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REQUEST DELIVERED Owen Marotte had a sizable list of requests for Santa, who made his annual stop at the St. Katheryn's Christmas Bizaar. The event brings in hundreds of visitors to the church and acts as the the biggest fundraiser. See more photos pages 8-9. Photo by Chris Paul

Polls See Plenty of Hudson Voters at General Election

CHRIS PAUL **HUDSON TIMES**

According to accounts both voting locations in the town of Hudson were long but moved quickly as residents cast their ballots in the General Election.

get through lines at both

The total number of balon social media the lines at lots cast on Election Day was 12, 692.

> The total number of ballots cast by all Absentee voters was 2,031.

Number of Federal It took about an hour to Office only ballots cast: 23

The Republicans on the Alvirne High School and Hudson ballot won in every Hudson Memorial School race, despite the state wins

with 14,723 residents vot- by Kamala Harris and Maggie Goodlander.

> Results are as follows, according the Hudson Town Clerk post on the town website.

President:

Donald J Trump, JD Vance (R) 8,045; Kamala D Harris, Tim Walz (D) 6,449

Governor

Kelly Ayotte (R) 8,886; continued on page 7

Tax Rate Increase of 33 Cents es for our employees, and sand from the FY25 town HUDSON TIMES

Budget Committee Sees Town

After months of planning, Hudson's Budget Committee began the lengthy process of going through the 2025-2026 town budget.

"The proposed 2026 town budget was prepared with the goal of balancing our obligations to the citizens of Hudson to present an affordable budget, and the needs of the town departments to provide the best possible value for the excellent services provided for the citizens," said Selectmen Chair, Bob Guessferd. "This includes ensuring that our tax rate remains

being able to pay for goods and services in the face of ever-increasing prices."

In the role of Acting Town Administrator, despite his formal retirement at the end of last August, Steve Malizia agreed to make a presentation to the Budget Committee for another year.

"To summarize, the Board of Selectmen voted to send the Budget Committee a general fund operating budget of \$39,130,051, a sewer fund operating budget of \$2,457,392, and a water budget \$3,9741,199," explained Maliza. "The projected tax rate for the operating budget as low as possible, as well is \$5.45 per \$1,000, which as getting competitive wag- is a \$0.33 increase per thou-

portion of the estimated tax rate of \$5.12."

The official tax rate will be set in December. Warrant articles had not yet been forwarded to the Budget Committee. The water and sewer funds do not contribute to the tax rate.

The budget also had an estimated \$18,943,183 worth of non-tax revenue to offset part of the tax rate and the default budget was \$37,170,866 for the general fund. The debt level of the town remained relatively low, and Maliza believed town finances to be on 'sound footing."

Town IT Specialists, Doug Bosteels and Vin continued on page 3

School Board Review the Proposed Warrant Articles

ALEX MALM HUDSON TIMES

One of the agenda items at the most recent Hudson School Board meeting was in regards to the updated proposed warrant articles for the School Board to review

As of now, one of the proposed warrant articles would be the proposed operating budget which would be a total of \$69,521,535.

The Default Budget as of now would \$69,041,735.

"The estimated tax impact for the proposed budget would be 10 cents," Superintendent, Moulis, said.

School Board member, posed budget, and instead,

Ethan Beals, said his prefer- the School Board suggested ence was to have a full school board present before they move any warrant articles forward.

It was explained by School Board Chair, Maureen Dionne, that she agreed that they should wait until they have a full board present before making any decisions on the warrant articles, but noted that they wouldn't have a full school board present again until the first meeting in Decem-

Another warrant article would be for the fire alarm system replacement at Hudson Memorial School.

Moulis explained that it was removed from the promaking it a separate warrant article.

"That has been added now as a separate warrant article," Moulis said.

The warrant article states: "Shall the Hudson School District vote to raise and appropriate a sum of up to \$75,000 to replace the fire alarm system at Hudson Memorial School? This sum is to come from the June 30 fund balance available for transfer on July 1 with no amount to be raised by additional taxation. This is a special warrant article."

Another budget item removed from the proposed budget, which would become a separate warrant continued on page 12

School Board Review School Year Calendar Policy

ALEX MALM
HUDSON TIMES

During the most recent Hudson School Board meeting, the School Board had a first reading for its updated policy on the school year and school year calendar.

"The school year for students, teachers, other certified professionals and support staff shall be a minimum of 180 instructional days or, alternatively, the equivalent number of hours as required in the rules of the NH Department of Education (see Ed rules 306.18)," the proposed policy states. "The school calendar will be established annually as described in paragraph D below."

For school closures, the proposed policy explains that "Any days that the schools are closed for emergency reasons and are not

designated by the superintendent as distance education days (see paragraph C below) will be made up at the end of the school year, as approved by the School Board upon the superintendent's recommendation."

"Under special circumstances the School Board may request an exception to this requirement from the NH State Board of Education," the proposed policy states. "In the event schools are closed for excessive days for emergency reasons, the superintendent may recommend to the School Board a revised schedule that satisfies all NH Department of Education requirements, but which may amend the number of days in the school year."

The proposed policy outlines the regulations for "Distance Education Due to

Weather Conditions."

"If weather conditions make it unsafe to transport students to or from school, the superintendent/designee is authorized to designate that day as a remote instruction or "distance learning." Before remote instruction/ distance learning is used as instructional day for the purpose of satisfying the minimum instructional day/ hour requirements of the NH Department of Education, the superintendent shall ensure that a plan exists with procedures to promote and allow for participation by all students in any affected school," the proposed policy states.

It also explains that "Prior to approving a day as a remote instruction/distance learning day, or any school/districtwide distance education that is dependent on technology, the superintendent/designee will consider the impact that weather conditions may have on necessary technology."

The proposed policy also states that "Distance education will only count toward the required instructional days/ hours requirement when conducted in accordance with NH Department of Education Rule Ed 306.22. See also School Board policies IMBA."

Also as part of the policy, it outlines the regulations for the school calendar

"The school calendar will be developed by the superintendent and submitted to the School Board no later than Feb. 1," the proposed policy states. "The School Board will approve the final calendar by March 1. Any exceptions or revisions to the calendar there-

after must be approved in advance by the School Board with the exception of updating snow days that have been used."

It also explains that the "superintendent shall ensure that the calendar conforms to the number of actual days of instruction and employment as required by law, School Board policy and staff contracts."

When possible it explains that the "calendar will be coordinated with the school calendars of the area Career and Technical Education Center Schools, area districts and regional special education programs."

"The high school graduation date shall be set no more than 5 school days or 30 instructional hours before the end of the scheduled school year," the proposed policy states. "The date may remain fixed

notwithstanding the need for other grades to make up days lost to weather conditions or other emergencies. See Ed 306.18(a)(4)."

Also as part of the proposed policy, it states that "Pursuant to RSA 288:4,III, any holiday included in the school calendar that corresponds to a State "legal" holiday shall use the name for such holiday as designated in RSA 288:1. As of 2024, these include: January 1, Martin Luther King, Jr/ Civil Rights Day, Washington's Birthday, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Columbus Day, Veteran's Day, Thanksgiving Day, and Christmas Day. All schools receiving State funding are required to observe Veteran's Day. Additionally, such names shall be used on any "official" communication, publication, document, or calen-





leanup and Composting Plans Slowly Move Forward

HUDSON TIMES

The October meeting of the Hudson Sustainability Committee included an update from its roadside cleanup subcommittee, as member, Karl Huber, had an update on a proposed webpage aimed at providing

easy access to information some ongoing technical related to cleanup days.

"I sent out the draft of what the first pass of those webpages would look like," he explained. "It's got downloadable documents, including the online registration form."

He admitted there were

difficulties, and that he had trouble filling out and sending a test registration form. Huber sent screenshots of the new Community Roadside Cleanup webpages to other members of the Sustainability Committee.

"It looks good. I just

cloud," added Guarino, saying much of the infrastructure was there for redundancy.

According to the specialists, inflation was hitting the cost of those services particularly hard.

"When you get a software license and either go with the bronze, gold, or platinum packages for subscription-based licenses, how do you go about figuring that out as far as cost is related?" asked Committee member, Rich Weissgarber.

Guarino indicated that the decision was based on what their hardware required. Other costs were related to the periodic replacement of office computers.

want to make sure the final tainer a compostable bioedits are done, we can get it live and get it going," said

Sustainability member, Chris Thatcher, praised the screenshot, saying the webpages were "clean" and "straightforward."

The site will also have contact information for residents interested in volunteering.

Huber planned to work with the Lions Club and Hudson's Department of Public Works to develop more organized roadside cleanup days, which are not expected to resume until next spring.

The composting subcommittee had a recent meeting where its members met with a Pennsylvaniabased company called Ecotone Renewables.

"They're an interesting company. Opposed to the traditional composting companies that do door-todoor pickup," said Thatcher. "This place essentially builds out of shipping condigester."

The plan would centralize composting as Thatcher promised to get more information on how that approach might be beneficial to the town. Ecotone was the third composting company interviewed by the subcommittee.

Subcommittee members were also looking into what the demand for a composting service might be as Thatcher was waiting to hear back from the Budget Committee.

"I think it's important to pull in both the Budget Committee and the DPW," sad Sustainability Chair Deb Putnam. "They're trying to figure out hjow to bring down the costs of processing waste and recyclables in town."

Members hoped that a composting program would reduce the total level of waste produced in town, especially in regard to the Transfer Station.

"There's some ques-

tions over what percentage out our waste is compostable. We need to get some of these numbers and look at what we have to make a presentation and say 'this is our recommendation", said Thatcher. "It may require some expenditure of funds, but the longterm will actually be much more beneficial to the community."

Currently, no money has been earmarked for a subsidized composting service.

He wanted more information on how town-subsidized composting services could reduce long-term costs by reducing trash compared to a non-subsidized service. Other companies under consideration included Black Earth, which would require more land, and Renewal Com-

The Hudson Sustainability Committee is scheduled to meet again on Monday, Nov. 25, at 7 p.m. in the Buxton Meeting Room.

Continued from page 1 Guarino, were also at the meeting to answer questions related to the Department's section of the town budget. The operating budget was 2% higher compared to last year.

"One of the greater challenges many businesses have is the threat of cybersecurity. Could you comment on what Hudson may face in regard to that and also where that aspect is covered within the budget?" asked Committee member, Bob Wherry.

Bosteels assured the town there were firewalls along with antivirus software in place to protect against cybersecurity attacks.

"We do a lot of training for our users as well," he added. "Users have to take training to learn what not to click on if there's a threat."

Committee member, Shawn Jasper, wanted to know why some software subscriptions saw a significant spending increase.

"A lot of that cost is infrastructure related to software support cost," said Bosteels. "Vendors that we pay for their support should something happen to our infrastructure."

"We do have a few applications that are in the

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Editorial It's the Little Things

At this time of year, when we give thanks and are about to celebrate Thanksgiving and the holiday season, it is the little things we sometimes overlook. Simple things we take for granted like a roof over our heads, food on the table, clothes in the closet, and being thankful. Let's not forget those close to us and around the world who have even less as we open our hearts.

There are things we don't usually consider, like our freedom to live and travel where we want, to worship or not as we choose, and to express our views publicly.

We may not have the money we think we need or wish we had and we may not have the job we want, but it pays the bills. On the other hand, what we do have is a say in how our communities are governed.

We have our families, whether sharing our homes or grown but still close in spirit despite not in location. Then, we have our friends, who fill our lives with care and laughter.

But especially at this time of year, we are called to look beyond our homes. To consider those who don't have the comforts we take for granted, and to help in any way we can. Whether this is with donations

to food pantries, whose needs are increasing by the month, or to neighbors living alone and perhaps homebound, who often go without human contact for days on end. Baking a batch of cookies? Consider taking some extra to the solitary senior down the road. That visit just might make your day and someone else's. These are things that make up an amazing community charity, showing care and compassion for each other in our town.

It's easy to focus on what we don't have or wish to have and to think only of the negatives that bombard us. Let's focus instead on all the good that has come our way and realize that takes us back to appreciating the people who play such important roles in our lives.

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Letters

Thank You Friends of Benson Park Volunteers!

To the editor,

The Friends of Benson Park held an appreciation lunch for the Friends of Benson Park volunteers on Sunday, Oct. 20 at the Benson Park store. Friends of Benson Park Secretary Natalie Newell officially welcomed everyone as all enjoyed a delicious catered meal. Natalie expressed gratitude for everything that the volunteers do and thanked them for generously sharing their time and talents. The Friends of Benson Park volunteers certainly help make Hudson's Benson Park a beloved destination for so many people in the area!

The Friends of Benson Park is a non-profit 501(c)(3)organization. Board Chairman Deb Federico succinctly captures the Friend's mission as, "being dedicated to enhancing the experience of all who visit the park." The Friends of Benson Park organization works closely with the town of Hudson Benson Park committee. The Friends of Benson Park operates the park store on weekends and is responsible for special events such as Family Fun Day and participation in the annual NH Gives fund raising campaign. The town of Hudson Benson Park committee is responsible for park cleanup Saturdays and the "Adopt-A-Spot" program where people may "adopt" an area (large or small) to personally maintain and beautify. Thanks to the Friends of Benson Park volunteers for making all of these initiatives so successful.

Another partner in keeping the park beautiful is the Hudson Department of Public Works that does all of the mowing and other maintenance work. Making the park something to be very proud of is definitely a collaborative effort between the Friends of Benson Park organization and the town of Hudson.

Jim Leach, a professional magician, provided entertainment after the meal with his magic. Jim is a Friends of Benson Park board member and Hudson native. He honed his magic skills as a teenager working at the Benson's Wild Animal Farm in the 1980's. In addition to delighting park visitors with his magic, Jim also served as the stage announcer for other events and did whatever else he was called upon to do at Hudson's most famous attraction. One of his fondest memories is riding one of the park elephants in the daily Benson's Wild Animal Farm opening parade!

To learn more about the Friends of Benson Park, visit friendsofbensonpark.org or facebook.com/friendsbensonpark. Bill Zink Hudson

Thank You

To the editor,

I was an honor to receive so many encouraging words and comments during polling last week. I have few words to express my gratitude to the thousands who voted the entire ticket to help a degree of sanity return to the country and State.

I would like especially to thank those who voted for me. It is my high honor to be able to serve the people of Hudson in Concord again.

If you have a comment you can email me at repulery@comcast.net

If you visit my simple website www.jordanulery4-NH.com there are some links to State House and town sites that may be useful. More will be added as IT in Concord gets resettled following essential renovations.

Than you Hudson for supporting your delegation as we work for you!

Jordan Ulery Seated on Ways & Means

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American Legion Post 48 Serves Free Breakfast for Veterans





Veterans and their families were treated on a free breafast at the American Legion Post 48 on Sunday, Nov. 10 in honor of Veterans Day. Guests were served customized omelets, pancakes, sausages and bacon by the members of Post 48. Photos by Chris Paul





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Budget Committee Elects New Chair and Vice-Chair

HUDSON TIMES

The Hudson Budget Committee found itself without a Chair following the recent resignation of Bill Cole, who has served as head of the Budget Committee through most of 2024 and had been involved in local government for the past few years. According to Vice-Chair, James Lawrence, Cole had to step down for personal reasons.

"I'd like to give my sincere appreciation for the efforts of Mr. Cole through-

munity, and more particularly, his more recent efforts performed here as our Chair," said Lawrence. "With regrets, I entertain a together on the Board of motion of accept Bill Cole's resignation."

Selectmen Liaison. Heidi Jakoby, and Committee member, Shawn Jasper, expressed gratitude for Cole's service to the town.

"I just want to also thank Mr. Cole for his years of service and for his dedication to his town and the details with which he exam-

out the years for this com- ined many items for this friends. I am grateful of our take on a busier role. "The detail on the thought the Budget Committee." was always there."

> Selectman for several years, and we did not have the best of relationships, to put it mildly," added Jasper. "I think he and I are proof that when you're working forward, when you see the best interest of the community, you put those disagreements aside and I think over the last two years he and I have become

Committee," said Jakoby. last two years together on

The motion unanimous-"Mr. Cole and I served ly accepted Cole's resignation, opening the issue of finding a replacement with the start of Hudson's Budget season. Lawrence officially nominated approved with no discussion and a unanimous vote.

> Members, Rich Weissgarber and Kim Rice, were nominated for the new position, although after a quick discussion, Weissgarber stated he was unavailable to

Rice accepted the nomination, which was unanimously accepted. As the meeting was on the same day as the budget kickoff, other members expressed their willingness to work together with the new Committee leadership over was is expected to be a busy couple of months.

"Thank you, Mr. Chairman, and thank you Mrs. Vice-Chair for stepping up to the plate," said Jasper.

"I do appreciate you two stepping up and guiding us

through the next couple of months," said member, Kevin Walsh. "I'm assuming we probably will not try to fill the vacancy this year like we did last year, given the timing, but I think we can march forward."

He was referring to earlier resignations last year, which were never filled, partially due to a lengthy selection process. Other members agree the Committee would be able to complete the overall process as is.

Board of Selectmen Accept Donation, Grant Funds

HUDSON TIMES

son Board of Selectmen meeting, one of the agenda items was in regards to a donation as part of an Eagle Scout project.

It was explained during the meeting that Eagle Scout, Christopher Darbe, was looking to make a he would like to donate to

"Mr. Darbe recently During the recent Hud- completed his Eagle Scout project which built an information kiosk for the Pelham Road Conservation area," a memo to the Board of Selectmen stated. "Mr. Darbe raised funds for the project and has a remaining balance of \$347.71, which

the Conservation Fund."

Members of the Board Selectmen thanked Darbe for his help on the project and for making the donation.

The Board of Selectmen unanimously approved accepting the donation for the Hudson Conservation Fund.

Another agenda item was in regards to a gant the town recently received.

"We've done it again, we got another grant," Town Engineer, Elvis Dhima, told the Board of Selectmen.

It was explained in a memo to the Board of Selectmen from Dhima that

the "Town of Hudson has been selected by New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services for up to \$30,000 grant related to clean water asset management grant."

Dhima explained that the grant funds "can be utilized for our drainage infrastructure for the following

Equipment purchases/ rentals such as GPS units and tablets must follow current CWSRF procurement requirements.

Consulting fees: Consultants must be selected using the standard CWSRF QBS process for engineering services.

CCTV/Pipe and Manhole Inspections and other related contractor services."

Dhima also noted that they wouldn't require any matching funds from the town.

"This grant does not require a match by the Town and the acceptance process will require a public hearing and Board of Selectmen approval," Dhima wrote in a memo

The Board of Selectmen unanimously approved the grant funds.

The Board of Selectmen were also presented with a proposal to use funds from the Zone 1 and 2 Account.

"The Town of Hudson is planning to install one pedestrian cross walks systems, which will be located at the existing crosswalk on Lowell Road and Roosevelt

Avenue intersection. This project will enhance safety for the pedestrians and increase motorist compliance at the pedestrian crossings," Dhima wrote in a memo to the Board of Selectmen. "This project is supported and recommended by Hudson Highway Safety Committee."

It was also explained by Dhima that "This expenditure was reviewed and approved by the Planning Board at their Oct. 9, 2024 meeting."

"The Town Engineer and Public Works Director's recommendation to the BOS is to approve the expenditure," Dhima wrote in a memo.

The Board of Selectmen unanimously approved the request.



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School Board Increases Out-of-District Tuition Rat

At the most recent Hudson School Board meeting, one of the agenda items was in regards to setting the school district tuition rate, for students who aren't Hudson residents.

It was explained by Superintendent, Dan Moulis, that the rate is comes from the State.

"This is based on the formula," Moulis said.

In a memo to the School the "2023-2024 Hudson activities across the District.

School District tuition rate for non-Hudson residents was \$18,000.00."

"Based on the New Hampshire Department of Education cost-per-pupil and two percent administrative fee, I recommend that the tuition rate for 2024-2025 be set at \$19,500," the memo stated.

The School Board ultibased on a formula that mately approved setting the tuition rate at \$19,500 for the 2024-2025 school year.

Another agenda item was in regards to winter Board, it was explained that nominations for various

Moulis that they had three committee meeting for the Stipened Committee to look at different potential stipends they can offer for activities

One of the nominations was for an Assistant Cheer Coach position at Hudson Memorial School, with the coach, Tatum Teague, set to be paid \$1,680.

"There is definitely a need for an assistant cheer coach," Moulis told the School Board.

The other nomination was for a Game Manager,

It was explained by with Daniel Pooler selected Board policy BBBF." as the nominee, with a stipend of \$2,000.

> The School Board unanimously approved the nominations during the meeting.

> The School Board also had a final policy reading for the policy related to school board elections.

> The updated policy states that the "School Board shall consist of an odd number of members elected by the qualified voters of the district at the annual district elections."

> "The term of office of each member of the School Board shall be for a period of three (3) years," the poli-

> It also goes on to state, as part of the policy, that "Vacancies that occur before the expiration of a member's term shall be filled pursuant to School Board policy BBBC. A member appointed to fill a vacancy shall serve only until the next annual election, at which point the seat will be open for election to serve the remainder of the original term."

> As part of the updated policy, it also states that "Additionally, pursuant to RSA 189:1-c, the School Board shall have one or more non-voting student member(s) from Alvirne High School. Elections for such student board members shall be held in accordance RSA 194:23-f, and with the provisions of

The School Board unanimously approved the

updated policy during the meeting.

OBITUARY

Noreen (O'Melia) Dunn



Noreen (O'Melia) Dunn, 87, passed away peacefully on Nov. 9, 2024, in Nashua, NH. Born on May 28, 1937, Noreen was a lifelong resident of Woburn MA.

She attended St. Charles Catholic School until high school, then graduated from Woburn High in 1955. She took secretarial classes at

Harvard College and worked several office jobs.

On Aug. 10 1958, Noreen married the love of her life Eugene Dunn. They settled in Woburn MA where they raised their four children. She was a stay at home mom until her children were of school age. She then rejoined the workforce as a Quality Control Inspector for Chromerics in Woburn.

Noreen and Gene enjoyed camping, traveling, dancing and family gatherings often breaking out in to a Jitter Bug at every function which everyone loved to watch. Noreens favorite place to visit was Aruba and she often talked about their many trips to the island.

At an early age, Noreen had a talent for drawing and crafting. Her paintings and drawings adorned her house. She often held tole painting sessions and classes for her friends and sister

Noreen was a woman of faith, actively involved in St. Joseph the Worker parish in Nashua, NH. Her generosity and friendship left a lasting impression on her family and community at Nashua Crossing, where she lived her last few years. The staff would often come in to visit their apartment to chat and socialize, and were always greeted with a warm smile.

She is preceded by her loving husband of 66 years, Eugene Dunn and son Jeffrey Dunn; she is survived by daughters Doreen Lopez and husband Mario, Karen Martineau and husband Paul, Robin Eason and husband Michael; grandchildren Nichole, Nate, Lea, Doug, Scott, Jamie, PJ, Halie, Nick, Sean, Ryan & Ashleigh; and great-grandchildren Jordan and Jacob; Her brother Johnny O'Melia and wife Arlene, her brother-in- law Gail Dunn, and numerous nephews and nieces.

A time of visitation will be held in the Dumont-Sullivan Funeral Home, 50 Ferry St., Hudson on Thursday Nov. 14 from 4 - 6 p.m., followed by a Service of Remembrance in the funeral home at 6 p.m., to honor Noreen's life. Please join the family immediately following for a celebration of life gathering at White Birch Function Hall, 222 Central St., Hudson, NH. Burial will be private.

Noreen's legacy of giving and interest in other lives will always be remembered. She had a generous and caring heart and made everyone she came in contact with feel like family.

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

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Joyce Craig (D) 5,315; Stephen Villee 248 Undervotes 237 Overvotes 1

U.S. Congress

Lily Tang Williams (R) 7,693; Maggie Goodlander (D) 6,456

Undervotes 563

Executive Councilor

Dave Wheeler (R) 8,069 Melanie Levesque 5,682

Undervotes 946

State Senator

Sharon Carson (R) 8,044 Kara Roy (D) 5,748 Undervotes 901

State Rep Hillsborough District 13

W-Cathy Kenny (R) 7,718 W-Dillon Dumont (R) 7 5 1 9

W-Andrew Prout (R) 7,002 W-Jordan G Ulery (R) W-Robery Wherry

6,573 W-Jeremy Slottje (R) 6,345 John Knowles (D) 5,405 Ryan Burke (D) 5,387 Timothy Wyatt (D) 5,363 Alejandro Urrutia (D) 5,033 Undervotes 24,794 Overvotes 1

State Rep Hillsborough District 38

W-Ralhp G. Boehm (R) 7,066; W-Kim Rice (R) 7,986; Luan Baci (D) 5,466 Undervotes 8,864

County Sheriff

Christopher Connelly (R) 7,929

Christopher Connelly (D) 5,158

Undervotes 1,560

Note: Connelly's name appeared as both republican and democrat. The relevant law is 659:88 Write-In Votes and Nomination.

County Attorney

John J. Coughlin (R) 7,909 Kimberly A. Kossick (D) 5,408

Undervotes 1,379 **County Treasurer**

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> 7,792 Yes 3.717 No Undervoters 3,195



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Saint Kathryn Church members held the 30th Annual Christmas Bazaar and Penny Sale on Saturday, Nov. 9, with visits from Santa and the Grinch. Cash grand raffle prizes of \$1,000, \$750, and \$500 and a number of cash 50/50 raffles were also held at the event. Nearly 300 raffle items were on display for possible Christmas gifts as well as a room is full of creative themed baskets. There was also a large amount of Bake Sale items. Food, beverages, a scavenger hunt, face painting and games were also available to keep children occupied. More photos next page.

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HUDSON SPORTS

Broncos Tame The Tide, Head to DI Quarterfinals

HUDSON TIMES

School football squad took another step closer to securing the Broncos first state championship after beat the Concord Crimson Tide 33-10 on Saturday afternoon, Nov. 9, at home.

The Alvirne High Broncos now have the difficult task of taking on the undefeated Bedford Bulldogs next weekend. Bedford is the #1 seed in the playoffs and last year's Division I Champions.

The first-round game six plays before Landmess-

The Broncos finished the season at 6-3, giving them a number eight seed in the playoff bracket to line them up with first-round game against Concord (#9), a team they beat 30-14, at home, three-weeks earlier.

windy conditions, junior running back, Mike Landmesser, ran for four touch-160-yards rushing.

Senior Ryan Rocheleau had the fifth Alvirne touchdown on a catch to start the second half.

Senior quarterback, Charlie Crawford, was nearly perfect throwing to his receivers, completing eight

forcing a quick three-andout and staring their first drive at mid-field.

From there, it only took

With the victory, the was the first time the AHS squad has been able to host a playoff spot since entering Division I in the New Hampshire Interscholastic Athletic Association.

> In the 20-point win over the Crimson Tide, in very downs and racked up over

of nine for 162-yards and running for 75-yards. It didn't take long for the Broncos to take control of the first-round game,

er got his touchdown of the game. A 12-yard run at 6:15 in the first quarter.

The Broncos second drive gave them a similar starting point, after CHS lost possession on downs at the AHS 46-yard-line.

In that drive, on fourthand-six, Rocheleau made a big 18-yard reception to keep the drive going.

From there, at 9:07 in the second quarter, it took two running plays by Landmesser to get into the end-zone again. Broncos kicker, Shawn Boudreau, put threw his second extrapoint of the game for the 14-0 lead.

Concord started to show some life in their third drive, but finished with a punt into the end-zone.

In Alvirne's third drive of the half, they once again marched down field with a handful of plays, highlighted by a 28-yard reception by Garrett Hall, and set up Landmesser for anther touchdown run. The junior running back ran this one in from the three-yard-line. The point-after was into a stiff wind and wide-right for the 20-0 Broncos lead with less than a minute left in the half.

In Concord's final drive of the half, they managed to get down field quickly and put three-points on the board with a 22-yard field



Junior running back, Mike Landmesser, ran for four touchdowns and over 160-yards rushing in the 33-10 win over Concord. Photos by Chris Paul

During the opening drive of the second half, Crawford completed a 37yard pass into the end-zone to Rocheleau for the fourth touchdown in as many drives. The Boudreau extrapoint made it a 27-3 lead at 10:22 in the third.

Following strong stop by the Broncos defense, in the Broncos fifth drive of the game and second of the third quarter, Landmesser ran the ball in from the 20-yard-line for his fourth score of the game to put his team ahead 33-3.

The extra-point was wideright, giving AHS a 30point lead at 2:37 in the

third quarter.

After an exceptional kick return, the Tide was able to get into the AHS endzone at 1:06 in the third.

In the fourth, Concord another finally stopped the Broncos offense, but weren't able to score.

> With the 33-10 victory, the Bronco are scheduled to take on the defending State Champions at Bedford High School on Saturday, Nov. 16, starting at 1 p.m.



Senior Ryan Rocheleau makes a 37-yard touch-

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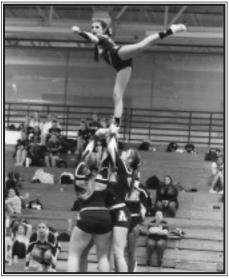


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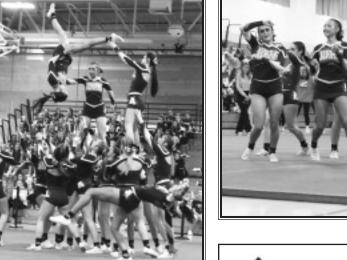
Broncos Cheerleaders Take Fourth in DI Championship











CHRIS PAUL **HUDSON TIMES**

The New Hampshire Interscholastic Athletic Association's Fall Spirit Championship was held at Pinkerton Academy on Sunday, Nov. 10, with 17 Divi- over the Astros 96.4. sion I teams competing for the state title.

The Alvirne High School Cheerleading fourth-place finish with a score of 93.1, just behind 94.1.

The Dover High School Nadeau, Elena Pargas, and

Green Wave was able to put a stop to the Pinkerton Academy Astros three-year streak as state champions, also ending their three-year streak of taking second place.

Dover scored a 102.1,

Leading up to the Division I Championship, the Broncos Spirit squad placed in the top-three of squad was able to secure a each of the three competitions they took part in.

Seniors: Nevaeh the team from Salem High Alvarez, Miley Auger, School, the Blue Devils, Isabella Branco, Krista which they finished with a Lajoie, Robyn Mackey, Lindsey Moreau, Ashley

Riley Peterson.

Juniors: Mayah Davio, Shavla Dubois. Saniva Fenderson, and Alanna Tardiff.

Sophomores: Natalie Faulling, Indira Guilbeault, and Abigail Labonte.

The Broncos coaches are: Head Coach, Shyla Francoeur, and Assistant coaches: Angela Auger & Jessica Siefert.

During the Fall Athletics Awards, the Coaches Award went to Isabella Branco and Indira Guilbeault.

The team's Bronco Award went to Alanna Tardiff.

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article instead is for the installation of additional emergency alert beacons.

The warrant article states: "Shall the Hudson emergency alert beacons throughout the district? the June 30 fund balance

School District vote to raise July 1 with no amount to be and appropriate a sum of up raised by additional taxato \$63,800 to add additional tion. This is a special warrant article."

Another change made to This sum is to come from the draft warrant articles was in regards to increasing available for transfer on the amount for the science

labs at Hudson Memorial School from \$200,000 to \$225,000, which was discussed before. Moulis noted the increase is due to increased costs.

The proposed warrant article as of now states: the June 30 fund balance

"Shall the Hudson School District vote to raise and appropriate a sum of up to \$225,000 to upgrade two Science Classrooms/Labs at Hudson Memorial School? This sum is to come from

available for transfer on July 1 with no amount to be raised by additional taxation. This is a special warrant article."

No decisions on the warrant articles were made during the meeting.

Hudson Lions Club Donates To Food Bank



Barbara Bouley, representing the Hudson Lions Club, presented the Hudson Community Food Pantry with a donation check in the amount of \$2,540. Pictured are Food Pantry volunteers Pauline Boisvert, Richard Wojeck, Lions Barbara Bouley, and Leona Shanholtz. The donation resulted from the successful Ayla Brown and Rob Bellamy "Evening of Entertainment" fundraiser, held on October 5th at The White Birch, which Lion Barbara Bouley skillfully chaired.

Legion Post 48 Donate to Food Pantry



Members of the American Legion Post 48 in Hudson welcomed vounteers from the Hudson Community Food Pantry to their Sunday morning Breakfast on Nov. 10 where the Post also donated \$2,000 to the food providers. Pictured are, from left, Leona Shanholtz, American Legion Commander, Valerie Harnadek, Pauline Boisvert and Joyce Hurd. Photo by Chris Paul



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Red Cross Blood Drive

The Red Cross Blood Drive will be held on Nov. 30, from 9 a.m. - 1:30 p.m., at VFW Post 5791, 15 Bockes Rd., Hudson, sponsored by the Military Order of the Cootie Pup Tent #1 NH. Call 1-800-733-2767 or visit Red-CorssBlood.org and enter VFWHudson to schedule an appointment.

Santa's Arrival

Hudson Lions Club Announces Santa's Arrival Friday, Nov 29. The festivities will follow the Christmas tree lighting at Library Park, after which the Hudson Fire Department will transport Santa to the Hudson Community Center, 12 Lions Ave. Doors will open at 4:30 p.m., with free activities for children until 6 p.m. Bring your camera to capture the moment with Santa, and consider donating warm hats and mittens for those in need.

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Hannaford Book Bin

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Book Donation Cancelled

The Friends of the Library must cancel their Nov. 14 and Dec. 12 Book Donation Days. Hopefully, donation days can resume in the future. Please watch for announcements in "Around Town" of the Hudson Times and Rogers Memorial Library website for updates.

Book Sale Cancelled

The Secondhand Prose Booksale, is cancelled for Dec. 8 due to water damage at Hills Memorial Library basement. Please watch for announcements in "Around Town" of the Hudson Times and Rodgers Memorial Library website for updates.

Dancing and Karaoke

American Legion Hudson Post 48 is offering Dancing and Karaoke with DJ Mike Friday, Nov. 22, from 6 - 10 p.m., in the Foxhole located at 1 Fulton St. This event is open to members and Bona fide guests 21+, come listen to music even if you don't sing or dance. For more information call (603) 889-9777 after 11 a.m.

Holiday Ornament Zentangle Class

On Wednesday, Nov. 19 at 6:30 p.m., please join Diane MacKinnon for a two-hour class to create a holiday ornament at the Rodgers Library

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These awards are to showcase the compassion, empathy, and expertise that these employees enrich their community with, creating a warm, welcoming environment for everyone. This is a thank you for going above and beyond their duties to ensure their residents feel valued and cared for. The hard work and commitment is what makes the Fairview community so special. As follows are these employees who were celebrated and for which category.

Fairview Employee of the Year: Cindy Boucher

Laurel Place Employee of the Year: Katya Torrens

The Inn Employee of the Year: Maria Sanchez

Nurse of the Year: Joan Krawczyk

LNA of the Year: Johana Morban

Dietary Employee of the Year: Lyndsay Krawczyk

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can Legion Hudson Post 48 will hold a Meat Raffle at the Post located at 37 Central St. This event is open to the public and you must be 16+ to play, Proceeds from this event will go to the Alvirne High School Future Farmers of America program. For more information call (603) 889-9777 after 11 a.m.

Family Storytime

On Thursday, Nov. 16, at 10 a.m. Join the Rodgers Library for a family storytime with stories, songs, and bubbles.

Cookbook Club

Prepare a recipe from this month's topic then engage with others about your recipe adventures on Monday, Nov. 18 at 11 a.m., at Rodgers Library. This month's cookbook is "Tasting History: explore the past through 4,000 years of recipes" by Max Miller.

Mystery Lovers Book Club

On Monday, Nov. 18 at 1 p.m., at the Rodgers Library. This month's book pick is "The Last Detective" by Peter Lovesey.

Understanding Alzheimer's and Dementia

On Tuesday, Nov. 19 at 11 a.m., join the Rodgers Library for this presentation to learn basic information on the difference between Alzheimer's and dementia, stages, risk factors, research and FDA-approved treatments

Characters & Cocoa

On Tuesday, Nov. 19 at 6 p.m., join other writers to socialize and talk about the craft at the Rodgers Library.

Friends of the Library

A Business Meeting for the Friends of Library will be held on Tuesday, Nov. 19 at 7 p.m. This is the regularly scheduled online ZOOM meeting of the Friends of the Library. Please register to receive the meeting ID.

Fall Leaves Wall Hanging

On Wednesday, Nov. 20 at 6 p.m., Grades K-5 are invited to create their own leaf wall hanging at the Rodgers Library.

Charlie Brown Thanksgiving Party

On Friday, Nov. 22, and Saturday, Nov. 23 at 10 a.m.,

at the Rodgers Library celebrate Thanksgiving Snoopy style. Enjoy toast, popcorn, and jelly beans. Play ping pong and complete a craft.

Pajama Storytime

Come in your pajamas and enjoy songs and stories for the whole family with Miss Tanya on Tuesday, Nov. 26 at 6:30 p.m., a Rodgers Library.

Turkey Thank You Cards

On Thursday, Nov. 21 at 6 p.m., everyone is invited to create a thank-you card and decorate it to look like a turkey at the Rodgers Library.

Adventurers Storytime

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

Teen Hangout

Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays at 2 p.m., Teens are invited to relax the Rodgers Library teens only space. Snacks, games, crafts, and Nintendo Switch available.

Preschool Water Play

On Wednesdays at 10

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

Brunch Bunch

On Fridays at 11 a.m., Eat pancakes and talk about books you love or hate at Rodgers 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.

Buy-A-Brick

Buy a memorial brick in honor of that special someone for this Friends of the Library fundraiser. Details are available at the Rodgers Memorial Library website rodgerslibrary.org

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 friends.

A Good Yarn

On Tuesdays at 5 p.m., come to the Rodger 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.

Movers & Shakers

Every Wednesday at 10 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. there will be a Toddler storytime for kids that don't sit still for long at the Rodgers Memorial Library. Songs, stories, games, and activities for ages 1-3. Registration is required. Please indicate how many will attend including adults, infants, and siblings. Caretaker participates.

PFOA Water Test

You can request a water sampling here: Southern NH PFOA Investigation Private Well-Testing Request Form Survey (surveymonkey.com) Questions contact Amy Rousseau | PFAS Response Administrator - MtBE Remediation Bureau at NH Department of Environmental Services Email: Amy.Rousseau@des.nh.gov, Phone: 603.271.8801

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.

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.

Laptop Donation Program

United Way of Greater Nashua is reintroducing their Tech Connect United Laptop Donation Program. Donate your working laptops, tablets, and smartphones, and they will in turn refurbish them for use by lowincome individuals and families. The client recipients are low-income, and living in our Greater Nashua area. Devices can be dropped off at the United Way office located at 20 Broad St., Nashua between 9:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. on weekdays or by appointmentt email info@unitedwaynashua.org if you have any questions.



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