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Eryn Buchanan and Alekhyia Buddhiraju were excited after getting their diplomas at the Alvirne High School graduation ceremony on Friday night, June 13, at the SNHU Arena. *Photo by Chris Paul*

## Nearly 250 Alvirne High School Graduates Receive Diplomas

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HUDSON TIMES

Nearly 250 Alvirne High School graduates crossed the stage at SNHU Arena last Friday night.

"I appreciate your work and commitment at Alvirne through your time in high school. I am thankful for the relationships we developed and greatly appreciate the care and respect you have shown to me," Principal Steve Beals wrote in the program message to

graduates. "I hope life will treat you well. Please persevere through the challenges and know Alvirne and I will support you in your future. I am so proud to welcome you as alumni of Alvirne. Be well, be happy and most importantly, Be Nice."

One of the speakers during the program was School Board Chair Maureen Dionne.

"To our graduates we are incredibly

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## Budget Committee Get Reports as Fiscal Year Draws to a Close

PAUL CONYERS  
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The May meeting of the Budget Committee saw a presentation from Town Administrator Roy Sorenson regarding the town's affiliation with Municipal Resources, Inc. (MRI).

"They're a private company that supports local governments for things like recruiting, hiring, training, and things of that nature," Sorenson explained. "We're under contract for a mentoring, I guess training, which was set up for the Fire Department, and I was asked for quarterly reports that were due by member Cole."

Over the past two months, Budget Committee member Bill Cole has called for greater accountability over town-wide spending, specifically regarding MRI,

a company Hudson has previously utilized. Sorenson reported that a few quarterly invoices and reports were combined due to the recent retirement of the last Town Administrator Steve Malizia.

"With myself taking this position and Steve Malizia retiring, there was a gap there," said Sorenson.

Hoping to resolve criticism over exaction related to the Target Logistics Center, Board of Selectmen Liaison Xen Vurgaropoulos tried to give a more in-depth explanation of the process.

"On the Board, we had a discussion on the exactions from Target," he said. "Everything has been reviewed, and we are in no legal grey area for accepting any of the exactions, so there is a mechanism to accept all of that."

Such a finding stood in contrast to several previous accusations by several members of the Budget Committee, who argued that such payouts should not be classified as an "exaction."

"Get yourself a copy of the notice of approval dated Jan. 27, 2023, from the Planning Board, and this is the document that governs the exactions and has them listed," said Committee member Bill Cole, who wanted the Selectmen to take a closer look at the issue.

School Board Liaison Dan Kilgore reported that the School District was at a little over 90% of its expected budget for 2024-2025, which is set to wrap up at the end of June.

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## Town Staff Will Receive Cybersecurity Training

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Following the regular portion of the June 10 Hudson Board of Selectmen, a non-public session took place to discuss and vote on a number of different personnel moves, according to the draft minutes from the meeting.

One of those personnel moves was to authorize the Director of Community Media to hire Kristen Parziale as an on-call staff member. The rate was to pay \$16 per hour with it being for no more than 20 hours per week. Another agenda item was to authorize the Police Chief to hire Cameron Feely as a full-

time Police Officer, with a starting salary of \$31.27.

For the Police Department, the Board of Selectmen also unanimously approved authorizing the Police Chief to hire Lucy Elerath as a full-time Telecommunication Technician with a starting salary of \$23.09 per hour.

The Board of Selectmen also unanimously approved authorizing the Public Works Director to hire Rosario Parisi effective June 16, 2025 at \$24.25 per hour. Additionally the Board of Selectmen voted unanimously to approve an increase in hourly salary rate by 5.0% for Valerie Marquez through the vacan-

cy of the second Water Utility Clerk. It was noted that it would be retroactive to May 19, and the Town Administrator has the authority to rescind it when appropriate.

During the regular portion of the meeting, it was explained by Town Administrator Roy Sorenson, that they would be having a mandatory training coming up for staff. "This is a big one, cybersecurity training, mandatory training, town-wide June 26th," Sorenson said.

Sorenson explained during the meeting that Primex, the insurance carrier company for the Town, would

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# Top Alvirne Academic Students Reflects on Hudson Careers

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For Shivam Mathur, earning the distinction of being the Alvirne High School Class of 2025 valedictorian means a lot. "It means a lot to earn this distinction and be recognized," Mathur said. "As a class, we've worked incredibly hard over the past four years, and I'm truly grateful for this honor. It's something that reflects not only academic dedication, but the support I've received from teachers, classmates, and my family along the way."

Some of Mathur's favorite memories in Hudson go back to his days in elementary school. "Some of my favorite memories go all the way back to elementary school recess - playing basketball with my friends was always competitive and fun," Mathur said. "As I got older, I really enjoyed getting involved in clubs and

activities throughout middle and high school. Those experiences helped me discover new interests and build lasting friendships."

Junior and senior year would be the most challenging during Mathur's high school career. "Junior and senior year were definitely the most challenging parts of high school for me. Between a heavy AP course load and balancing other commitments, the workload increased significantly," Mathur said. "It pushed me to manage my time better, prioritize rest, and learn to be okay with asking for help. I'm still figuring out that balance, but those challenges taught me a lot."

In the fall Mathur will be attending Vanderbilt University in Nashville, Tennessee, where Mathur plans on majoring in Engineering Science.

"I'm passionate about STEM and data science, and I hope to apply those skills



2025 Alvirne High School Valedictorian Shivam Mathur, speaking at the graduation ceremony on Saturday night, April 13.

Photo by Chris Paul

in ways that make a meaningful impact - possibly through government programs," Mathur said.

Advice Mathur would give incoming students is to "get involved early."

"Alvirne has so many great programs, clubs, and opportunities - and the earlier you dive in, the more you'll get out of your time here," Mathur said.

Maddy Sargent, this year's class essayist said "earning this distinction truly means so much."

"I have worked very hard throughout my high school career, and I am glad that I am afforded this honor because of it," she said.

During her time in Hudson, Sargent said some of her favorite memories include "getting to participate in the band in high school, middle school, and elementary school, as well as getting to take classes in high school that covered a wide range of my interests."

"A piece of advice that I would give incoming students is to find your peo-

ple," Sargent said. "Find friends who motivate you to be your best self and support you unconditionally."

Sargent pointed to two moments during her time in high school as being the most challenging.

"Some of my most challenging moments during my high school career were when I was stuck in a toxic friendship, and during my junior year when I experienced academic burnout," Sargent said.

Next year, Sargent plans on attending the University of Connecticut.

"After I graduate, I plan on attending the University of Connecticut and majoring in pharmacy, working towards earning my PharmD at the end of 6 years," she said. "I will also be participating in their honors program and their marching band."

*Editor's Note: Class Salutatorian Sophia Berube did not respond to an interview request for this story.*

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# Reeds Ferry Sheds Asks for Early Approval for Storage Yard

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The Hudson Planning Board met on June 11 with a lengthy presentation from Jason Hill of TFMoran, requesting approval of an inventory storage yard on behalf of Reeds Ferry Sheds at 2, 6, 8, and 10 Tracy Ln. Laurie Blanchette, a representative from Reeds Ferry Sheds, was also at the meeting.

"Reeds is looking to use the lots for inventory and overflow storage space which is associated with the retail component of their business," explained Hill. "We'd be looking to put into storage for the sheds. As they're assembled, they're moved over to these locations and are set onto pallets pretty much."

The storage area includes a few convenience

upgrades, such as restriping existing parking spaces and burying a current outdoor propane tank. The plan involved merging the existing four lots into two lots.

"Why do you want to merge these things?" asked Board member James Crowley. "Are you trying to eliminate some side setback problems?"

Blanchette confirmed the merger was meant to better conform with Hudson's zoning code while leaving the property more prepared for future expansion.

"If we ever have a potential that we ever wanted to add-on to the building at 2 Tracy someday, not that there's a need for that now," said Blanchette.

Crowley noted that the two-lot design, which seemed to include a total of three

driveways, could be an issue, even with restricted access.

"When I look at our land use regs, it says two driveways, it doesn't say 'one's gated, don't worry about it,'" said Crowley. "I don't see how we can approve three driveways."

Board Chair Tim Malley pointed out that the applicants are allowed to request a waiver for three driveways. Hill added that even three driveways would be allowed under the current four-lot setup and that it would make little sense to block such a waiver.

"I noticed that the third driveway is on a dead-end street with very low traffic. It makes sense from an operational standpoint as it's right across the street from their manufacturing facility," said Board mem-

ber Ed Van der Veen.

After some discussion, the Board unanimously voted to approve a waiver allowing a third driveway at the final two-lot configuration.

Other members had questions about the scope of the proposal.

"Is it just going to end up as a field of these tiny house-looking sheds?" asked Board member Julia Paquin. "What would be keeping you from filling all the space?"

Blanchette indicated it would not be feasible to fill the new lots.

"We wouldn't be able to get at them," she said. "We need to leave space in between to get at them, to bring them in and out."

There were a few outstanding issues with the stormwater drainage plan

that remained unresolved at the meeting, making it difficult for the Planning Board to move forward.

"It sounds like there was a lot of stuff missing out of the stormwater management report," said Crowley, looking through the paperwork. "I see loose ends. That bothers me a bit."

According to Interim Town Planner Jay Minkarah, there was no anticipated final commentary from environmental engineering firm Fuss & O'Neill over the drainage and infiltration pond.

"This entire site is going to be crushed stone, gravel, permeable surface, water infiltration in the entire thing," said Board member Todd Boyer. "Drainage along Tracy Lane is going to be improved, going into a pond that will be improved.

I don't personally think any comments from Fuss & O'Neill or any design change will be coming to this."

"We understand that there's some details to hammer out before the Board signs the plans," said Hill, who wanted a conditional approval, even without the green light from the expected third-party environmental review. "It's all being designed in accordance with the standard regulations."

Despite some disagreement on how to proceed, the Board voted to conditionally approve the Reeds Ferry storage space, pending a final environmental review.

The next meeting of the Hudson Planning Board is scheduled for Wednesday, June 25, at 7 p.m. in the Buxton Community Development Conference Room.

# Tim Lyko Appointed to Zoning Board of Adjustments

ALEX MALM  
HUDSON TIMES

At the most recent Hudson Board of Selectmen meeting, one of the agenda items was in regards to the appointment of a member to the Zoning Board of Adjustment. The Board of Selectmen interviewed Timothy Lyko for the position, who, until the March election, served on the Planning Board after coming in fourth in the election this year. For the Planning Board, the top two vote getters earned seats on the Board this year.

Lyko explained during the meeting that he is still currently serving on the Nashua Regional Planning Commission. In addition,

Lyko said he previously served on the Zoning Ordinance Review Committee. Ultimately Lyko said he wants to continue to help the Town anyway he can. "I figured this would be a good opportunity for me to learn some more and help out Hudson while I'm not on the Planning Board," Lyko said.

"Every Planning Board meeting we had since the election, he's been there, and paying attention, and he's very much engaged, and I think he would be an asset to the Planning Board," Lyko said. Board of Selectmen Chair Dillon Dumont said it's typical to go right to the appointment for incumbents, and for new

board members, they do an interview and then the next meeting they vote on it. Dumont argued in this case, since he has been very engaged he said he thought it made sense to make the appointment right after the interview. "I would be very comfortable with moving forward," Dumont said.

Selectman Heidi Jakoby argued that she thought they should keep their process in place noting that the Zoning Board of Adjustment wouldn't be meeting until after their next Board of Selectmen meeting, and they would have time to make the appointment before the next meeting. Board of Selectmen Vice Chair Bob

Guessferd explained that in his view, "It's a unique situation given his experience," explaining that the sooner that they can get him sworn in, the sooner he can get prepared for the next meeting, which would be beneficial. "I would support that," Guessferd said about making the appointment at the meeting.

The Board of Selectmen ultimately voted 4-1 to appoint Lyko to the Zoning Board of Adjustment during the meeting, with Jakoby the lone vote against the appointment. Jakoby noted during the meeting that she wasn't opposed to Lyko being appointed but was opposed to deviating from their normal procedure on

appointments. "Tim, I do support you for this position," Jakoby explained. "I do not support the fact of voting tonight. So, I will be voting against this motion. And I just wanted to let you know that."

The next Hudson Board of Selectmen meeting is slated to take place on June 24 beginning at 7 p.m.

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# Editorial

## Summertime and the Livin' is Easy

Now that school is out or almost out, summer has officially arrived, and hopefully, no more rainy weekends. There will be plenty of fun activities to enjoy, like camping, attending ball games, swimming, fishing, visiting the beach, hiking in the mountains, and simply spending time in the neighborhood.

The free concerts for all ages have started and are held in several communities, providing a great reason to get out of the house in the evening and away from the TV or video games. You can prepare a picnic, pick up some take-out food, grab some lawn chairs and a blanket, bring mosquito repellent, and enjoy a relaxed evening of entertainment.

The Town recreation programs offer opportunities for kids to spend time together, learning crafts, playing games, and having fun. There are also athletic camps available in a variety of sports. Local libraries host Summer Reading Programs that come with a two-for-one benefit: they're free and they encourage reading, a wonderful way to spend a summer day.

Be sure to check our calendar listings each week to plan for fun events close to home. If that's not enough, we're headed into festival season, featuring more music, plenty of food, and games. Picture bandstands decorated with patriotic bunting and families gathered on lawn chairs or blankets,

enjoying a slice of pie and a pitcher of iced tea. That's a classic summer image in this part of the country, even as we complain about the heat and humidity.

But while this short but delightful season is here, fire up the barbecue, enjoy friends and family, head to the beach or lake, or simply relax on the screen porch and enjoy a firefly-filled evening while listening to or watching the Red Sox.

This is also the time of year when kids are prone to accidents, especially concerning water and traffic. Water can be extremely appealing to kids, and also be hazardous. Pools, regardless of their depth, as well as streams, rivers, ponds, and lakes, attract kids. Everyone needs to remember that no one, regardless of age or swimming ability, should take the danger of water for granted.

Our roads can also be dangerous for kids, walking, running, or riding bikes near traffic. Parents can give all the warnings in the world, but that often isn't enough to keep kids off the streets. When driving in residential areas, especially, it's crucial to slow down and remain attentive, both day and night.

As cliché as it may sound, kids will be kids, and summer is undoubtedly the funnest time for them for them. Let's all do our part to ensure it's a safe summer when life feels easy

## Donation to Senior Center Leads To Much Larger Discussion

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HUDSON TIMES

One of the agenda items during the consent agenda portion of the June 10 Board of Selectmen meeting was in regards to two different donations, which the Selectmen needed to approve in order for the funds to be accepted.

Board of Selectmen Chair Dillon Dumont said it made sense to continue recognizing the donations instead of voting on it as part of the overall consent agenda, which is voted on without debate, or discussion.

"We received a check for donation for \$100 from Hudson resident Carole Day," Hudson Fire Chief Scott Tice wrote in a memo to the Board of Selectmen. "We would like to recognize Master Firefighter/AEMT Tom Henley and FFOP/AEMT Ryan Richard, who she expressed her thanks to on the note that accompanied the check. We would

request the Board of Selectmen accept this donation with thanks. Upon your acceptance, we will send Ms. Day a thank you note for the donation." The Selectmen unanimously approved accepting the donation into the Fire Department's General Donation fund for future use.

The board was asked to vote on another donation, which led to a bigger discussion during the meeting. "Paula Graves, a member of our Senior Center, passed away recently. Her family would like to donate \$1,000 in her memory," Recreation Director Chrissy Peterson wrote in a memo to the Board of Selectmen.

As part of the memo she explained that the request would be for it to be put in the Recreation Department's Senior Center donation account. With the donation of \$1,000, Board of Selectmen Vice Chair Bob Guessferd questioned if there would be

anything at the Senior Center that could be dedicated in Graves' name. "I'm not sure if it's appropriate or we have to think about the process, but given such a significant donation, \$1,000, is there anything over there that we could kind of dedicate to her?" Guessferd asked during the meeting.

Dumont explained that it would make sense for Guessferd, as the liaison for the Recreation Department, to talk to Peterson about it.

Selectman Heidi Jakoby also suggested that when the Recreation Commission has the conversation, they look at potentially having something like a donations wall for what has been given to the library. "Because at some point, and I've had this in other organizations, there's not a thing they need. They really just need overall support," Jakoby said.

## Budget

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"Do you guys have a projected end of year fund balance?" asked Committee member Rich Weissgarber.

Kilgore did not have such a projection but promised to ask about it. Following a question by Committee member Kevin Walsh over "erratic" numbers, Kilgore also pledged to take a closer look at several past budget reports before the next meeting.

"I'm just looking at four

pages of summaries for the last several months and the numbers seem to be bouncing around," said Walsh.

With several outstanding questions and the coming end of the fiscal year, Chair James Lawrence asked to see Superintendent Daniel Moulis at the Budget Committee's next meeting.

"We heard from Administrator Sorenson on the town side," said Lawrence. "Unless someone has an objection, I'd like to ask Dr. Moulis and his team to come to our August meeting

and bring relevant information from the school district. As a courtesy, I'd like to request that this committee get forwarded a copy of that information at least a couple of weeks in advance."

Kilgore agreed to ask Moulis and had no problem with sending any relevant information to the Budget Committee.

The next meeting of the Hudson Budget Committee is scheduled for Wednesday, Aug. 6, at 7 p.m. in the Buxton Room of Town Hall.

## Security

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be helping them with running the training.

"We're going to do this over at the Hills Memorial Library, and obviously everybody can't attend," Sorenson said. "However, we will film this, and then we will ask the department heads to follow up on their staff watching that video." Also during the meeting a number of personnel moves were announced from the

May 27 non-public session meeting. One of those was to unanimously approve the Police Chief to recognize and award Lieutenant Roger Lamarche, Executive Coordinator Sherrie Kimball, and Animal Control Supervisor Jana McMillan with a merit award of \$333 each. Another move was to hire Richard Daughen for the position of Firefighter/AEMT in the Fire Department at the contracted salary of \$31.30 per hour.

The Board of Selectmen

also made another personnel move for the Fire Department during that meeting, including hiring Parker Berube for the position of Firefighter/EMT in the Fire Department at the contracted salary of \$23.80 per hour. The Board of Selectmen also unanimously approved an increase in hourly salary rate by 5.0% for Executive Coordinator Erika LaRiviere until the Administrative Aide II position is filled.

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# Select Board Approve Extension For Paving Contract

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At the most recent Board of Selectmen meeting one of the agenda items was in regards to a proposal to lock in the price for paving for the next three years. It was explained by Public Works Director Jay Twardosky that he was approached by their current

vendor to extend the pricing for the next three years of paving.

"I have received a proposal from our current road striping contractor, Industrial Traffic Lines, offering to extend their current FY25 contract pricing for three more years," Twardosky wrote in a memo to the Board. "The current pricing

reflects what we have budgeted keeping that line item stable over the next three budget cycles." With prices on the rise, Twardosky explained he thought it made sense to at least entertain the proposal.

"I thought it pertinent to bring it to the Board given today's climate with everything that's been going on,"

Twardosky said during the meeting. "Prices are just going to keep increasing if we don't lock something in now." Twardosky explained that they have had a positive working relationship with their current vendor.

"We have had an excellent working relationship with Industrial Traffic Lines over the past 10 years, and

given that a majority of traffic paint is being imported from Canada, and certain materials that traffic paint is composed of originate from China, I firmly believe accepting this offer is in the best interest of the town, as prices will no doubt increase," Twardosky wrote in a memo to the Board of Selectmen.

It was noted by Twardosky that the cost would be locked in at 15 cents per linear foot for double yellow lines and would be just under eight cents per linear foot for single white lines. "No increase, same quality, same thickness of paint," he said.

One question raised during the meeting was when they typically look for pricing on new contracts that are set to expire. Twardosky explained that for the past few years they have

gone out to bid for the paving contract around this time. "So, we reached out to him, and we were talking about what was going to happen," Twardosky said. "And he offered to keep these numbers."

Selectmen Heidi Jakoby explained she thinks they should look at their policies in Town on when they reach out with vendors for contracts and renewals. "We've had a lot of vendors come to us, which is great, but just looking at policies around contracts and renewals and things like that, and how do we keep the vendors that are really good," she said.

The Board of Selectmen unanimously approved waiving the competitive bid process and awarding Industrial Traffic Lines a three-year contract extension for paving.

## Morin Named Planning Board Alternate Liaison

ALEX MALM  
HUDSON TIMES

The topic of who would serve as the alternate liaison for the Planning Board was a topic of discussion during the most recent Board of Selectmen meeting. Liaison assignments have been a topic of discussion during multiple meetings. During the April 22 meeting there was discussion of who would serve as the permanent liaison for the Planning Board. Unlike most boards and committees, the liaison also serves as a voting member of the Planning Board.

Ultimately Board of Selectmen Vice Chair Bob Guessferd was selected as the liaison member for the Planning Board over Selectman Heidi Jakoby.

Much of the discussion centered around experience with Jakoby being a second year member of the Board and Guessferd previously serving in the role. That led to an eventual discussion over who should be the alternate member. It was suggested by Selectmen Chair Dillon Dumont that they have a rotation basis similar to what was taking place with the School Board members for its alternate positions. The discussion over alternate liaisons was something that came up for the Planning Board.

Dumont explained that he thought it also made sense for other boards and committees to have substitutes from meeting to meeting when a normal liaison can't make a meeting. But during the June 10 meeting, Jakoby said there was an email exchange and Du-

mont made a decision on the alternate liaison member to the Planning Board. She explained that she thought that Dumont should explain his decision publicly during the meeting.

Dumont said that he had made Selectman Dave Morin the alternate member after input from various people. "I had assigned Selectman Morin as the permanent alternate for the Planning Board, after conversations with the Chairman of the

Planning Board, our Town Attorney, and I had gotten a few emails from the public, as well, not looking for a rotating member," Dumont said. He explained that after taking all of it into consideration he decided to make a decision on who the alternate liaison should be. Dumont said he "figured it was best to stick to what has worked in the past and that was that assignment," which was having a permanent alternate liaison.

Another question regarding liaison assignments was also raised by Jakoby during the meeting. She noted that there was an email about who, if anyone, was a liaison for the Cemetery Trustees. Morin explained that they have assisted them in the past when needed. "They would send me a question," Morin said. "That's how that went. There's never been a liaison for them, never in the history of the town."



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# School Board Reviews Character and Citizenship Education Policy

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The Hudson School Board once again reviewed a proposal for art supplies for the upcoming school year during its most recent meeting.

"For the fiscal year 2026, we reviewed quotes and pricing from three vendors for art supplies," Purchasing Coordinator Pamela Clark wrote in a memo to the School Board. "I am requesting that the Board approve the following motion so that staff may begin entering requisitions for art supplies to be purchased after July 1, 2025. This action is in compliance

with policy DJE Bidding and Purchasing."

It was explained by Superintendent Dan Moulis that there were questions raised during the previous meeting about why they had three different companies that were being recommended contracts.

He explained that there are some specialty supplies purchased through some of the companies, and some they buy bulk items from.

The proposal was to award contracts to National Art Supplies, W.B. Mason, and Cascade School Supplies all for \$12,500 each.

The School Board approved awarding the con-

tracts during the meeting.

Also during the meeting the School Board had a first policy reading for its proposed updated Character and Citizenship Education policy.

The policy states: Those in charge of curriculum development will have the responsibility for integrating into the curriculum, as appropriate, the following principles:

1. Each individual has dignity and worth.
2. A free society requires respect for persons, property, principles, and self.
3. Each individual has a right to learn and freedom

to achieve.

4. Each individual, regardless of age, gender, race, creed, color, religion, marital status, sexual orientation, national or ethnic origin, or disability, has the right to equal opportunity.

5. Each individual has the right to personal liberties.

6. Each individual is responsible for his/her own actions, and should exercise self-discipline where and when appropriate.

7. Each individual has a responsibility to oneself, the group, as well as to the total society.

8. A democratic government is established by

majority vote.

9. Democratic societies are based on law.

10. Problems are solved through reason and orderly processes.

11. An individual should be tolerant of another's beliefs and should have the freedom to express his/her own.

12. Each individual has the right to work, to pursue an occupation, and to gain satisfaction from personal efforts.

13. Each individual should interact with others using self-control, fairness, integrity, and justice.

14. A responsible citizen participates in commu-

nity service.

Teaching in the area of character and citizenship will take place throughout the K-12 program."

It was explained during the meeting that it's integrated into the curriculum at the different grade levels.

"It's integrated into the curriculum as it's appropriate at various levels," Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum & Instruction Jessica Benson said.

The proposed policy was sent to a second reading without any proposed changes.

The next School Board meeting is set for June 16 beginning at 6:30 p.m.

## School Board Gets Briefed On Hills Garrison Playground for All Initiative

ALEX MALM  
HUDSON TIMES

At the recent Hudson School Board meeting, the School Board received a brief regarding the Hills Garrison Playground for All initiative.

It was explained by Playground Coalition Lead Cristina Farris, that they have currently raised just over \$13,000 towards their goal.

"We recently secured our 501(c)(3) designation, which enables us to apply for grants and issue tax-deductible receipts to donors," Farris wrote in her update to the School Board.

In terms of design plan-

ning Farris said, "We are awaiting a second quote from a vendor for a new design."

There is student engagement and community outreach taking place currently as part of the initiative, with Farris saying "A t-shirt design contest was held at HGS. Students selected two top designs—one will be featured on a t-shirt and the other on a tote bag."

"These will be sold for \$20 (t-shirt) and \$15 (tote), with all proceeds benefiting the playground fund," Farris wrote.

For community outreach Farris said they will have a booth at Old Home

Days "to promote the initiative and sell merchandise."

In terms of support from Alvirne High School, Farris said that the High School "is building a storage shed for the playground, expected to be completed in the coming weeks."

Farris said that they are also looking to get support from businesses.

"Letters were sent to over 125 local businesses requesting support through donations, in-kind contributions, or volunteer labor," Farris wrote. "Notably, Saint Laurent Property Maintenance has generously offered to donate equipment and labor for site

excavation, saving us several thousand dollars."

In terms of fall fundraising, Farris said they are exploring options.

"We are exploring additional fundraising ideas for the fall, including a fun run and a 'buy-a-brick' campaign," Farris said.

Farris said they will also be looking at student capstone opportunities.

"We will begin collaborating with the high school's English department to create capstone project opportunities such as fundraising or coordinating features like a gaga pit, reading hammocks, or sensory art paths," Farris said.

Farris also noted that there will be PTO collabora-

tion.

"We are seeking ways to partner with other local PTOs to expand awareness and fundraising efforts," Farris said. "We are excited about the momentum and community support behind this project and look forward to continued progress."

School Board Vice Chair Mike Campbell noted that there are more and more donations coming in for the project.

"We thank them very much for that," he said.

Also during the meeting the School Board received an update on various workshop travel approvals.

"Based on a policy update last year the board

no longer needs to approve these but they do come forward in correspondence," School Board Chair Maureen Dionne said.

Karen Atherton and Rebecca LaPorte were both approved to attend the SNA Annual Conference, Superintendent Dan Moulis was approved to attend the NHSAA Conference, Dawn Hanik was approved for the APSI AP Chemistry at St. Joseph's College of Maine, and Eric Frauwirth and Rich Paiva were approved to attend the ACTE Conference in Nashville, Tennessee.

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# Conservation Commission Organizes Land Trail Challenge

PAUL CONYERS  
HUDSON TIMES

At its June 9 meeting, the Conservation Commission prepared to enter the summer season with new ideas for encouraging residents to visit the extensive trail system on conservation land with their Conserved Land Trail Challenge.

"The idea is to have a Trail Challenge where we can perhaps have a little patch for people who complete the challenge to walk all of the trails we have to offer on conserved land," explained Conservation Chair Carl Murphy. "We're going to make sure all the trails are well marked so

nobody is out there getting lost."

It was unclear when the challenge would begin or how it would be organized as the Commission was still working on several logistical issues.

"Some of the trails don't have names, like the Robinson Pond ones," said Secretary Chris Cameron, who was organizing the challenge. "Maybe we can come up with our own names like 'Trail A' and 'Trail B.'"

He promised to look into the issue more deeply and explore how to obtain patches.

"If you're going to do a patch, and I know it's kind

of late now, but wait until the new school year and make it a contest for the schools," suggested Selectman Liaison David Morin. "Pick a grade and let them design a patch for you."

Other members agreed with the idea, debating whether they should ask for donations to pay for the patches.

"I don't think they're that expensive if you buy them in bulk," said Commissioner Kathy Griswold.

One issue related to the challenge was a need to more accurately map out trails online.

"Looking at the town's website for parks and trails,

I noticed there's a lot of updating that can be done," he said.

Morin suggested gathering information about what updates were needed before sending it to the town's IT Department.

"You need to make sure you get the information to them," said Morin.

The Commission aimed to push forward with a public outreach effort, keeping residents up-to-date with conservation programs such as the Conserved Land Trail Challenge and trail work days. Programming on HCTV was seen as a priority, with the Commission staying in regular contact

with Director of Community Media Michael Johnson.

"For Hudson TV, Michael emailed me, and I have to email him back," said Griswold. "I will reach out to him."

Part of the ongoing effort to keep conservation land usable for recreation includes an effort to control the growth of invasive species, particularly on conservation land at Musquash Pond and Tiger Road. The Chair was particularly concerned about the spread of Japanese knotweed and was in contact with Forester Eric Radlof to oversee whatever control methods might be needed.

"Over the next couple of weeks, he does plan to go out to Musquash to look at the spraying that has been done in the past to see what is needed for maintenance spraying," said Murphy. "He seems to think it'll probably be a two- or three-year project to almost fully eradicate the knotweed at Musquash."

Radlof also expressed interest in poison ivy control, along with seeding parts of Ranger's Town Forest with grass.

The next meeting of the Conservation Commission is set for Monday, July 14, at 7 p.m. in the Buxton Room at Town Hall.

# Rodgers Memorial Library Plans for Summer Events and Future

PAUL CONYERS  
HUDSON TIMES

The May meeting of the Rodgers Memorial Library Board of Trustees met on May 21 to discuss upcoming activities. Library Director Linda Pilla was particularly interested in their summer plans.

"If you have been to the library, you will have seen students from Hills Garrison coming over to participate in the outreach program," she said. "We do, of course, have our summer reading program coming up, which is a big thing for public libraries. If you're looking for something to do this summer, everything at the library is free."

The Director thanked the Friends of the Library organization for donating to the summer reading program and encouraged anyone interested in the library's summer activities to sign up ahead of time.

"If you want to have a good time, I'm telling you, the library is the place to go," said Trustee Margaret St. Onge. "I take advantage as much as I can. Kudos to everyone who does all the different programs, very enjoyable for all ages."

Trustee Lisa Weber gave her report of her own with an update from the Strategic Plan Committee.

"Last night we had a practice session on how to

organize your thoughts and turn ideas into a plan," said Weber, who indicated the new committee was still finding its footing.

The goal of that committee was to determine where the town will go over the next five years, including Rodgers Memorial.

"The real work comes once we start to look at the things that Hudson feels is important for the library to do," said Pilla.

Even without the new strategic plan, policy changes were already underway at the library with the recent approval of a revised circulation of materials policy. One change was the elimination of so-called

"special accounts," ensuring every patron would have the same type of library card.

"All of the cards will be fine free, and as part of the GMILCS Consortium, we're trying to cut down on the special cards that are limited to only one library," the Director explained. "As GMILCS gets larger, reports are taking a longer time to generate because of the subsets that are available."

The changes aimed to create a single set of poli-

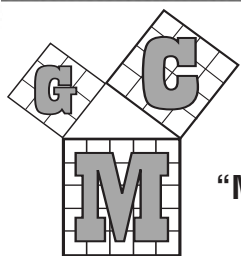
cies among every GMILCS affiliated institution. A few card types, such as non-resident library cards and juvenile cards, would remain under the new policy.

Despite the implementation of fine-free cards, check out limitations and fines will continue to apply in a few situations, most notably with the Library of Things.

"The Library of Things contains items that are significantly expensive," said Pilla. "There isn't going to be late fees, but there will

now be the cost of a replacement. Please, come and borrow stuff, come and borrow a Roomba, come and try it. However, if you really like it and decide to keep it, we're going to send you a bill. We really just want the stuff back so we can share it with other people."

The Rodgers Memorial Board of Trustees is scheduled to meet again on Wednesday, June 18, at 6 p.m. in the Hills Memorial Library.



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Aubrey Brandt and Ava Hewitt deliver the Pledge of Allegiance to begin the graduation ceremony.



JRROTC student Color Guard present the flags to start the graduation. *Photos by Chris Paul*



Principal Steven Beal tolls the bell in memory of Gavin Huntoon, who lost his life before graduating.

# Graduates

**Continued from page 1**  
proud of you. You've shown determination, creativity, and strength," she said.

Dionne emphasized the support, the graduates will continue to have support from the community. "Whether you're planning to serve in the military,

joining the workforce, heading to college, or pursuing a different path, now you carry with you the support, and pride of Alvirne and the larger Hudson com-

munity," she said. Alvirne High School Class of 2025 Salutatorian, Sophia Berube, spoke about following in the footsteps of her late father Lt. Todd Berube, who died in a tragic accident in 2023. "He was my greatest role model and my best friend," said a very emotional Berube.

"I still think about him every single day that I'm forced to live without him. He was deeply respected and involved in New Hampshire fire service," she said. "In the fall I'll follow in the footsteps of my dad and

begin my training to become a firefighter and EMT." Hudson Superintendent Dr. Dan Moulis also spoke during the commencement. "As this chapter closes you begin the next one," Moulis said. "The adventure begins. Reflect on those who supported you along the way. Your families, your teachers, administrators, staff and friends, let's take a moment to thank them for supporting you along this path." He said when they reflect during reunions and other alumni events "you'll

look back on those that helped you along the way. Those times when it may have been a little bit challenging, but more importantly the accomplishments." Towards the end of graduation, Beal's favorite song "Don't Stop Believing" by Journey played, a song he hopes will remind students of their time at Alvirne High School. "I hope that throughout your lifetime you will remember the memories you have at Alvirne as you hear this song playing," he said.

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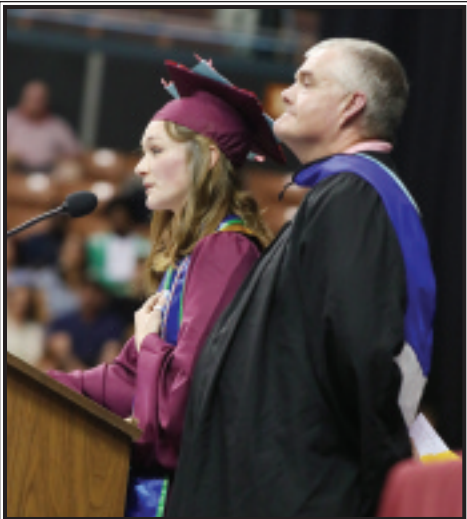
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# Robinson Pond NHDES Cyanobacteria Water Advisories

On June 3, a Cyanobacteria Bloom has been observed at Robinson Pond. Wading or swimming is not advised near the vicinity of where bloom material is visible. Please keep pets out of these areas as well.

**Advisory Signs**  
Depending on the results of the water quality last tested, one of the fol-

lowing three signs will be posted during the water testing season to inform visitors of the water condition.

**GREEN - Monitored**  
The most recent samples analyzed meet statutory bacteria standards for beaches.

**YELLOW - Bacteria Advisory**  
High levels of Bacteria have been detected in the

water. Water currently not suitable for wading or swimming.

**RED - Cyanobacteria Advisory**

High levels of potentially toxic Cyanobacteria have been identified in this water. Water not currently suitable for wading or swimming.

Signs are posted at the following areas within

Robinson Pond:

- Main Gate
- Boat Launch
- On the Beach

**Cyanobacteria Harmful Algal Blooms**

Harmful algal blooms are the rapid growth of algae or cyanobacteria in water that can harm people, animals or the environment.

To view all current cyanobacteria advisory sta-

tuses, please visit the NH Healthy Swimming Mapper on [www.arcgis.com](http://www.arcgis.com). All advisories and alerts issued by the NHDES Beach Inspection Program and the Cyanobacteria Harmful Algal Bloom Program are posted there and updated daily.

When cyanobacteria has been confirmed by the NHDES, the Red Cyanobacteria Advisory sign will be posted.

The water quality at Robinson Pond is tested through the NHDES Beach Inspection Program during the months of June, July and August.

This program monitors public beaches for the presence of fecal bacteria. A beach advisory is issued when a water sample contains fecal bacteria levels that exceed the state standard, indicating unhealthy swimming conditions.

## Hudson Resident Receives Melrose-Wakefield Hospital President's Award



Winners of the 2025 MelroseWakefield Hospital Award for Exemplary Leadership Dianne Koch, Christen Foy, Melissa O'Connor, Interim President Bill Wyman, Lindsey Sauchuk, and Michelle Cox.

Hudson resident Melissa O'Connor was named a Wakefield Hospital 2025 President's Award for Exemplary Leadership at a ceremony held at the hospital during National Hospital Week.

The award was established in 2018 in honor of former Melrose-Wakefield Hospital President and CEO Alan MacDonald to continue his spirit of leadership after his retirement. The award is given annually to leaders "who strengthen the culture, lift others up and lead not for recognition - but because they care deeply about the people they serve and the work we do together." This year five leaders were chosen as recipients.

"Each of these individuals represents the very best of who we are," said Interim President Bill Wyman. "They lead with heart, build trust and deliver meaningful results. We are proud to recognize their contributions, and even prouder to work alongside them."

## OBITUARY

**Richard Henderson IV**

It is with great sadness that the family of Richard W Henderson IV note his passing on Oct. 30, 2024. Richard was the son of Richard & Gretchen Henderson and was born on July 12, 1995, in Nashua, NH. He was raised and attended public schools in Nashua, graduating from Nashua High in 2013. With a brain wired for computers and technology, Richard attended Full Sail University in Florida, graduating in 22 months with a BS in Programming in 2016. He carried his passion for the Military and patriotism with him as he entered Marine Boot Camp in 2017. He was employed by Loomis Armored US in Jacksonville, FL and more recently in Charlotte, NC. Richard resided in Charlotte with his roommate and long-time friend, Tyler Bergstrom.

Richard was an avid animal lover, enjoying trips to all zoos and aquariums and was attentive to his cats, dogs, and fish. Richard loved spending time gaming, especially with friends and spending time at a shooting range with his mom. He collected and used his many guns at various ranges. With a great sense of humor, he also liked to try different hot sauces with his friend Tyler.

Richard was a loving and attentive son, a quick-witted brother and loyal to all who were blessed to call him friend and family. Richard will be greatly missed by everyone who had the honor of knowing him.

Family members include his mom & stepdad, Gretchen & Dennis Gallant of Bluffton SC; his sister, Alexa Aboshar of Merrimack NH; and brother, Craig Chemaly, along with nieces, Sara & Soraya Chemaly of Tyngsboro, MA.

A time of visitation for family and friends will take place on Saturday, Aug. 9 from 10 - 11 a.m., with a Service of Remembrance at 11 a.m., in the Dumont-Sullivan Funeral Home, 50 Ferry St., Hudson, NH. Those wishing to offer a donation in Richard's memory can send them to: Hearts United for Animals (<https://hua.org>), Samaritan's Purse ([www.samaritanpurse.org](http://www.samaritanpurse.org)), or The Marine Toys for Tots ([www.secure.toysfortots.org](http://www.secure.toysfortots.org)).

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## Lions Club Award Scholarships



Congratulations to the 2025 graduates. The Hudson Lions Club sponsored the annual Scholarship night held June 9th at the Hudson Community Center. Club members prepared a spaghetti dinner and served about 250 people in 30 minutes. Thank you to Past District Governor Jerry Vaccaro for chairing this event after the loss of his Co-Chair, Lion Joe Kasper, who died in a motor scooter collision in July 2024. Recipients of the \$1500 scholarships are pictured, from left to right, Grace Grand, Emma Coppi, Madeline Sargeant, Ryan Wanamaker, Grace Bunkartas who received the Leo' Club Scholarship. Callie Lemire received the scholarship in memory of Lion Phil Rodgers, Christopher Darby received the scholarship in memory of PDG AL Rodgers. Avery Willard received \$2,000 as the recipient of the Lion Joe Kasper Scholarship.

*Courtesy photo*

## Amateur Radio Field Day Coming June 27, 28 & 29

Field Day is the single most popular Amateur Radio on air event held in the United States and Canada, during the last weekend in June.

The purpose of Field Day is to allow Amateur Radio operators (AKA Hams) to practice their emergency communication skills by setting up antenna towers and antennas plus various other radio equipment. to practice their emergency response capabilities.

This year the dates are Saturday June 28, starting at 2 p.m., and running continuously through Sunday June 29, ending at 2 p.m.

This event involves over 40,000 amateur radio operators, who gather as Clubs, friends, or groups to operate from remote locations.

Although most amateur radio operators consider Field Day to be a contest.

When disasters strike, Amateur Radio is there providing the necessary communications, when ever, where ever, for as long as it's needed, when other means of communications are disrupted or fail.

The contest part of Field Day is for Amateur operators to contact as many other Hams as possible during a 24 hour period, and learning how to operate


their equipment in abnormal situations and in less than optimal conditions.

The Nashua Area Radio Society will be participating in this event from the Hudson Memorial School, 1 Memorial Drive (off Central Street) in Hudson, NH. Set up begins on Friday, June 27, at 1 p.m.

This event is held rain or shine and is free and open to the public.

Come and see for yourself how Amateur Radio works and how much fun you can have with Amateur Radio.

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# Young Hudson Scouts Visit With Seniors on Flag Day



Three young members of the Arrow of Light Patrol of Pack 21 scouts from Hudson visited the Memory Care Unit at Fairview Assisted Living on Flag Day, June 14 to give residents a brief display on folding an American Flag. Gavin Cox Nathan Farris and Randall Sensing demonstrated what they had learned on ways to properly fold and display a flag and shared some recent experiences on what they do as scouts.

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## POP-UP Book Donation

The Hudson Friends of the Library will resume book donation days with a POP-UP Donation on June 26 at Rodgers Memorial Library, 9 a.m. - 9 p.m. Only current adult fiction and Non-Fiction in good to excellent condition will be accepted. Books may be dropped off at the Rodgers Memorial Library study room. The new smaller venue does not give room for DVDs or CDs, and other book genres (gardening, cooking, classics, sports, crafts, self-help). Donations are greatly appreciated.

## A.R.R.L. Field Day

The popular Amateur Radio on air event will run Saturday, June 28, starting

at 2 p.m., and running continuously through to Sunday, June 29, ending at 2 p.m. The Nashua Area Radio Society will be participating from the Hudson Memorial School, 1 Memorial Dr., (off Central Street) Hudson, NH. Set up begins Friday June 27 at 1 p.m. This event is held RAIN or SHINE and is FREE and open to the public. Come and see for yourself how Amateur Radio works and how much fun you can have with Amateur Radio. For more information go to [www.n1fd.org/field-day](http://www.n1fd.org/field-day).

## Second-Hand Prose Book Sale

Mark your calendar for the July 13 Friends of the Library's monthly Second-Hand Prose book sale at

Hills Memorial Library, main floor, 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. This is a wonderful opportunity to get your summer reading supply. Book purchases support library programs, such as summer reading program prizes, museum passes and scholarships for graduating seniors. New books arrive each month, so plan for the Aug. 10 sale as well. The second Sunday of each month is Second-Hand Prose Day on the main floor of Hills Memorial Library.

## Meat Raffle

The Hudson VFW Post 5791 is hosting a meat raffle on Friday June 20, at the post hall to benefit Wreaths Across America Hudson, Cemeteries. Doors open at 6 p.m., games begin at 7 p.m.,

along with several additional raffles. Proceeds will be used to sponsor wreaths for Wreath Day Dec. 13, 2025 and for administrative expenses.

## 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](mailto:dgroger@comcast.net). The deadline to apply is July 31.

## Cemetery Group?

Would you like to assist the Hudson Cemetery Trustees? Interested in helping those with genealogical needs such as finding a relatives 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

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## Free Health Screening

Medical professionals 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](http://www.afcurgent-care.com/hudson) or Call them at (603) 634-8614.

## Dungeons & Donuts

Looking for fellow Dungeons & Dragons players? Come to the Rodgers Library play and grab a donut, on Saturday, June 21 at 9:30 a.m.

## Benson Park Saturday Cleanup

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## 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.

## Tween Candy Olympics

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### Ukulele Workshop

On Saturday, June 21, at 10 a.m., The Southern New Hampshire Ukulele Group (SNHUG) will present a workshop for beginners at the Rodgers Library.

### Artist Study: Hokusai Wave Painting

On Monday, June 23, at 2 p.m., Children entering grades 1-5 are invited to learn about artists from around the world, then complete projects that reflect the artists' styles at the Rodgers Library.

### Tween Mario Kart Tournament

On Tuesday, June 24, at 1:30 p.m., Rodgers Library will host the ultimate Mario Kart challenge for tweens entering grades 5-8.

### Pressed Flower Candle Jar

On Tuesday, June 24, at 6:30 p.m., come to the Rodgers Library to create a candle holder that will add a touch of light and color.

### Teen Inspiration Journal

On Wednesday, June 25, at 6 p.m., for teens entering grades 8-12, the Rodgers Library will provide you a journal that you can keep for whatever inspires you. Decorate with your own designs.

### Break-A-Record: Sticky Notes

On Thursday, June 26, at

11:30 a.m., test your speed and see how many sticky notes you can stick to your face in one minute at Rodgers Library.

### "Dead End Road"

On Monday, June 23, at 7 p.m., Rodgers Library will host a virtual discussion with True Crime Author E.C. Hanson. Join for this conversation with E.C. as he discusses his book, research, and goal in pursuing this cold case.

### Simple Bushcraft

On Thursday, June 26, at 6 p.m., join Circulation Librarian, Dana Benner, as he reviews a few simple bushcraft skills using an axe, knife and items around you; namely sticks at the Rodgers Library.

### Music Around the World

On Thursday, June 26, at 6 p.m., students entering grades 1-5 are invited to the Rodgers Library for a cultural adventure to Cameroon.

### Summer Concert

[mix]tape a cappella will perform at the Rodgers Library on Saturday, June 28, at 2 p.m. Get ready to experience the smooth sounds of [mix]tape, the dynamic a cappella group that will have you clapping and tapping!

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### Cookbook Club

This month the club will be using a database on our website AtoZ Food America, and will meet on Monday, June 30, at 11:30 a.m., at Rodgers Library.

### Teen Smash Bros. Tourney

On Friday, June 27, at 2:30 p.m., teens are invited to challenge one another in a "Super Smash. Bros Ultimate" tourney at the Rodgers Library.

### Artist Study: Alma Thomas Colorful Painting

On Monday, June 30, at 2 p.m., Children entering grades 1-5 are invited to learn about artists from around the world, then complete a project that reflects the artists' style at the Rodgers Library.

### Teen Hangout

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.

### 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.

### Movers & Shakers

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

### Digital Navigators

On Tuesdays at 1 p.m., Digital Navigators provide personalized, one-on-one support to help you with your tech needs at the Rodgers Memorial Library.

### Dino the Therapy Dog

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### A Good Yarn

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

### Drop In Stitchers

Come to the Rodgers Memorial Library every Friday at 9:15 a.m. for this craft group. If you love to craft, whether it be quilting, knitting, crocheting, rug making or plastic canvas, you will LOVE this group! If you're starting a new skill or brushing up on an old one or even if you just like to chat while pretending to work, this is a judgment free zone.

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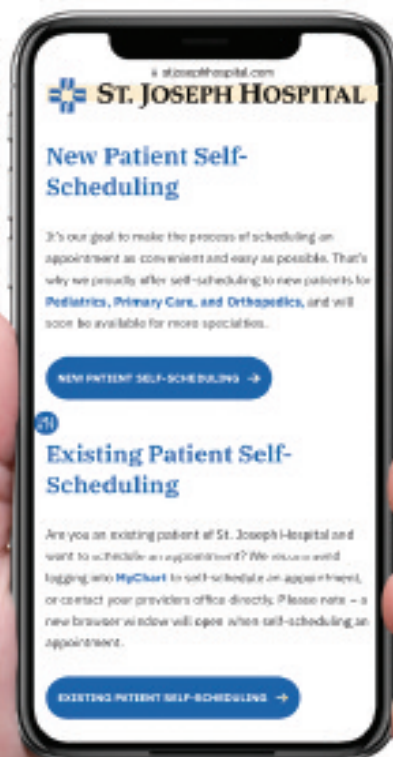
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