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CLASS ACT Alvirne seniors Madison Hyman and Jackie Cortelo played two of the lead roles in the Class Act production of Anastasia over the weekend. The group, together with the AHS Music Department presented three shows on Friday and Saturday, See more photos page 8. Photo by Chris Paul

## **New Town Moderator Pitches Purchase of Voting Machines**

HUDSON TIMES

One of the agenda items during the most recent Hudson Board of Selectmen meeting was in regards to a proposal to purchase new voting machines. It was explained by newly elected Town Moderator Mark Edgington that he has been training under Paul Inderb-

to make the elections in to approve these machines Hudson of the highest possible quality," Edgington explained in a memo to the Board of Selectmen. "This is culminating in the acquisition of eight new voting machines from LHS, the ImageCast Precinct electronic ballot counting devices. RSA 656:40 (below) itzen, the current Town requires the Board of Sel-Moderator Pro Tem. "Paul ectmen to authorize the use

has been working for years of these devices. Please vote out of my budget so that we may begin to prepare for next year's election."

It was explained by Edgington that the total cost to purchase the eight Image-Cast Precinct 2 voting machines was \$38,500. Edgington added during the meeting that they were originally \$7,000 per machine,

## **Concerns Raised Over the Release of Target Funds**

ALEX MALM HUDSON TIMES

At the most recent Hudson Board of Selectmen meeting, during the liaison reports, Selectman Xen Vurgaropulos, who serves as the liaison for the Budget Committee, explained that the Budget Committee brought up funds that were supposed to be coming from the Target Distribution Center for the School District. Vurgaropulos explained that he is still learning as a new Selectman, but the concerns raised by the Budget Committee are that they didn't necessarily receive their portions of the funds since it wasn't written into the contract. "There was concern there that it could come back to get us," Vurgaropulos said, but said since they

chunk of that," the Budget Committee felt like they were on the right path. Vurgaropulos said it raised concerns by the Budget Committee regarding STEM grants the School District is expected to receive.

In addition, he said they were concerned that the that clear to everybody," School Board didn't have any representation when the process played out. He also explained that it was brought up during the meeting that they didn't have a list of potential projects for funding coming from Target. "So there is a big information gap there," Vurgaropulos explained.

He told the board that the Budget Committee was concerned about accepting the funds. While he under-

already received a "good stood that Vurgaropulos was just relaying the information from the meeting, Board of Selectmen Chair Dillon Dumont said he wanted to make it clear that no "side deal" was made between the Town and Target. "There was no side deal, so I just want to make Dumont said.

Dumont also explained that he disagrees with the assertions made at the meetings by the Budget Committee. Instead, he explained that it was an agreement and stipulations made that have been recorded. "I don't know where the discrepancy lies over there," Dumont said. Dumont also explained that they have relayed that information

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## **Budget Numbers Lagging** Behind, But Are Doing Well

PAUL CONYERS HUDSON TIMES

The May 7 meeting of the Hudson Budget Committee saw its members question several budgetary expenses, especially with the town's land-use line item, which seemed to be unusually high.

"The first thing on expenditures that jumped out at me was under planning, where, with the total of land-use, we've expended 178% of the budget at this point," said Committee member Shawn Jasper. "I think that's worthy of an explanation."

Town Administrator Roy Sorenson stated the continued on page 3 expenditure was tied to pre-increase in building permits

viously approved infra- and unusual numbers relatstructure spending backed by outside grant money.

"That's for the Melendy Road Bridge project. 80% of that will be reimbursed, and that's already passed through a warrant article," he explained, adding that high expenditures were unusual, but not unheard of when expecting reimbursement money from a grant. "You'll see a balance and transfer as you get closer to the end of the year on that line item."

Jasper noticed a few other discrepancies, including an apparent reduction in Planning Board fee revenue, despite an evident

ed to ambulance billings.

"Police details are certainly way off. I don't know if there's a lag in billing," he said. Ambulance billings are another thing that stuck out to me. I can't imagine our ambulance callings are down, but we're showing \$86,000 in revenue against a \$400,000 budget."

The Town Administrator admitted that the Finance Department was consistently "lagging behind" on many of its reports as it prepared itself for new leadership.

"As this committee knows, we're in kind of a transition in the Finance

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## Rivian Granted Approval to Renovate Warehouse into EV Shop

PAUL CONYERS **HUDSON TIMES** 

The Hudson Planning Board met on May 14 to hear a proposal to change the use of a Flagstone Drive warehouse into a building that will contain a service shop, parts storage, employee area, customer area, and conference room for electric vehicle manufacturer Rivian Automotive. Jesse Cokeley of Colliers Engineering and Design was at the meeting to make a presentation on behalf of Rivian.

"The building plans were initially submitted to the building department for renovation, but we were

Board because site plan approval is required as there was no site plan for the site when it was originally constructed," said Cokeley. "The owner couldn't produce it, the town records couldn't produce it, so we were directed here to formally get a site plan approved."

He stated that most of the work was "interior" and that most of the site plan fit on a single page.

"Exterior work mainly consists of restriping," said Cokeley. "There are also some slight changes to accommodate 14 EV chargers that will be placed on the directed to the Planning east side of the building."

No members of the public spoke for or against the site plan, although the Board had a few questions after hearing that the Hudson Fire Department had a few recommendations.

"Regarding the fire department notes, you've got sufficient water main activity in case of an untoward event in the storage area, is that correct?" asked Vice-Chair Jordan Ulery. "What employee exit facilities are there from a highintensity fire?"

Cokeley confirmed there was enough water in the water mains to handle a major fire and that a life safety plan was included

with the building plans, spelling out safe evacuation routes for each employee.

"Will this building be sorely dealing with Rivian's consumer sales?" asked Board member Victor Oates. "There will be no EV repairs? Not anything of that nature going on onsite?"

Sylvia Brandi from Rivian answered by saying there could be EV sales on the property, depending on demand from Amazon. One of Rivian's better-known products is Amazon's Electric Delivery Vans.

"If we approve this tonight and say, in a year, Rivian goes out with us

approving it as an auto repair shop and sales facility, could the landowner turn around and lease it to somebody else that was doing automotive repair and sales, and not come before the Board for that use?" asked Board member Todd Boyer. "Could we, in two years, end up with another used car lot that we couldn't necessarily fit?"

Interim Town Planner Minkarah was unsure, noting the Rivian site plan was unusual in that it only focused on a renovated building.

"We've already put on the record that there's sufficient power at this site. Rivian would not have invested in it if it had fallen short in that respect. It is already served by public water and sewer," said Cokeley, asking for several waivers from many issues he argued were redundant to an interior building renovation, like the need to include a landscaping plan, an environmental review, and a lighting plan.

The Planning Board agreed, unanimously voting to grant all waiver requests, along with the site plan application.

The next meeting of the Planning Board is set for Wednesday, May 28, at 7 p.m. in the Buxton Room at Town Hall

## **Budget**

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Department," said Sorenson, who noted that the town was still in the process of onboarding a new Finance Director. "We do have some billing that will be going out, that's falling slightly behind."

Despite his questions, Jasper stated that the town seemed to be doing "pretty well" overall. The Budget Committee agreed to delay further questions related to specific line items in the town budget until the next meeting, giving the Finance Department time to update some of its numbers. Sorenson promised to look through the budgetary report before June.

"Hopefully next month, we'll see some catch-up," said Jasper.

Committee member Bill Cole also questioned town spending related to the Nashua Regional Planning Commission (NRPC) and

time billed by the organiza-

"This is a rhetorical question, and I don't expect an answer, but how can someone bill the town for 15 minutes and do something in Town Hall?" asked Cole, referring to several invoices from the NRPC for services rendered. "I go

across these invoices and I see 15 minutes here, 30 minutes there, it's just unusual."

Cole has previously expressed his opposition to Hudson's affiliation with the NRPC.

NRPC Executive Director Jay Minkarah has served as Hudson's Interim Town Planner on an as-needed basis for more than a year, as town officials have struggled to find a suitable candidate to fill the vacant posi-

The next meeting of the Hudson Budget Committee is scheduled for Wednesday, June 4, at 7 p.m. in the Buxton Room at Town Hall.

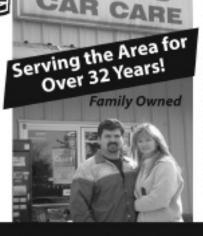


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## School Board Briefed On the District's Future IT Plan

ALEX MALM HUDSON TIMES

The Hudson School Board received an update from IT Director Kevin Peterson regarding the IT plan. "Over the past four years since I've been here, we've done massive modernization across our network," Peterson said. One of those areas has been for computers.

"Over the year, the school district has been aggressively working to replace equipment which was being used beyond its expected life cycle," Peterson stated. "Using equipment beyond these demarcation points results in un-

stable and unreliable computing environments for staff and students. These devices include both student and staff laptops and desktops. Over the 2021-22 school year, most staff were supplied with new laptops, and the remaining staff will receive laptops during the 2022-23 school year. Also, the cart model at the Elementary schools was expanded to supply one cart for each class in grades K through 5."

He also added that "with the anticipation of Windows 10's end of support in October 2025, a strong effort has been made to replace all older desktops that cannot support Windows 11."

"It is anticipated that the desktops not capable of Windows 11 will be decommissioned through the summer of 2024. As of March 2025, the district has upgraded 98% of the desktop and laptop fleet to Windows 11," the plan stated. "The remaining devices will be upgraded through the rest of the school year and into the summer as needed."

For 2025-2026, some of IT Helpdesk Software the plans include:

• Replace copiers

- Complete modernization of device management policies
- Continue migration of network shares to cloud

nosting (personal storage)

- Evaluate District Financial software alternatives
- Continue to replace district hardware & network infrastructure according to the district acquisition plan
- Evaluate District Content Filter
- Replace the current Backup Architecture
- Perform Security
  Audit
- Evaluate and replace T Helpdesk Software
- Replace copiers and Printers Districtwide
- Implement cybersecurity software districtwide
- Finalize intercom replacement at HGS and

NWS

• Send IT members on industry training

Peterson said in the past they have migrated their student information system into the cloud software, along with food services, and are looking to do the same for their financial department, as well as HR.

"This gives a better cybersecurity standpoint," he said, noting that companies look for security issues as well. He also said that over the past four years, they have been doing security audits and making changes as they can. He said some things, like multifactor logins, wouldn't

work for the lower grades. There was also a discussion about what they would look at if they wanted to move from Schoology as their Learning Management System and move to a different one, such as Google Classroom.

Peterson said he thinks it needs to be more of a collaborative effort with all the stakeholders discussing what would be needed across the District. Superintendent Dan Moulis said they are in the beginning stages of researching it as part of the FY 26 budget, and they would also be getting feedback from the different stakeholders.

### **Moderator**

Continued from page 1 but said they were bumped

up to \$8,500 per machine now. "We have no option. They have to be purchased by the next election," Edgington explained during the meeting.

He explained that the State is getting rid of the current machines as an approved voting machines that can be used for elections. During the meeting, it was explained by Edgington that he wanted to get the machines sooner, because they would have more time to test them. Board of Selectmen Chair Dillon Dumnont noted during the meeting that the deadline to get the machines in place is closer to the next election.

He also asked during the meeting if there was any research done on the Voting Works machines. Edgington noted that they are out of State, "and we can drive

to Salem with LHS," he explained. He said if there is a problem, they have service around the corner with LHS, which was the main reason why Inderbitzen thought it made sense to go with them. Edgington noted during the meeting that most towns in N.H. are going to be using them. Dumont noted that both companies are still being evaluated, but nothing has been completed.

Edgington, when asked,

noted it was undetermined when the machines would be approved by the State. Ultimately, Edgington said he wants people to feel confident in the elections in Hudson. "I want everybody to be as confident that they can be that the next election is gonna have the level of integrity that all our previous elections have had," Edgington said.

It was decided to defer a at 7 p.m.

decision until the evaluations are done, and it was also decided to get a formal quote from Voting Works as well.

The next Selectmen meeting is set for May 27, at 7 p.m.

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# Editorial The Meaning of Memorial Day

In town squares, public commons, and historic cemeteries throughout New Hampshire, you can find statues of Civil War soldiers that are often taken for granted. However, the echoes of that war continue to resonate in our lives today, especially as we approach Memorial Day this coming Monday.

Memorial Day originated in the aftermath of the American Civil War, a conflict that, in many cases, pitted brother against brother. It's hard to believe that the Civil War ended in 1865, marking 160 years since its conclusion. Another significant milestone is the Vietnam War, which ended 50 years ago on April 30, 1975. Many of us remember a country deeply divided during that time.

Every Memorial Day, stories are shared about soldiers who sacrificed their lives for our country. Even the sharing of these stories comes at a cost; the stories are carried by our veterans who fondly remember their brothers and sisters in arms. Memorial Day can be a painful day, not just for families but for those who served alongside the men and women that we remember. We honor that, too. Remembering and mourning those who died in military service is vital, as telling their stories helps ensure their sacrifices are not forgotten.

These historical narratives highlight the bravery of our military and make Memorial Day a day of remembrance.

Since the Civil War, numerous wars have claimed the lives of American servicemen and women, and even today, our military continues to serve in dangerous situations. It can be easy to view Memorial Day as simply another opportunity for a three-day weekend - a day off from work or school, filled with barbecues, lawn care, and gardening.

We encourage a different perspective. The Civil War statues and the historic cemeteries, where tiny American flags stand vigil by graves, serve as visual reminders of the thousands of lives given in service to the nation and of those still at risk today. Memorial Day is an ideal time to reflect on what these familiar symbols represent.

Let us take a break from our leisure activities to remember and thank those who have made the ultimate sacrifice. What can we do to honor and keep their memory alive? Maybe stop into your local cemetery and help plant some flags, trim some grass, or clean up a veteran's plot who is not buried at a National Cemetery, where this is taken care of by the VA. As John Maxwell Edmonds said, "They gave their tomorrows for our todays, so that we will never forget."

## Old Derry Road Garage Told to Make Provisions For Major Rainfall

PAUL CONYERS HUDSON TIMES

The May meeting of the Hudson Conservation Commission opened with a presentation from Civil Engineer Alex Giuffrida from Hayner/Swanson Inc. The applicant wanted a recommendation for a conditional use permit for grading and stormwater management within a 75-foot wetland buffer at 140 Old Derry Rd.

"The lot is approximately 2.5 acres," explained Giuffrida. "There are wetlands located onsite in the southern corner associated with Chase Brook, which runs beneath Old Derry Road."

Currently, the land has a 2,200 square foot commercial building and a 4,500 square foot garage. The permit would allow the property owners to build a new, heated garage to store vital equipment over the winter. Minor changes were made to the original plan when Hudson expanded the wetland buffer zone from 50 to 75 feet.

"We're now proposing essentially the same site improvements with the primary change being the larger stormwater management area to increase the impervious coverage," said Giuffrida. "The proposed garage is a one-story, 1,300 square

foot structure. Site improvements involve pavement, curbing, designated parking spaces with one ADA, a dumpster enclosure area, and a stormwater management system."

That system included an infiltration basin and a swale to direct the flow of runoff, with provisions for handling the capacity of a 50-year storm. The design included a designated snow storage site. All buildings and parking areas would remain outside the buffer.

"Would it be possible to push the stormwater management area out of the wetland buffer?" asked Commission Chair Carl Murphy, looking at a property map. "It looks like you've got a little space."

Giuffrida claimed that the map was a little deceptive and that what appeared as an open, grassy area contained the site's septic system. Legally, a 35-foot setback is required between stormwater management and septic areas.

"We're kind of locked into this section of the site," he said.

As water is designed to flow back into Chase Brook, Town Engineer Elvis Dhima recommended thinking about how the detention basin would deal with inflow exceeding a 50-year

storm

"Our take is, let's say you get a 100-year storm, it's going to dump into the road, it's going to dump into the Brook," said Dhima. "You might want to account for that before going to the Planning Board."

Vice-Chair Ken Dickinson called the permit a "pretty standard request" for that part of town.

"Back in 2003, I think, we permitted a carpentry business at the intersection down there where the cemetery is," he said. "It sounds like this business is already there, just expanding. I think the request is reasonable, it's just a matter of the details of the approval."

"I wonder what kind of materials the company works with. Is it PVC? Steel material? Do they make drains?" asked Commissioner John Walters.

Giuffrida clarified that the company currently on the Old Derry Road site only cleans drains and pipes.

Walters proposed doing a site walk before deciding on whether or not to recommend the project, a proposal the other commissioners agreed with as they voted to hold a site walk on May 29 at 6 p.m.

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## **Target Funds**

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School Board Chair Maureen Dionne, who was the liaison for the meeting from the board, explained that they have not been provided any funds by Target yet. "Those funds won't be provided until the certificate of occupancy is received," she said. "The school district has received no money."

Dionne explained that at that time, they would have conversations about STEM and where those funds should be spent. She explained that they have not had any conversations about the funds and how they would be spent, since they are a long way away from

even receiving the funds. Selectman Heidi Jakoby said the Budget Committee had been provided information about how everything came about, noting she previously served as the liaison for the budget committee. "So to raise it yet again is unfortunate," Jakoby said.

The next Selectmen meeting is slated to take place on May 27, at 7 p.m.

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## **Alvirne Track and Field Teams Hold Youth Event**







The Alvirne Track and Field team invited area youth to the school for a Youth Meet. Varsity athletes introduced youngster to a number of track and field events as well as playing some games and serving watermelon. The event was organized as a fund raiser for an upcoming school trip to Iceland.

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## Selectmen Get Briefed on Benson Park Cleanup Events

HUDSON TIMES

During the liaison reports at the most recent Hudson Board of Selectmen meeting, Selectman Heidi Jakoby, who is the liaison for the Benson Park Committee, provided an update on the cleanup events at the park.

"Every third Saturday of the month there are cleanup days, ways that you can volunteer to help keep the park beautiful," Jakoby explained during her liaison report. Jakoby said that it's important that they have

volunteers to help pick up the park, and that they are always looking for volunteers. She explained that they now have lawn signs up with a QR code on it that will link people to the volunteer form after they scan the code. Jakoby explained during the meeting that volunteers could help out for an hour or "however much time you have that day."

It was also noted as part of their report that they have sponsors now to help out with the cleanup events as well. "There are a whole

bunch of businesses that are ing his Town Administrator sion, the Board of Select- the Fire Department from a sponsoring.... the breakfast and the lunch, so you do get lunch," Jakoby said.

Jakoby said that the Friends of Benson Park would also be at the volunteer fair at the Nashua Library on May 22 from 5 to 7 p.m. to try to help recruit more volunteers.

"The Friends of Benson will be there looking for volunteers, and they have had great success at that fair to get more volunteers," Jakoby said.

In personnel news, dur-

report, Town Administrator Roy Sorenson announced that they were expected to start first round interviews for their long vacant Planner position and would be expecting to have second round interviews sometime

The Board of Selectmen also had two different personnel decisions to make during the non-public session of the meeting according to draft minutes posted to the Town's website. During the non-public sesmen approved the Director of Community Media to hire Christopher Robarge as part-time videographer with a starting salary of \$16 per hour for no more than 19 hours per week. Also during the non-public session of the meeting, the Board of Selectmen voted unanimously to accept the resignation of Joshua Kippenhan "with the Board's thanks and appreciation."

In other news, the Board of Selectmen accepted a donation on the behalf of local business. "We received a check for donation for \$400 from The Bar located at 2B Burnham Road in Hudson," Hudson Fire Chief Scott Tice wrote in a memo to the Board of Selectmen. "We would request the Board of Selectmen accept this donation with thanks. Upon your acceptance, we will send the owner a thank you note for the donation."

The next Selectmen meeting is set for May 27 beginning at 7 p.m.

## Town Administrator Looks to Have Department Heads Give Budget Reports

HUDSON TIMES

During the most recent Hudson Board of Selectmen meeting, Town Administrator Roy Sorenson explained that he has tasked each of the Town departments to review its organizational structure. "One of the things I've kind of been working on since I've been here and meeting with the Department Heads in the various departments is taking a look at who we are, what we are, what we do," Sorenson said. He explained that before coming into the position, it's one of the things he spoke about being impor-

"This is one thing I stress deeply, because I cy, about who the depart- think that makes for a clear

ments are, what we do on a expectation." day-to-day basis," Sorenson

Some of the different things he has tasked the departments with includes coming up with different goals, a mission statement, and other things. With it, he said, there will also come presentations at the next several Selectmen meetings from the department heads to provide department updates heading into budget season. The Board of Selectmen explained they are completely in favor of the different departments looking at its structural set up.

"I just want to say I think that that's amazing," Dumont said. "To get a presentation like that and to think it's important, and I be able to bring all the think it's about transparen- departments on board, I

Board of Selectmen Vice Chair Bob Guessferd said he also agreed saying, "I would echo that."

"The sort of organization, planning for the things that we need to do moving forward, there's a lot more to it, and we've got to incorporate other things in it," he said." But, yes, it's a good beginning to kind of have some consistency across departments, across the town and be looking to the future"

Selectman Heidi Jakoby said she thinks it's good it was brought forward and said having those elements in place is the "core of many organizations and teams." She said her hope is that the Board of Selectmen will look at their own strategic plan and goals and "how we can work together to achieve those. Because I

know strategic planning is a key point in our Bylaws and what we hope to be doing," Jakoby said. "So by having the reports come before us, that will better inform us as a Board as to the direction we need to go."

Sorenson said that was the goal of having the different department heads give reports leading up to budget season. "I agree with Selectman Jacoby and I think that's something that we've all been asking for for quite some time," Dumont said. "So by getting these reports, we'll be able to review it as a group and see."

He also noted that some people have talked about restructuring, and some have talked about making minor changes. "So this is a great starting point, and I look forward to it," Dumont Selectmen meeting is slated beginning at 7 p.m.

## OBITUARY

The next Board of to take place on May 27



With heavy hearts and deep gratitude for a life well-lived, we announce the passing of Gail Yorkell of Hudson, formerly of Berlin, NH. Gail departed this world with grace, love, and faith, joining her beloved parents, James and Madeleine Lafferty, and her cherished brother Donald.

Gail was the devoted wife of Bill, with whom she shared a life built on unwavering love, laughter, and faith. She was a nurturing and proud mother to Margaret, James, and Dianne, and a beloved grandmother to Morgan, Michael, Nicholas, Trevor, Jason, and Connor. She also leaves behind her loving siblings, Ann (Peppy) and Ronald, whose lives were forever enriched by her compassion and warmth.

Gail's life was a testament to service and love. She lived to give - to her family, her friends, and her church communities at St. Kieran's in Berlin and, more recently, St. Joseph the Worker in Nashua. Whether organizing a church event, supporting a neighbor in need, or simply offering a listening ear, Gail's kindness and generosity knew no bounds.

Family memories with Gail are filled with warmth and laughter. Some of the fondest moments were spent around the campfire, where she delighted in making s'mores with her "grandchildren" - always quick to claim the burnt ones they didn't want, smiling as she ate them with love. Her backyard became a place of magic during Easter, where she took joy in organizing egg hunts that brought generations together in playful celebration. These simple traditions, full of joy and togetherness, reflect the heart of who Gail was - someone who found happiness in the happiness of those she loved.

The family would like to express their deepest gratitude to the dedicated and compassionate staff at Fairview Nursing Home and Inn, whose loving care brought comfort and dignity to Gail in her final days.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Gail's memory to the Alzheimer's Foundation at www.alz.org an organization close to the hearts of those who knew and loved her.

Gail's life was rich in faith, filled with purpose, and grounded in family. As she journeys now to the mountains she so dearly loved, may her spirit rest peacefully, surrounded by the beauty and grace she brought to the lives of so many.

She will be profoundly missed and lovingly remembered.

A Funeral Mass will be held on Monday, June 2 at 10 a.m., at St. Joseph the Worker Parish, 777 West Hollis St., Nashua, NH. Following the Mass, all are warmly invited to a Celebration of Life with a light luncheon in the parish hall. Burial will be held privately at a later date at St. Kieran's Cemetery in Berlin, NH. To share an online message of condolence, please visit www.dumontsullivan.com The Dumont-Sullivan Funeral Homes in Hudson is in charge of arrangements.



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## Town Seeks Information on State Grant for Small-Scale Solar Projects

PAUL CONYERS **HUDSON TIMES** 

At its latest meeting, the Hudson Sustainability Committee expressed its desire to look towards statewide grants to help fund local projects with a focus on developing smallscale solar.

"The short version of what's going on is that the state of New Hampshire has instituted a program, just in its infancy stages, called solar subdivision grants," explained Committee member Bob Larson. "A town, a school board, a county, or whatever can apply for these grants, and it's strictly for subdivisions."

It was unclear how much the subdivision grants would cover for a single project, although the pay structure indicated the grants could cover "up to \$200,000."

"The actual grant proposal and details aren't ready yet, but we do have a dialogue going," said Larson. "As soon as the grant application details come out, what we should do is forward this to the Selectmen and the School Board."

While the Sustainability Committee did not intend to make any applications directly, they did express an interest in coordinating with other town officials.

"The Board of Selectmen are the agents to expend," said Acting Chair Karl Huber. "They're going to have to have all of the info."

Larson and the rest of the Committee hoped to see solar added to the ongoing Town Hall renovation project if possible.

"We would like to find out or encourage solar to be at least considered," said Larson. "This should at least be part of the dialogue."

Committee member Ed Thompson believed that such a proposal was "already in the works."

"I think the first thing

we need to do is research the deadlines," he suggested, noting that possible grants have previously been missed after failing to complete an application. "Is there a matching amount? Normally there is."

It was also unclear whether the grant would be disbursed all at once or over several years.

In response to the many unknowns, Huber suggested creating a subcommittee to research the grant and how the money might be redirected into the renova-

"We have to do a lot of the homework," he said. "We should encourage getting as much information as we can, putting our own questions out as well. Deadlines, matching funds, those are big questions."

Thompson suggested connecting with town officials experienced in the grant process.

"Our Town Engineer Mr. Dhima gets grants all the time. They're well aware of what things are, how they work, and what questions to ask," said Thompson.

While no decision was made on forming a subcommittee, Larson agreed to look into the grant for more

Normally, the Sustain-

ability Committee meets on the fourth Monday of every month, which proved to be an issue with Memorial Day on May 26.

"We were waiting to get some feedback from the Town Administrator's office to see if it was okay to move the meeting that we originally had scheduled to the week prior," said the Chair.

He also spoke to HCTV and did not officially have a problem moving the date.

Taking the change into account, the next meeting of the Hudson Sustainability Committee is scheduled for Monday, May 19, at 7 p.m. in the Buxton Room at Town Hall.

## School Board Briefed on District's Hiring Updates

ALEX MALM HUDSON TIMES

At the May 5 Hudson School Board meeting. member were provided an update on how they are doing with summer hiring.

Hudson Superintendent Dan Moulis previously said that they would be providing the School Board periodic updates on how they are doing on hiring for the upcoming school year. One of the updates Moulis gave the School Board was in regards to the number of paraeducator openings they still have at this point.

As of the time of the meeting, Moulis said there were just under 20 openings left to be filled. "The total paraeducator openings at

the School Board. Out of those 19 openings, Moulis said six of those are full time positions, and the rest are for part time positions.

Another update Moulis provided was in terms of the number of teaching position openings. "We currently have three positions that are classified under the teacher vacancy," Moulis told the School Board. Moulis explained that one of those is for Nottingham West Elementary School, one for for a district wide position. Out of those three positions, Moulis explained to the Board that "two are true teacher vacancies." Hiring is something they will be continuing to do through the summer, until they fill all of their positions, Moulis said. "The district continues to hire for teachers and interventionist positions," Moulis told the School Board.

Another agenda item was last minute stipend

this time is 19," Moulis told Hudson Memorial, and one requests for advisors for the earlier next time. recent school play. School Board Chair Maureen Dionne said she had no problem with the stipend requests, but noted that the performances were already over and questioned why the stipend requests weren't brought forward earlier. "That's a great question. I would have anticipated this would've come in a bit earlier." Moulis said. The School Board unanimously approved the stipend requests, but Dionne encouraged that they come

Also during the meeting, the School Board was given an update on a travel request for a staff member. The one travel request recently approved by Moulis was for Karen Bonney to attend the NHADA Conference Margate, in Laconia, for a total cost of \$689.72. Dionne said given the fact that she is retiring at the end of the year, she asked if it made sense to allow the incoming athletic director to attend instead. "I don't know if they are even available." Dionne

Moulis said his understanding is that since it's through the league, any Athletic Director whose school is part of it would be able to attend, including their incoming athletic director. "It's an annual directors conference," Moulis said, explaining his hope would be that the two of them share information together.

The next Hudson School Board meeting is slated to take place on May 19 beginning at 6:30 p.m.

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## Class Act Performs Anastasia at Alvirne High School





Alvirne High School's Class Act and members of the Music Department presented Anastasia over the weekend in the school's gymnasium. The musical had three shows featuring a number of talented performers. Shows were directed by Lauren Denis and Michael Gallagan and choreographed by Madilyn Pilato and Ava Sidlowski. The lead role of Anastasia was played by Madison Hyman. More Photos by Chris Paul photos on next page.









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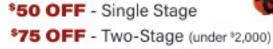












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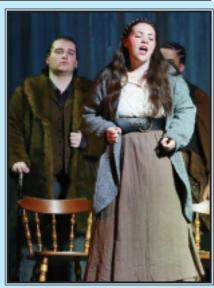
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## HUDSON SPORTS

## Alvirne Varsity Broncos Baseball Win Three Straight

The Alvirne High School Baseball squad tacked on two more wins lat week, giving them a three-game winning streak.

The Broncos were able to carriy the momentum from best to last with an action-

starting with a 4-1 win at breaking the seal at the top cos tied the game at four. Merrimack High School on Monday, May 12.

Alvirne and the Tomahawks battled through six innings before seeing anyone cross the plate.

The Broncos saved their last week into this week, packed seventh inning,

of the seventh, when a single from shortstop PJ Millette gave them their first run of

A single from Charlie Crawford loaded the bases for the Broncos, who would capitalize with a two-RBI single from Grayson Pol-

Pitcher Brady Mitchell stepped up for the Broncos, allowing just one run on four hits and striking out three through all seven innings.

The offense kept rolling, at home, against Spaulding on Wednesday, thanks to another late-game surge, the Broncos took down the Spaulding Varsity Raiders 7-

Alvirne found themselves down early in this one, after Spaulding's Hunter Spencer hit a home run in the second-inning that brought in three.

The home team was down 4-1 in the bottom of the fifth, when an error ran in three runs and the Bron-

That wasn't the end of the Broncos in the fifth, though. Alvirne added three

more runs, for a total of six in the inning. This fiery fifth inning put the Broncos up 7-4, the eventual final score of the game.

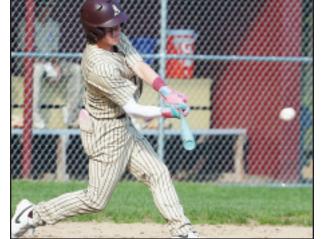
Jaxson Pollock and Matty Bebris led the Broncos with two hits each. Bebris went 2for-3 at the plate and had a team-high, two RBIs.

Alex Small got the win, pitching six innings with three Ks, nine hits and one

Seemingly, and understandably so, back-to-back weeks of playing four games have caught up to the Broncos. They'd first fall to Bedford at home in a brutal 11-1 defeat. The Bedford Varsity Bulldogs put this game away after the third inning. Bedford opened up the scoring in the bottom of the second inning after a single from Peter Suozzo. Singles from Landon Frongillo and Carter Crowley added three more runs, and a tag-up by Will Smith gave the Bulldogs their fifth run of the inning.

The third inning was more of the same with a tworun single by Zach Papik and a walk to increase the Bulldog lead to eight.

Stellar pitching by James Gilbert was too much for the



Matty Bebris

Broncos to overcome. The hurler gave up one hit and one run, striking out four and walking five through five innings. The 10 hits given up to Bedford didn't help either. Suozzo, Papik, and Frongillo were responsible for six of those hits. Crowley and Papik each added two runs as well.

While Alvirne's scoring picked up the following day, so did the runs given. Portsmouth took care of Alvirne 14-5 after an electric second inning.

The Broncos got on the board first after a single from Bebris and a walk drawn by Millette. Three hits and five runs for the Portsmouth Clippers in the bottom of the second inning opened a scoring window that could not be

closed. The Clippers did not go scoreless in any inning after the first with five, two. five, four, and one run innings.

The hits were there in this game for the Broncos, who tied the Clippers at 12. They were just unable to capitalize.

The Broncos' losses on Thursday and Friday put them at 3-9 on the season. With six games to go, the Broncos would need to win out to go .500, a feat only reached by nine of the 22 baseball teams in Division I at this point in the season.

The Broncos have a tough start to the week as they face #4 Londonderry. They'll also take on Manchester Central, Timberlane, and Manchester Memorial.



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## Alvirne Lady Broncos Tennis Win Three, Get to 9-2

The Alvirne Girls' Tennis team came off its second loss of the season by beating three opponents.

The Broncos started the week against Pembroke Academy on Monday, May 12, where they easily took down their opponents, dropping just one match on the day.

The first two singles of the day played out nearly identically. (#1) Emma Coppi and (#2) Lilly Belmore each took down their opponents 8-4. Sammie Schiller (#4) and Aliana Proulx (#5) put on the securing an 8-1 victory for

strongest performance of the day, with a dominant 8-1 victory.

Coppi and Schiller took on Pembroke's #1 Emma Settles and (#3) Rileyanne Caron for the first set of doubles, with Caron being the only one to win a set on the day for Pembroke. Alvirne took down Settles and Caron 8-6 in a hardfought, back-and-forth match. Belmore Schiller had the second doubles set of the day, defeating Pembroke's (#2) Jillian French and (#4) Brianna Larochelle 8-2. Proulx and Giroux ended the day for Giroux (#6) out-dueled each Alvirne in an 8-5 doubles of their opponents 8-2. Ella match versus #5 Daff, for the Broncos, who

The girls had a successful senior night on Wednesday as Alvirne defeated Oyster River 5-4 in a tiebreaking final doubles match.

Many of the singles were blowouts for both sides. Coppi started the day off hot with an 8-0 win. Schiller would get the Broncos back on track with an 8-1 win over Grace Palmer (#4) after a twomatch skid for Alvirne. Proulx and Giroux continued the momentum, wrapping up singles with an 8-1 win and an 8-4 win.

Doubles were trouble dropped some tough back-

the first two doubles ended in a 6-8 defeat for Alvirne. This tied the day at four with one match to go. Proulx and Giroux teamed up and crushed their opponents 8-0, securing the victory for the Broncos.

The girls were too much for Manchester West, rolling over them with a 6-3 victory on the road to cap off the week. Coppi followed up her 8-0 singles last with another this week, Oleary took down her opponent 8-1, Schiller won 8-4, and Proulx added on the second 8-0 win of the day. With one more win to go, Coppi and Schiller took down Manchester West's #1



Aliana Giroux

Ghalley and #2 St. Pierre 8-5. Proulx and Anderson teamed up in the third doubles in the most competitive match of the day. The girls came out on top with a 9-7 doubles win, giving Alvirne a 6-3 win.

With two fewer wins than two Portsmouth and two fewer losses than 4 Winnacunnet, the girls will likely remain in the third seed in what has been a fantastic season for the Lady

## Broncos Boys<sup>7</sup>

SHANE BALL HUDSON TIMES

The Alvirne Varsity Broncos Boys' Tennis Team had a busy latter half of the week, playing three games Wednesday through Friday. The boys went 2-1 in this stretch, showing strong focus in some competitive matches and head into the final week of the regular season at 5-8.

Alvirne handily on Wednesday in a 7-2 match. (#2) Figueiredo got the only two an 8-5 victory. A few tightly Groen.

contested doubles could've gone the other way would've made this a more competitive outing.

The boys bounced back on Thursday in a 5-4 victory against Lebanon. There was an even split after the six singles sets. Alvirne finished strong in doubles, taking two out of three. Mendes and (#4) Cole Fitzpatrick took down Oyster River defeated Lebanon's #2 Levi Halaway and (#4) Axel Ericson 8-4. Sam Kudikala (#5) and Sean Mendes and (#6) Chris Figueiredo broke the tie with a 5-8 win over wins for the Broncos in sin- Lebanon's Seth Dankangles, each coming out with Lucian (#6) and Reeve

The excitement continued with another game the following day against Plymouth. Mendes took care of business 8-5. Owen Surprenant (#3) followed this up with an 8-5 victory of his own.

Figueiredo was down 7-3 in the sixth match. Just one point away from defeat, the Broncos needed perfection, which is exactly what he gave them. Figeuiredo scored six straight and stole the game 9-7 against Plymouth's #6 Johnson.

The Broncos rode this momentum into doubles, taking the first two matches and securing a 5-4 victory.

Looking to put the day away, Mendes and Fitzpatrick fought hard in the second doubles. They stayed just behind Plymouth's #2 Johnson and (#3) Van Sickle. Mendes and Fitzpatrick saw themselves down 2-3, 4-3, then 5-4 before a momentum

switch that put them ahead. Alvirne went up 6-5, then 7-6 in this tightly contested set. Just one point away from another game in the win column, the boys pulled through in a game day that ran over 90 minutes.

Alvirne will close their season with their Senior Night on Monday against Coe-Brown. With just one game to go, they will need to win, and Merrimack will need to lose their final two for Alvirne to finish as the 10th seed in the division, given that Merrimack defeated Alvirne 6-3 earlier this season.



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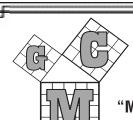
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## Shawn Boudreau Breaks 32-Year School Discus Record

SHANE BALL HUDSON TIMES

In 1993, Jeff Leclere set the school record with a discus throw of 166 feet 4 inches. For 32 years, this record would go untouched.

On Tuesday, May 13, Alvirne Senior Shawn Boudreau claimed the title for the longest discus throw in Alvirne High School history. Boudreau threw for a hefty 174 feet, reaching the New Balance National automatic standard. This quali-

fies Boudreau for the New Balance Nationals Outdoor meet in Franklin Field, Philadelphia, from June 19-22, which Boudreau confirmed he will be attending.

Boudreau also threw for 153 yards, 2 inches in the javelin throw. This was 11 feet in front of second place, and 35 ahead of third.

It was a great day for the hosting Broncos on Tuesday, with the boys placing first and the girls placing second against Manchester Central and Nashua South.

The boys' 4x100-meter relay team also set a school record at 44.26 seconds. Sam Oquist, Joey Marcotte, Jaden Taylor, and Shane Plumley now hold the record.

Taylor also placed first on the day with an 11.56-second 100-meter dash, barely beating Manchester Central's Kaedin Gagne. Gagne ran just a step behind Taylor with an 11.60-second dash.

Marcotte also led the

day with a 20-foot 4-inch long jump.

Broncos Freshman Logan Hould won the 1,600 meter run by nearly 10 seconds with an impressive 5:22.38 mile time.

The boys earned first place with 80 points, 20-points ahead of Manchester Central.

Just two days later at the Merrimack Invitational, Boudreau broke his own record in discus, tying the meet record at 174 feet 4

inches. Dominic Filiano has stood alone with this record since 2010.

The strong-arm also placed second in shot put and fourth in javelin.

Along with Boudreau outdoing himself on Thursday, the 4x100 group of Oquist, Marcotte, Taylor, and Plumley beat their previous record-setting performance with a new school record of 44.04.

Marcotte was just a tenth of a second shy of the

school and meet record of 39.4 seconds in the 300-meter Hurdles

The boys finished fourth out of the 16 teams at the Merrimack Invitational behind Pinkerton, Nashua North, and Nashua South.

It was a busy week for Alvirne's record keeper, with two records being broken twice in back-to-back meets. We'll see how long these records stand with less than a month left in the season.

## Hudson VFW Post 5791 & Auxiliary to Honor Sacrifices of the Pedro 66 Rescue

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On June 6, VFW Post 5791 will host a Meat Raffle and Dinner to raise money for the That Others May Live Foundation (TOMLF) in honor of the 15th anniversary of the sacrifices made by the rescue helicopter crew known by the call sign Pedro 66.

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with critical injuries.

The Pedro 66 incident serves as a reminder of the courage and sacrifice of those in the rescue community who live by the motto, "These Things We Do... That Others May Live." TOMLF was established to support the families of U.S. Air Force Rescue personnel through scholarships, tragedy assistance, and programs that honor their com-

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Hudson VFW Post 5791 Adjutant Charlene Vance, a Board Member of TOMLF, hopes to make this fundraiser an annual event. Tickets are \$40 and include admission to the meat raffle, a light meal, and one free card per meat raffle game. Additional raffle drawings will also be available for purchase.

Doors open at 5 p.m., and games begin at 7 p.m. Tickets can be purchased at Post 5791 (15 Bockes Rd., Hudson, NH), at the Veterans Bingo Hall (14 Melendy Road, Hudson), or by emailing cshay35@gmail.com.



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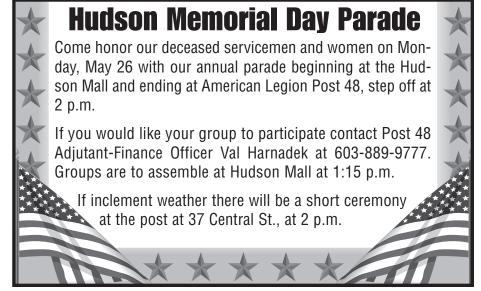
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Wednesday, June 4, at 1 p.m., and Thursday, June 5, at 6:30 p.m., join Diane for a two-hour class to create a piece of art that is inspired by Zentangle and stained glass at the Rodgers Library.

#### **Postpartum Support Group**

Gather with other postpartum parents and newborns to talk about what thoughts and feelings you're exploring on Thursday, June 5, at 10 a.m., at the Rodgers Library.

#### **Rodgers Readers**

"The Mysterious Case of Rudolf Diesel" by Douglas Brunt will be the groups book

for discussion this month on Thursday, June 5 at 7 p.m., at Rodgers Library.

#### Fillet a Fish

On Saturday, June 7, at 10 a.m., Circulation Librarian Dana Benner will teach participants how to fillet a fish at the Rodgers Library. Bring a fish; he'll handle the knives.

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

This month's book pick is Kamogawa Food "The Detectives" by Hisashi Kashiwai. The group will meet on Monday, June 9 at 12:30 p.m., at Rodgers Library.

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On Tuesdays and Thursdays starting June 10, at 10 a.m., meet at Benson Park near the playground. Bring blankets and chairs. If you register, you will receive an email if we cancel due to inclement weather.

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On Tuesday, June 10, at

6:30 p.m., come to the Rodgers Library for a moneysaving tutorial with Carrie. Learn couponing strategies to maximize savings.

#### Access Wisdom Book Group

This month's book is "On the Brink of Everything: Grace, Gravity, and Getting Old" by Parker J. Palmer. The group will meet on Thursday, June 12, at 7 p.m., at Rodgers Library.

#### Stitchers' Circle

Come and stitch/cross stitch, blackwork, embroider, knit, crochet, hand craft with Oonagh Williams at Rodgers Library on Saturday, June 14, at 9:30 a.m.

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Eat a cupcake.

#### **Summer Romance Beach Read Recommendations**

In this virtual event with the Rodgers Library, on Monday, June 16, at 7 p.m., Lorelei, of Lorelei's Lit Lair, will be chatting about the books she's looking forward to reading this summer - the best of romance beach reads.

#### Afternoon Book Group

This month's book is "Tom Lake" by Ann Patchett. The group will meet on Tuesday, June 17, at 1:30 p.m., at Rodgers Library.

#### Window Cling: "Color Our World"

On Tuesday, June 17, at 2 p.m., use the Rodgers Library's special paint to create a colorful painting to decorate the library for the summer.

#### **Characters & Cocoa**

This is a monthly support group for writers to socialize and talk about the craft. It will meet on Tuesday, June 17, at 6 p.m., at Rodgers Library.

#### Tie Dye for Everyone

On Wednesday, June 18, at various times, bring a shirt, and Rodgers Library will supply the dye (t-shirts only please).

#### True Crime Podcast Club

On Wednesday, June 18, at 7 p.m., this month's podcast will be "Father Wants us Dead." at the Rodgers library. Listen to all episodes for free wherever you listen to podcasts. Cookies will be Chocolate peanut butter nobake.

#### **Tween Candy Olympics**

On Friday, June 20, at 2 p.m., Tweens entering grades 5-8 are invited to the Rodgers Library to join in the Candy Olympics.

#### 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 6 p.m., students entering Rodgers Library.

#### Artist Study: Hokusai Wave **Painting**

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

#### "Dead End Road"

On Monday, June 23, at 7 p.m., Rodgers Library will 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.

#### 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.

#### Simple Bushcraft

On Thursday, June 26, at 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

grades 1-5 are invited to the Rodgers Library for a cultural adventure to Cameroon.

#### 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.

#### Magician Mike Bent's AbraKIDabra!

On Wednesday, June 25 host a virtual discussion with at 2 p.m., Rodgers Library will host AbraKidabra!TM combines amazing magic, big laughs, audience participation and hilarious surprises for a one-of-a-kind, interactive experience.

#### **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!

#### 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.

#### **Artist Study: Alma Thomas Colorful Painting**

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#### **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.

#### 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.

#### 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

Every Tuesday at 4 p.m., come meet Dino, the therapy dog at the Rodgers Memorial Library. Dino is a St. Bernard who loves to make new

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

#### 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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#### BINGO!

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

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

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