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Members of the Hudson community gathered at Liberty Park and paid tribute to those that have fallen on Memorial Day. Photo by Chris Paul

Hudson Honors Fallen Heroes with Memorial Day Parade, Ceremony

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HUDSON TIMES

After the rain cleared on Monday afternoon, May 25, members of the Hudson American Legion Post 48 held their annual Memorial Day Parade and Ceremony without a hitch.

While many neighboring towns were forced to cancel their events due to inclement weather, Hudson's 2 p.m. start time proved to be the difference, allowing the town to carry on its long-standing tradition of honoring those who gave their lives in service to the country.

The parade featured the Alvirne High School Marching Band and the school's Air Force JROTC, along with Hudson Fire and Police, local scouting groups, members of the Hudson Board of Selectmen, U.S. Congresswoman Maggie Goodlander, and members of Post 48.

The procession stepped off from the Hudson Mall and made its way to Liberty Park, where a ceremony honoring the nation's fallen service members took place.

Post 48 Commander Dave Mayopou-
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School Board Briefed on April Discipline Reports

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HUDSON TIMES

The Hudson School Board received a detailed update on student discipline across the District during its most recent meeting, reviewing April data from each school and comparing it to the same period last year. Administrators said the monthly reports help track trends, identify areas of improvement, and ensure consistency in how discipline is handled across grade levels.

At the Early Learning Center Library Street, the report showed a quiet month. There were no detentions, in-school suspensions, out-of-school suspensions, or reported bully-

ing incidents in April. Last April, the school recorded one in-school suspension, making this year's numbers slightly improved.

The Early Learning Center Dr. H.O. Smith also reported no detentions for April. The school issued two in-school suspensions and no out-of-school suspensions. This marks a small increase from April 2025, when there were no in-school suspensions but one out-of-school suspension. Administrators noted that no bullying incidents were reported this year, consistent with last year's data.

At Hills Garrison, the report showed no detentions issued in April, matching

last year's total. The school recorded nine in-school suspensions, an increase from the five issued during April 2025. Two out-of-school suspensions were issued, which the report lists as a decrease from last year, when none were recorded during the same period. Hills Garrison also reported two personal communication device violations, reflecting ongoing enforcement of the District's device policy.

Nottingham West Elementary reported no detentions in April. The school issued two in-school suspensions and one out-of-school suspension. Last year's April totals were simple-
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Benson Park Preservation Efforts Bolstered by Donations

PAUL CONYERS
HUDSON TIMES

The Benson Park Advisory Committee met on May 21 to review ongoing preservation projects and celebrate a wave of new donations that will help restore and protect some of the park's most recognizable historic features. The meeting highlighted both the progress made and the challenges that remain as volunteers and town officials work to preserve the legacy of one of Hudson's most beloved public spaces.

One of the major updates centered on the installation of new post markers for several historic structures, including the Hazelton Barn, the park's office and kitchen building, and

the former Hudson Train Station. Committee member Sue Clement reported that thanks to a recent donation, the markers will be crafted from high-quality granite rather than the simpler materials originally planned.

"There was an approximate \$4,500 donation from Roger Pellerin of Gate City Monument," Clement said. "They're planning on putting in the stones over the holiday."

The markers are intended not only to identify the historic buildings but also to help visitors better understand the park's past. Benson Park, once home to the famous Benson's Wild Animal Farm, still contains remnants of its earlier life,

structures, foundations, and artifacts that spark curiosity among hikers, families, and history enthusiasts. Committee members hope the new markers will make it easier for visitors to connect with that history.

The Friends of Benson Park are also playing a role in the project. Chair Natalie Newell shared plans for a "historical hike" to coincide with the installation of the markers, an event designed to showcase the park's heritage and highlight the work being done to preserve it. She thanked local historian Dana Benner for assisting with the hike. While no firm dates were set, both groups agreed the event would be a valuable opportunity to
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School Board Reviews Advanced Course Work Policy

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The Hudson School Board spent part of its most recent meeting reviewing a proposed policy that would expand and clarify opportunities for high school students seeking advanced coursework, including Advanced Placement (AP) classes and dual-credit STEM programs. The discussion marked the first reading of the policy, which aims to give students more pathways to challenge themselves academically while ensuring the district meets state standards.

The proposed policy begins by reaffirming the district's commitment to providing access to advanced coursework. It states that "any student

who is capable of and wishes to do advanced coursework or take advanced placement classes while in high school should be permitted to do so." If a desired course is not offered within the district, administrators and school counselors would be required to help students find alternatives. Those options could include enrolling in a Dual or Concurrent Enrollment course, taking a class at another public or private school, participating in remote learning, or pursuing an Extended Learning Opportunity.

The policy also clarifies that while students may earn credit for these outside courses, the district will not cover tuition, fees, or other associated

costs. "Credit may be given, provided the course is in accordance with applicable district policies (see Board policy IK) and state standards," the draft states.

A significant portion of the proposal focuses on the STEM Dual and Concurrent Enrollment Program, which allows qualified students in grades 10 through 12 to earn both high school and college credit. These courses are offered through the Community College System of New Hampshire (CCSNH) and include STEM related subjects as well as career and technical education classes.

The policy notes that there is no limit to the number of credits a student may earn through the

program. However, under RSA 188E:27, II, students are responsible for the cost of any credits beyond four per academic year. The district's own Board policy IK also outlines how these credits are applied toward graduation requirements.

To ensure consistency and oversight, the proposed policy assigns the Superintendent, or a designee, responsibility for coordinating agreements with CCSNH and managing the program. This includes appointing a point of contact who can assist students with counseling, scheduling, registration, program evaluation, and questions about course transferability. The point of contact would also help students navi-

gate online coursework.

The Superintendent or designee would also be required to establish detailed regulations governing the program. These include:

- Ensuring compliance with CCSNH educational standards
- Maintaining the same rigor as courses taught on CCSNH campuses
- Meeting accreditation standards set by the National Alliance for Concurrent Enrollment Partnerships
- Establishing eligibility criteria for participating students
- Setting standards for course content and faculty approval
- Outlining communication and coordination requirements

• Addressing tuition, fees, textbooks, grading, data collection, and renewal of agreements

• Providing annual notification to students and families about available opportunities

• Clarifying how dual-credit courses align with Career Readiness Credentials under Board policy IKFG

School Board members had no objections to the proposed changes, and the policy was unanimously approved for a second reading. If adopted, the policy would expand academic options for Hudson students while formalizing the district's procedures for managing advanced coursework and dual-credit programs.

Conservation Commission Plans Training and Looks for Help Building Kiosks

PAUL CONYERS
HUDSON TIMES

The Hudson Conservation Commission met on May 11 to discuss participating in a chainsaw safety program for its members, following recent first aid and CPR training classes.

"While I understand that a lot of people in this room have been using chainsaws for a long time, it's always good to have a

refresher," said Kathryn Griswold, who scheduled the class for June 1.

The training initiative is intended to improve safety during trail maintenance, much of which is carried out by appointed town officials. Commissioners regularly use equipment such as chainsaws to remove fallen trees and branches during Trail Work Days, the most

recent of which took place in early May.

"We better marked the Gumpas Pond Loop Trail at that we did a little clearing there, it's in pretty good shape," noted Chair Carl Murphy. "We also better marked the Wilkinson View Trail; we put in markers. I think you can see one marker to the next. In wintertime, we were out there and pretty much

noted that if the trail isn't established, you don't know where the trail is, so having those markers makes it easier to spot."

As the Commission expects to continue heavier trail work in the coming months, Selectman Liaison Dillon Dumont suggested finding volunteers who might be willing to help with signs or kiosks.

"Has anybody been in communication with the Boy Scouts?" Dumont asked. "I know in the past they've helped with a couple of those. They can get an Eagle Scout for that by doing community service."

Murphy said the Commission has not yet reached out to the Boy Scouts but agreed it was a good idea. Griswold volunteered to contact a local troop leader.

"I ran into one of the troops back at Benson Park when we first moved here," she said. "I made that connection and I'll follow up with that."

"It'd be interesting to see what carpentry skills the Scouts have these days," added Vice-Chair Ken Dickinson.

Other suggestions included contacting the local Girl Scouts or Alvirne High School.

"Another idea I wanted to throw out is with the building trades over at Alvirne I know they'll do some projects here and there," said Dumont. "You might find that they'd be willing to work with you on that."

Secretary Chris Cameron noted that building a new kiosk is a relatively common project, pointing

to recent work at Benson Park.

"Somebody in the town probably has a template or plans for something like a generic kiosk design," he said.

Commissioner John Walter also offered to help, saying he would ask around to find the construction materials needed for kiosks.

"We've got some leads on the kiosks," Murphy said. "I think we did come up with a comprehensive list of what needs to happen for kiosks and things like that. We should revisit it."

The next meeting of the Hudson Conservation Commission is scheduled for Monday, June 8, at 7 p.m. in the Buxton Room at Town Hall.



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School Board Reviews District's Defibrillators Policy

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The Hudson School Board spent time at its most recent meeting reviewing a proposed policy outlining how the District manages and uses Automated External Defibrillators (AEDs). The policy update is part of an ongoing effort to ensure that all schools meet state requirements and follow nationally recognized safety standards for responding to cardiac emergencies.

The proposed policy begins by noting that the District owns AEDs for use in emergency situations. It then outlines the conditions under which the devices must be used, maintained, and stored. Much of the lan-

guage reflects best practice guidance from the American Heart Association and other national organizations focused on emergency cardiovascular care.

One of the most detailed sections addresses AED placement. According to the draft, the Superintendent, working with building principals and school nurses, will determine and approve AED locations in each school. The policy emphasizes that AEDs must be "readily accessible in a well marked and safe place" and cannot be stored in offices or other areas that are not quickly reachable during an emergency. Placement must follow national guidelines to ensure that staff can

respond within minutes if a cardiac event occurs.

For schools serving grades 6–12, the policy adds an additional requirement: at least one AED must be located at or near athletic venues where practices and competitions take place. This reflects state law and growing awareness of cardiac risks during youth sports. The intent is to ensure that an AED is always available when students are participating in school sponsored athletic activities.

The policy also outlines expectations for training and use. When possible, AEDs should be administered by employees designated as "anticipated

responders," identified by the principal in consultation with the school nurse. These individuals must complete CPR and AED training through the school nurse or a nationally recognized organization. The policy further states that schools serving grades 6–12 must have at least one CPR trained individual supervising organized school sponsored sports activities.

However, the policy also makes clear that in an emergency, anyone may use an AED if trained personnel are not immediately available. The language specifies that individuals acting "in good faith" are permitted to administer the device,

reflecting state protections for emergency responders.

Liability protections are also addressed. The policy states that the District and individuals who administer an AED in good faith and without compensation "shall not be liable for civil damages" unless their actions are grossly negligent or willful. This mirrors New Hampshire law and is intended to reassure staff and bystanders that they can act quickly without fear of legal consequences.

Maintenance responsibilities fall to the school nurse or a designee. AEDs must be maintained according to manufacturer specifications, and the nurse must keep a record of all mainte-

nance performed. Regular checks ensure that batteries, pads, and internal diagnostics remain up to date.

The policy also includes a registration requirement. Under RSA 153A:33, the school nurse or designee must register each AED with the New Hampshire Department of Safety within 30 days of acquisition. Registration helps emergency responders know where AEDs are located in the community and ensures compliance with state law.

After reviewing the proposed language, the School Board voted to send the policy to a second reading, the next step in the approval process.

Library Braces for Busy Summer with Uptick in Patron Interactions

PAUL CONYERS
HUDSON TIMES

Events at Rodgers Memorial Library have been "ramping up," according to Director Linda Pilla, who outlined an ambitious summer schedule at the latest Board of Trustees meeting.

"It's been a crazy couple of weeks," Pilla said. "Ever so slightly, Wednesday is our busiest day for interactions. That's the day of the week when we run the Movers and Shakers group, and boy do those kids move and shake. Surprisingly, for the rest of the week, we're doing more than 100 interactions, sometimes getting close to 150 interactions with the public."

Pilla clarified that "interactions" refer to meaningful exchanges with patrons, not simple greetings. "When I say 'interactions,' it's not just saying to

someone 'Hi, how are you today?' It's actually having an interaction where they have a question about library services, about their library account, or when they want help with accessing an online resource and our staff members help them out."

With popular programs like Summer Reading beginning next month, staff expect those numbers to rise even further.

Board member Ali Rafiymehr asked how these interactions are tracked. Pilla explained that staff members routinely fill out Google forms to record them, not including standard circulation transactions.

Library staff are also preparing for extensive student outreach as the school year winds down.

"Programming in April

is normal programming, but May is different," Pilla said. "We don't do regular programming in May, we do school outreach. So the place has been busy with kids from Hills Garrison Elementary School this week, coming in during mornings and afternoons, having an activity to do, and learning about the summer reading programs so they'll go home and tell their parents."

The library hopes many of those students will attend the Summer Reading Program kickoff party on June 13, which will also celebrate the 250th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence, the library's 17th birthday, and a community cupcake baking competition.

According to the event announcement, the celebra-

tion will include crafts, a scavenger hunt, and an outdoor music concert sponsored by New Hampshire Humanities and the Friends of the Library.

Board Treasurer Margaret St. Onge reminded attendees that cupcake bakers must sign up in advance. "There's nothing else you need to sign up for ahead of

time, but you need to submit your cupcakes," she said.

The June 13 launch event will take place in the Children's Programming Room and Community Room from 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

"Everything just goes along, we have such a great team of people leading our programming," Pilla said.

"They're doing a good job at keeping the social media coordinated, updating our social media accounts on a regular basis. It's just great."

The next meeting of the Rodgers Memorial Library Board of Trustees is scheduled for Wednesday, June 17, at 6:30 p.m. in the Hudson Cable Access Center.

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Editorial

Graduation Should Be a Beginning, Not an Ending

In the coming weeks, our seniors will walk across stages, shake hands, and step into the next chapter of their lives. Families will gather for photos, backyards will fill with laughter, and the whole town will feel that familiar mix of pride and nostalgia. Graduation is supposed to be a season of hope.

But every year, somewhere in a community just like ours, that hope is shattered. A phone rings in the middle of the night. A police cruiser pulls into a driveway. A celebration becomes a tragedy because of one choice, drinking and driving or texting behind the wheel.

We don't talk about this to scare anyone. We talk about it because it is real, and because it is preventable.

The weeks between prom and graduation are among the most dangerous of the year for teen drivers. National safety data shows that alcohol-related crashes spike during this period, and distracted driving, especially texting, remains one of the leading causes of fatal accidents among young people. These aren't numbers. They're children. They're classmates. They're the kids we watched grow up on soccer fields, in school plays, and at kitchen tables.

The truth is painfully simple: One text. One drink. One moment. One decision. That's all it takes.

Parents, this is the time to have the hard conversations. Not once, but over and over. Tell your kids they can call

you anytime, from anywhere, with no judgment and no punishment. Tell them you would rather pick them up at midnight than lose them forever. Tell them their life matters more than any mistake they could make. They need to hear it from you.

Friends, you have power too. Real friends don't let each other drive drunk. Real friends speak up when someone reaches for their phone behind the wheel. Real friends take the keys, make the call, or say the uncomfortable thing that might save a life. Peer courage is one of the strongest forces we have.

And to our graduates, you are standing at the edge of everything. College, careers, military service, trades, travel, independence, your future is wide open. But none of it happens if you don't make it home. No text is worth reading while driving. No party is worth risking your life or someone else's. You are smart, capable, and stronger than you know. Choose the future that's waiting for you.

This season should be filled with joy, not sirens, pride, not grief, memories, not memorials.

Let's protect our kids. Let's protect each other. Let's make sure every graduate in this town gets the chance to step into the life they've worked so hard to build.

Because graduation should be a beginning, never an ending.

Media Department Set to Comply with New ADA Rule for Closed Captioning

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The Hudson Cable Utility Advisory Committee met on May 11 to discuss the steps needed to bring Hudson Community Television (HCTV) into compliance with a federal mandate tied to the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). The mandate outlines accessibility requirements for community media, including closed captioning and audio descriptions for viewers with hearing or visual impairments.

"Something that's coming to community media stations across the country that will be mandated by the ADA is that we will have closed captioning and descriptive audio on our website," explained HCTV Director Mike Johnson. He noted that closed captioning has already been funded and is in the process of being rolled out. "We originally had to have this accomplished by April 27, 2027, to be compliant, though it was pushed back, for communities our size, to April 27, 2028."

While closed captioning is underway, the launch of a descriptive audio service remains in development. Committee members were

shown a demo of a program under consideration. Johnson acknowledged that several workflow and programming challenges still need to be resolved before full implementation.

"I think it will definitely be a good feature for us to have for residents, but it's something where we're going to have to figure out a workflow, so stay tuned. It is something we will be mandated to do," Johnson said. "It is a good thing, I think it's a great thing to provide our residents with."

Committee members asked questions about how the new systems work, particularly the automated nature of both closed captioning and descriptive audio.

"The descriptive audio, is that AI?" asked Committee member Stewart Kroner.

Johnson confirmed that the system is AI-driven, noting that one challenge is the AI's difficulty identifying individual names. This may require HCTV staff to manually enter the names of town officials and presenters for each meeting.

"It's all interesting. I remember one time I was watching network television, and they accidentally put the audio descriptions on the show we were watch-

ing. That was my first introduction to it," said Committee member Mike Campbell. "I never thought of it for something like town meetings or the deliberative session with audio descriptions in the background."

Johnson added that ADA required tools will also benefit coverage of school events, including games and graduation ceremonies, which draw high viewership during HCTV's busiest season.

"This time of year, do you find that you have enough staff?" asked Selectmen Liaison Heidi Jakoby. "I know you're fully staffed, but being fully staffed and having enough staff are two different questions."

Johnson acknowledged that the department could use an additional part-time assistant due to the heavy workload and said he is always looking for volunteers willing to help with camera work during graduation season.

"In terms of utilizing the space and what we have, we could always use more help, that's the truth," he said. "We're always looking for more volunteers to help us out with any aspect of it."

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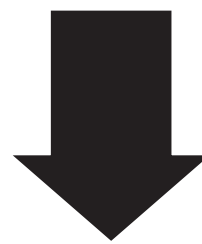
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School Board Approve District's Snow Removal Contract

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While summer is just around the corner, the Hudson School Board was already preparing for winter during its most recent meeting, reviewing and approving a new contract for District-wide snow and ice removal services.

Hudson Director of Facilities John Pratte presented the proposal, explaining that the contract covers the vast majority of snow and ice removal needs across the District. "This

bid includes full snow and ice removal at all locations, excluding custodial and grounds snow and ice removal at building walkways," Pratte wrote in a memo to the Board.

Pratte said the District is seeking a three-year agreement with the option to extend into years four and five. He noted that the District has been working with Morin's Landscaping Inc. for snow removal and landscaping services and hopes to continue that relationship. "I recommend the

School Board award a contract to Morin's Landscaping Inc. to start year one (FY27) in the amount of \$145,920," Pratte wrote. "Morin's Landscaping Inc. currently performs landscaping services for the Hudson School District and has been very professional and responsive to our requests. Morin's Landscaping has solid references and satisfactory equipment to service the needs of the School District."

Under the proposed contract, the cost for year one

and year two would remain at \$145,920. In year three, the cost would increase to \$149,600, with the same amount proposed for year four if the District exercises the extension option. Year five would increase to \$153,400.

Pratte noted that the FY27 budget includes \$148,000 for snow removal services, placing the first-year contract amount within budget.

After reviewing the proposal, the School Board voted to award the FY27

District-wide snow removal contract to Morin's Landscaping Inc. for \$145,920.

In addition to the snow removal contract, the School Board approved several bids for FY27 related to school and office supplies. The Board awarded W.B. Mason a contract to provide school and office supplies, with an anticipated expenditure of \$65,000. The Board also approved a separate contract with Quill for additional school and office supplies, with an anticipated expenditure of \$20,000.

W.B. Mason was also awarded a contract to supply copy paper for FY27, with an anticipated expenditure of \$35,000.

The Board also reviewed requests for art and school supplies for the upcoming fiscal year. A memo to the Board noted that quotes were obtained from three vendors. The Board approved a contract with National Art & School Supplies for \$4,500 and a contract with School Specialty for \$20,000 to provide art supplies for FY27.

Benson

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educate the public and build community engagement.

Clement also provided an update on the Lion's Pride Restoration Project, which focuses on the two iconic lion statues that once greeted visitors to the park. The Hudson Lions Club recently donated \$200 to fund an inspection of the statues, though Clement emphasized that a full restoration will require significantly more funding.

"Since then, we would like to save as much money on this project as we possibly can," she said. "I had been searching many different organizations that have a

background to do this type of work, and a lot of them mentioned how expensive it was going to be. Some of them offered to come over to take a look and give advice, because they said they wouldn't be able to take on the project themselves."

One promising lead came from a volunteer stoneworker named Lee, who has experience restoring gravestones and previously worked on the Old Lady in the Shoe attraction at Benson Park.

"I think he knows what he's doing," Clement said. "His only question was the liability piece of that. He's ready to go. He isn't going to charge us for the work just for the materials he

would have to use. He mentioned that he can start right away."

Committee members asked several questions about his background and whether he had worked on other structures in the park. Alternate member Harry Schibanoff recalled a mason who restored the stone wall near the bear cage and wondered if Lee had been involved. Clement clarified that Lee's expertise is primarily in gravestone restoration, not wall construction, but said his previous work in the park had been solid.

Board of Selectmen Liaison Kim Allan offered to help coordinate the next steps and said she had

already spoken with Town Administrator Roy Sorenson.

"I spoke with Roy, and he said he'd like to speak to Lee," Allan said. "Potentially, we'd like to put this as an item for our June 9 meeting."

The Committee expressed optimism that with volunteer support, community donations, and continued

coordination with town officials, the lion statues could be restored without placing a heavy financial burden on taxpayers.

As the meeting wrapped up, members reflected on the importance of preserving Benson Park's history not just for longtime residents who remember its past, but for new families

discovering it for the first time. With each donation, volunteer effort, and restoration project, the park's story becomes a little clearer and its future a little brighter.

The next Benson Park Advisory Committee meeting is set for Thursday, June 18, at 7 p.m. in the Hudson Cable Access Center.

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Fitness Equipment Purchase Approved for Fire Department

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The Hudson Board of Selectmen approved a proposal to purchase new fitness equipment for the Fire Department using donated funds, a move Fire Chief Scott Tice says will support the department's growing emphasis on health, wellness, and long-term readi-

ness.

Tice presented the request to the Board, noting that the department has been working intentionally over the past several years to improve the physical and mental well being of its firefighters. "I am pleased to present this request on behalf of the department for the acquisition of five types

of fitness equipment," Tice wrote in a memo to the Board. "This initiative aims to enhance the physical readiness of our team and reflect the shift towards healthier lifestyles."

During the meeting, Tice explained that the department has set a clear goal: to become healthier as an organization, both physically and mentally. "We've taken on the more strenuous physicals in the last couple of years," he said. "We've been doing the mental health consultations, and the firefighters are really embracing the healthier lifestyle."

He added that many firefighters have been making personal changes as well. "A lot of them are trying to eat healthier, keep their weight in check.

They're working out," he said. In his memo, Tice emphasized that regular exercise is becoming a priority for many members as they recognize the benefits to their overall well being. The department, he said, wants to support that momentum.

Tice also credited several firefighters for helping move the initiative forward. "I would like to thank FF Colin Murphy and FF Logan Falk for leading this important effort," he wrote. "Their dedication and initiative have been invaluable in bringing this proposal to fruition. This equipment will be utilized throughout our three stations."

The proposal outlines the specific equipment to be purchased, including shipping costs:

- TRX Suspension Trainers: three units
- PB Elite 6" Firm Round Molded Foam Rollers: three units
- Rogue Rubber Hex Dumbbell Set
- Rogue Kettlebells: three units
- REP Fitness AB3100 Adjustable Weight Benches: three units

Tice said the equipment was selected because it can be used safely and effectively in all three fire stations, supports a wide range of fitness levels, and allows firefighters to train for strength, mobility, and injury prevention, all critical components of the job.

He requested authorization to withdraw \$3,464.32 from the Fire Department donation account to fund the purchase. According to

the meeting discussion, the donation account currently holds \$25,411.11, more than enough to cover the expense without affecting the department's operating budget.

The Board of Selectmen unanimously approved the request, praising the department's efforts to prioritize wellness and use donated funds responsibly.

In other business, the Board unanimously accepted the resignation of Police Officer Stephen Sanchez during its non-public session. His resignation is effective May 21, according to the unofficial meeting minutes.

The next Hudson Board of Selectmen meeting is scheduled for May 26 at 7 p.m.

OBITUARY

David Herling



David Herling, 64, of Hudson, passed away peacefully on Saturday, May 16, 2026. Born on Jan. 26, 1962, in Chicago, he was the son of the late Donald and Sylvia (Mockus) Herling.

David was the beloved husband of Linda J. (Bolduc) Herling of Hudson, with whom he shared 42 years of marriage filled with love, laughter, and devotion.

Above all else, David was a devoted family man. He was a proud and loving father to his three sons, Derek Herling, Devin Herling, and Douglas Herling. He cherished every moment spent with his beloved grandchildren, Emmett Herling and Sylvia Herling, whether enjoying visits to Canobie Lake Park, spending time at Luk's Bar & Grill, or simply playing together in the yard.

David is also survived by his two sisters, Beth Faxon and Cynthia Herling, and his brother, Tom Herling, along with many extended family members and friends who will deeply miss him.

David treasured family vacations and time spent outdoors. Some of his happiest memories were made along the ocean in Harpswell, during trips to the White Mountains, and at Lake Winnepesaukee. He especially loved following his sons throughout their hockey years, rarely missing a game or practice and enjoying every rink, road trip, and memory made along the way.

Growing up on Loch Lomond Lake in Mundelein, David enjoyed an active childhood filled with pond hockey and ice fishing in the winters, and swimming, sailing, fishing, and rowing during the summers. Later in life, he treasured living in Hudson near his father before Donald's passing in 2012.

David enjoyed hunting trips with his brother and family, hiking and fishing alongside his wife, and spending time immersed in nature. He had a passion for trading stocks and looked forward to retirement from his career as a Shipping Receiving Coordinator. He was also an enthusiastic supporter and advocate of President Trump, enjoyed classic horror movies, loved decorating for Halloween with spooky displays, and took great pride in caring for his yard and property.

Family and friends were invited to attend a time of visitation on Wednesday, May 20, at Dumont-Sullivan Funeral Home. A private burial will be held for the family at Holy Cross Cemetery in Hudson.

David will be remembered for his deep love of family, his dedication to those he cared about, and the many memories he created with the people

The Dumont-Sullivan Funeral Home in Hudson is in charge of arrangements.

School

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ilar, with no detentions, one in-school suspension, and one out-of-school suspension. Administrators said the numbers reflect stable behavior patterns at the school.

Hudson Memorial School saw a notable increase in detentions, issuing 41 in April compared to

34 during the same month last year. However, the school recorded significant decreases in more serious consequences. There were six in-school suspensions this April, down sharply from 23 in April 2025. out-of-school suspensions also declined, with three issued this year compared to six last year. The school reported 11 personal communication device violations, a number administrators said

they continue to monitor as part of broader digital-use expectations.

At Alvirne High School, the District's largest school, 117 detentions were issued in April, up from 103 in April 2025. in-school suspensions decreased substantially, with 15 issued this year compared to 28 last year. out-of-school suspensions also dropped, from 14 last April to seven this year. Alvirne recorded 20 personal communication device violations for the month, consistent with ongoing enforcement efforts at the high school level.

School officials said the month-to-month and year-to-year comparisons help them understand where additional support, communication, or intervention may be needed. While some schools saw increases in detentions or in-school suspensions, others showed declines in more serious disciplinary actions, suggesting that early interventions and classroom level strategies may be having an impact.

The Board accepted the report as informational and will continue reviewing discipline data as part of its regular oversight of District operations.

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Budget Committee Presses School for Budget Report

PAUL CONYERS
HUDSON TIMES

At its latest meeting, the Budget Committee pressed the Hudson School District for updated financial information as it prepares for the next budget season.

“We’ve talked a lot about getting the financial statements like we have from the town. We haven’t gotten anything from the School District to know where we’re at with the spend rate, and I know we’ve asked for that,” said Committee member Shawn Jasper. “What’s the story with that?”

School Board Liaison Dan Kilgour responded that the “latest numbers” were available online and that updated reports are presented at regular School Board meetings. The answer did not appear to satisfy the Committee.

“That’s a lot different than having someone here, with the sheets, where we’re able to ask questions,” Jasper said. “I believe we’ve asked for that on at least a quarterly basis, and we haven’t received anything from the School District, at least from this cycle.”

Chair James Lawrence agreed and formally requested that School Superintendent Dan Moulis provide all current financials by the next Budget Committee meeting. Kilgour could not give a timeline for when the full school budget for the 2027–2028 fiscal year would be ready, though he said he would work to improve communication going forward.

The Committee has asked for the full report by October, hoping to begin its budget season a month earlier than usual.

“The School District should provide financial performance for all funds, not just the general fund,” said Committee member Kevin Walsh. “That will give us a clear picture of the School District.”

Jasper urged the School Board to “do better,” citing repeated requests from both the public and town officials.

“I will do better with that in future meetings. I think it’s a great lesson to be taught,” Kilgour said. “Working in cooperation with all the bodies of the town, I hope we can contin-

ue to foster that.”

One potential change to future school budgets may come from HB 1563, recently passed in Concord.

“HB 1563 amends the special education formula in the administration of state special education,” said Committee member Donna Boucher. “It’s estimated to increase state aid through different ways of doing that, so we’ll see how it works out through future budget cycles for the school district.”

Supporters of HB 1563 believe the revised formula will allow more students to

qualify for aid, though districts will need to submit new certified reports detailing services provided.

The Committee also briefly discussed town spending, referencing an attached report that did not include up to date numbers or future projections. Lawrence asked whether the Board of Selectmen had begun planning for the upcoming budget cycle.

Selectmen Liaison Xen Vurgaropoulos said no discussion had taken place yet but promised to raise the issue with the Board.

Alvirne Air Force Junior ROTC Recognized for Distinguished Unit

ALEX MALM
HUDSON TIMES

The Hudson School Board took time during its most recent meeting to recognize a major achievement by the Alvirne High School Air Force Junior ROTC program, an honor the unit has not earned in nearly a decade. According to a memo from Instructor Christian Cole, the program was recently awarded the Distinguished Unit Award for the 2026 academic year, one of the highest distinctions an AFJROTC unit can receive.

“I am writing to inform you that our Air Force Junior ROTC unit has been awarded the Distinguished Unit Award for Academic Year 2026, one of the program’s highest honors,” Cole wrote. “This award

reflects the growth and achievements of our Cadet Corps, the mentorship of our instructors, and the support of the school and local community. We haven’t earned a unit award of this level in nearly ten years, so this is a significant accomplishment.”

Superintendent Dr. Dan Moulis said he included Cole’s memo in the Board’s agenda packet because he felt the program deserved public recognition for its work. He noted that the award reflects not only academic and leadership excellence but also the program’s strong connection to the community.

Cole explained that award eligibility is determined by AFJROTC headquarters and is based on a combination of unit assess-

ment results and community service performance. Alvirne’s unit earned an “Exceeds Standards” rating, the highest possible, during its December 2025 assessment. Cadets also completed more than 1,750 community service hours during the rating period, a 25 percent increase over the previous two year average.

“As a cadet-led, cadet-run program, these outcomes reflect our cadets’ leadership and effort, and they deserve most of the credit for this recognition,” Cole wrote.

He also highlighted the principal cadet leadership team responsible for guiding the program throughout the year: Cadet Col. Hannah Fay, Group Commander; Cadet Lt. Col. Gabriel Brandt, Deputy Group

Commander; Cadet Maj. Joseph Petrillo, Operations Squadron Commander; Cadet Maj. Tori Vallante, Logistics Squadron Commander; Cadet Maj. Lilly Burchell, Inspector General; and Cadet CMSgt. Lyla Smalley, Senior Enlisted Leader.

Cole emphasized that many other junior and senior cadets served in key staff and support roles, and that the award represents the collective effort of the entire Cadet Corps.

The recognition comes at a time when the district is also seeing positive trends in staffing. During his superintendent’s report, Moulis told the Board that the district has seen a significant increase in job applicants compared to last year.

He said applications for open positions are up by 50 percent, a shift he described as encouraging after several years of hiring challenges. The district’s website and other education-focused job boards remain top sources for applicants, but Moulis noted that the second

largest source is now internal referrals from current employees, something he views as a strong sign of staff confidence.

“We’re seeing some great increases in applicants, which is great,” Moulis said.

OBITUARY

Muriel June (Scurrah) Martin



Muriel June (Scurrah) Martin, 87, of Hudson, NH, died Friday May 15, 2026 at the Community Hospice House in Merrimack, NH with family by her side. She was born in Boston, MA on June 8, 1938, daughter of the late James and

Muriel (Sands) Scurrah. She grew up in Jamaica Plain, moving to NH in 1965. Muriel loved most her family, especially her grandchildren. She enjoyed viewing and organizing family photographs, solving jigsaw puzzles, and in her younger years was an avid bowler. She loved summer vacations with her sisters at Biddeford Pool. She also had very fond memories of her trip to Paris with her best friend and sister, Betty.

She is survived by her husband of 60 years, Joseph R. Martin of Hudson; her children, Joseph R. Martin, Jr. and his wife Corinne of Auburn, NH, Stephen J. Martin and his wife Joyce of Amherst, NH, and Amy E. Melanson and her husband Brian of Nashua, NH; her grandchildren, Jasmine, Samuel, Elizabeth, Lauren, Henry, Julia, Zachary and Anna; her great grandchildren, Lilah, Raelyn Rose and Vincent; as well as several nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her beloved siblings, Ruth, Virginia, Barbara, Patricia, James, Betty, and Nancy.

Following cremation, a Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Thursday, May 28, at 10 a.m., in St. Patrick Parish, 29 Spring St., Nashua. She will be interred at later date in the NH State Veterans Cemetery, Boscawen, NH. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Marguerite’s Place in Nashua.

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Memorial Day

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 los opened the ceremony by leading the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by patriotic selections performed by the American Legion Band. He then reflected on the meaning of Memorial Day, recalling the sacrifices made since the nation's earliest conflicts, including the Revolutionary War and the first minutemen who fell fighting for independence.

He spoke of the enduring promise to honor the legacy and service of those who fought for freedom, concluding his remarks with, "God bless our Gold Star families, and God bless America."

Congresswoman Goodlander also addressed the crowd for the second consecutive year. "We are what we remember, and we are who we remember," she

said, opening her remarks with a reflection on the importance of remembrance.

She thanked those who organized the event, as well as the veterans, families, and community members in attendance. Speaking about fallen service members, she added, "I know they are heroes to each and every one of us. There is no greater love than the love that could lead a person to give their life for another."

She continued, "The ultimate expression of love is the willingness to sacrifice everything for it."

The ceremony concluded with Post 48 members laying of a wreath at the Hudson War Memorial in Liberty Park and taps being played, a solemn tribute to those who made the ultimate sacrifice in service to the nation.



U.S. Congresswoman Maggie Goodlander

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HUDSON SPORTS

Broncos Baseball Spark Late-Season Surge with Three Wins

CHRIS PAUL
HUDSON TIMES

The Alvirne High School baseball team may be out of playoff contention this season, but the Broncos showed resilience last week, snapping a six-game losing streak and stringing together three consecutive victories in a four-game stretch.

Alvirne picked up impressive wins over three

strong opponents, beginning with a 3-1 victory against Spaulding in Rochester, followed by an 8-3 win over neighboring Londonderry, and capped by a 13-3 rout of Manchester Central-West.

In the May 13 win over Spaulding, the Broncos did all their damage in the third inning, scoring three runs and then holding on the rest

of the way. They allowed just one run in the fourth inning en route to their second win of the season.

Memphis Beach delivered a standout performance on the mound, pitching a complete game while allowing six hits and two walks and striking out nine of 27 batters.

Offensively, Alvirne managed just three hits-but made them count. All three came from shortstop Gavin Baviello, whose double, combined with two errors and a walk, helped fuel the decisive third inning.

Riding that momentum into the following week, the Broncos traveled to Londonderry on Monday, May 18, and produced another strong performance in an 8-3 victory.

Alvirne's offense was firing on all cylinders, as eight players combined for 12 hits. Brody Buja earned the win on the mound, striking out five, walking one, and allowing seven hits over 32 batters faced.

Four Broncos recorded two hits apiece, including Beach, who added a double. A pivotal six-run fourth inning-highlighted by six singles, a double, and an error-proved too much for the Lancers to overcome.

Matty Bebris, Brady Mitchell, Casey Benning,

and PJ Millette each contributed two hits in the win.

The Broncos extended their winning streak to three games on Wednesday, May 20, with a dominant 13-3 victory over Manchester Central-West at home.

Alvirne's offense erupted, sending 28 batters to the plate and tallying 10 hits, including two doubles and a home run.

Millette delivered the biggest blow with a three-run homer to center field in the third inning, giving the Broncos an 8-1 lead. The blast capped a massive nine-run inning that also featured six singles and a double.

Mitchell earned the win in a brief outing on the mound, striking out six while walking five and allowing six hits and two earned runs.

Baviello and second baseman Alex Drown led the offense with three hits each.

The Broncos closed out the week with a hard-fought 6-5 loss at Manchester



Brody Buja earned the win at Londonderry.



PJ Millette making a catch in center field last week in Londonderry.

Photos by Chris Paul

Memorial.

Alvirne jumped out to a 3-0 lead heading into the bottom of the third inning but surrendered two runs in each of the third, fourth, and seventh innings to fall by one.

Beach pitched five innings in the loss, striking out eight, walking two, and allowing four runs on five

hits. Baviello came on in relief, tossing 1 1/3 innings while allowing four hits and two runs.

Alvirne returns home this week to host Pinkerton Academy (13-4) on Wednesday, May 27, followed by another home matchup Thursday against Bishop Guertin (12-5).

Alvirne Tennis Battles Through a Season of Growth and Grit

CHRIS PAUL
HUDSON TIMES

At Alvirne High School, the 2026 tennis season told two different-but equally meaningful-stories.

For the girls, it was a season of momentum and

resilience.

For the boys, it was about perseverance, progress, and breakthrough moments.

The Lady Broncos finished the season 7-7, balancing early struggles with

a strong mid-to-late season push.

The year opened with a tough 3-6 loss at Hollis-Brookline, but the Broncos immediately responded with a dominant 9-0 sweep

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Alvirne Track Team Perform Strong at Londonderry Invitational

CHRIS PAUL
HUDSON TIMES

The Alvirne High School boys track and field team delivered several standout performances while competing against a deep field at the 2026 R.E.A.L. Londonderry Invitational on May 23.

Leading the way for the Broncos was senior Joey Marcotte, who turned in one of the team's top performances of the day. Marcotte placed second overall in the 110-meter hurdles finals, finishing in 14.86 seconds after qualifying third in the preliminaries. His strong showing against a competitive field highlighted Alvirne's presence in the sprint hurdles.

Marcotte also excelled in the field events, finishing fourth in the long jump with a leap of 20 feet, 5.5 inches,

giving the Broncos another top-five finish.

In the throwing events, Charles Barrett put together an impressive day, finishing first in the Shot Put, with a throw exceeding 46 feet, showcasing his versatility and strength. He also finished first in the Discus with a throw of 154 feet, two inches.

Alvirne also saw contributions across multiple events. In the 300-meter hurdles, Jack Zakos competed in a strong field, while the Broncos were represented in the sprints, distance races, and relays throughout the meet.

Distance runner Josiah Conley turned in a solid effort in the 1,600 meters, finishing mid-pack in a competitive race, while Ashton Rowe added another steady performance for

Alvirne in the same event.

In the 3,200 meters, Alvirne's distance squad continued to gain experience against top-tier competition, with runners working to improve times as the postseason approaches.

The meet featured many of the top programs in New Hampshire, providing the Broncos with a valuable opportunity to measure themselves against some of the state's best athletes.

With several strong individual finishes and continued development across the roster, Alvirne will look to build on this performance as the team heads toward the championship portion of the season.

For the Broncos Girls, in the 1,600 Meter Run, sophomore Olivia Cartage-

na had a fourth place finish with a time of 5:19.27.

Junior Jane Makoviy had a ninth place result in the 300-meter hurdles.

In the 4x400 meter race, the team of Makoviy, sophomore Tealyn Downey, sophomore Mae Guiraud and Cartagena had a third-place finish with a time of 4:19.67.

Freshman Sophie Sargent had a ninth-place finish in the High Jump at 4 feet 8-inches.

Sophomore Isabelle Haven-Tate finished seventh in the Shot Put with a throw of 30'6.25".

Sophomore Ava Tardif placed second in the Javelin with her throw of 106'9". The winner had a throw of 115'4". Senoir Samantha DaSilva had a throw of 76'11" and placed ninth.



Charles Barrett finished first in Shot Put at Londonderry with a throw exceeding 46 feet. He also placed first in the Discus with a throw of 154 feet, 2 inches.

Tennis

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That set the tone for a team capable of bouncing back quickly.

Throughout April, inconsistency defined their results, with wins over Merrimack (7-2) and Goffstown (7-2); a tough shutout loss to Souhegan (0-9); and close defeats to Winnacun-

net and Bow (3-6 each).

But by May, the team began to click.

Alvirne strung together key victories: 8-1 over Manchester West; 8-1 over Pembroke; A tight 5-4 win against Coe-Brown Northwood; and a solid 6-3 road win at Oyster River

These wins showcased improved doubles play and lineup depth, especially in matches decided by narrow

margins.

The season closed with a 2-7 loss to Plymouth, but the .500 record reflected a team that grew significantly over the course of the season-competitive in nearly every match-up and dangerous when in rhythm.

Boys Team:

The Alvirne boys faced a more difficult path, finishing 2-12, but the record doesn't fully capture the

team's fight.

The season opened with a string of losses against strong programs like Hollis-Brookline, Merrimack, and Portsmouth-many by wide margins. Still, there were signs of competitiveness early, including a close 4-5 loss at Kennett.

Despite the tough stretch, the team never fold-

ed.

That persistence paid off late in the season.

On May 18, the Broncos earned a hard-fought 5-4 victory at Coe-Brown Northwood.

Just days later, they followed it with another 5-4 win over Lebanon.

Both matches came down to the wire, highlight-

ing growth in clutch situations-particularly in doubles, where matches are often decided.

While the girls demonstrated balance and the ability to compete across the lineup, the boys showed something just as valuable: resilience under pressure and improvement over time.

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Alvirne Broncos Softball Endures Challenging Season

CHRIS PAUL
HUDSON TIMES

The Alvirne High School softball team faced a

difficult 2026 campaign, battling through a tough Division I schedule while continuing to show resilience and determination

from start to finish.

The Broncos opened the season with a series of losses against some of the state's top programs, including Goffstown, Concord, and Bedford.

Early matchups proved challenging, as Alvirne struggled to find consistency against high-powered offenses.

Despite the rocky start, the team broke through on April 27 with a standout performance, earning its lone victory of the season in a 19-7 win over Nashua North. The offensive outburst marked a high point for the Broncos, showcasing their ability to generate runs and capitalize on scoring opportunities.

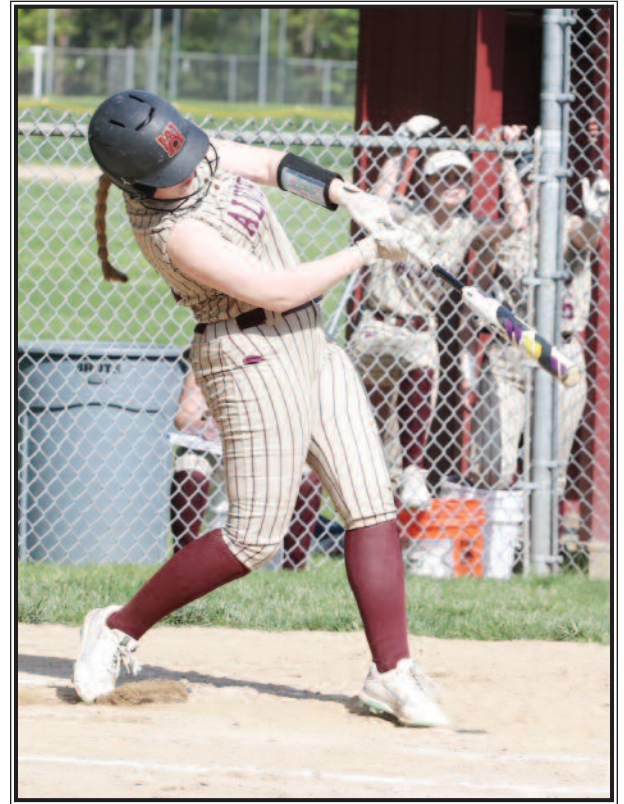
Throughout the season, Alvirne competed against many of Division I's strongest teams, including Exeter, Portsmouth, Spaulding, and Londonderry. While the results often favored their opponents, the Broncos continued to take

the field with effort and a willingness to compete.

One of the team's most competitive outings came on May 21, when Alvirne fell 10-7 to Manchester Central-Memorial. In that game, the Broncos displayed offensive improvement and kept the contest close into the later innings, highlighting their growth as the season progressed.

Although the win-loss record does not reflect it, the season provided valuable experience for a developing roster facing some of the toughest competition in the state. Games against playoff-caliber teams offered opportunities for younger players to gain innings, adjust to the speed of the varsity level, and build a foundation for the future.

Alvirne is set to close out the season with road games at Pinkerton on May 27 and a home finale against Bishop Guertin on May 28.



Emily Powers had the Broncos only hit against the two-time defending state champion Lancers.



Olivia Burt had a tough time against the Lancers in last week's loss. Photos by Chris Paul

As the Broncos look ahead, the focus will shift toward development and building on the lessons learned this spring, with the goal of returning stronger and more competitive next season.

Hudson Man Indicted for Obtaining Child Sexual Abuse Material

A Hudson man has been indicted on federal charges alleging he induced multiple minors to produce and send him child sexual abuse material (CSAM), U.S. Attorney Erin Creegan announced last week.

Robert Lemoyne, 54, was arrested Thursday after a federal grand jury returned indictments charging him with multiple counts of production of CSAM, as well as distribution and possession of CSAM. He appeared in federal court on May 21

and again on May 22, and is currently detained.

According to charging documents and statements made in court, Lemoyne allegedly communicated online for months with numerous minor victims across multiple chat plat-

forms, persuading them to create and send him CSAM. Prosecutors say he also distributed CSAM to minors on several occasions.

The charges carry a potential sentence of up to 30 years in federal prison. Sentencing in federal cases is determined by a district court judge based on the U.S. Sentencing Guidelines and applicable federal statutes.

Authorities emphasized that the allegations remain unproven.

The Federal Bureau of Investigation led the investigation, with assistance from the Hudson Police Department and the New Hampshire Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force. Assistant U.S. Attorney Matthew Vicinanza is prosecuting the case.

The prosecution is part

of Project Safe Childhood, a nationwide Department of Justice initiative launched in 2006 to combat child exploitation. The program coordinates federal, state, and local resources to identify offenders, prosecute crimes involving child sexual exploitation, and rescue victims. More information about Project Safe Childhood is available at project-safechildhood.gov.

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Plant Sale

The Londonderry Green Team will host its Fourth Annual Plant Sale on Saturday, June 13, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Lions Pavilion, in Londonderry. The sale will feature a wide variety of locally grown plants, including flowers, vegetables, herbs, and pollinator-friendly selections. Donations of plants can be made, separate the plants and bring them on Friday before the sale or Saturday before the sale, to drop off. There will also be gently used gardening tools available for purchase, many of which were donated to help support the Green Team's work. For more information on the sale or to join the group email green-team603@gmail.com or mes-

sage the groups Facebook page.

Hudson Safe

Join the Rodgers Library for this five-part series covering first aid, fire safety, disaster preparedness, trauma medicine and more. Part 5 on trauma medicine to give you the tools, techniques and confidence you need to stop the bleed and save a life on Saturday, May 30, at 9:30 a.m.

Blood Drive at VFW Post 5791

A Red Cross blood drive will take place at VFW Post 5791, 15 Bockes Rd., Hudson, on Wednesday, May 29, from 9 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. As a thank you to donors, the Red Cross will be giving away beach towels to celebrate

each donor's lifesaving gift.

Preschool Water Play

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

Introduction to Grey Tiles Zentangle

In this class, work on a neutral tile, starting with a grey tile, and adding tangles with blue ink at the Rodgers Library on Tuesday, June 2 at 6:30 p.m., and Friday, June 5 at noon.

Rodgers Readers Book Club

This group will meet on Thursday, June 4, at 7 p.m., at the Rodgers Library. This

month's book is "The Last Chance Library by Freya Sampson

Compass Reading at Benson's

On Friday, June 5, at 9:30 a.m., join Dana Benner at Benson's Park for a two-hour, hands on compass reading class.

Mystery Lovers' Book Club

This group will meet on Monday, June 8 at 12:30 p.m., at the Rodgers Library. This month's book pick is "Finlay Donovan Knocks 'Em Dead" by Elle Cosimano.

Story Safari at Benon's Park

Come to Benson Park for songs, stories, and bubbles, on Most Tuesdays and Thursdays at 10 a.m.

Nonfiction Book Group

This group will meet on Wednesday, June 10 at 7 p.m., at Rogers Library. This month's book pick is "In Harm's Way: the sinking of the USS Indianapolis and the extraordinary story of its survivors" by Doug Stanton

vivors" by Doug Stanton

Genealogy Club

The Rodgers Library will host this virtual group meeting on Friday, June 12 at 1:30 p.m. This month's topic is on using real estate deeds for research.

Celebrate America

Come for a triple celebration on Saturday, June 13 at 10:30 a.m., at the Rodgers Library to honor America's 250th Birthday, kick off the Summer Reading Program, and celebrate RML's 17th Birthday!

Afternoon Book Group

This group will meet on Tuesday, June 16 at 1:30 p.m., at the Rodgers Library. This month's book pick is "The Ride: Paul Revere and the Night That Saved America" by Kostya Kennedy.

Spring Forage with Emily Makrez

Come to the Rodgers Library on Tuesday, June 16 at 7 p.m., to learn how to identify select wild edibles

(e.g. mushrooms, berries, greens) via a slideshow and in person samples.

Adopt-A-Plant

Come to Rodgers Library on Wednesday, June 17 at 5:30 p.m., and Thursday, June 18 at 2:30 p.m., to decorate a pot and adopt a plant to watch grow this summer.

Crime & Cookies

Come to the Rodgers Library on Wednesday, June 17 at 7 p.m., for the monthly meeting of the true crime podcast club.

The American Revolution: A Military History

Come to the Rodgers Library on Thursday, June 18 at 2 p.m., and Tuesday, June 30 at 7 p.m., for a special screening featuring selected clips from Ken Burns' documentary The American Revolution.

Magic Fred

Come to the Rodgers Library on Tuesday, June 23 at 1:30 p.m., for a one-of-a-kind event. **continued on page 14**

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Tween Perler Bead Art

Tweens entering 5th to 8th grades can arrange small plastic beads on a pegboard to create cool designs and patterns at the Rodgers Library on Wednesday, June 24 at 1:30 p.m.

Art in Bloom: Monet's Garden

Elementary students entering grades 1-5 are invited to make garden inspired art with Miss Tanya at the Rodgers Library on Thursday, June 25 at 1:30 p.m.

LEGO Club: Build a Treehouse

Drop in to design and build a treehouse or elevated building with LEGO bricks at the Rodgers Library on Thursday, June 25 at 5 p.m. This program is for ages 4+.

Paws4Safety for Kids

Children entering grades 1-7 are invited to the Rodgers Library on Friday, June 26 at 10 a.m., to discover how to stay safe around their own pets, other people's animals, and local wildlife.

Summer Concert: The Last Duo

Dan Sirois and Greg Decoteau of The Last Duo blend sweet vocal harmonies and exceptional musicianship at the Rodgers Library on Saturday, June 27 at 12:30 p.m.

Recycled Percussion Obstacle Course

Race through a series of physical and musical challenges with a coach to cheer you on at the Rodgers Library on Monday, June 29 at 10 a.m. This event is for children ages 6+.

Cookbook Club

This Rodgers Library group will meet on Monday,

June 29 at 11:30 a.m. This month's cookbook is "The Oh She Glows Cookbook : Over 100 Vegan Recipes to Glow From the Inside Out" by Angela Liddon.

Leather Working Workshop

This class run by Owl Eyes Wilderness at the Rodgers Library teaches students all about creating usable leather pouches by hand stitching their own patterns cut from leather on Wednesday, June 24 at 6:30 p.m.

Read 'Em & Eat @ Friendly Red's

This group will meet on Monday, June 29 at 7 p.m. June's book is "Lavender House" by Lev AC Rosen.

Tween Art: Bean & Clay Mosaic

Tweens entering grades 5-8 are invited to Rodgers Library on Tuesday, June 30 at 6 p.m., create bean and clay mosaics!

Teen Wire Trees

Teens entering grades 8-12 can come to the Rodgers Library on Friday, June 26 at 2 p.m., for this creative twist on nature and learn how to twist wire to form a tree.

Robinson Pond Volunteers

Did you know there is a dedicated group of Hudson volunteers who sample Robinson Pond and its six tributaries every summer? These volunteers are part of

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

Adventurers Storytime

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

BINGO!

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

Explorers Storytime

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

Inhouse Secondhand Prose Book Sale

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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

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

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Benson Park Saturday Cleanup

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



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