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Mike Regis, of Regis Earth Products & Landscaping, was finishing up around the new walkway at the Alvirne Chapel that he and his team had constructed over past several weeks on Tuesday. *Photo by Chris Paul*

Alvirne Memorial Chapel Renovations Nearing Finish

CHRIS PAUL
HUDSON TIMES

The Alvirne Memorial Chapel on Derry Road has been undergoing some major renovations over nearly a year, with much of the exterior of the building getting a facelift as well as some major land and hardscaping being done.

Because of some major drainage and foundation concerns, the Alvirne Trustees, who are responsible for

maintaining the Chapel and its grounds, began the project to make some much-needed repairs and to enhance the appearance of the exterior.

The repairs included re-pointing of the granite blocks on the outside of the building, removing many of the bushes, shrubs and trees around the chapel, putting a drainage system in place around the foundation, re-grouting the stonework around the entire building

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Resident Raises Concerns About District Strategic Plan

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HUDSON TIMES

During the public input portion of the most recent Hudson School Board meeting, resident Craig Powers once again questioned when the strategic plan would be completed. “Will it be Board policy to start the FY26 school year without an approved Strategic plan and without agreed-upon Administration goals?” he asked during the meeting. “The reason I’m like a broken record with regard to the Strategic plan is because in high performing organizations there is always a direct linkage between near term goals and commitments and the

Strategic Plan, as well as to the budget.”

During a previous meeting Powers asked about the status of the strategic plan. School Board Chair Maureen Dionne explained that they have provided updates from the committee level and that they plan to continue to work on it throughout the summer and will be finalizing it. She said they are committed to having it done during the school year. But during the most recent meeting, Powers questioned how they will be able to go through the budget process without it. “How do we know if the Administration’s goals for FY26 are adequate if we

don’t know how they fit into the “bigger picture” because there is no bigger picture?” he asked. “Last year we didn’t have a strategic plan in place, and the Superintendent’s goals weren’t approved until Thanksgiving – similar to the year before. Does the Board believe this is how high-performing organizations operate?”

Powers also noted that they have had no meeting for over 18 months to create the new strategic plan, which he said is a “length of time unheard of for a \$70 million business outside of government education – and at the last School Board

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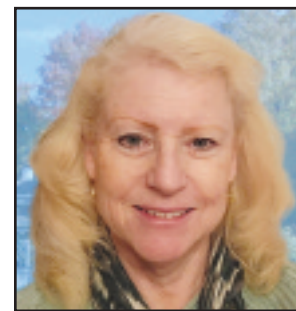
Debra Stoddard Appointed Interim Town Moderator

ALEX MALM
HUDSON TIMES

The town of Hudson has a new interim Town Moderator, following the selection by the Trustees of the Checklist.

“At the July 10 Supervisors of the Checklist meeting, Debra Stoddard was appointed as Town Moderator. Additionally, Kathleen Haloon was appointed as the third Supervisor of the Checklist,” a press release stated.

According to the release, Haloon and Stoddard, will both serve in their roles until March 2026, when the next regular town election will take place. The decision came following the opening of the Town Moderator position after



Debra Stoddard

recently elected Town Moderator Mark Edgington resigned.

Edgington ran successfully against an aggressive write-in campaign deployed by Debra Stoddard, 1,317-1,233. “Mark Edgington has officially resigned from his role as Town Moderator in Hudson, NH, as he prepares to relocate to Florida, returning to his hometown

to support his 84-year-old mother, whose recent health needs require more hands-on care,” a press release sent to the Hudson Times on Edgington’s behalf stated.

After Edgington resigned, those interested in the position were asked to send a letter of interest. Stoddard said she was looking forward to taking on the role.

“I just accepted the appointment for the vacancy of Hudson’s Interim Town Moderator last Thursday,” she wrote in an email to the Hudson Times. “I look forward to serving our town in the best way possible for the remainder of the term of the previously elected Moderator. The upcoming

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New Hampshire Moves to Eliminate Auto Inspections

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HUDSON TIMES

New Hampshire is set to become the only state in the Northeast to eliminate mandatory vehicle safety and emissions inspections.

The change, part of the biennial state budget signed by Governor Kelly Ayotte in June, ends the longstanding requirement for most passenger vehicles to undergo annual inspections. Under the new law, safety inspections will no longer be required starting Jan. 31, 2026. Emissions testing will be phased out by Sept. 2026, pending approval from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

The measure originated as House Bill 649, which was later incorporated into

the broader state budget after stalling in the Senate. Supporters argue that the state's inspection system is outdated and imposes unnecessary costs on drivers, particularly those with newer vehicles. Opponents warn that the repeal will have serious consequences for public safety, air quality, and compliance with federal regulations.

Law enforcement agencies have expressed concern that without routine inspections, identifying unsafe vehicles will become significantly more difficult. Police would need to rely on visual cues during traffic stops or wait until a vehicle is involved in an accident. Critical issues such as brake failure, tire wear, or suspension damage often go undetected without formal inspection and pose heightened risks on the road, especially during NH's winter months.

Capt. Matthew Amatucci of the NH State Police testified to the Senate that shifting responsibility to officers "places an undue burden on troopers who are already stretched thin, expecting them to spot mechanical issues during routine patrols without the tools, time, or training of a licensed inspector." He added, "Relying on police means that the danger has already reached the road" (NH Bulletin, May 19, 2025).

The law also eliminates emissions testing, the state's primary method for identifying malfunctioning pollution control systems such as catalytic converters and oxygen sensors. Environmental advocates have raised alarms, warning that high-emitting vehicles may continue to operate undetected, contributing to increased levels of ground-level ozone and fine particu-

late matter, which are pollutants linked to asthma, cardiovascular disease, and other respiratory illnesses.

Eliminating emissions testing could also place NH at odds with federal clean air requirements. The state has requested a waiver from the EPA to discontinue the program. Without that waiver, the state risks losing federal highway funding under the Clean Air Act.

Studies on the impact of vehicle inspections have shown mixed results. A 2018 national study found that states with safety inspection programs experienced 2.8% fewer vehicle-related fatalities per 100,000 registered vehicles than those without. However, a review of New Jersey's decision to eliminate mechanical inspections in 2010 found no clear increase in crash rates. While experts debate the direct impact, many agree

that inspections play a modest but measurable role in reducing risk by identifying mechanical defects before they cause serious incidents.

Supporters of the repeal say the safety concerns are overstated. "It's a scam, really, because the data shows that forcing car inspections doesn't actually lead to safety. It can lead to \$1,000 bills that average people weren't expecting," said Rep. Sam Farrington, a Rochester Republican and member of the Liberty Caucus who supported the repeal (WMUR, June 27, 2025).

House Majority Leader Jason Osborne framed the change as a response to widespread public frustration. "When I'm in the barber shop or the grocery store, they're not asking me about all of the things that are in HB2," Osborne said during floor debate. "The

one thing they ask me about is, 'When are you going to repeal those car inspections?' And that's what we're doing today" (NH Journal, June 27, 2025).

Opponents argue the move ignores clear risks to public health and safety. "This change removes one of our best tools for keeping unsafe and high-emission vehicles off the road," said Dan Bennett, president of the NH Automobile Dealers Association. "It's reckless and shortsighted to think this won't have real consequences" (NHPR, June 27, 2025).

Despite those concerns, the law will take effect gradually over the next 18 months. Until then, NH drivers must continue obtaining annual inspection stickers. The EPA's decision on the emissions waiver will determine whether the rollback is fully implemented as planned.

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Benson Park's Lions Statue Encloser Sees First Draft

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HUDSON TIMES

The Benson Park Advisory Committee met on July 17 to review a plan from local troop member Michael Cutrona for an Eagle Scout project at Benson Park.

"I have been in contact with the Department of Public Works. I've been in contact with Director Jay Twardosky, and he also agreed to double check everything," said Cutrona, who passed out a relatively detailed plan to members of the Advisory Committee. "The side lengths will be 16 feet. I figured I'd want to remove a few extra feet, because right now, even if you laid both lions side-by-side, you'd still have roughly four feet of clearance. I want to make sure no matter

how you position the lions, you'd still have a large amount of space."

The goal of the project is to build a protective cage for the park's recently acquired lion statues, both of which date to Benson's Wild Animal Farm. There were widespread concerns that the statues would deteriorate without a protective container.

"On the back view, as maintenance access, I'm planning on having a hinged door next to Plexiglas sides," Cutrona continued. "That'd be what I have done thus far."

Plexiglas was seen as essential to preventing not only weather damage, but also allowing members of the public to view the lions while preventing unwanted

contact.

"In talking with Jay, how did he feel about the idea?" asked Committee member Sue Clement. "He had a few ideas as well, like putting a cement slab on the bottom."

Cutrona was unsure if it was independently moving forward with the slab or what that slab would look like. The raised slab was designed to keep the statues free from ground-level runoff. He promised to double-check.

"If there's a slab, how's this going to be connected to the slab?" asked Selectman liaison Heidi Jakoby. "Has that been taken into consideration?"

The scout indicated that he still needed to do more research and that his initial

design needed the green light from town officials before developing further details.

"I think it looks great," said Jakoby. "I think it's just making sure that there's clear community and security, because security is a big piece of this."

Committee members were generally receptive to the design, and Chair Jack Madden suggested a few ideas to better integrate his design with Twardosky's concrete foundation.

"I will say that we have, in the past, had some issues with Plexiglas and kids breaking it," Clement noted. "Maybe come up with a few alternate ideas. For the Plexiglas, I think it's great, but we've had such an issue with the Shoe, with people

breaking that. It's got Plexiglas, kids want to look in, and then they break it. We've had to replace it over and over."

Alternate ideas, like the addition of bars or a metal mesh in place of Plexiglas, were already under active consideration.

"The idea of having something clear, where people can walk around the statues to see it from all sides, whether it's Plexiglas or the fine-mesh fencing," said Madden. "There's also the possibility, although I have no idea how much more costly it would be, of using tempered glass."

He added that tempered glass would "last for a long time," if such a design were feasible. The Chair conceded that such glass would be

much heavier. Other possibilities included a "gazebo design," with an octagonal base to reinforce a 360 view of the statues.

"Are we sure it's not going in the gorilla cage?" asked Committee member Sarah Petkiewicz, referring to an older plan to protect the statues in the park's old gorilla cage.

Other members confirmed the gorilla cage was not seen as a viable long-term option.

The Benson Park Advisory Committee will be responsible for maintaining the enclosure once it's in place.

The Advisory Committee is scheduled to meet again on Thursday, Aug. 25, at 7 p.m. in the Hudson Cable Access Center.

School Board Get Briefed on Progress of Hiring Personnel

ALEX MALM
HUDSON TIMES

At the July 14 Hudson School Board meeting, the members were briefed on how the school district is doing with hiring personnel this summer.

Hudson Superintendent Dan Moulis said that the school district is doing well, up to this point.

"The school district is in a really good place," he said.

In fact, Moulis told the School Board that they are "probably in the best shape we've been in my four years," noting that he is going into his fourth year as superintendent.

At the time of the meeting, Moulis explained that there are five open teacher positions "that we're still

actively hiring and recruiting for."

Moulis said that they currently had four open para educator openings at the time of their last meeting, and that they also had four current vacancies for their food services department.

In addition, Moulis also noted that at the time of the meeting, they currently had two administrator positions open, for the open Alvirne High School assistant principal position, and one for the soon to be opening for Director of Technology position.

Stoddard

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ing election will be here before we know it, and while I have served in the

Moulis noted that he wanted to thank IT Director Kevin Peterson for his four years with the school district.

"I do want to thank Kevin Peterson for all that he has done with the district," Moulis said during the meeting.

Director of Special Services Rachel Borge explained during her report that they are "in fantastic shape" for hiring so far this summer.

"It's a really pleasant change compared to other summers, so we're really

happy about that," she said. Also during the meeting, the School Board publicly recognized a donation which came from local business Hudson True Value Hardware.

It was explained by Moulis that the donation is for different materials they can use for the construction trades classes.

"It's a very nice donation," Moulis said during

the meeting.

Moulis, during the meeting, also thanked Selectman David Morin for helping to get the donation.

In correspondence, the School Board also reviewed two recently approved travel requests.

One of those was for Dawn Hanik, for the Institute for AP Chemistry Teachers at Bridgewater State University, for the

amount of \$1809.88.

Another was for Rob Scagnelli to attend the New England Band Directors Institute, for a total amount of \$787.45.

The School Board also approved Ashley Enis as Athletic Coordinator for Hudson Memorial School.

The next Hudson School Board meeting is slated to take place on Aug. 4 beginning at 6:30 p.m.

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Editorial

Celebrating Your Town with Old Home Day

August is just around the corner. The flowers are blooming, our gardens are yielding a wonderful bounty, fall sports are either starting or have already begun, and there's still plenty of time to relax on the porch and enjoy the season. This time of year is truly delightful.

Even though we are in the heart of summer, you might catch glimpses of fall in the coolness of some evenings. Even still, there's still so much time and so many activities to fill the long summer days, and one of the highlights is our town festival!

Hudson's Old Home Days are scheduled from Thursday, August 7, to Sunday, August 10, featuring four days of fun for everyone.

We haven't included specific events in this message, so please check the Hudson Old Home Day website for all the details.

These large town events foster community spirit and bring volunteers together. You can enjoy a back-to-basics festival filled with games of skill and chance, hearty food, parades, races, displays of traditional kitchen skills, live music, cow pie bingo, regular bingo, cornhole competitions, showcases of the newest

emergency vehicles, and often fireworks to end the evening. Old-fashioned games like tug-of-war and sack races are new again as today's youngsters take part.

Despite the hectic pace of life throughout the year, town festivals provide an opportunity to come together. They encourage us to leave our homes and backyards, allowing us to relax and connect with our neighbors.

However, these celebrations don't come together effortlessly; they require the hard work of many volunteers and various groups, all united by their love for their hometown and their desire to create a festival that everyone will want to attend year after year. That's the essence of these charming summer gatherings.

While our weekdays often involve long hours in other communities or states, summer reminds us to appreciate where we live.

So be sure to mark your calendar for your local festival and plan to celebrate your community. This is the year to get better acquainted with your neighbors and learn about your town's history while participating in a summer tradition that forms the heart of New England.

Planning Board Finalizes Lighting Policy, Examines Updated Housing Information

PAUL CONYERS
HUDSON TIMES

The Hudson Planning Board met on July 9, hoping to wrap up their land-use debate on what outdoor lighting would look like moving forward.

"We've discussed this several times, and I think the goal is to adopt outdoor lighting regulations for the town, which is something we have not had," explained Interim Town Planner Jay Minkarah. "Hopefully, this is at a point now that it reflects the will of the Board."

New wording would require future applicants to provide an illumination plan for any commercial project with lighting. Lighting requirements would not apply to residential units. Members generally agreed that even if the regulations did not cover every applicant, they at least allowed for greater flexibility on a case-by-case basis.

"If nothing else, if an applicant comes in here, the Planning Board has the ability to waive certain things if there really is a hardship," said Board member James Crowley. "Anybody doing a non-residential project will have a guideline of what we're looking for. That's more than what they had in the past."

He moved to adopt the outdoor lighting regulations,

which the Planning Board unanimously approved.

With the help of their Town Planner, the Board also reexamined parts of Chapter II of the town's Master Plan, which covered Population and Housing. There was concern that some of the information used in that chapter had grown outdated.

"The comment had come up that we had more recent income data, and sure enough we did," said Minkarah. "The most recent data I can find on the census was from 2023, so I did make that update both to the median household income and to the per capita income."

According to the statistics, there was a "startling" increase in median household income in Hudson from 2010 to 2023, likely due to the reduction in the number of people per household.

Updated statistics included more modern building permitting data to get a better idea of what was being built in Hudson and the surrounding communities, along with housing market data to get a full picture of rent prices in town.

"For rents, we have 2025 data just released," said Minkarah, who added that even with up-to-date numbers, it was nearly impossible to keep up with the cost of housing due to

how quickly the market was changing. "It's really, really astonishing how high it is."

He worried that a family of three, even marginally below the median income, would have trouble renting an apartment in Hudson.

According to the data, a studio apartment in Hudson now averages around \$1,500 per month. Board member Victor Oates hoped a recent uptick in residential building permits would eventually slow the rising cost of housing.

"It's my understanding, based on how the data is put, that as more of this housing being built comes online, those prices will continue to bring everything down around the renting market, that's typically how it goes," he said. "Right now, trying to find something is hard, but if there's more inventory, it should come down at least a little."

There was also hope that recent legislation allowing homes to install accessory dwelling units (ADUs) would increase housing availability across the state. Housing recommendations in the Master Plan included a possible repeal of a zoning ordinance that limits manufactured housing and the adoption of a workforce housing ordinance to incentivize affordable home ownership.

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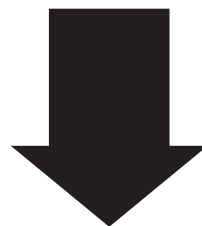
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New Community Park Being Constructed on Industrial Drive

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Construction is officially underway on Hudson's newest park for the community at 9 Industrial Drive.

Hudson officials recently announced the progress on the construction of what will be a multi-sport and play area.

When completed, the property is set to be another valuable area in town, which will include "four dedicated pickleball courts, a full-size basketball court, and two tennis courts for sports enthusiasts," according to an announcement by the Hudson Planning Board.

"There's a decent area here we can utilize," said Town Engineer Elvis Dhima.

In particular, the pickleball courts are expected to be popular. The Executive Health and Sports Center recently announced its plan to add "up to 12 pickleball courts," including what it called a "premier championship court," to meet growing demand across Southern New Hampshire.

Currently, the Recreation Department oversees outdoor pickleball courts at the corner of Central Street and Melendy Road, along

with indoor courts in the Hudson Community Center.

Hudson officials have been looking to redevelop the Industrial Drive property for well over a decade.

Despite several proposals, the latest park plan initially struggled to gain momentum due to a lack of funding. While around \$13,000 had been set aside for the project, nothing was directly allocated towards the park in the latest budget, leaving town officials to call for donations to help fund it.

"About \$110,000 worth of funds between labor, equipment, and material was kind of pre-committed to it," Dhima announced back in February. "Based on the discussions we've had with people who want to participate, they're willing to provide material, earthwork, and labor. NorthPoint is one of those people, as is Brox, and Continental Paving. The list goes on and on."

Beyond funding concerns, asbestos had been a concern previously. According to New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services reports dating back to the mid-1800s, topsoil on the site was found to be "contaminated" with industrial byproducts, most



notably asbestos. During remediation, regulators eventually found "15,000 to 17,000 cubic yards of asbestos waste," well above what was originally projected.

Despite the setbacks, the waste has since been sealed and paved over in preparation for site redevelopment.

"It was all moved from the park area and placed under asphalt," said Selectman David Morin, who added that the abatement process had followed all necessary state and federal

environmental requirements. "It will be supervised by the Recreation Department."

While it was deemed a success, the clean-up disrupted an older plan for the site called Zach's Field, a football facility for the Hudson-Litchfield Youth Football and Cheer organization.

"A lot of money was put into cleaning. Whatever money was going into building the field was put into getting the site secured," said Dhima. "A lot of time passed, every-

thing got more expensive, we had a meeting with the Board of Selectmen last

year, and the people who had the lease prior to getting it removed decided the

site just did not meet their needs at this time." The lease for Zach's Field was formally released to the town of Hudson last February.

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meeting we were told that the Board would not commit to a completion date, but that it was "months away."

"Currently, there are no future meetings for the Strategic Planning Com-

mittee posted on the website," he said. Also again questioned whether or not they would be changing its policy regarding public input.

Powers said previously he was looking to have it changed from being able to make public comment on agenda items to "an indi-

vidual may offer public comment on any agenda items or any district matters."

"Does the Board intend to update Policy BEDH, which covers the rules for public input in order to align to the recommendations of the NH School Board Association – and

which just about every other School Board in NH has adopted? If so, when can we expect to see a first read?" Powers said. "I see that the next two committee meetings are cancelled."

The next School Board meeting is set for Aug. 4 beginning at 6:30 p.m.

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Hudson School Board Reviews Meal Pricing Increases

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The Hudson School Board discussed raising meal prices for students and adult meals during its most recent School Board meeting.

Hudson Business Administrator Jenny Graves explained that they did a preliminary review of the lunch program finances for FY25, which led to the potential proposals.

"There was no increase for breakfast pricing for students, but there a lunch pricing increase of 10 cents," Graves said, explaining it was implemented for the 24-25 school year.

For the same year, breakfast pricing wasn't raised.

Graves explained that

any pricing changes need to be made during the summer.

"Price changes must be made in the summer to comply with the National School Lunch Program (USDA) application deadline, and to allow for adequate notice to families," Graves had written in her presentation.

Graves also explained they looked at how their current pricing compares to other districts.

She noted that breakfast pricing is currently on the higher end compared to other districts.

For lunch at the high school, Graves said, "we are middle of the pack," and on the lower end for the middle school pricing.

Graves also noted that they have a number of

"budget pressures" for their FY26 Food Service Budget.

"The food service program has had a positive fund balance available since it was infused with COVID-19 federal funding," Graves said. "Those funds will be depleted with the close of FY25."

She explained that the "food service program has been operating in an annual deficit (i.e., more expenses than revenue)."

"The food service fund balance was supplementing the deficit," she wrote.

Graves also explained that the annual Federal Supply Chain Assistance of \$65k-\$95k is discontinuing for FY26.

One of the recommendations made by Graves

was to increase the cost of adult meals by \$0.25 for the upcoming school year.

This would mean an adult breakfast would cost \$2.50, and lunch would be \$4.50.

"The anticipated additional revenue that will be generated is approximately \$2,000 annually," Graves wrote.

Graves said that they could look at increasing the meal pricing for students in a couple of different ways.

One of those options would be to increase the breakfast pricing at the middle school by 10 or 15 cents, and for lunches they could look at a 10 cent increase, or a 15 cent increase across the board for all student lunches.

If they were to increase

lunch prices for students across the board by 15 cents it would be an increase in revenue by \$32,634, and would be an annual increase of \$27.75 for families if they ate lunch every day per child.

For a 10 cent increase it would be an increase in revenue of \$21,756 and would be an increase of \$18.50 per child if they ate lunch everyday.

School Board Vice Chair Mike Campbell explained that going into the meeting he was likely to vote no on the increases, and said once he found out it was optional, it "solidified" his vote.

His reasoning is that he doesn't think they should add any more pressure on families.

"I don't think we need to add this," Campbell said.

School Board member Ethan Beals said his concern is that by doing nothing they will likely have a larger future jump they will be forced to do in the future.

He proposed an increase of 5 cents across the board which the School Board didn't agree with.

No decision was made during the meeting, with board members noting that if members of the public have an opinion on it one way or the other they could reach out to the School Board.

The next Hudson School Board meeting is slated to take place on July 24, beginning at 6:30 p.m.

Parents' Bill of Rights Established by State Officials

ALEX MALM
HUDSON TIMES

The Hudson School Board was briefed on a number of pieces of legislation affecting school districts across the state of NH during its most recent board meeting. One of the pieces of legislation which passed during the most recent legislative session in Concord

was House Bill 10. According to the amended analysis of the bill, the bill "establishes a parents' bill of rights regarding their child's education, prohibits a school from infringing on such rights unless the action is narrowly tailored to address a compelling state interest, requires school boards to develop a policy

to promote parental involvement and to provide notice of parental rights, and provides a private right of action for enforcement."

"This affirms the rights of parents concerning their students' education," Superintendent Dan Moulis said during the meeting. He explained that it gives information that is mandatory and important to include in handbooks. "That has now passed and has been codified into law," Moulis explained during the meeting.

Another bill Moulis has

been updating the School Board on is in regards to the cell phone policy. He explained that there were two versions of the cell phone bill which made its way through the legislature, a Senate version of the bill, and a House version of the bill. Moulis explained that it got incorporated into the budget bill. He explained that in the legislation "there are specific language and lines in that bill that requires all school districts to create a bell to bell cell phone ban policy," Moulis said during the meeting that

it essentially makes it so cell phones aren't to be used "during the school day from the start time to the end time."

He explained that the new legislation also requires information in handbooks, and it also requires that the information be included in the handbooks for students, and that it is also included in the beginning of the school year materials that are distributed. Moulis also explained that they will be required to put their own policy in place regarding the new law

and said that the NH School Board Association sent out a model policy that they use as a template. "This will be a quick turnaround for us to put into place," Moulis said.

Moulis also pointed to House Bill 571 during the meeting. "This bill requires public schools to dedicate one session during the week of Constitution Day to exercises of a patriotic nature," the analysis of the bill states. The bill is set to go into effect beginning Aug. 1.

The next School Board meeting is set for Aug. 4 beginning at 6:30 p.m.

OBITUARY

Charles E. Paquin Jr.



Charles E. Paquin Jr., our beloved family member passed away peacefully on July 19, 2025. He lived life to the fullest, finding joy in ocean fishing, hunting, and tending to his garden. He was known for his culinary skills and love of sports cars.

Above all, he will be remembered for his generous heart, sarcastic wit, and kindness he showed to everyone he met.

He found peace and solace in nature, whether casting his line into the ocean waves or walking through the woods looking for deer. His connection to the natural world was profound and deeply personal. He touched many lives with warmth and compassion, leaving behind a legacy of love that will continue to inspire all who knew him.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to the Community Hospice House in Merrimack, NH or to the Nashua Soup Kitchen & Shelter at www.nshks.org. A wake will be held for family and friends who knew him on Monday, July 28 from 5 - 7 p.m., at Dumont Sullivan Funeral Home in Hudson, NH. Burial services will be held privately.

To share an online message of condolence, please visit www.dumontsullivan.com. The Dumont-Sullivan Funeral Home in Hudson is in charge of arrangements.



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Conservation Commission Calls for More Involvement in Planning Activities

PAUL CONYERS
HUDSON TIMES

The Hudson Conservation Commission met on July 14 to tackle a long list of unfinished business, including how to interact with the Planning Board's ad hoc Zoning Ordinance Review Committee (ZORC).

"The best thing to do is contact the Planning staff, tell them about the dates, and then you can have someone from Conservation represent you at these meetings," said Town Engineer Elvis Dhima. "They basically start sometime around September or October, and the meetings intensify as they need to get warrant articles ready for March of 2026."

As the name implies, ZORC is responsible for reviewing and updating

Hudson's zoning codes, actions that can, and often do, have a significant impact on the operations of the Conservation Commission. All major changes require voter approval.

"Is there anything we have, specifically, right now, that needs to be addressed so far as zoning changes?" asked Commissioner John Walter. "Is there something we have in mind? Does anyone have something in mind that we should bring up?"

He noted that the Commission did not have many suggestions at ZORC in 2024, and encouraged them to be vocal about any relevant changes they might want to bring before the town next year. Past changes related to Conservation activities have

included a larger wetland buffer zone for new construction.

Chair Carl Murphy presented a report comparing Hudson's Conservation Commission to other towns to see how involved their group could and should be, especially with Planning Board activities, both with ZORC and building applications that would typically include a site walk.

"I was just wondering what other towns do or how involved they are with the Planning Board when it comes to site walks, other than with conditional use permits," said Murphy. "Looking through this, it seems that other conservation commissions may be asked to site walks other than with a conditional use permit."

He raised the prospect of asking his Commission to be involved in sites with "interesting or unique properties," including unusual slopes, scenic views, and wildlife habitats independent of an established wetland.

Dhima noted that more involvement from the Conservation Commission has "always been an option" and encouraged members to stay proactive, though he was unsure about making such involvement mandatory in either the bylaws of the Planning Board or the Conservation Commission.

"On larger subdivisions, we've been asked to do a joint site walk," noted Vice-Chair Ken Dickinson. "We probably should do more like that on a regular basis."

He added that better

communication with the Planning Board would be helpful in encouraging them to include Commission members in more site walks.

"The Planning and Zoning Board are very busy, and they don't always think to get us involved," said Dickinson, who previously served as an alternate on the Zoning Board.

Dhima added that the Zoning Board was not as involved in the application process as it used to be.

Secretary Chris Cameron suggested an in-depth discussion over what the Commission wanted to achieve by deepening its relationship with the Planning Board.

"After we look at it more, I think we need to think about what our objec-

tive is," he said. "If the Conservation Commission wants to be involved in certain things, we need to figure out what those things are. What would be allowed and what wouldn't be allowed."

Commissioners agreed they should be more involved in site walks, an opinion that was not restricted to their committee.

"When I first started with the town, I noticed there was more communication in the town," said Dickinson. "We used to do joint board meetings once per year."

Everyone agreed to come up with a list of how they wanted to proceed.

The next meeting of the Conservation Commission is set for Monday, Aug. 11, at 7 p.m. in the Buxton Room of Town Hall.

Sustainability Committee to Bring Back Recycling Prize Booth at National Night Out

PAUL CONYERS
HUDSON TIMES

The Sustainability Advisory Committee met on June 30 to discuss ways to promote renewability in town with the start of a new budget year. Chair Deb Putnam had a customized, informative sign ready for the Aug. 5 National Night Out event, where the Sustainability Committee was set to have a prize booth.

"If the kids come by and they have an empty bottle or can or something like that into the recycle bin, they will get a prize," Putnam explained, adding that a similar event was a "huge

success" last year. "The most popular prizes were the little stuffed animals on a key chain; they disappear like hotcakes so we will need to restock some of that."

Sidewalk chalk was another popular prize, along with several other small toys.

"For the adults, towards the end of the evening if an adult came up with their water bottle, they could pick a toy for one of their kids," said Putnam. "This setup has to be completed by 4 p.m. and has to be completed by 8 p.m. It's free to the public, and it's a great event."

She went on to outline a partnership with Rodgers

Memorial Library, where the event was held, and the Alvirne Sustainability Club, which has been advocating for a more proactive stance on sustainability issues alongside Alvirne High School.

Committee member Jake Keller suggested using the Night Out as a way to gather information from Hudson residents about the popularity of ongoing and proposed townwide programs related to renewability.

"I came up with some questions at our last meeting just to ask people as they go by," he said. "What sustainable efforts would

you like to see in Hudson? What sustainable efforts have you implemented in your home or your lifestyle? Just to get people to think really. This, and I think any other public event, would be a great opportunity."

As an example, he hoped to ask about the potential of a composting service, a proposal that is currently under active study by the Committee. He promised to come up with questions and to possibly set up a survey to gather information.

"I've got a small list here. I'll put together more things," said Butler. "If we

just have a simple little thing that we just ask them the questions while they're dropping off their water bottle, asking 'Do you know you have a Sustainability Committee? Do you know what we do?'"

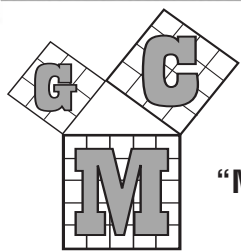
"Keep it simple for all of us, check, check, check, drop it off in the box, and then the data is easy to collect," said Selectmen Liaison Heidi Jakoby, who also suggested setting up a booth for Old Home Day. "It's still something, and an opportunity for information gathering and going out."

Committee members considered such data collec-

tion as important when making preparations for the 2026-2027 budget. Although an in-depth discussion on the matter was not expected for a few more months, early preparations were already underway.

Jakoby recommended talking with the Budget Committee sometime in the next few weeks, while Putnam advised other members of the Committee to look through an early draft of their budgetary requests.

The next Sustainability Advisory Committee meeting is set for Monday, July 28, at 7 p.m. in the Buxton Room of Town Hall.



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Chapel

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and around stained glass windows, new lighting that will add to the buildings beauty at night and an addition was constructed as part

of the renovation to provide restrooms to the facility.

According to the Alvirne Trustee Chair, Elaine Brody, the drainage issue was corrected at no charge by Erikson Foundation Solutions, who intalled the new system as a Com-

munity Service Project.

The Tudor-style chapel was built by Dr. Alfred K. Hills, in 1909, as a memorial to his late wife Ida Virginia Creutzborg on land purchased for the chapel and has been in use over the 115-years for multi-denom-

inational religious services, weddings, and funerals, school tours, and other events.

The chapel is also used as the final resting place for the Hills couple and their two children.

The building is an adaptation of an English country chapel style and the exterior granite walls were constructed from ancient stonewalls of the Hills Farm Cemetery.

The large oak beams used in the interior for the trusses and the beams in the

ceiling, doors, and the choir stalls where all sanded and given a treatment of linseed oil. The interior walls are also lined with gray brick. The floor was laid with red Grueby tiles with hexagon and quatrefoil patterns. The walls of the chancel are also lined with the Grueby tiles.

The building was designed by architect Hubert G. Ripley of Boston. Plans were completed and construction started in 1908.

The builder, John W. Duff also of Boston, worked under the supervision of

Ripley. Ripley was also the architect for the Hills Memorial Library and the library at the Alvirne supper home.

The chapel and surrounding grounds restoration project is managed by the Alvirne Trustees.

Brody also metioned that there are about 100 chairs that are being replaced and are available for free to anyone in need of some seating.

Some information gathered from the Alvirne Memorial Chapel website.

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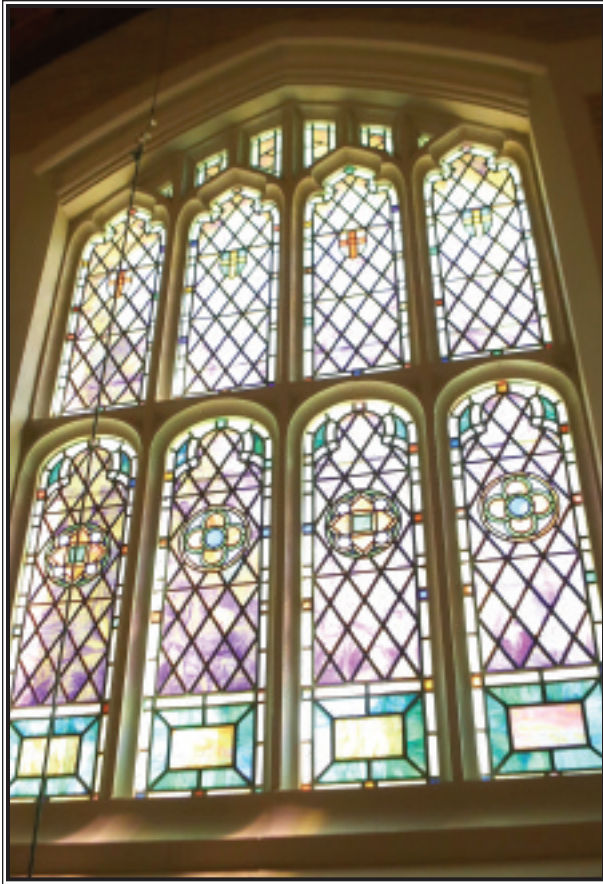


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The restoration project at the Alvirne Memorial Chapel is heading into its final stages. The facility is scheduled to re-open in the first week of August for a wedding scheduled there.
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HUDSON SPORTS

Kids Summer Enjoy Ideal Weather for Its Third Week

CHRIS PAUL
HUDSON TIMES

The annual Greater Derry Track Club's Kids Summer Fun Runs resumed on Monday night, July 21

after having to take a second week off due to another bout of inclement weather on July 14.

The free races are held each Monday night, weather permitting, at the Londonderry High School track for area youngsters, ages two-years and up competing in seven categories in a variety of distance races.

The club keeps track of race results in the nine-through 13-year old divisions and tabulates overall winners at the end of the season, which will be announced next week.

Each participating family is asked to donate a non-perishable food item as part of the registration.

Third Week results were as follows.

Nine-Year Old Girls:

First, Madeline Ambrose of Londonderry; second, Rylee Bell of Derry and Macie King, of Pelham, was third.

Nine-Year Old Boys: Taking first again was Joshua Tiney of Sandown; Lennox Finn, of Londonderry was second; and Aiden Capone of Londonderry came in at third.

Ten-Year Old Girls:



Sasha Solovyeva of Hudson took first for the third consecutive week; Harper Gorman of Chester was second, and Paisleigh DeCarolis of Derry took third.

Ten-Year Old Boys: First was Will Burke, of Salem; Robert Varsolone, of Chester, was second; and Wyatt Boston, of Hudson, was third.

The 11-Year Old Girls had two runners: First was Ryla Zatsky of Windham

and second was Jenna Fleming of Derry.

For the 11-Year Old Boys: Tommy Mane of Windham was first; Second went to TJ Santosuosso of Derry; and taking third was Calvin MacLeod of Derry.

The 12-Year Old Girls had Annabell Hall of Sandown winning, Corinne Tinkham of Litchfield was second; and Ava Miller, of Litchfield, took third.

The 12-Year Old Boys

division had Andrew Solovyev of Hudson taking the top spot.

The 13-Year Old Girls had Emily Miller, of Litchfield, winning and the 13-Year Old Boys Nicholas Tiney, of Sandown, winning.

Races will continue next Monday until with registration for new racers starting at 6 p.m. and races beginning at 6:30 p.m.

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Hudson Fish and Game Marksmen Compete in Nationals



Jack Daniels



Bill Dutton



Amelia Daniels

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The Hudson Fish and Game Club's Junior Rifle team sent five members, and a coach, to shoot at the 2025 Civilian Marksmanship Program's (CMP) for the Smallbore and Air Rifle National Matches July 10-19.

The CMP National Smallbore and Air Rifle have become one of the premier National Match sanctioning bodies, overtaking the once powerful National Rifle Association in terms of attendance numbers.

The Nationals are held every year (traditionally by the NRA and now by the CMP) at Port Clinton, Ohio. The ranges are located on

the National Army Guard Base Camp Perry on the shores of Lake Erie approximately 45 miles west of Cleveland. A former cow pasture, the location was host to the first NRA national matches back in 1907 and every year since consecutively with interruptions due to world wars and covid. The national matches include Precision Air Rifle Standing, 3 Position Smallbore (22lr precision) and Prone Smallbore.

In the air rifle match, which was a 120 shot match in the standing position, over two days (60 shots each day), the team Individual results (out of 286 competitors) were (220th) Amelia Daniels (of Dracut

(Mass.) with scores of 590.1 and 572.1, (222nd) Jack Daniels of Dracut (MA) with scores of 578.7 and 583.0, 269th Joseph Dehney of Pelham (NH) with scores of 540.0 and 553.5, 270th Reagan Pelletier of Tyngsboro (MA) with scores of 539.0 and 540.7, and Bill Dutton (coach, Derry NH) finished 274th with scores of 548.9 and 526.7 and Andrew Banaszewski with scores of 362.9 and 476.5.

In the 3 Position Smallbore Matches (20 shots in each position, Kneeling/Prone/Standing, 60 shots total per day over two days for a total of 120 shots and

a maximum score of 1200). The team individual scores were (out of 251 competitors) were (134th) Jack Daniels with a 2-day score of 1076-15x, (171st) Bill Dutton (Coach) with a score of 1042-20x, (203rd) Amelia Daniels, (204th) Joseph Dehney with a score of 1008-14x, (233rd) Reagan Pelletier with a score of 933-11x and ((246th) Andrew Banaszewski with a score of 662-3x. Coach Bill Dutton's score was good enough for a 3rd place finish in the Senior Category (60+).

In the prone matches there were 91 entries total. The prone matches are shot

over a total of 4 days, 2 Daniels finished 58th over-days of 160 shots each with all with a score of 6,287 - iron sights (320 shots total) 307x. This was good for and 2 days of 160 shots 3rd place intermediary each with any sights Junior (ages 15-17) and (scopes, 320 shots) for a Amelia Daniels finished total of 640 shots over all 4 67th overall with a score of days and a potential score 6,212 - 244x. Her score of 6400. Coach Bill Dutton was good enough for 3rd finished 34th overall with a place Sub Junior (ages 14 score of 6,354 - 381x. Jack and under).

OBITUARY

Todd Michael Graham



Todd Michael Graham, 63, of Hudson, NH, a devoted husband, father, Papa, brother, uncle, mentor, and friend, passed away unexpectedly on July 17, 2025. Born on Feb. 5, 1962, in Somerville, MA, Todd was raised in Hudson and graduated from Alvirne High School with the Class of 1980.

Todd married his high school sweetheart and soulmate, Allyson (Jarry) Graham Aug. 31, 1985 and shared 39 wonderful years of marriage. Their love story was one of unwavering devotion, partnership, and joy. Together they built a beautiful family.

He leaves behind his beloved children: Amanda Graham and her husband Adam Marchelletta, Chris Graham and his wife Kayla (Gauthier) Graham, Jay Graham, Cody Graham and his wife Samantha (Mata) Graham.

His greatest joys were his grandchildren: Ava, Lacey, Jackson, Chloe, Cole, and Cynthia, each of whom brought endless happiness to his life.

Todd built a successful career in construction, beginning with the launch of his own business, Graham Construction. In 1993, he became the Site Supervisor at Sousa Realty, where he worked for 35 years alongside Manny and Kay Sousa. Together, they not only built beautiful homes but also a deep and lasting friendship.

In addition to his immediate family, Todd is survived by his brother Sean Graham his wife Donna and sister Tammy, as well as many nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his parents, Doreen and John Graham.

Todd's legacy is one of love, hard work, and generosity. His passion for life showed through in all he did - whether attending car shows with his classic pickup or Camaro, relaxing by the pool where all were welcome, tackling yard projects with endless enthusiasm, pattering around one of his garages, cracking sarcastic jokes or spending peaceful days at his lake house on Northwood Lake. He enjoyed long car rides with Allyson, going out to eat and attending his grandchildren's sporting events. As the patriarch of his family he took pride in building the perfect home which was the gathering place for not only holidays but just simply the hangout. There was never a time the door wasn't open for anyone but he would always make sure to tell you "it's getting late" or "time to go home".

To know Todd was to be inspired, supported, and often considered family. His wisdom, warmth, and humor left an indelible mark on everyone he met. His passing is a profound loss, not only for his family but for the countless others whose lives he touched.

Calling hours will be held on Wednesday, July 23, from 5 - 7 p.m., in the Dumont - Sullivan Funeral Home, 50 Ferry St., Hudson, NH. Burial will be private at a later date. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Todd's honor to the National Multiple Sclerosis Society at www.nationalmssociety.org. This is an organization close to the family's heart. To share an online message of condolence, please visit www.dumontsullivan.com. The Dumont-Sullivan Funeral Home in Hudson is in charge of arrangements.

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Teen Pancake Party

At Rodgers Library on Friday, Aug. 1 at 11:30 a.m., wrap up summer reading by eating pancakes and discussing your favorite books and library programs.

Coco Interactive Movie

On Friday, Aug. 1 at 2:30 p.m., come to Rodgers Library for a Coco Interactive Movie experience. Props will be used, and Singing and dancing is encouraged.

Genealogy Club

On Friday, Aug. 8 at 1:30 p.m., This Rodgers Library club will discuss New Frontiers in Genealogy. Lisa Alzo will demonstrate how emerging technologies will shape a new frontier in family history including how we research

our ancestors and share their stories.

National Night Out

Tuesday, August 5th starting at 4:30pm The Rodgers Memorial Library is once again hosting National Night Out in partnership with the Hudson Police Department.

Rodgers Readers

This Book Club will meet on Thursday, Aug. 7 at 7 p.m., at Rodgers Library. This month's book is "Tress of the Emerald Sea" by Brandon Sanderson.

Mystery Lovers' Book Club

This group will meet on Monday, Aug. 11 at 12:30 p.m., at the Rodgers Library. This month's book is "Every Time I Go On Vacation,

Someone Dies" by Catherine Mack.

Wildlife Encounters

Come to the Rodgers Library on Thursday, Aug. 14 at 2 p.m., to learn about seven live animals. Bring a blanket or lawn chairs for this outdoor event.

Access Wisdom Book Group

The Rodgers Library group will meet on Thursday, Aug. 14 at 7 p.m. This month's book is "How We Live Is How We Die" by Pema Chodron.

Afternoon Book Group

This Rodgers Library group will meet on Tuesday, Aug. 19 at 1:30 p.m. This month book to discuss is

"Leadership in Turbulent Times" by Doris Kearns Goodwin.

Coffee History and Tasting

On Wednesday, Aug. 20 at 9:30 a.m., come to Rodgers Library to learn about coffee's origins, its impact on cultures around the world, and the art of roasting. Indulge in a guided tasting of various coffee blends to discover your perfect cup. This event is hosted by Mill City Roasting Company.

Crime & Cookies

This Rodgers Library group will meet on Wednesday, Aug. 20 at 7 p.m. This month's podcast will be "Karen Read and the Death of John O'Keefe."

Coffee Paint Night

On Thursday, Aug. 21 at 6:30 p.m., come to the Rodgers Library to make a painting using coffee.

Cookbook Club

On Monday, Aug. 25 at 11:30 a.m., prepare a recipe from this month's topic, then engage with others at Rodgers Library. This month's cookbook is "Good Lookin' Cookin'."

Button Making

On Friday, July 25 at 2 p.m., use the Rodgers

Library's button maker to create your own buttons. All ages. Children under 10 must be accompanied by an adult.

Crafting with Chris

Come to the Rodgers Library on Saturday, July 26 at 10 a.m., for quilting like you've never done it before. Be prepared to get a little messy and have loads of fun with this painting project.

Cookbook Club

Love to cook and bake? Join the Rodgers Library on Monday, July 28 at 11:30 a.m., to sample and discuss recipes from popular cookbooks and food themes.

Tween Soap Carving

On Tuesday, July 29 at 6 p.m., Grades 5-8 are invited to make soap carving sculptures at the Rodgers Library. Supplies will be provided.

Drumming Circle

On Wednesday, July 30 at 2 p.m., Students entering grades 5-12 are invited to a deep dive into the sounds and rhythms from across the globe in this interactive drumming experience at the Rodgers Library.

Teen Nintendo Jeopardy

Test your knowledge of Nintendo games during Teen Nintendo Jeopardy at the

Read 'Em & Eat

This reading group will meet at Soho on Monday, July 28 at 7 p.m. July's book is "All Fours" by Miranda July.

Lions Club Scholarship

The Hudson Lions Club is awarding the 18th annual Lion Ron Boisvert \$2,000 scholarship to a Hudson Resident College Student who is currently continuing their education in the Medical Field. Applications can be obtained by contacting Scholarship Chairman Roger LaTulippe, email, dgroger@comcast.net. The deadline to apply is July 31.

Drop In Stitchers

A group for those who love to craft, whether it be quilting, knitting, crocheting, rug making or plastic canvas, will meet at Rodgers Library on Friday, July 25 at 9:15 a.m.

Break-A-Record

Come to the Rodgers Library during July to try and break a record. On Wednesday, July 30 at 11:30 a.m., test your building skills and see how fast you can arrange

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Around Town

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Mr. Potato Head while blindfolded.

Story Safari

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

Artist Study

On Monday, July 28 at 2 p.m., children entering grades 1-5 can join to learn about artists from around the world, then complete a project that reflects the artists' style at the Rodgers Library.

Cemetery Group?

Would you like to assist the Hudson Cemetery Trustees? Interested in helping those with genealogical needs such as finding a relative's grave, cleaning it and sending photos? Then the board would like to hear from you as they are currently seeking to create a new volunteer group to help fulfill requests that do not currently fall under their

duties. All interested parties should go to the Hudson Cemetery Trustees Facebook page to send a direct message about their interest, www.facebook.com/search/top/?q=Hudson%2C%20NH%20Cemetery%20Trustees.

Benson Park Saturday Cleanup

Please join the Friends of Benson Park 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, meet new people and enjoy the outdoors. Lunch will be provided. Sign up online by going to the Friends of Benson Park website friendsofbensonpark.org and providing your email address in the "Contact Us" section.

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from AFC Urgent Care Hudson will be holding a Free Health Screening at George H. and Ella M. Rodgers Memorial Library, 194 Derry Rd., Hudson, to provide free blood pressure and blood sugar screenings. Stop by any time between 10 a.m. - noon. No registration is necessary. Learn more at www.afcurgent-care.com/hudson or Call them at (603) 634-8614.

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On Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays at 2 p.m. (except last week of month) at the Rodgers Memorial Library Teens are invited to relax in our teens only space. Snacks, games, crafts, and Nintendo Switch available. A different theme each week.

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.

Preschool Water Play

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

Adventurers Storytime

On Tuesdays at 10 a.m., join Ms. Tanya for stories, songs, games, and activities at the Rodgers Memorial Library. For ages 3-5.

Digital Navigators

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A Good Yarn

On Tuesdays at 5 p.m., (except July 15) come to the Rodgers Memorial Library to Share tips, tricks, and stories while you work on your

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Originally developed in QT5, this application will need to be updated to QT6. Conan is used for the project management. Knowledge of publishing layout will be an asset. Possible other projects after completion of this one. For more information, contact Sabrina Fobes, 207-452-2476 or email: sfobes@merrisoft.com.

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School Board Approves Upgrades For Hudson-Litchfield Bears

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One of the agenda items during the most recent Hudson School Board meeting was in regards to a proposal from the Hudson-Litchfield Bears. It was explained by Superintendent Dan Moulis that during the springtime, the Bears had representatives at their Board meeting to discuss some potential projects they were looking to complete in the near future. "The Hudson-Litchfield Bears are looking to replace the light heads on

the existing light poles at Hudson Memorial School," a memo to the School Board stated. "The current lights are old and inefficient and do not do a good enough job lighting up the field. They are currently used to light up the field for practices during the week. But with a growing program, the need for better and efficient lights is becoming a major need. With practices and games running past dusk these lights would help to reduce any safety concerns over poor lighting."

It was explained that they currently have to bring in diesel light towers. "Currently we have to bring in diesel powered light towers to help light up the lower field and for the dark areas on the upper field," the memo explained. "Last year HLB had (x160) Football Athletes and another (x90) cheerleaders. During the month of August they all practice outside and the practices run until 8:30 p.m."

It was explained in the memo that the new "LED

light heads draw LESS power than the existing heads, these LED heads do NOT need the light bulbs replaced like the existing ones. The new LED heads are also LIGHTER in weight than the existing heads."

"We are looking to completely remove the existing heads, clean up the mounting area, and add in the new heads," the memo stated. It was explained as part of the memo that currently "HLB roughly spends about \$10,000 - \$12,000/season

on light tower rentals. We believe with these upgraded LED heads we will have to rent less light towers and save the program some money that we can spend elsewhere or lower registration costs."

"We are looking to get this done before August. We would like to get this done in July or early August at the latest. We already have the light heads located and quoted from a local supplier," the memo stated. "We also have a construction company in the program

that will be doing the labor end of the job." It was noted that the Bears would pay for the project. "The Hudson-Litchfield Bears will incur all costs of this project," the memo stated. "Budget and all approvals have been made on the board level of HLB at this time."

The School Board unanimously approved the proposal during the meeting.

The next Hudson School Board meeting is slated for Aug. 4 beginning at 6:30 p.m.

Hudson Police Log

Excerpts Taken from the Hudson Police Call Log - July 13 to July 19, 2025

Sunday - July 13

4:18 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop on Ferry Street and George Street leads to an arrest-summons issued. Cristian Manuel Chavez, 28, charged with: Open Container; and Uninspected Vehicle

Monday - July 14

10:35 a.m. Warrant served and an arrest made at Hudson Police Department. Aliciaana Naylise Brignoni, 26, charged with: Public Urination or Defecation.

1 p.m. Warrant served and an arrest made at Hudson Police Department. Christopher Charles Corcione, 30, charged with: Theft By Unauthorized Taking of \$0-\$1,000; Arrested on a Warrant.

6:44 p.m. Warrant served and an arrest made on Officer James Roche Drive, Nashua. Brenda Lee Summers, 64, charged with: Theft by Unauthorized Taking (Two Prior Convictions); and Theft by Unauthorized Taking \$1,001-\$1,500.

Tuesday - July 15

9:08 a.m. Warrant served and an arrest made at Hudson Police Department. Aidan Robert Tierney, 22, charged with:

Nonconsensual Dissemination Private Sex Images; Theft by Extortion \$0-\$1,000; two counts of Child Sex Abuse Image; Sell, Transfer etc.; Child Sex Abuse Image; Buy etc.; Falsifying Physical Evidence - Alter, Destroy, Hide; and Criminal Threatening - Conduct.

7:54 p.m. Auto Theft Arrest - In Custody on Stuart Street. Adriel Javier Gonzalez, 18, charged with: Theft by Unauthorized Taking over \$1,501; Robbery; Possession of Burglary Tools; Resisting Arrest/Detention; and Criminal Mischief.

Wednesday - July 16

2:51 p.m. Warrant served and arrest made at Hudson Police Department. Jorawar Singh, 31, charged with: Criminal Threatening Against Person with a Deadly Weapon.

3:33 p.m. Warrant served and arrest made at Hudson Police Department. Howard Prak, 40, charged with: Hand Guns False Information; and Unsworn Falsification (Written/Electronic Statement).

7:38 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop on Shelley Drive leads to an Arrest/Summons Issued. Ciara Lynn

Paul, 29, charged with: Drive after Revoke/Suspension.

9 p.m. Warrant served and arrest made at Hudson Police Department. Brianna Dean, 34, charged with: Theft by Unauthorized Taking \$0-\$1,000.

Thursday - July 17

10:59 a.m. Motor vehicle stop on Derry Street at Highland Avenue leads to an Arrest/Summons issued. Patrick Connor, 47, charged with Suspension of Vehicle Registration.

3:49 p.m. Theft/Forgery/Fraud Report taken on Derry Street.

4:23 p.m. Criminal Threatening Report taken on Derry Street.

4:26 p.m. Theft/Forgery/Fraud Report taken on Derry Street.

8:15 p.m. Motor vehicle stop on Lowell Road leads to an Arrest/Summons issued. Jayden Onrea Bruton, 21, charged with: Drive after Revoke/Suspension

Friday - July 18

2:52 p.m. Warrant served and arrest made at Hudson Police Department. Olivia Anne Arsenault, 29, charged with: Disobeying an Officer;

Child Restraints; Endangering Welfare of a Child; and Reckless Conduct.

3:50 p.m. Theft/Forgery/Fraud Report Taken on Rita Avenue.

4:22 p.m. Warrant served and arrest made on Abbott Farm Lane. Ashley Dicomandrea, 40, charged with: Robbery; and four counts of Simple Assault (Bodily Injury or Physical Contact).

Saturday - July 19

12:08 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop on Lowell Road and Atwood Avenue leads to an arrest. James Alonzo Scipione, 53, charged with: Driving Under the Influence - Impairment; and Speeding 16-20 mph over a Limit of 55 or Less.

1:34 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop on Derry Street leads to an arrest. Tyler Hamsmith, 29, charged with: Driving Under the

Influence - Impairment.

10:17 a.m. Theft/Forgery/Fraud Report Taken on Lowell Road.

11:28 a.m. Theft/Forgery/Fraud Report Taken on Old Derry Road.

11:49 a.m. Warrant served and Arrest made at the Hudson Police Department. Cody Jacob Vaillancourt, 23, charged with: two counts of Disobeying an Officer; Reckless Operation; Failure To Display Plates; Speeding 25 mph Over Limit of 55 or Less; and Speeding over 26 Mph Over Limit of 55 or Less.

12:34 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop on Lowell Road at Pelham Road leads to an arrest. Jacinda Rose Morales, 30, charged with: Drive After Revoke/Suspension; "Hands Free" Violation; and two Bench Warrants.

1:26 p.m. Trespass Report Taken on Lowell

Road.

2:11 p.m. Motor Vehicle Complaint on Sagamore Park Road leads to Arrests/Summons issued to multiple individuals.

Matthew Cook, 25; Mitchell Michael Riccardi, 20; Charles Bartolone, 19; Clayton Earl Iii Mathieson, 23; Mark Swenson, 25; Ashton Scott Lohrman, 21; Antonio Domenico Attardo, 24; Angelo Joseph Cabral, 25; John Denysen Wermecke, 23; and Riley James Peterson, 19, all charged with Disorderly Conduct.

5:09 p.m. Vandalism Report Taken at the Hudson Police Department.

7:51 p.m. Shoplifting arrest made on Lowell Road. Stephanie Fielding, 32, charged on: Bench Warrants; Theft By Unauthorized Taking \$0-\$1,000; and Willful Concealment.

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