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World Cup Wash

Members of the Hudson United Soccer Club were flagging down vehicles on Derry Road on Saturday to raise funds for the group. After finishing their day of sign-waiving, the Oukerro family (pictured) said they would be rooting for Spain in World Cup in the finals on Sunday where Spain beat Argentina 1-0. See more photos page 8.

Photo by Chris Paul

Benson Park & Dog Park Attract New Donations, New Volunteers

PAUL CONYERS
HUDSON TIMES

New donations and fresh volunteer support highlighted the July 16 meeting of the Benson Park Advisory Committee, where members celebrated recent contributions and prepared for several upcoming events

aimed at improving the park and engaging the community.

Chair Sue Clement announced a donation of \$250 worth of flowers for the park's Adopt-a-Spot program, calling it a welcome boost for volunteers who maintain landscaped areas throughout Benson Park.

"It's in commemoration of the 250th Anniversary of the USA and the centennial celebration of Benson's Wild Animal Farm," Clement said. "We really appreciate the flower donation, and all of our volunteers will be happy to hear

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Selectmen Advance Lowell Road Project with New Funding OK

ALEX MALM
HUDSON TIMES

A major roadway redesign years in the making moved another step forward this week, as the Hudson Board of Selectmen approved additional funding tied to state permitting requirements for the Lowell Road and County Road improvement project. The vote came after a detailed update from Development Services Director Elvis Dhima, who outlined both the history of the project and the challenges still ahead as the Town works through the state's environmental review process.

The effort began in 2019, when the Planning Board launched a compre-

hensive assessment to address longstanding traffic congestion and safety concerns along the busy corridor. Dhima said the resulting study examined multiple improvement scenarios before identifying a preferred long term solution: constructing a new roadway segment connecting Belknap Road to Lowell Road and converting the existing three-way intersection into a four-way intersection. The redesign is intended to ease traffic flow, reduce crash risks, and improve access for residents and businesses.

To advance the project, the Town must secure a Dredge and Fill permit from the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Ser-

vices (NHDES) for a proposed brook crossing. Dhima explained that NHDES recently requested additional information, including updated hydraulic analysis, flood condition data, mitigation alternatives, and supporting technical documentation. The agency's review will determine whether the Town's current submission is sufficient or whether additional engineering work is required.

"Town staff is currently working to address the latest round of NHDES comments internally in an effort to avoid or minimize the need for the additional change order," Dhima said.

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BOS Approve Dumont as Firefighters Union Liaison

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HUDSON TIMES

The Hudson Board of Selectmen spent much of its most recent meeting preparing for two major personnel matters: upcoming contract negotiations with the Professional Firefighters of Hudson IAFF Local #3154 and the hiring process for the town's next Zoning Administrator. Both discussions centered on assembling the right committees to guide the town through decisions that will shape operations for years to come.

Town Administrator Roy Sorenson began by outlining the timeline for negotiations with the firefighters union. The current Collective Bargaining Agreement expires on June 30, 2027,

and Sorenson said the town needs to begin work now to ensure a proposed contract is ready for Town Meeting voters next March. In a memo to the Board, he noted that assembling the negotiating team is the first step in that process.

During the meeting, Sorenson reviewed the requirements of Town Ordinance Chapter 75, which dictates the structure of all municipal negotiating teams. The ordinance calls for one Selectman to serve as liaison, the Town Administrator or a designee, one department head or supervisor, and a professional negotiator who acts as spokesperson. By standard practice, the Selectman liaison is typically the board member already assigned to

the department involved. Sorenson pointed out that Board Chair Dillon Dumont currently serves as liaison to the Fire Department and would normally fill the role.

The Board unanimously approved Dumont as the Selectman, officially forming the negotiating committee and allowing the town to begin preparing for contract discussions with IAFF Local #3154.

The Board then turned its attention to the hiring process for the town's open Zoning Administrator position. HR Generalist Michelle Brewster reported that the job posting is scheduled to close on July 15, with first round interviews expected to begin on July 21. Brewster recommended that

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Selectmen Set Tight Parameters as FY28 Budget Season Begins

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HUDSON TIMES

As Hudson prepares to enter another budget cycle, the Board of Selectmen used its most recent meeting to lay out detailed expectations for how department heads should craft their Fiscal Year 2028 proposals. The discussion, which stretched across several agenda items, underscored the Board's intent to balance fiscal restraint with operational needs at a time when residents and municipalities alike are navigating continued economic uncertainty.

Town Administrator Roy Sorenson opened the conversation by noting that early guidance is not only appropriate but necessary. Budget season, he said,

requires clear direction so departments can begin assembling their requests with a shared understanding of the Town's financial posture.

Sorenson reminded the Board that last year's directive limited department budgets to no more than a 2.5% increase, excluding labor and benefits, utilities, and contracted services. Any major initiatives or new programs were required to be submitted separately, either outside the department budget or as warrant articles. That approach, he said, helped maintain predictability while still allowing departments to bring forward significant needs for individual consideration.

For FY28, Sorenson

recommended an even more conservative stance: level funded budgets, aside from contractual obligations such as salaries. He explained that a level funded budget means departments should request roughly the same amount as the previous year, making only unavoidable adjustments. Items such as utilities, fuel, contracted services, and insurance would again be excluded from the directive, allowing the Town to focus on core operational costs.

"Economic uncertainty continues to be present," Sorenson said, noting that inflation, fluctuating energy costs, and broader national trends are affecting both household budgets and municipal opera-

tions. "A level funded budget is the most responsible starting point."

Sorenson also recommended continuing the practice of submitting major items or new initiatives separately as outside budget requests, a system that allows the Board to evaluate significant expenditures individually rather than folding them into operating budgets. To help manage expectations, he proposed capping outside budget requests at \$400,000, with the Board narrowing its focus to \$250,000. He emphasized that this cap excludes major cost items that should be presented as warrant articles and pre-viewed accordingly.

Board members offered

their own perspectives on how department heads should approach the process. Vice Chair Bob Guessferd cautioned against "artificially" limiting departments by discouraging them from expressing their true needs. He said department heads should present everything they believe is necessary to operate effectively, even if some items ultimately fall outside the Board's budget directive.

"We don't want to strain them to the point where they feel they can't ask for what they need," Guessferd said. "They should bring forward their full needs, and then we can evaluate from there."

Selectman Xen Vurgaropoulos agreed, suggest-

ing that departments submit both essential needs and a separate "wants" list for items that would improve operations but are not strictly required. He said this approach helps the Board distinguish between critical needs and enhancements that may be deferred or considered separately.

The Board's guidance now sets the stage for months of budget preparation, review, and deliberation. Department heads will begin assembling their FY28 proposals with the directive to maintain level funding, exclusive of labor and benefits, while submitting major items, new initiatives, and warrant articles separately for consideration.

Conservation Commission Plan Walkthrough for Latest Land Donation

PAUL CONYERS
HUDSON TIMES

A potential addition to Hudson's protected open space set the tone at the July 13 Conservation Commission meeting, where members prepared for a site walk of a newly offered land donation on Hedge Road. The 2.1-acre parcel, tucked between residential properties, wetlands, and a small private cemetery, prompted

questions about access, long term monitoring, and whether the land could realistically serve conservation goals.

"It's a piece of land that somebody would like to gift to us," said Chair Carl Murphy. "Before we accept the gift, maybe we should go to the property and see what it's all about."

Commissioners agreed to conduct a walkthrough

soon, though Director of Development Services Elvis Dhima noted that access may be tricky.

"I don't know if it's fenced or not, so I'm not sure where we can get access," Dhima said, pointing out nearby properties the Commission would need to avoid during the visit.

Vice-Chair Ken Dickinson, reviewing a map of the

parcel, said the land appeared unlikely to support development.

"I don't think there's any harm in walking through there," Dickinson said. "I don't think there's any harm in accepting the parcel. It already looks like it's inhibited from any development due to the cemetery and with a wetland that seems to bisect the property. It wouldn't be much usage to anybody else."

Secretary Chris Cameron raised questions about future monitoring responsibilities.

"We're going to be expected to monitor the property if we accept ownership?" Cameron asked. "How do we get access to the property for monitoring? If property around them gets blocked for some

reason, how do we get access here to monitor, and what happens if we can't?"

Dhima said the town would need a clear agreement with surrounding owners to ensure consistent access.

"I can ask the current owner how they get access to the land as of now," he said. "If I can get the answers and I think we somehow can't get access to it, we just won't go through the Board of Selectmen and won't accept."

The Commission voted to recommend accepting the donation pending a site walk and guaranteed access. All land gifts require approval from the Board of Selectmen.

The meeting also included updates on ongoing maintenance of existing conservation land. Murphy

reported significant trash removal during recent Trail Workdays at Rangers Town Forest.

"We removed a hood, a trunk, and two refrigerators," Murphy said. "There was a lot of building materials. We dragged it all out to Rangers Road and the Department of Public Works picked up the huge pile that we left."

One refrigerator still remains on the property.

Commissioners planned another Trail Workday before the end of the month, focusing on trail blazing around Tiger Road and preparing for a future bridge removal project at Robinson Pond.

The next meeting of the Conservation Commission is set for Monday, Aug. 10, at 7 p.m. in the Buxton Room at Town Hall.



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Planning Board Interviews Candidates to Fill Two Vacancies

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The Hudson Planning Board met on July 8 to interview two candidates seeking to fill open seats, including Alternate member Todd Boyer, who applied for a full time position. The meeting offered a closer look at how each applicant views the responsibilities of the Board and how they hope to contribute to Hudson's long term planning efforts.

Boyer, who has served as an Alternate for more than a year, told the Board he was ready to take on a larger role.

"I come before you tonight looking to be appointed to the permanent position for the Planning

Board," Boyer said. "As you all know, I have been an Alternate now for over a year, and in that time, I've only missed one meeting. My desire is to give back to my community. I have the ability to do that and I have plenty of free time... The law has always been an interest of mine."

Boyer also serves on the Zoning Board of Adjustment, a dual role that prompted questions from Board members about how he would manage cases that appear before both bodies. Planning Board member Ed Van der Veen asked whether one person could legally sit on both boards.

Boyer confirmed that state law allows it, but

acknowledged that it requires careful judgment to avoid conflicts. He described recent situations where he either participated or recused himself depending on whether his involvement could affect fairness.

"At our last Zoning Board meeting an applicant came before us, and although I sit on Planning, I was not present for any discussions and was able to sit for that," he explained. "However, there is now a case in front of Zoning that, if it is approved, will eventually come before the Planning Board. I did absolutely recuse myself and sat in the audience... Yes, there's a lot of thought process that goes into it, but I believe I have a

good handle on things and will continue to make the right decisions."

Several members expressed confidence in Boyer's ability to manage both roles responsibly.

"He's shown that he's proven he can do both of them, and I think he deserves a full member spot here," said Secretary Tim Lyko, noting Boyer's attendance record and willingness to recuse himself when appropriate.

The Board also interviewed Jesse James, who applied for an open Alternate position. James said he was motivated by a desire to be more involved in local government and to contribute to Hudson's future

development.

"One of the reasons I'm interested in this position is because I want to be involved in local government," James said. "I think local government is where the real changes happen that affect lives every single day. The work of this Board is what dictates how the Town of Hudson is going to develop in the future, and I'm committed to Hudson in the long run."

James acknowledged the learning curve associated with Planning Board work, especially when dealing with complex applications and long term planning documents. Vice-Chair Jordan Ulery asked him to explain his understanding

of the Master Plan, a key guiding document for the town.

James described it as a "set of rules and guidelines" to help determine whether proposals align with the town's vision. Ulery clarified that while the Master Plan serves as a guide, it does not carry legal authority during adjudication.

"When an applicant comes here, we're strictly held to an adjudication process," Ulery said. "What are the ordinances? What is state law? Does this comply? Does this not comply? That's as far as we can go."

Despite the technical nature of the work, James said he was eager to learn and contribute.

Workshop Outlines Suggested Changes to Update Zoning

PAUL CONYERS
HUDSON TIMES

Hudson's Planning Board and Zoning Board of Adjustment held a joint workshop on July 16 to review a series of recommended updates to the town's zoning ordinances, part of an ongoing effort to modernize language, clarify definitions, and address outdated regulations that have created confusion for applicants and town officials.

Engineer Steve Rickard of Fuss & O'Neill opened the session by noting that the review process has been underway for several months. "We wanted to give everyone an update on where we stand with that, and also solicit some input," he said.

Leading the ordinance review was Jay Minkarah, Executive Director of the Nashua Regional Planning

Commission (NRPC). Minkarah said he began by examining Hudson's definitions section to determine whether terms were still relevant and properly used throughout the ordinance.

"When I went into it, I figured a lot of them weren't, but almost all of them are, so that's good news," Minkarah said. "You've also done a pretty good job of updating them." He pointed to Hudson's recent update to its Accessory Dwelling Unit ordinance, which now aligns with state law, as an example of progress.

However, some definitions still need attention. Minkarah said all language related to junk and junkyards is outdated and inconsistent with state statutes. "I've updated that language," he said, noting that the Town Attorney had

already flagged the issue.

Planning Board Vice-Chair Jordan Ulery asked how the updated definitions would apply to companies that refurbish or remanufacture products. Minkarah explained that state law distinguishes between operations depending on the type of materials handled. Automotive scrap yards typically fall under the junkyard definition, while other types of remanufacturing may not. Historically, many vehicle scrap yards handled a wide range of parts, prompting stricter definitions to help towns regulate them.

Another major focus was Hudson's home occupation ordinance, which Minkarah described as "the strongest" he had ever seen. As written, he said, the ordinance effectively classifies anyone working re-

motely as a home occupation requiring a special exception.

"The way it's written now, pretty much anyone who's working remotely is considered a 'home occupation,'" Minkarah said. "If they don't have a special exception, they're in violation, and I don't think that's the intent."

He recommended updating the ordinance so that remote workers with no signage, no employees, no customer visits, and no external storage would be allowed by right. ZBA member Tristan Dion

agreed, noting that the Board receives "far too many" home occupation cases involving remote workers who pose no impact to their neighborhoods. Restrictions on commercial vehicles, signage, and non-residential storage would still apply.

The workshop also addressed Hudson's growth management ordinance, which Minkarah called "seriously out of date." The ordinance relies on findings from the 1990s and has little relevance to current development patterns. Director of Development

Services Elvis Dhima said updated findings would likely show that Hudson's growth is average or below average, making the ordinance unnecessary.

"If the indication is that our growth is average or below what's out there, then we have to ask if it justifies the cost of going through the growth management formula," Dhima said. "We have no use for it because we're growing below average."

All suggested changes will require formal approval before being adopted into Hudson's zoning ordinance.



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Editorial

Igniting a Change: Before the Flame Goes Out

Sometimes all it takes is a single spark to ignite a flame. But what do you do when one spark isn't enough? When people speak up, ask questions, raise concerns, and the response is silence, delays, or "we can't talk about that"? Do you stop trying to light the fire, or do you keep striking the match until something finally catches?

Right now, both Londonderry and Hudson are in moments where public trust is being tested. Investigations, legal bills, unanswered questions, and decisions made out of public view have left residents wondering what's really going on. And in times like these, complacency becomes the easiest trap to fall into.

Social media gives issues a quick burst of attention, a day, maybe two. A headline gets shared, people comment, argue, and then move on. But real change doesn't happen in a 24 hour cycle. It doesn't happen because someone posted once or attended one meeting. Change happens when people stay engaged long enough to see things through.

When residents turn up the heat, by asking questions, requesting information, attending meetings, and refusing to accept vague answers, they assume they're being heard. They assume facts will be shared, processes will be followed, and accountability will come. But assuming isn't enough anymore.

Author Robin Morgan said it best: "Knowledge is power. Information is power. The secreting or hoarding of knowledge or information may be an act of tyranny camouflaged as humility." That line hits hard right now. Because without access to information, people cannot hold

their government accountable. And without accountability, trust disappears.

It is not enough to acknowledge that something feels off. It is not enough to shrug and say, "That's just how government works." We cannot keep sweeping questionable behavior under the rug or accepting "ongoing investigation" as a permanent answer. Transparency is not optional. Accountability is not optional. Public trust is not optional.

And here's the emotional truth: a town doesn't lose its way all at once, it loses it slowly, when people stop paying attention.

Officials are only held accountable when people stay involved. That means attending meetings, even when they're long. Asking questions, even when the answers are uncomfortable. Requesting public records. Reading them. Speaking during public comment. Following up. Giving credit when it's deserved, and calling out problems when it's necessary.

Apathy is the easiest way to lose control of your own community. When residents stop paying attention, decisions get made without them. When people stop asking questions, power shifts quietly. And once that happens, getting it back is much harder than keeping it.

We all have the power to hold decision makers accountable. But power unused is power lost.

So keep going. Keep asking. Keep showing up. Keep pushing for answers. Because as one wise voice said, "Gather as much knowledge as you can, because information is power. And choosing how to use it is freedom."

And freedom, in any town, is worth fighting for.

Hudson Firefighters Volunteer at Statewide Explorer Training Academy



Several members of the Hudson Fire Department spent the past week volunteering at the New Hampshire Emergency Services Explorer Training Academy, a statewide program held at the New Hampshire Fire Academy & Emergency Medical Services campus in Concord. The weeklong residential academy introduces young adults to careers in firefighting and emergency medical services through hands-on instruction, drills, and realworld simulations.

Hudson firefighters joined instructors from across the state to teach dozens of students essential skills used daily in the fire service. Throughout the week, participants trained in fire ground safety and survival, ground ladder operations, vehicle extrication, rope rescue techniques, radio communications, and combined operations. Students also practiced emergency medical assessments and treatment, responding to simulated calls designed to mirror the intensity and unpredictability of real emergencies.

Department officials said the academy provides an invaluable opportunity



for teens and young adults to explore public safety careers while learning directly from working firefighters and EMTs. Hudson's volunteers assisted with instruction, supervised drills, and mentored students as they progressed through increasingly complex scenarios.

The department offered congratulations to all students graduating from the program, applauding their dedication and strong per-

formance throughout the week. "These young people worked hard every day," members said, noting that many graduates may go on to pursue fire service or EMS careers in the future.

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Zoning Board Debates Strategies to Control Impact of Population Growth

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HUDSON TIMES

Traffic concerns dominated the June 25 meeting of the Hudson Zoning Board of Adjustment, where officials confronted a familiar but increasingly urgent problem: the town's rapid population growth is outpacing its roads, zoning map, and long term infrastructure planning. With development continuing at a steady clip, Board members and staff wrestled with whether Hudson needs new tools, or even temporary limits on construction, to keep the community from being overwhelmed.

Associate Planner Ben Witham-Gradert opened the discussion by acknowledging the scale of the challenge facing Hudson and

other fast growing towns.

"With municipal traffic, there's no good fix," he said. "We have grown as a town at a rapid, rapid pace for several decades in a row, and municipal infrastructure doesn't do a good job at keeping up with that quick of growth."

Gradert noted that expanding major roadways, often seen as the most straightforward solution, would cost millions of dollars, far beyond what the town could realistically fund. He added that individual development proposals rarely generate enough traffic on their own to justify denial, even though residents feel the cumulative impact of many projects.

"On the planning side, it becomes really hard to deny

any one project because of the traffic," he said. "It's easy to say, 'This one project isn't doing much on its own,' because it's the cumulative effect of all the projects. Unless there is a push from somewhere to do a moratorium."

The idea of a construction moratorium, temporarily halting certain types of development, surfaced as one possible tool, though Gradert cautioned that moratoriums are typically short term measures requiring voter approval and periodic renewal.

Selectman Liaison Xen Vurgaropulos said the town may need to consider such options if it hopes to slow growth enough to let infrastructure catch up.

"Maybe that one little

business only adds 20 cars, but with the way we do planning, I don't feel like we do planning very well," Vurgaropulos said. "I'm not trying to knock anybody, but I feel we could do better because we have that mentality of 'well, it's just a little.'"

Gradert warned that denying projects based solely on traffic concerns could expose the town to costly legal challenges, especially when developers present traffic studies showing "minimal impact."

"Traffic is one of those things where if they have a report from a traffic engineer saying 'minimal impact,' it's hard for someone like the Planning Board to say, 'That's too much traffic, we're going to deny

your application,'" he said. "Land owners have their property rights after all."

He emphasized that Hudson's traffic problems stem not only from volume but from where that volume is concentrated. Much of the town's commercial activity is clustered along narrow corridors such as Central Street and Lowell Road, creating bottlenecks that worsen congestion.

"That's why the area around Lowell is always a pain point," Gradert said. "It's the densest section of business in any part of town in addition to being the main thoroughfare in that part of town."

Board member Dean Sakati suggested that Hudson's zoning map may need a closer look, especially in

areas where commercial or industrial zones sit directly beside residential neighborhoods.

"A lot of the time you'll have something designated 'General' or 'Industrial' right next to 'Residential,' and that's where a lot of your friction is created," Sakati said. "I think very loose zoning is a problem. There's got to be better ways for us to accommodate everyone."

Board members also discussed the possibility of creating incentive zones, areas where the town could encourage specific types of development, such as denser housing or particular business uses, to spread growth more evenly and reduce pressure on the busiest corridors.

Lowell Road

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However, if NHDES determines that consultant support is necessary, the Town would need to execute Amendment No. 5, a change order not to exceed \$80,500.

The Board unanimously approved the amendment, bringing the total contract amount to \$414,900. Funding, if needed, will come from Corridor Funds (2070000701: Zone 1 Traffic Improvements and

2070000702: Zone 2 Traffic Improvements), a source previously recommended by both the Planning Board and Development Services. Selectmen noted that approving the amendment now ensures the Town can respond quickly if NHDES requires additional work, preventing delays in the permitting timeline.

The Lowell Road project remains one of Hudson's most significant infrastructure efforts, and offi-

cials emphasized that while the permitting process is complex, each step brings the Town closer to long term improvements residents have been requesting for years.

In other business, the Board considered a donation request from the Hudson Fire Department. Fire Chief Scott Tice informed the Board that former Hudson Firefighter/AEMT Joshua Frumkin offered to donate his 2011 Honda Civic for use in auto extri-

cation training. Although the vehicle is non-operational, Tice said it would be valuable for hands-on practice during rescue drills.

Based on online appraisals, Tice estimated the vehicle's value at less than \$500, assuming it were running with significant issues. Once accepted, the vehicle will be moved to the department's Burns Hill Road facility, where it will be incorporated into training exercises.

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Mixed-Use Project Revises Plan to Reduce Environmental Impact

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HUDSON TIMES

Pressure to reduce wetland impacts and resolve months of confusion set the tone at the July 13 Hudson Conservation Commission meeting, where members reviewed a revised conditional use permit for The Meadows, a mixed-use development proposed for Central Street. After earlier plans drew criticism over communication lapses, buffer impacts, and zoning complications, the applicant returned with new sketches, updated engineering reports, and a promise that the project had been significantly reworked.

"We received your comments, we've taken those, heard you, and tried to modify the site plans as best we can to reflect those while

sustaining the functional use of the residential development," said Bryan Walsh, civil engineer with Verdantas. "There's the FEMA flood plain approval in there, which was requested, and there's a comment response letter dated July 6 that touches on 11 comments."

Walsh presented a new sketch showing reduced wetland buffer impacts, though he noted that one wetland crossing could not be eliminated without creating safety issues.

Speaking both as a resident and on behalf of the applicant, Dillon Dumont said the revised plan represented a "great improvement" and incorporated feedback from both the Planning Board and Conservation Commission.

"There's about an acre in reduction to buffer impact," Dumont said.

Despite the improvements, Secretary Chris Cameron said some areas still appeared avoidable.

"The driveway behind Building A on the plan is almost entirely in the buffer, and to me that doesn't seem justified," Cameron said.

Dumont argued the driveway was necessary for emergency vehicle access around the building.

"We can't make it any smaller," he said. "We have spent the last three months scrutinizing this plan."

Commissioners raised additional questions about drainage basins, riprap placement, parking layout, dumpster locations, and snow storage. Alternate

Makaela Murray warned that winter maintenance could have downstream consequences.

"The salt from snow runoff could have serious downstream effects to Benson Park and even just to the lawn quality of the development," Murray said.

Walsh and Dumont said they were willing to accept stipulations related to snow removal and stormwater management.

Wetland Scientist Caitlin Banaszak of Frontier Geoservices attended to clarify what legally qualifies as a wetland, noting that several vegetated areas on the property did not meet the required criteria.

"You need to have soils, vegetation, and hydrology for it to be a wetland," Banaszak said. "The soils

have set measurements."

This excluded some partially paved areas that initially caused confusion during early site flagging.

Murray also questioned the impact of lighting on wildlife.

"Do you propose to have twenty four hour lighting? How bright is it? Will it have an effect on the insects, bats, birds, and the species of the wetlands?" she asked.

Dumont said the project would use security lighting designed to be Dark Sky compliant, and that ecological considerations were incorporated into the review process.

A final point of contention was whether another site walk was needed. Several Commissioners had missed the original Plan-

ning Board walkthrough, and Vice-Chair Ken Dickin-son said updated impacts and new membership warranted a fresh look.

"You changed your application, you have different area impacts, and you have someone new on the Board sitting on the case," Dickin-son said. "We got your packets pretty late in the game, less than a week ago."

Dumont expressed frustration at the potential delay.

"We're seven months in - we were hoping for a recommendation tonight," he said.

After debate, the Conservation Commission declined to issue an immediate recommendation, leaving the revised plan pending further review.

Benson Park

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we reached that goal."

The flowers have already been installed at Adopt-a-Spot locations. Clement also reminded residents that a walking tour and unveiling of a centennial historical marker is

scheduled for Saturday, July 25 at 10 a.m., with a rain date of Sunday, July 26 at 10 a.m.

Looking ahead, the Committee discussed reopening its tree donation program for another year. Clement said the program

may resume this fall, with each tree costing \$1,200, including planting and one year of care provided by the Department of Public Works.

"If anybody is interested and would like to do a tree donation, now is the time to set that up," Clement said. She encouraged donors to contact her through information available on the town website. "We would set up a time to go over to the park and show some areas that are a good location and what particular tree

would be good for that area."

With a limited budget, Benson Park continues to rely heavily on donations and volunteer labor. For the August Volunteer Cleanup Day, Girl Scout Amy Campbell offered to gather donations for the volunteer lunch. Her troop will host the Cleanup Day on Aug. 15 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. The Friends of Benson Park encouraged residents to sign up online.

The Committee also heard updates from Ally

Web of the Friends of Hudson Dog Park, who reported changes in the organization's leadership.

"Two of our members resigned," Web said. "We do have new board members who were sworn in yesterday, and officially I am now the President for the Friends of Hudson Dog Park."

Web noted that both new members have been regular volunteers at past Cleanup Days. As a relatively new nonprofit, the Dog Park board is focusing on communication and improving park upkeep.

"We will be having a table at Old Home Day next month," Web said. "Come

by, say hi to the Hudson dogs, and hopefully we'll have lots of dogs popping through."

She also announced a change in maintenance responsibilities. Beginning Aug. 1, Regis Landscaping will take over mowing duties at the dog park, replacing the biweekly volunteer schedule. Web asked Cleanup Day volunteers to give attention to the outside perimeter of the dog park during their next visit.

The Benson Park Advisory Committee is scheduled to meet again on Thursday, Aug. 20 at 7 p.m. in the Hudson Cable TV Access Center.

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Selectmen Receive Encouraging Look at FY26 Year-End Finances

ALEX MALM
HUDSON TIMES

With the fiscal year officially closed, the Hudson Board of Selectmen received a detailed briefing on how the Town's finances finished for Fiscal Year 2026, offering an early look at spending trends, revenue performance, and what to expect as the annual audit gets underway. Town Administrator Roy Sorenson delivered the update at the Board's most recent meeting, noting that while the numbers are still unaudited, the preliminary outlook appears positive.

Municipal fiscal years run from July 1 through June 30, meaning Hudson has now completed FY26. Sorenson told the Board that the general fund was approximately 98% spent as of the end of June, before final encumbrances and audit adjustments. The Town currently has \$710,000 in encumbrances, funds committed to projects or purchases but not yet paid out,

which will be factored into the final audit. Without those encumbrances, Sorenson said the general fund would stand at 89% spent, a figure he described as healthy for year end.

Sorenson emphasized that the financial report presented to the Board reflects data through June 30, with the report run on July 8. "As this is end of fiscal year, it is important to understand that this report is unaudited at this time," he wrote in a memo. "Final resolution will not become true until the annual audit is complete."

During his presentation, Sorenson noted that most department budgets came in on or under budget, with the exceptions largely tied to salary lines. Retirements, resignations, extended vacancies, and overtime for shift coverage and seasonal demands all contributed to certain departments exceeding 100% in their salary accounts. These fluctuations, he said, are typical

in municipal operations and often balance out across departments.

On the revenue side, Sorenson highlighted several areas that performed better than in FY25. Motor vehicle registrations, the highway block grant, investment interest, and ambulance revenue all saw increases. As a result, general fund revenue reached 107% of projections according to the unaudited report, giving the Town a stronger revenue position heading into FY27.

Overall, Sorenson said he expects the final audit to confirm a stable financial year. "It generally appears that we will finish the year around 1.0% under budget based on preliminary data without any major reconciliation via the accrued time reserve fund," he said. The Town's Sewer and Water funds are expected to finish close to 100%, either at or slightly over budget depending on final revenue collections. Sorenson noted

that rate structures for those funds will need careful review in the coming months.

The Board thanked Sorenson for the update,

acknowledging that year this year.

end financial clarity is essential as Hudson prepares for the next budget cycle. The annual audit will finalize the numbers later

The next Hudson Board of Selectmen meeting is scheduled for July 28 at 7 p.m.

GFWC NH Hudson Women's Club Volunteers at Benson Park



Members of the GFWC NH Hudson Women's Club were out at Benson Park this week, lending their time and energy to support ongoing volunteer maintenance efforts. The group spent the morning working across several areas of the park, helping with weeding, cleanup, and general upkeep to keep the grounds looking their best for summer visitors.

Club volunteers have been regular contributors to Benson Park projects, often

partnering with other community groups and town committees to assist with beautification and conservation work. Their presence continues to make a noticeable difference, especially during the busy summer season when the park sees its highest foot traffic.

The Women's Club encourages residents to get involved in local service opportunities and welcomes new volunteers who want to support Benson Park and other community projects

Firefighters

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the Board establish a second round interview committee to evaluate finalists and present the most qualified candidate to the full Board for consideration.

Her proposed committee would include two members of the Board of Selectmen, Sorenson, Development Services Director Elvis Dhima, and Brewster herself. She explained that the Zoning Administrator works closely with multiple departments and boards,

making a multi-member committee essential for a thorough evaluation.

Sorenson added that the Board may want to include a representative from the Zoning Board of Adjustment, noting that the ZBA works closely with the Zoning Administrator and has participated in similar hiring processes in the past. Dumont agreed, saying it would be appropriate for either the Chair or Vice Chair of the Board of Selectmen to serve on the committee depending on availability.

After discussion, the Board unanimously approved Vice Chair Bob Guessferd and Selectman Xen Vurgaropulos as the Selectmen representatives on the interview committee, allowing the hiring process to move forward.

With both committees established, the Board set the stage for two significant efforts: negotiating a new contract for Hudson's firefighters and selecting the next official responsible for overseeing zoning and land-use matters in town.

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Soccer Club Raises Funds as World Cup Finishes Up



Members of the Hudson United Soccer Club held a Car Wash on Saturday, July 18, at Hills Garrison Elementary School to raise funds the group's upcoming season. The group had four stations set up to expedite the vehicles through the wash cycle. Adults assisted, but much of the labor was by the young soccer players.

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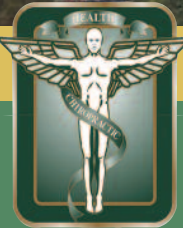
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Countdown to Old Home Days: Carnival, Fireworks, and Family Fun Return Aug. 6 – 9



The countdown is on for one of Hudson's most beloved summer traditions, Hudson Old Home Days, returning to the Hills House Grounds from Thursday, August 6 through Sunday, August 9. The annual celebration promises four days of carnival rides, live entertainment, delicious food, and community spirit, drawing families, neigh-

bors, and visitors from across southern New Hampshire.

Organizers say this year's event will feature all the favorites that make Old Home Days a highlight of the season: colorful midway rides, free kids' games, local vendors, and live bands performing throughout the weekend. Food trucks and fair-style conces-

sions will line the grounds, offering everything from fried dough and barbecue to ice cream and lemonade.

The festivities kick off Thursday, August 6 from 5 to 10 p.m., continuing Friday from 5 to 11 p.m., Saturday from noon to 11 p.m., and wrapping up Sunday from noon to 5 p.m. The centerpiece of the weekend, a spectacular

fireworks show, will light up the sky on Saturday night, weather permitting.

Old Home Days has long been a hallmark of Hudson's community life, blending small-town charm with big time fun. The event also serves as a fundraiser for local organizations and a chance for residents to reconnect after a busy summer.

"This is one of those weekends where everyone comes together," organizers said. "It's about celebrating Hudson's history, supporting local groups, and making memories with family and friends."

The celebration takes place at Hills House Grounds, 211 Derry Road (Route 102), across from Alvirne High School. Park-

ing and event details, along with the full entertainment schedule, are available at www.HudsonOldHomeDays.com.

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Drake Maye Draws Hundreds to Football Camp at Lancer Park



Hundreds of youngsters had the chance to meet Drake Maye last week in Londonderry during a football camp at LHS. Photos by Chris Paul

CHRIS PAUL
HUDSON TIMES

Hundreds of young football players and their families from Londonderry and surrounding communities packed Lancers Park at Londonderry High School on Friday, July 17, for the chance to meet and learn from New England Patriots quarterback Drake Maye.

Maye served as the featured guest at the football camp's second year hosted by FlexWork Sports Management.

The three-hour event welcomed campers ages 6 to 16, who were divided into age groups and guided through football drills by members of the Londonderry High School football

team and camp staff.

Throughout the afternoon, campers rotated through stations focusing on football fundamentals before taking part in a simulated game with Maye.

The Patriots quarterback spent time throwing passes, encouraging participants, interacting with the young athletes, and posing

for group photos with each camp session.

Before the camp began, Maye met with members of the media and spoke about the opportunity to connect with young football fans.

"It's great to see the faces of these kids," Maye said. "I've even been invited to six-year-old birthday parties. This is one of the coolest parts of being an NFL quarterback-making some of these kids' days and putting a smile on their faces. It puts a smile on my face too."

With Patriots training camp set to begin next weekend, Maye said events like the Londonderry camp provide a welcome mental break before the demands of the NFL season begin.

"It's something to get my mind off, kind of, the work we're about to go into," he said. "It's awesome for me to get out here and kind of get a fresh start for what we're about to get into in our own camp."

Maye added that he is eager to get back on the field as preparations begin for the

upcoming NFL season.

The Londonderry stop was one of three youth camps Maye participated in this summer—one in New Hampshire and two in neighboring Massachusetts—and marked the second consecutive year the event has been held in Londonderry.

The strong turnout highlighted the excitement surrounding the Patriots quarterback and provided local young athletes with an unforgettable experience just days before the start of NFL training camp.

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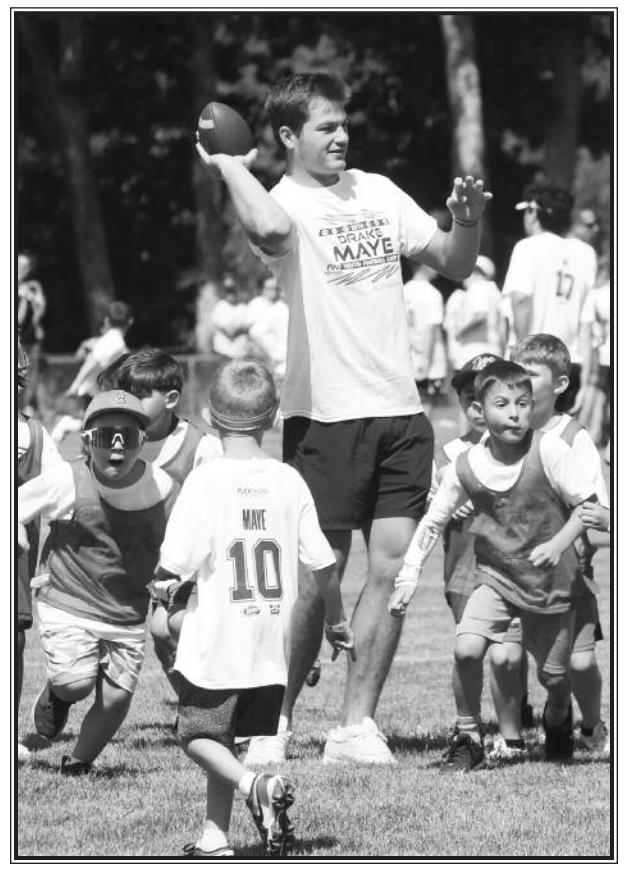
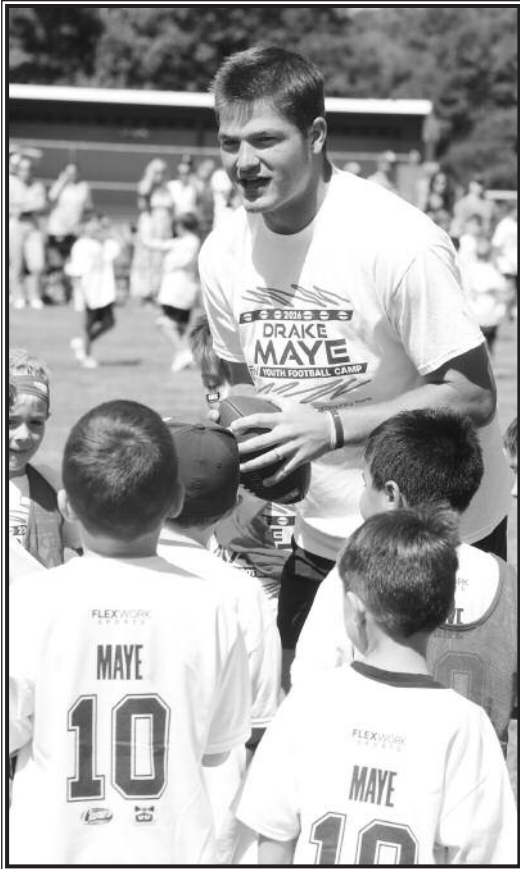
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Kids Summer Fun Runs Continue Into Fourth Week



CHRIS PAUL
HUDSON TIMES

The Greater Derry Track Club's (GDTC) pop-

ular Kids Summer Fun Runs continued its weekly summer series on Monday, July 20, in week four with

another outstanding turnout as 336 participants of all ages took part in the annual event.

The club has hosted the Fun Runs for nearly 50 years, with the Kids Summer Fun Runs now in their 40th season.

Each Monday evening throughout July and into August, the GDTC welcomes hundreds of young runners and their families to the Londonderry High School track for an evening of friendly competition, fitness, and fun.

Week four of the series featured official results in the age groups for runners

ages 9 through 13. Parker Rizzo of Londonderry and Allayna Landry of Derry captured the Boys and Girls 9-year-old divisions, while Joshua Tiney of Sandown and Penelope Lynch of Londonderry earned top honors among the 10-year-olds.

In the 11-year-old division, Liam Kobisky of Derry and Sasha Solovyeva of Hudson claimed

first-place finishes. James Preshar of Londonderry won the Boys 12-year-old race, while Andrew Solovyev of Hudson was the lone competitor in the Boys 13-year-old division.

The series begins each week with 50-yard sprints for the youngest participants, ages 2 and 3, before progressing to longer races for older runners. Official

results are recorded for participants ages 9 and older, with season-ending awards presented to the top finishers in each age group.

The Summer Fun Runs continue every Monday evening at the Londonderry High School track. Registration begins at 6 p.m., with the first races scheduled to start at approximately 6:30 p.m.

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Alice By Heart Fills the Seats at Derry Opera House



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Summer Concert

A concert by Rich Araldi - The Songs and Their Stories will be held at the Rodgers Library on Saturday, July 25, at 12:30 p.m., it will be an excursion through the great songs of the 20th century and the stories that make them that much more special.

Read 'Em & Eat @ Friendly Red's

This group will meet on Monday, July 27 at 7 p.m., at Friendly Red's restaurant, the for July is "She's Not Sorry" by Mary Kubica.

Tween Art: Pressed Flower Jar Lantern

Tweens entering grades 5-8 are invited to Rodgers

Library on Tuesday, July 28, at 6 p.m., to create jar lanterns decorated with pressed flowers.

Dinner On The Grounds

The Christian Fellowship Baptist Church will hold Dinner On The Grounds on July 26. Come & enjoy Fellowship with new & old friends, engage in fun activities for Children & Adults. Enjoy a lavish barbecue picnic that includes: Hamburgers, Hotdogs, Chicken, Ribs and all the homemade sides. There will be a bounce house, corn hole toss, Ice Cream, Cotton Candy & other desserts. Located at the Christian Fellowship Baptist Church 5 Rockingham Rd., Londonderry from

12:30 - 4 p.m.

Cookbook Club

This Rodgers Library group will meet on Monday, July 27, at 11:30 a.m. This month, each person will choose a cookbook from a collection within the library then choose a recipe from that book.

Lion Ron Boisvert Scholarship

The Hudson Lions Club is now accepting applications for the 19th annual Lion Ron Boisvert \$2,000 Scholarship, awarded to a Hudson resident currently enrolled in a college level medical field program. Applicants must have completed at least one year of

medical field coursework. Applications are available by contacting Scholarship Chairman Roger LaTulippe at scholarships@HUDSONLIONS.ORG. Deadline to apply: July 31, 2026.

Family Art: Spiral Suncatchers

Come to the Rodgers Library on Wednesday, July 29 at 6 p.m., to create a suncatcher to hang in a window or garden with beads and wire. This event is for Ages 3+.

Preschool Water Play

Come to the Rodgers library on Wednesdays at 10 a.m., for a storytime full of music, movement, and bubbles for ages 1-3 and their caregivers.

Story Safari at Benon's Park

Come to Benson Park for songs, stories, and bubbles, on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 10 a.m. thru Aug. 13. All ages welcome. Meet near the playground. Bring blankets and chairs

Robinson Pond Volunteers

Did you know there is a dedicated group of Hudson volunteers who sample Robinson Pond and its six tributaries every summer? These volunteers are part of the NH Department of Environmental Services (DES) Volunteer Lake Assessment Program (VLAP) and they are looking for volunteers to join their group. Samples are taken in the morning, once per month, from May to September. These samples are tested by the state for chemicals, nutrients, pollutants and bacteria. Lab fees are covered by the Hudson Conservation Commission. Won't you join these volunteers and help keep Robinson Pond safe for you and your family during the summer? If interested please contact: RobinsonPondNH@hotmail.com

Art in Bloom

Students entering grades 1-5 are invited to the Rodgers Library to make garden inspired art with

Miss Tanya on Thursdays at 1:30 p.m.

Mr. Aaron's Musical Adventure

A thrilling musical adventure with award winning musician Mr. Aaron, who never fails to delight audiences of all ages will be held on Friday, July 24, at 10 a.m., at Rodgers Library.

Teen: Stardew Valley

Teens entering grades 8-12 are invited to play Stardew valley and eat snacks at Rodgers Library on Friday, July 24, at 2:30 p.m.

Teen Build-A-Bouquet

Teens entering grades 8-12 are invited to make their own mini bouquet using loose flowers and greenery at Rodgers Library on Monday, July 27, at 2:30 p.m.

Name That Tune Plus

In this amped-up version of Name That Tune, you'll guess songs and tackle fun facts about the artists

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and hits you love at Rodgers Library on Wednesday, July 29, at 2 p.m.

Sensory Cove with Community Autism Services

This event held at Rodgers Library is designed to provide parents and caregivers with accessible, evidence-based information about early childhood development and autism. It will be held on Wednesday, July 29, at 5:30 p.m.

National Night Out

Food trucks, dunk tank,

climbing wall, photo booth, live music, water balloons, and more will be at Rodgers Library on Tuesday, Aug. 4, at 4:30 p.m.

Rodgers Readers Book Club

Come to the Rodgers Library on Thursday, Aug. 6, at 7 p.m. for a lively book discussion on "The Lion Women of Tehran" by Marjan Kamali.

Mystery Lovers' Book Club

This Rodgers Library club will meet on Monday, Aug. 10, at 12:30 p.m. This month's book pick is "A Beautiful Blue Death" by Charles Finch.

String Theory Zentangle Class

Explore the 4th step of the Zentangle Method: the string at Rodgers Library on Tuesday, Aug. 11 at 1 p.m., and Wednesday, Aug. 12 at 6:30 p.m.

Spoon Carving Workshop

Owl Eyes Wilderness Survival returns to Rodgers Library on Thursday, July 30, at 6:30 p.m., for an adult spoon carving class.

Pokemon Party

Grades 1-5, are invited to the Rodgers Library on Friday, July 31, at 1:30 p.m., for an exciting Pokemon Party! Registration is required.

Wildlife Encounters

Enjoy learning about seven live animals at this Junior Zookeeper Encounter at the Rodgers Library on Wednesday, Aug. 12 at 1:30 p.m.

Nonfiction Book Group

This Rodgers Library club will meet on Wednesday, Aug. 12 at 7 p.m. This month's book: "Escape from Camp 14: One Man's Remarkable Odyssey from North Korea to Freedom in the West" by Blaine Harden.

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Project COZY Offers Free Summer Window Measurements for Energy Saving Inserts

With energy costs rising and many homeowners looking for ways to stay comfortable without breaking the bank, a regional nonprofit is bringing a hands-on solution to Greater Nashua this fall. The UU Church of Nashua and Window Dressers, a volunteer-driven organization known for its “barnraising” community builds, are teaming up once again for Project COZY, an initiative that helps residents reduce drafts and lower heating

bills through custombuilt insulating window inserts.

Window Dressers’ inserts fit snugly inside existing windows, allowing sunlight and views to remain unobstructed while creating a tight seal that reduces heat loss. Built with pine frames and wrapped with two layers of durable plastic film, the inserts create an insulating air pocket that can cut fuel usage by as much as 20 percent, depending on the home’s efficiency. Foam weather

stripping around the edges ensures a draft-free fit.

The Greater Nashua Community Build will take place November 5–11 at the Unitarian Universalist Church of Nashua, located at 58 Lowell Street. But before volunteers gather to assemble the inserts, trained teams will spend July and August visiting homes to take precise measurements for each custom piece.

Once a household

signs up, volunteers schedule a measurement appointment, then return in November to help build the inserts alongside other community members. Participation in the build is part of Window Dressers’ model, keeping costs low while fostering a sense of shared purpose.

For residents facing financial hardship, the nonprofit offers up to 10 free or low-cost inserts per year, ensuring that energy savings are accessible to households of all income

levels. For middle and high-income homes and businesses, the inserts remain significantly cheaper than comparable commercial products. Pricing varies by size, but a typical 30” x 52” pine insert costs around \$50.

Trustees say the program has grown steadily in recent years as more residents look for practical ways to reduce heating costs and improve comfort during New England winters. The upcoming build is expected to draw

volunteers from across Nashua and surrounding towns.

The deadline to have windows measured is September 25, 2026, and organizers encourage interested households to sign up early to secure a summer appointment. Registration is available at WindowDressers.org, or by calling (207) 5963073. Those interested in helping coordinate Project COZY can learn more at nashua.online under the volunteering section.

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Beyblades: Ultimate Showdown

Bring your own Beyblades and battle arenas to battle at this outdoor event held by the Rodgers Library on Thursday, Aug. 13, at 5 p.m. This event is for ages 7+.

Afternoon Book Group

This Rodgers Library club will meet on Tuesday, Aug. 18 at 1:30 p.m. This month’s book pick is “The Hazelbourne Ladies Motorcycle and Flying Club” by Helen Simonson.

Crime & Cookies

Monthly meeting of the true crime podcast club will be held on Wednesday, Aug. 19, at 7 p.m., at the Rodgers Library.

3D Print Workshop

Learn to use Tinkercad to create a three-dimensional design on Friday, Aug. 21, at 2 p.m., on the Rodgers Library 3D printer. Ages 10 and up.

Concert: Let's Play Music

Come enjoy performances of Let's Play Music's young musicians as they perform a variety of rock favorites for a fun, family-friendly concert at the Rodgers Library on Wednesday, Aug. 26, at 6 p.m.

Three Men and a One-Shilling Knife

This engaging program uses a dramatic 1788 tavern killing in New Durham to show how genealogists uncover the stories from the past at the Rodgers Library on Thursday, Aug. 27, at 6:30 p.m.

Estate Planning

This presentation at the Rodgers Library on Saturday, Aug. 22, at 11 a.m., provides an overview of the basics of estate planning.

Coiled Baskets

Coiled basketry is beginner-friendly and doesn't require many supplies to get started come learn at the Rodgers Library on Saturday, Aug. 29, at 10 a.m.

Summer Concert: 4EverFab

The Rodgers Library Summer Concert series will be closing out the summer on Saturday, Aug. 15, at noon with one of our favorite bands!

Adventurers Storytime

Come to the Rodgers Library for songs, stories, bubbles and a craft or activity for children ages 3-5 and their caregivers at 10 a.m. on Tuesdays.

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.

Explorers Storytime

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

Cookbook Club

This Rodgers Library club will meet on Monday, Aug. 31, at 11:30 a.m. This month will use the book “The side dish bible : 1001 perfect recipes for every vegetable, rice, grain, and bean dish you'll ever need” by America's Test Kitchen.

Benson Park Saturday Cleanup

Please join for Park Cleanup Day the third Saturday of every month to help keep Benson Park clean and beautiful. Donate whatever time you can between the hours of 9 a.m. and 2 p.m. Tools are available but bring your own shovels, rakes, pruners, loppers, etc. if you have them. This is a great opportunity to serve the town, make new friends and enjoy the outdoors. Lunch will be provided. Sign up online if possible on the Friends of Benson Park website (friendsofbensonpark.org) or simply come to the Elephant Barn at the top of the hill to sign in.

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.

A Good Yarn

On Tuesdays (Except Aug. 4) 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.

Teen Hangout

Teens ages 13+ are invited to hangout and enjoy snacks in the Rodgers Library Teen Hangout room on Weekdays, last week in August at 2 p.m.

Inhouse Secondhand Prose Book Sale

Check out the Secondhand Prose sale area in the Children's Room of Rogers Memorial Library, running during normal library

Hours. The book selection offers something for everyone, is re-stocked frequently and offered at the same bargain price as the big sale. Stationary featuring work of local artists, adorable tote bags, and handmade gifts are also available. The prices are extremely reasonable.

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 twice a year and will become an enduring legacy. For an inanimate object, each brick can speak volumes.

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 low-income individuals and families. The client recipients are low-income, and living in our Greater Nashua 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 email info@united-waynashua.org if you have any questions.

Overeaters Anonymous

Is food a problem for you? Do you eat when you are not hungry? Is your weight affecting the way you live your life? Overeaters Anonymous, no dues, no fees, no weigh-ins no diets. Meetings are on Tuesday's from 9 - 10 a.m., at St. Elizabeth Seton Church 190 Meetinghouse Rd., Bedford, use the rear doors for access to the meeting room in the church basement. Contact Pat At 603-289-8476 Or Jane At 603-674-6540 With Any Questions (Not Affiliated With Any Private Or Public Organization).

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