“Things like the HVAC and alarm system need to be replaced, but you’re given such a huge budget in your general fund. Why not just take it out of there and fix it right away?” he asked. “Why go to a warrant article?”

Moulis said those repairs were opportunistic and anticipated leftover funds in the June 30 balance.

As of mid-December, the School Board was still reviewing all warrant articles - a delay that drew criticism.

“We clearly do not have the completed warrant articles. We were just told the School Board is still working on them, but you told us that the School Board is not meeting again until the middle of January,” said Vice-Chair Kim Rice. “How is the School Board going to get these warrant articles done?”

Rice doubted the articles would be ready for the Jan. 8 public hearing.

“This can’t wait until the next meeting,” said Chair James Lawrence. “We’re going to be requesting that the School Board take action on these warrant articles before our public hearing.”

Rice noted this was not the first time items arrived late.

“Why are we having such a difficult time this year?” she asked. “We did not have this problem last year when we were doing the school budget. I do not understand the conundrum we are having this year where everything has come to us so late.”

School Board liaison Daniel Kilgour cited unex-

pected issues, including a recent health insurance assessment, as factors delaying estimates.

“That may be an adequate answer for why we didn’t get the budget, but that has nothing to do with why we didn’t get the warrant articles,” said Committee member Shawn Jasper. “We can argue about why we got the budget so late, but now this is just bizarre.”

Kilgour agreed to push for a special meeting before the Jan. 8 deadline.

“I have full faith that Mr. Kilgour will get the School Board to get us a date that will get us the approved warrant articles,” said Lawrence.

## School Board Urges Alvirne Students to Engage in Deliberative Session

ALEX MALM  
HUDSON TIMES

Although the Deliberative Sessions for both the Town of Hudson and the Hudson School District are still weeks away, School Board member Dan Kilgour used his comments during the most recent meeting to encourage residents - and especially Alvirne High School students - to participate.

“I would encourage some of our voting Alvirne students to attend these Deliberative Sessions,” Kil-

gour said, stressing that their voices matter in shaping decisions.

“These decisions that are being made by us and the Budget Committee and every other committee that is involved with schools - they impact you, and we need your input.”

Hudson School Board Vice Chair Mike Campbell echoed Kilgour’s remarks, continuing his long-standing advocacy for civic engagement and voter participation.

Adding to the discus-

sion, one Alvirne senior who recently registered to vote shared why attending matters:

“I just turned 18, and this will be my first time voting,” the student said. “It’s important for us to show up because these decisions affect our school and our future. If we don’t speak up, someone else will make those choices for us.”

### Key Dates for Public Participation

Residents will have several opportunities to weigh

in on the FY27 budgets before Election Day:

- Budget Committee Public Hearing: Thursday, Jan. 8 at 7 p.m. at the Hudson Community Center (12 Lions Ave). Both the Town and School District budgets will be discussed.

- Town Deliberative Session: Saturday, Jan. 31 at 9 a.m. at the Hudson

Community Center.

- School District Deliberative Session: Saturday, Feb. 7 at 9 a.m. at the Hudson Community Center.

- Town and School District Elections: Tuesday, March 3.

Kilgour stressed that attending deliberative sessions gives residents - and students - the chance to

influence warrant articles and budget decisions before they appear on the ballot.

“You have the ability to make changes at the deliberative session,” he said. “Your participation matters.”

The next Hudson School Board meeting is scheduled for Jan. 12 at 6:30 p.m.

## Library

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there’s a lot of things that are going on with regard to budgets and the voting,” said Guessferd. “My plea, as always, is to urge and encourage people to vote. Before that, they should attend the deliberative sessions, which are on the first two Saturdays of February - one for the town and one for the school. There’s actually

a public hearing on the budget before that.”

The Rodgers Memorial Library Board of Trustees falls under the town portion of the budget, which was presented to the Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee last month.

“We very much want to make sure that citizens have every opportunity to provide their input,” said Guessferd. “You have, as a citizen body, the ability to change things in the deliber-

ative session: to reduce dollar values, change dollar values, change wording, things like that. So, exercise those rights, and of course, come out and vote in March.”

He noted that turnout for the March election is “notoriously low” most years.

The Rodgers Memorial Library Board of Trustees will meet again on Wednesday, Jan. 21, 2026, at 6 p.m.



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# Hudson Resident Urges Planning Board to Weigh Tax Impact in Decisions

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HUDSON TIMES

The Hudson Planning Board met on Dec. 10 to hear public input from a resident concerned about rising property taxes.

"I believe it's quite appropriate, and I've received phone calls from people, to discuss property taxes with the Planning Board," said Jim Dobbins. "The Planning Board has a direct impact on residents' property taxes by the decisions that it makes here."

While the Planning Board does not set tax rates or manage the town budget,

it oversees new projects, subdivisions, and site plans, and plays a key role in updating the town's Master Plan.

"My town taxes are up 95% over the last ten years. They're up 45% over the last five," claimed Dobbins. "Over the past decade, we're looking at a 37% inflation rate for the town, but a tax rate that's up 95%, so we have a little bit of a discrepancy. My understanding is that this year the town is using \$1.3 million in cash reserves to lower the property taxes and minimize the impact.

Now, that's just kicking the can down the road."

Dobbins argued that town growth does not justify the sharp increase in taxes and pressed the Board to consider long-term infrastructure costs.

"What is this board doing to truly understand the infrastructure needs and costs on the plans it approves and the revenue needed to cover those costs for the next five, ten, 20 years?" he asked. "Increased costs are being driven by CRI development: commercial, industrial, and retail - not population. When

was the last time this board did a comprehensive review on impact fees for these types of developments? Are the rates sufficient to cover the costs that they're creating? Are they increasing at or above my tax increase rate? Please tell me you don't use a simple inflation rate, as my 95% tax rate increase does not equal a 37% inflation rate. Residents lose and developers win. The state allows us to set our own impact fees as a town."

As is standard for public comments on non-agenda items, the Planning

Board did not respond directly. However, Board member James Crowley later noted that the Board should place greater emphasis on community development when reviewing projects, including their impact on infrastructure.

The meeting also included several deferrals, such as a site plan for a proposed car wash at 9 Morgan Rd. Erik Poulin of Jones and Beach Engineers apologized for the delay.

"We have no intention of wasting the Board's time or any member of the pub-

lic's time," said Poulin. "With that, we do respectfully request a continuance on this application."

Poulin requested to present at the Jan. 28, 2026, meeting - a date also scheduled for a 12,000-square-foot, multi-tenant retail building at 1 Bockes Rd. Due to expected high public turnout for that project, Planning Chair Tim Malley announced a venue change.

"We will be relocating this meeting to the old library," said Malley. "It has a much larger room capacity."

## Conservation Commission Seeks to Improve Cooperation with Boards & Committees

PAUL CONYERS  
HUDSON TIMES

The Hudson Conservation Commission met on Dec. 8 to discuss a draft of that annual work plan and a schedule for necessary workshops. Chair Carl Murphy wanted 2026 to be "more deliberate" for the Conservation Commission, while Commissioner Chris Cameron developed an extensive list of upcoming priorities related to Hudson's zoning code.

"My thoughts were to review some of the town standards that impact the applications we review," explained Cameron, who raised the possibility of increasing collaboration with other town officials. "We'll talk with them, find out what the goals are of the Planning Board, what the

goals are for town staff, and we'll see if we can find out any alignment with conservation goals."

"We're working on refining our process, like what we do in the workshop, for instance," added Vice-Chair Ken Dickinson, who noted that the Commission previously had some issues following up on some older ideas.

Cameron wanted to focus on applications related to subdivision regulations, a relatively common request in Hudson. Open space preservation was also considered a major priority for the Commission.

"When you say 'subdivision,' what exactly are you talking about?" asked Selectman Liaison David Morin. "You guys have a focus, and that's on conser-

vation. When you say 'subdivision,' you make it sound like you want in on the plan."

He reminded Commissioners that their mandate was defined by state law to input on environmental issues, especially those related to the impact a project could have on local wetlands. Groups like the Zoning Ordinance Review Committee (ZORC) are in charge of making changes to Hudson's zoning code. Cameron indicated that the Conservation Commission had struggled to make its priorities known to ZORC.

"We haven't had any traction with ZORC," said Cameron. "I just don't think ZORC allows enough time or flexibility to talk about a lot of the things we might want to propose."

He claimed that many suggestions related to conservation priorities were rejected by ZORC for a variety of "technical reasons."

Commissioner Kathryn Griswold admitted that they did not always have an in-depth understanding of how ZORC operated.

"I attended ZORC meetings, but made it clear I was not voting; I was just there for informational purposes and to understand the process," said Griswold.

She stated that the Conservation Commission has two representatives on ZORC.

"We could make our workshops general ZORC preparation workshops," said Griswold. "Why don't we just make sure that we have ZORC workshops on

the calendar, and when we go to those workshops, we have a very streamlined focus."

Any proposed changes would need to be approved by voters, while any recommendations would need approval from at least a majority of the Conservation Commission, although the preference was to have a consensus on proposed changes.

"Moving forward, obviously all are invited to attend these workshops and to discuss what we want to put forth," said Murphy, who scheduled a ZORC workshop for the third week of January.

The next meeting of the Hudson Conservation Commission is scheduled for Monday, Jan. 12, 2026, at 7 p.m. in the Buxton Meeting Room at Town Hall.

## OBITUARY

### James H. Monroe



James H. Monroe, 83, of Londonderry, NH, died Friday Dec. 19, 2025 in the Southern NH Medical Center in Nashua, NH, surrounded by his loving family. He was born on July 17, 1942 in Jamestown, NY, and had been a resident of Londonderry since 1994, formerly living in Jacksonville, NC. Jim was a US Navy veteran retiring after 30 years of service. He was a member of the VFW Post 5791 in Hudson, NH. Jim was an avid reader and had enjoyed golfing in the past.

He is survived by his loving wife, Shirley Monroe of Londonderry. Jim was the proud father of Michael Monroe of Londonderry, and the cherished grandpa to Emory Monroe and Callahan Monroe.

Following cremation, a private graveside service will be held at the NH State Veterans Cemetery in Boscawen, NH. The Peabody Funeral Homes and Crematorium of Derry and Londonderry are assisting the family with arrangements.



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# Editorial

## Winter's Gift: Time, Tradition, and Hope

Winter arrives quietly after all the holiday craziness. As we take a moment to look around at the bare trees, the crispness in the air, and the hush of snow reminds us to pause and breathe. It's in these still moments we feel the weight and wonder of time. Geoffrey Chaucer's words echo: "Time and tide wait for no man." The year behind us is gone, and the road ahead stretches forward, whether smooth or winding.

This season invites reflection as we look back at days gone by - Auld Lang Syne, as Robert Burns wrote in 1788, meaning "old long since" or "for old times' sake." The song plays at midnight, and though few know all the words, its melody carries a promise: memories matter, but life moves on. Finché c'è vita c'è speranza - "As long as there's life, there's hope."

That brings us to tradition, which holds wisdom and helps us navigate life's complexities. For some, it's the countdown and the kiss at midnight. For others, it's gathering around a table filled with warmth - perhaps a steaming bowl of pasta, crusty bread, and rich espresso shared with family. Italians say: A tavola non si invecchia (At the table, one does not grow old.)

In hard times, that truth feels even more precious. Food, laughter, and love can slow the clock - if only for an evening. After all, Quel che sarà, sarà (what will be, will be).

Winter is not just cold; it is comforting in its own way. It reminds us that life's beauty often hides in simplicity: a walk through fresh snow, a pot of sauce simmering on the stove, a phone call to someone we miss. These small acts are threads that tie us to the past and weave hope for the future.

And yes, these are hard times. The world feels uncertain, and challenges weigh heavily. But winter teaches resilience. Beneath the frozen ground, roots hold firm, waiting for spring. In the same way, we can hold fast to kindness, gratitude, and faith that brighter days will come.

We cannot change the world overnight, but we can brighten our own corner. Light a candle. Share a meal. Offer kindness. These gestures ripple outward, warming hearts in a season that can feel long and lonely.

As the new year dawns, let us embrace winter's gift - a pause to cherish what matters most. Time will march on, but we can choose how to fill it: with generosity, with laughter, and with moments that linger like the comforting aroma of fresh bread in a cozy kitchen. La Dolce Vita (The Sweet Life) is something we can all hope for.

From our family to yours, may this winter bring peace, joy, and hope for brighter days ahead.

So raise a glass, Chin Chin, Buon Anno (Happy New Year!)

## School Board Approves Updated Instructional Resources Policy

ALEX MALM  
HUDSON TIMES

The Hudson School Board recently held a second reading and unanimously approved updates to its Instructional Resources and Instructional Resources Plan policy, originally adopted in 2017.

The revised policy emphasizes the Board's responsibility to ensure that each school maintains a developmentally appropriate collection of resources aligned with all grade levels.

"All instructional resources will be selected based on their ability to provide quality learning experiences for students," the policy states, outlining key criteria:

1. Enrich and support the curriculum.
2. Stimulate growth in knowledge, literary appreciation, aesthetic value, and ethical standards.
3. Provide background information for informed judgment.
4. Present various viewpoints on important issues.
5. Represent diverse religious, ethnic, and cultural groups contributing to American heritage.
6. Remain current and accurate.
7. Depict cultural diversity and pluralism in an unbiased way.

8. Match appropriate skill levels for students.

The policy also requires resources to include a variety of media - books, online materials, equipment, and technologies - to support curriculum and student learning needs. Materials must be age-appropriate, high-quality, and aligned with district goals.

Additionally, the updated policy calls for instructional resources to integrate concepts such as:

- Efficient and effective information access.
- Critical evaluation of sources.
- Proper citation and avoidance of plagiarism.
- Creative and accurate use of information.
- Appreciation of literature and creative expression.
- Ethical behavior regarding information and technology.
- Participation in collaborative information-seeking.

### Implementation of the Instructional Resources Plan

The policy directs the Superintendent or designee to prepare, maintain, and

implement a written plan for the ongoing development, organization, acquisition, maintenance, replacement, and updating of curriculum and learning resources.

Key details include:

- **Timeline:** The plan must be presented to the School Board no later than Sept. 30 every third year, beginning in 2026.

- **Scope:** The plan will outline how resources are evaluated for relevance, accuracy, and alignment with district goals. It will also include strategies for replacing outdated materials and integrating new technologies.

- **Access:** Each school's resources must be organized and accessible to students, staff, and parents through circulation policies designed to maximize use.

- **Monitoring:** The plan will include procedures for regular review and updates to ensure resources remain current and meet instructional needs.

The School Board unanimously approved the updated policy during the meeting.

The next Hudson School Board meeting is scheduled for Jan. 12 at 6:30 p.m.

## School

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said. "We do try to buy those in a little bit of a bulk package, because we do get a little bit of a discount."

Committee member Randy Brownrigg questioned whether students truly needed laptops at home.

"Do the students really need a computer to do all the work? Why can't they do all of this work at school?" he asked.

Moulis responded that

much homework is now posted and submitted electronically, making laptops essential for flexibility.

Committee Chair James Lawrence noted that the total technology request was approximately \$2.5 million, including personnel, hardware, and software costs. While acknowledging that salaries remain a major expense, Moulis said one technical position had been removed from the 2026-2027 budget.

"You say that you're reducing your staff, but I'm

looking at your actuals from FY2025, and I'm looking at what your proposed budget is going in for this particular budget cycle, and you're about \$100,000 more than you were then. Was there some kind of shift in the salaries on your team?" asked Lawrence. "I would've assumed that if you remove a body from there, you'd see the number go down."

Moulis admitted he was unsure why the figure had increased and promised to review the numbers again.

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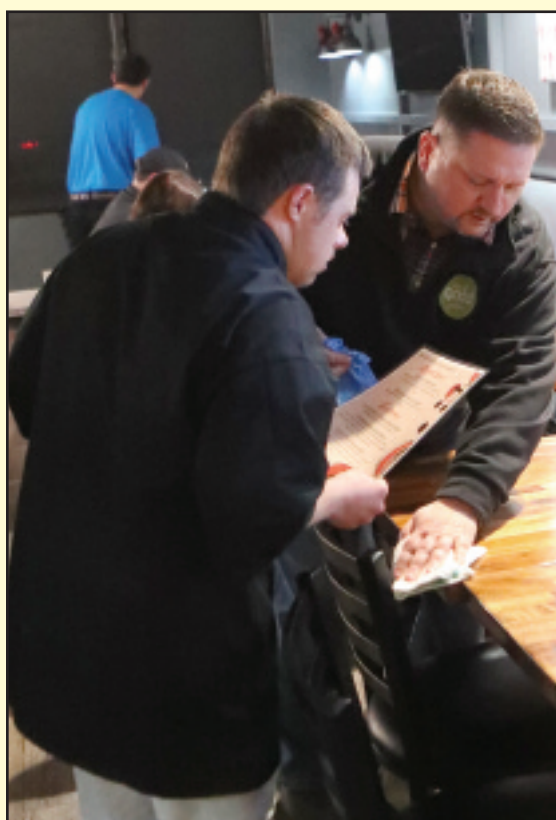
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# Capstone Project Brings Tristan's Groovin Cafe to Good Place



Alvirne High School senior, Darian Lindsay held her Capstone project at the Good Place on Tuesday evening, Dec. 16, transforming the dining room into "Tristan's Groovin Café."

Good Place owners allowed Darian to use the restaurant for her senior capstone project using the establishment as a full pop-up restaurant as a fundraiser for her brother Tristan, who has had a dream of opening his own café.

That dream became a reality on Tuesday night where Tristan designed his own special menu for people to choose from two choices of appetizer and three different entrées.

Those attending the event needed to place the orders in advance and were seated a specific time throughout the

evening.

All proceeds from the event were donated to the Tim Tebow Foundation, with tickets priced at \$20 for adults and \$15 for kids, and each dinner includes an appetizer, entrée, and drink.

All of the food and time was donated by the Good Place owners.

The Capstone is a mandatory, culminating senior project where students design and complete a real-world project, demonstrating skills from the Hudson School District's "Portrait of a Graduate," like critical thinking, research, and communication, culminating in a public presentation to the school and community to show their readiness for life after high school.

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# Planning Board Prepares Zoning Amendments for March Ballot

PAUL CONYERS  
HUDSON TIMES

The Hudson Planning Board's December meeting focused on scheduling and priorities for the coming year, including public hearings on proposed zoning amendments for the March ballot. Regular meetings will continue on the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month, with one exception for a holiday closure.

"It's pretty standard - these are all our second and fourth Wednesday of the month, with one of them off due to a holiday falling on a Wednesday we are closed,"

said Town Planner Brooke Dubowik.

Vice-Chair Jordan Ulery advised monitoring federal holidays for potential conflicts, while Chair Tim Malley suggested adding a third January meeting on Jan. 7 to meet legal requirements for public hearings.

"The last day to hold the first public hearing on those amendments is Jan. 12, while our first meeting is set for Jan. 14," explained Dubowik. "Jan. 14 will be the second public hearing."

The proposed amendments were compiled by the Zoning Ordinance Review

Committee (ZORC).

"Compared to prior years, we have a relatively small number of items being proposed. Through the ZORC meeting process, we have come up with five, which is the voted number for, that are being put forward," said Associate Planner Ben Witham-Gradert. "I will note that the first two are more or less required to go forward as they will bring our current ordinances into compliance with state law."

The required changes include allowing detached Accessory Dwelling Units

(ADUs) up to 950 square feet and permitting family group daycares anywhere in town.

"What happens if the voters vote this down?" asked Board member James Crowley.

Gradert explained that rejection would not override state law.

"The discretionary parts will not go through, and our text would remain the same, but state law does just override local law," he said. "In the state of New Hampshire, the state is the ultimate authority, and they give the municipalities power."

Hudson residents can

already add an ADU that meets state specifications, even without the local update. Other proposed changes include reducing setback requirements, adding "data center" as a permitted industrial use, and tying growth management practices to the most recent Hudson Master Plan.

Some changes, like setback reductions, were considered practical.

"If you look at the neighborhoods that are already established, most don't even meet some of these standards," said Dubowik, noting that the Zoning Board frequently grants variances for setback

requests.

Others aim to "future-proof" zoning regulations, such as adding data centers.

"Data centers tend to be different from other industrial uses," explained Gradert. "They're characterized by long periods of high noise due to cooling required, as well as very intense utility usage, both electricity and water. That's why it's proposed that they'll only be in the industrial districts."

Gradert emphasized that Hudson has no current data center proposals and such applications are unlikely in the near future.

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## Public Comment

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opportunities to provide input on all specific items listed on the board's official agendas.

• Procedural Preference: The chair and other majority members expressed a preference for keeping discussions focused within the board itself once a motion is on the floor, rather than allowing open-ended public

debate.

• End of Trial Period: The policy had been a three-month experiment, and the majority felt it had not demonstrated enough value to warrant a permanent adoption or extension.

The 5-2 vote proceeded despite arguments from dissenting members who suggested extending the trial for another three months to

see if more constructive use of the time would develop.

The original reason for conducting the came from Warrant Article 28, an advisory measure passed by Hudson voters during last year's March Elections. That article directed all public meetings in the town to include dedicated time for public input. This article is closely tied to the discussion regarding the sunset of public comments.

A three-month trial period for public comments on non-agenda items was adopted by the Planning Board in September of this year as a temporary measure. This experiment aimed to assess the impact of allowing residents a dedicated time to discuss topics not listed for action on the agenda.



### HUDSON SCHOOL DISTRICT PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE FY 2027 BUDGET HEARING

The Town of Hudson Budget Committee will hold a public hearing on Thursday, January 8, 2026 at 7 p.m., at the Hudson Community Center, 12 Lions Avenue, Hudson NH to discuss the proposed school budget for fiscal year 2027.



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# Hudson Memorial and CTE Center Outline Plans for 2026-2027

PAUL CONYERS  
HUDSON TIMES

The Hudson Budget Committee met on Dec. 12 with Superintendent Dr. Dan Moulis and Business Administrator Jenny Graves to review proposed spending for Hudson Memorial School and Alvirne High School's Career and Technical Education (CTE) Center.

"Successes and opportunities that Principal Bowen wanted me to call out include improved academic outcomes, curricular alignment work, and the launch of an academic accelerated program at Hudson Memorial," said Moulis. "Principal Bowen is asking for bike racks, display cases, and sports netting along the wood line for the soccer program - they're losing lots of soccer balls in the brook beyond the field."

Hudson Memorial currently serves 593 students and employs 93 staff members, according to Oct. 1 enrollment figures. The school recently completed several expansions, including a new science lab. The proposed 2026-2027 budget does not include major staffing changes.

"The only staffing request I have here that is new is moving the part-time family consumer science teacher to full-time," Moulis explained. "Overall, the proposed budget for Hudson Memorial School compared to FY 2027 shows a decrease of \$8,898.46."

Committee members raised questions about specific programs.

"Could you give a couple sentences about kickboxing at this particular school?" asked Committee member Bill Cole, noting several thousand dollars allocated under physical education. "It's one thing to

play with hula hoops and volleyballs; it's another to be doing martial arts without proper supervision."

Moulis clarified that kickboxing is part of physical education, along with cross fitness and strength training. While Hudson Memorial does not employ a certified martial arts instructor, teachers hold "well-rounded certification across all physical education domains."

The discussion then shifted to Alvirne High School and its CTE Center.

"We're now including three diploma pathways for

students: the core diploma, the traditional diploma, and, new this year, the distinguished diploma," said Moulis. He added that Alvirne participates in a dual enrollment program with the local community college. "We're also adding two new elective courses within the CTE department to provide computer literacy options and serve as feeder courses for our accounting and marketing programs."

Enrollment at the CTE Center is complex, with 613 students - many from surrounding towns - and 142 staff overseeing Alvirne and

CTE programs. Additionally, the district is considering a Smart Hall Pass system. "What is the Smart Hall Pass?" asked Committee Chair James Lawrence. Moulis explained that it is an electronic hall pass system, increasingly popular in larger high schools. Lawrence also asked about salary and benefit costs for Alvirne and CTE staff. Graves noted that exact figures were not available at the Dec. 12 meeting, but staffing costs remain a major factor in the overall 2026-2027 school budget.

taxpayer dollars. "I think it's an excellent use of the money," Dumont said. The board unanimously approved releasing \$15,669 for the purchase. As of Nov. 30, the Hudson Logistics Center Public Safety account held over \$1 million, according to Cayot's memo. The next Selectmen meeting is scheduled for Jan. 13 at 7 p.m.

## Selectmen Approve Release of Logistics Center Funds for Police Equipment

ALEX MALM  
HUDSON TIMES

The Hudson Board of Selectmen recently approved a proposal to release funds from the Hudson Logistics Center Public Safety account.

"The Police Department requests to meet at the next scheduled Board of Selectmen meeting on Tuesday, Dec. 9, 2025, to request approval to release \$15,669

from the Hudson Logistics Center Public Safety money as defined by condition 61(d) of the Hudson Planning Board decision dated Jan. 11, 2023," Hudson Police Chief David Cayot wrote in a memo to the board.

Cayot explained that the funds would be used to purchase training tools and equipment for mapping and diagramming accident scenes,

crime scenes, and buildings. The new technology would allow the department to create 3D renderings, which he said would be beneficial in multiple scenarios.

"Three-D mapping could be used for crime scenes, buildings, any areas in town," Cayot told the board.

While the equipment could be used for various

purposes, Cayot noted its primary application would be for collision investigations. Previous funds were used to purchase drones, and the new equipment would integrate with those tools to produce detailed 3D models - something the department cannot currently do.

Selectman Heidi Jakob said the technology would improve efficiency and safety

by reducing the time officers spend at crash scenes.

Cayot added that testimonials from other departments show the technology can cut crash scene clearance times in half, allowing roads to reopen faster and reducing exposure for officers.

Board Chair Dillon Dumont supported the proposal, noting that it uses dedicated funds rather than

## School Board Updates Policies on Instructional Materials and Summer Activities

ALEX MALM  
HUDSON TIMES

At its most recent meeting, the Hudson School Board held a second reading on several proposed policy revisions, including updates to the Reconsideration of Instructional Materials and/or Library Resources policy.

Originally adopted in 2021, the revised policy outlines the process for parents or guardians who wish to challenge specific instructional or library materials.

"Parents/guardians of students currently attending the Hudson School District not in agreement with their child's school on its selection of library or instructional materials and who wish a particular book or other instructional material to be reviewed must submit a 'Request for Reconsideration of Instructional Materials' or 'Request for Reconsideration of Library Resources' form to the building

principal," the policy states. Forms are available at each school's main office. Upon receiving a request, the building principal will acknowledge it in writing and notify the Superintendent or designee, who will initiate the steps outlined in procedure KEC-R.

The policy also notes that parents with concerns about specific course material should refer to Board

Policy IGE.

"During the investigation, the instructional material will remain in use unless the committee votes to remove or restrict the material until a final decision is made," the policy adds.

The Board also approved updates to its Summer Activities policy, originally adopted in 2015 and revised in 2020.

"The Hudson School Board recognizes that student learning is an ongoing process and that it is important for students to engage in learning activities even when not attending school," the policy states. Suggested activities include summer reading lists, educational camps, extended learning opportunities, and career readiness programs.

The revised policy further explains that students may earn high school credit for approved summer activities that meet graduation competencies, as outlined in Board Policy IK. Students and parents are encouraged to consult with the Dean of Academics to ensure proper alignment.

The next School Board meeting is scheduled for Jan. 12 at 6:30 p.m.

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# Hudson Historical Society Opens Hills House to the Public



The Hudson Historical Society held its annual Open House recently at the Hills House. Rooms were festively decorated with the help of Alvirne CTE students for the holiday. Historical Society members were on hand to explain some of the history of the historic home, that was built in 1890 by the physician Dr. Albert Hills.

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# HUDSON SPORTS

## Admirals Begin with Strong Game, Finish Week at 1-2

CHRIS PAUL  
HUDSON TIMES

After opening the season with an overwhelming victory last week, the Alvirne-Milford Admirals cooled down a bit in their following games, falling in overtime in their second game, then ended the week with a 4-1 loss.

In the team's first game of the season, the Admirals burst onto the ice with seven goals from four different sources and allowed just one for a 7-1 victory against the Lebanon Raiders.

Alvirne-Milford traveled to Lebanon on Monday, Dec. 15, playing at the Stevens-Mascoma/Campion Rink in West Lebanon, where it took no time at all to get on the board, scoring just four-minutes in, where freshman forward Luke Green scored his first of three with an unassisted goal at 4:23.

The Raiders answered quickly, knotting the game at 1-1 less than two-minutes later, at 6:03.

The Admirals went ahead for good with a man advantage, after a Lebanon

interference penalty was called at 6:23.

Just 10-seconds into the power-play, senior defenseman Landen Briand scored with assists going to senior forwards Brandon Ganas and Mason Tomkins.

Ganas put his team up 3-1 before the period ended, scoring an unassisted goal at 9:39.

The Admiral squad opened up their lead in the second period, added three more goals, one on a power-play.

Green added two more goals for his first hat trick of the young season. The first was unassisted at 5:25 and the second, at 13:21, came with help from senior forward Chris Bozza and Briand.

Alvirne-Milford took a 6-1 advantage into the locker room before the buzzer sounded the end of the second period, when junior forward Dylan MacLeod scored at 14:53 on a one-man advantage. The assist went to Briand.

MacLeod and Briand combined for the final goal of the game also.

The team's new head coach, Kathy Griswold, was encouraged with the results in the first game of the season, saying, "The team played great. They're putting in a lot of work."

The Admirals first home game of the season didn't go quite as well unfortunately, suffering a heart-breaking overtime loss to the Spaulding Red Raiders at the Skate3 Arena in Tynsborough, Mass.

The Alvirne-Milford team took a 2-0 lead into the third period, where the Raiders battled back with two unanswered goals of their own to force an overtime period.

The Admirals first goal of the night came at 11:58 in the first period, with Green scoring assisted by Bozza and sophomore Brandon Hiltz.

Bozza made it 2-0 at 5:36 in the second period, with freshman Jameson Thurrott and MacLeod getting the assists.

In the third, the Raiders defense toughened up and their offense pressed for two for the tie, scoring at 7:28

and at 9:07.

The game-winner came at 4:48 in overtime.

Griswold wasn't discouraged with the defeat, saying, "It was a tough one tonight, but they battled hard, and I saw a lot of good things from the Admirals tonight on the ice."

The team ended the year in Dover, where they were only able to get one shot past the Green Wave goal tender and finished the week with a disappointing 4-1 defeat.

The Green Wave took a 3-0 lead with three unanswered goals in the second period.

The Admirals only goal came from Green with 1:33 left in the second period, assisted by Briand.

The Admirals are scheduled to begin the new year at home, on Saturday, Jan. 3, against Bishop Brady - MV, who finished the year at 0-3. The game is set to start at 5:40 p.m., at Skate3 Arena.



Alvirne senior forward Brandon Ganas had a goal and an assist in the team's first game of the season against the Lebanon Raiders.

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# Alvirne Broncos Boys' Basketball Begin Season at 2-1

CHRIS PAUL  
HUDSON TIMES

The Alvirne High School Boys' basketball got off to a fairly decent start this season, going 2-1 during the first three games of the season.

The team has a new look

and another new head coach this year, with a number of seniors graduating from last year's roster and the 2024-25 coach Mitchell Roy taking at job at Derryfield School leaving a coaching hole to fill.

Alvirne alum, and bas-

ketball all-stater, Sam Bonney-Liles is taking over this year, after working as an assistant coach at Plymouth State.

Bonney-Liles' team got to work this year by starting out on the road with a 39-28 victory over the Manchester Memorial Crusaders on Dec. 12.

In that game, the Broncos held the lead for the entire game, despite not hitting double digits per quarter until the second half.

Alvirne scored just nine-points in the first two quarters but were able to hold onto a 19-17 lead going into the half.

In the third quarter AHS was finally able to hit for double digits with 10 to lead by six heading into the final period.

In the fourth, the Broncos put up 11-points and held Manchester to six for the 11-point victory.

Senior forward Garrett Hall led the team with 16-points with fellow senior Sean Chipfunde putting up 15-points.

Newcomer Angel Kangar had five-points and Luke Norse scored three in the first win of the year.

Last week, on Tuesday,

Dec. 16, the Broncos had an easier time scoring in their home opener against the Goffstown Grizzlies where they edged out that opponent 60-57 to start the season at 2-0.

The two sides seemed evenly matched to start the game at 10-10 at the end of the first quarter, but the Broncos opened up a lead in the second by scoring 22-points and holding the grizzlies to 12-points for a 32-22 lead at the half.

Goffstown closed the gap coming out of the break, outscoring the home squad 20-16 to head into the final period with the Broncos leading 48-42.

In the final period, Alvirne allowed GHS to chip away at the lead again, but held on for the three-point victory.

Hall once again led the team in scoring with 16-points, with Chipfunde and Kangar both scoring 13-points.

Norse had two, three-pointers and a foul shot to finish with seven and Adam Wibowo had two from outside the arc for six-points in the victory.

Unfortunately three was not a charm in the team's final game of 2025 when they hosted the Keene Blackbirds on Friday night, Dec. 19, and lost 38-68.

The Broncos had the crowd feeling like they had a chance to come from behind most of the night,



Senior Sean Chipfunde tallies 15-points in the home game against Keene.  
Photos by Chris Paul

but a 17-7 run for the Blackbirds in the fourth dashed all of the fans holiday hopes.

Keene led their hosts 19-7 after one quarter, and 30-20 by the half after AHS was able to outscore them 13-11, but that would turn out to be the only highlight for the Broncos.

The Blackbirds went on to outscore the Broncos 35-18 in the final two quarters for the 30-point victory, giving them their first win

of the season.

Chipfunde had 15-points, with two three-pointers, to lead the team. Kegar had seven-points and Hall finished with just three baskets and five-points.

After the holiday break, the Broncos will play at Nashua South (1-1), on Tuesday, Jan. 6, followed by a home game on Friday, Jan. 9 against the Portsmouth Clippers (3-0), starting at 6:30 p.m.



Senior forward Garrett Hall led the Broncos in scoring in two of the first three of the season.

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# Hudson School Board Celebrates Junior ROTC Success

ALEX MALM  
HUDSON TIMES

During its most recent meeting, the Hudson School Board received an update on the Air Force Junior ROTC program at Alvirne High School following a recent unit assessment.

"Thank you for the opportunity to visit your school on Dec. 1, 2025, to conduct a Unit Assessment (UA)," wrote Gina C. Humble, Regional Supervisor for HQ Air Force Junior

ROTC, in a letter shared with the Board.

The purpose of the visit was to evaluate the program's performance and compliance with applicable laws, policies, and the Memorandum of Agreement between the school district and the U.S. Air Force.

"Congratulations! Your AFJROTC unit scored an impressive 92.5 and earned an overall rating of 'Exceeds Standards' for the UA, the highest rating

attainable," the letter stated.

The letter commended instructors for their leadership and mentorship.

"This outstanding achievement reflects the dedication and leadership of Colonel (Ret) Thomas Cole and Chief Master Sergeant (Ret) Sarah Sipe, who deserve special recognition for mentoring and guiding your cadets," Humble wrote. "The instructors and cadets exceeded the standard on six assessment

checklist items and had zero discrepancies - a noteworthy accomplishment. Thank you for your continued support in developing citizens of character for America."

Hudson Superintendent Dan Moulis said he included the letter in the public agenda packet to recognize the instructors and cadets for their achievement.

## Model UN Club Trip Approved

In other business, Al-

virne High School Principal Steve Beals presented a request from the Model UN Club for an overnight trip to the Boston University Model UN Conference, scheduled for Feb. 6 - 8, 2026.

"The participants would have daily activities on the Boston University campus and stay in an area Boston hotel," Beals wrote in a memo. "As in past years, the participant students would be happy to present their learning and experi-

ence to the Hudson School Board at a future date after the conference."

Beals expressed full support for the trip, noting that the Alvirne Trustees offered financial assistance, resulting in no cost to club members or chaperones, including Tyler McAlevy and Scott Rush.

The School Board unanimously approved the request.

The next School Board meeting is scheduled for Jan. 12 at 6:30 p.m.

# Hudson School Board Reviews November Discipline Report

ALEX MALM  
HUDSON TIMES

The Hudson School Board reviewed the November discipline report during its Dec. 15 meeting. The report, presented during the correspondence por-

tion of the meeting, compares discipline incidents from November of this year to the same month last year.

For November, ELC - Library Street, ELC - Dr. H.O. Smith, Hills Garrison, and Nottingham West all

reported zero detentions, matching last year's figures.

Hudson Memorial School recorded 10 detentions, down from 15 last November.

Alvirne High School,

however, saw a significant increase, reporting 160 detentions compared to 76 last year.

In-school suspensions also varied:

- ELC - Library Street and ELC - Dr. H.O. Smith each had one, up from zero last year.

- Hills Garrison had one, down from three last year.

- Nottingham West reported two, compared to zero last year.

- Hudson Memorial had eight, up one from last year.

- Alvirne High School recorded 15, up one from last year.

Out-of-school suspensions declined overall:

- Hudson Memorial had three, down from five last

year.

- Alvirne High School reported 11, compared to 16 last year.

- ELC - Library Street, ELC - Dr. H.O. Smith, Hills Garrison, and Nottingham West had none, while last year Nottingham West had three and Dr. H.O. Smith had one.

## New Policy on Personal Communication Devices

One of the new items tracked this year is personal communication device violations, following a policy adopted earlier this year in response to state legislation. The policy restricts the use of cell phones and similar devices during instructional time to minimize distractions and maintain academic integrity.

Violations are logged by school administrators and reported monthly to the School Board as part of the discipline report. Each violation is documented when a student uses a device in violation of classroom or school rules, such as texting during class or accessing social media. Repeat offenses may lead to progressive discipline measures, including detention or suspension.

For November:

- Hills Garrison reported two violations.

- Hudson Memorial had one violation.

- Alvirne High School recorded 21 violations.

The next School Board meeting is scheduled for Jan. 12 at 6:30 p.m.



## Food Pantry's Brings Holiday Cheer

The Hudson Community Food Pantry held its annual Christmas Distribution this week, delivering holiday essentials and heartfelt support to local families in need. The event was a success thanks to the efforts of Hudson firefighters, Hudson Police officers, and a dedicated team of pantry volunteers. Their collaboration brought joy, relief, and a sense of community to dozens of households during the festive season.

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# Presentation of Mary Academy Presents Annual “Always a King”



Presentation of Mary Academy presented its annual living Nativity program, “Always a King”, on December 12 at the Thompson Center for the Performing Arts. The event featured students performing Christmas carols, the school’s choir, instrumental performances, dances by members of the school’s Dance Club, instrumental and vocal soloists, and a living Nativity. The show told the story of Jesus’ birth and included Scripture narrations describing key events leading up to the birth of Christ.

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**Around Town Policy:** This section is meant to be used to announce free events to the communities. All Around Town/Calendar Items will be held to 100 words maximum. All free announcements in the Around Town/Calendar section can run a maximum of three weeks. The deadline for a submission is each Monday at 5 p.m. Please send items to [hudsontimes@nutpub.net](mailto:hudsontimes@nutpub.net).

## Cardboard Sled Race

The Friends of Benson Park and Benson Park Advisory Committee will be hosting their Cardboard Sled Race on Saturday, Jan. 10 from 1 - 3 p.m., at Benson Park. Fee to enter is \$10 and includes a cup of cocoa. (Snow date Jan. 17) Race is at 2 p.m., with judging to follow after.

## Trails Challenge

The Hudson Conservation Commission is seeking help to design a patch for the Hudson Trails Challenge. This patch will be awarded to hikers who complete hiking the over 20 miles of trails in Hudson's conservation areas and forests. The contest is open to residents of Hudson,

NH ages 5-17. Please limit your submission to 5 colors. One submission per artist. The top 4 designs will be eligible for an award and recognition. Submissions are to be returned to the Circulation Desk by Jan. 31.

## Buy-a-Brick and Show Gratitude

Preserve a memory and help the Friends of the Library support programs, events, museum and entertainment venue passes, and scholarships. FOL will engrave your purchased bricks with two lines (\$55) or three lines (\$80) with your special message. The order form is on Rodgers Memorial Library website click on the Friends page. The bricks are placed in the RML Walkway

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## Elementary Name Snowflakes

On Wednesday, Jan. 7 at 5:30 p.m., students in grades 1-5 are invited to create a cut paper snowflake using their name at the Rodgers Library.

## Homeschool Math through Art

On Thursday, Jan. 8 at 1 p.m., Homeschool students ages 6-12 are invited to create a cut paper snowflake using their name at the Rodgers Library.

## Zentangle Wreath Class

Join Diane for a two-hour

class at the Rodgers Library to create a wreath shape using the Zentangle Method and the tangle Foundabout on Tuesday, Jan. 6 at 6:30 p.m. & Wednesday, Jan. 7 at noon.

## Dungeons & Donuts

Come play Dungeons & Dragons and grab a donut at Rodgers Library on Saturday, Jan. 3 at 9:30 a.m. All skill levels are welcome.

## Technology Petting Zoo

On Thursday, Jan. 8 at 1 p.m., come at the Rodgers Library to explore and engage with a variety of fascinating gadgets.

## Rodgers Readers Book Club

This Rodgers Library club will meet on Thursday, Jan. 8 at 7 p.m. This month there will be no required reading and will instead bring our own books.

## Ice Cube Painting

Stop by the Rodgers Library to create a painting using ice cubes (water color and water) as your paint brushes on Saturday, Jan. 10

at 10 a.m. This program is for families with children.

## Mystery Lovers' Book Club

This Rodgers Library club will meet on Monday, Jan. 12 at 12:30 p.m. This month's book pick is "Murder on the Iditarod Trail" by Sue Henry.

## Genealogy Club

This Rodgers Library club will meet on Friday, Jan. 9 at 1:30 p.m. This month's presentation is "Focusing Your Research: Building a Targeted Genealogy Strategy."

## In Conversation with Author

Join the Rodgers Library on Monday, Jan. 12 at 7 p.m. for this virtual discussion with author Heather B. Moore about her recent release, "Julia", the untold story of Julia Child.

## How to Help When Someone You Love Uses Drugs

On Tuesday, Jan. 13 at 6:30 p.m., Drs. Kate and Jonathan Peters will be at Rodgers Library to discuss

steps and resources to help when someone you love uses drugs.

## Crying In The Wilderness: An Immigrant's Journey in Detention

Come to the Etz Hayim Synagogue on Thursday, Jan. 8, from 7 - 8 p.m., for a presentation by Becky Field. She has been photographing the lives of immigrants since 2012. The presentation is part of Etz Hayim Synagogue's Adult Continuing Education Program, Hot Topics and Cool Contemporary Stuff. Please visit [www.etzhayim.org/learn/adult-learning](http://www.etzhayim.org/learn/adult-learning) for a complete listing of Hot Topics. For more information, please contact Stephen Soreff, MD, at [soreffs15@aol.com](mailto:soreffs15@aol.com) or 603-895-6120.

## Family Pizza Dinner & Erev Shabbat Services

Join the Etz Hayim Synagogue for a free pizza dinner followed by potluck desserts (bring a nosh to share!) on Friday, Jan. 9, from 5:30 - 7 p.m. Book Bubbe, Leslie Kirshman, will read a story, and

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# Firefighters Join Forces to Brighten the Holidays for Local Seniors



Hudson Firefighters helped spread holiday cheer by providing snacks and drinks for a festive community outing organized by the Town of Hudson Recreation Department. Volunteers-including Teamsters Local 633 members Cheryl O'Brien and the author-drove senior citizens around town to enjoy Christmas lights aboard two buses donated by First Student. The ride was made even more special with volunteer tour guides Selectman David Morin and Hudson Police Chief Dave Cayot. Hudson Community Television was on hand to capture the joy of the evening, now in its third year. The event showcased the heart of Hudson's public servants and volunteers, all working together to give back and make the season bright.

## Around Town

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Shabbat service will be led by Rabbi Jonathan Biatch with musical accompaniment by Irina, Religious School Director. All are welcome! Please RSVP to office@etzhayim.org by Jan. 8, to plan for pizza.

### Sunday Family Camp

On Sunday, Jan. 11, from, 10 a.m. - Noon, this Etz Haymin event will take place with the Theme of Tu B'Shvat. Learn about how trees help us and may even get to try some special Tu B'Shvat foods! Please RSVP to sarahjohnplater@aol.com by Jan. 9 to ensure enough materials for the artwork. Visit [www.etzhayim.org/learn/grades-0-1](http://www.etzhayim.org/learn/grades-0-1) for more information.

### Drop In Stitchers

If you love to craft, whether it be quilting, knitting, crocheting, rug making or plastic canvas, you will LOVE this Rogers Library group! This group will meet on Fridays at 9:15 a.m.

### Digital Navigators

On Tuesdays at 1 p.m., Digital Navigators provide personalized, one-on-one support to help you with your

tech needs at the Rodgers Memorial Library.

### Baby Lapsit and Playtime

On Thursdays come to the Rogers Library at 10 a.m., for interactive stories and songs for babies and their caregivers followed by playtime.

### Explorers Storytime

On Fridays at 1:30 p.m., Rogers Library will have songs, stories, bubbles and a craft or activity for children ages 3-5 and their caregivers.

### Movers & Shakers

Come to Rodgers Memorial Library on Wednesdays at 10 a.m. and 10:30 a.m., (except the third week of the month) for a Toddler storytime for kids that don't sit still for long. Movement, songs, bubbles, and stories for ages 1-3.

### LEGO Racing

Build a vehicle from LEGO bricks and race it down a track at the Rogers Library on Wednesday, Sept. 24 at 5 p.m. This event is for ages 4+.

### Adventurers Storytime

On Tuesdays at 10 a.m.

(except the second week of the month), join Ms. Tanya for stories, songs, games, and activities at the Rodgers Memorial Library. For ages 3-5.

### Teen Hangout

On Weekdays at 2:30 p.m., middle and high school students ages 13+ are invited to enjoy the Rogers Library's teen space after school. Snacks, charging stations, video games, and crafts provided.

### Story Safari

On Tuesdays & Thursdays at 10 a.m., come to Benson Park for songs, stories, and bubbles! All ages welcome.

### Brunch Bunch

On Fridays at 11 a.m., Eat pancakes and talk about books you love or hate at Rodgers Memorial 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.

### 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.

### A Good Yarn

On Tuesdays at 5 p.m., come to the Rodgers Memorial 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.

### Laptop Donation Program

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### Overeaters Anonymous

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