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Haunting Hudson

The Haunted Halloween House of Hudson on Hawkview Drive will officially open its doors on Friday, Oct. 24. The owners have been working diligently on this year's display to deliver tons of scares to those planning to enter the house.

Photo by Chris Paul

Hudson School District Sees Its Official Enrollment Drop

ALEX MALM
HUDSON TIMES

One of the agenda items during the most recent Hudson School Board meeting was in regards to the school district's Oct. 1 enrollment.

The Oct. 1 enrollment is the enrollment number school districts use as their official enrollment for the

school year and is the number that is submitted to the state.

Earlier this year, the School Board had received a briefing on what they expected the enrollment would be, with the enrollment as of August 2025.

At that time, the enrollment for students across the

school district was at 2,892, which was significantly lower than last year which had a total student enrollment of 2,941.

As of the Oct. 1 enrollment, there were a total of 2,876 students enrolled across the school district.

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School Board Deals with \$1.5M SchoolCare Healthcare Invoice

PAUL CONYERS
HUDSON TIMES

The Oct. 6 meeting of the Hudson School Board was dominated by discussion of a surprise \$1.5 million invoice from the district's health provider, SchoolCare - a charge that raised concern among Board members and residents alike.

"Two-thirds of NH school districts are staring at the same problem we are," said resident Craig Powers. "This isn't just a Hudson issue. If we had received this invoice in May or June, we would have grumbled, done our due diligence, and paid it with FY2025 dollars."

The invoice, totaling \$1,470,579.26, was not part

of the district's annual premium. Instead, it was described by Chair Maureen Dionne as a "one-time charge" issued to all SchoolCare members to help cover a \$4.5 million deficit.

"SchoolCare has served NH since 1995 as a non-profit health benefits program for schools, municipalities, and other public employers," explained Business Administrator Jenny Graves. "They have about 90 members, 63 of which are school districts. We've partnered with them for 17 years."

As a nonprofit, SchoolCare manages a statewide risk pool, returning surplus funds when contributions exceed claim costs - but

requiring members to cover shortfalls. Despite this arrangement, the sudden nature of the September invoice left the Board scrambling for solutions.

Graves recommended using unused funds from the previous fiscal year to cover the charge, ensuring uninterrupted coverage for SAU81 employees. She emphasized that while other options existed, time was limited.

Board member Ethan Beals proposed reserving funds from the FY2025 budget to cover the invoice - a motion that received unanimous support. Beals noted that SchoolCare was not demanding immediate

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First Responders Begin Spending Target Logistics Center Funds

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The Hudson Budget Committee convened on Oct. 1 to hear updates from Selectman Liaison David Morin regarding requests from the town's first responders. These requests involve the use of exaction funds received from the Target Logistics Center project.

"We had some discussion about the Target funds," said Morin. "The Fire Chief gave a presentation at our last meeting. He stated that they need a training ground, a fire truck, and several pieces of equipment - including Hurst tools, airbags, and similar items.

He's putting together a plan for us to present to the Selectmen to determine

what we'll be purchasing."

Morin also noted that the Hudson Police Department has already begun using its share of the funds.

"The police came to us to use some of their Target money. They purchased drones, which they've already used in a couple of instances," he said. "They also plan to use some of the

funds for officer training programs and other equipment."

He clarified that all recent requests from first responders are being funded through the Target exaction money and do not represent new items in the upcoming town budget.

Given the long-standing controversy surrounding the Target Logistics Center

exaction funds, Budget Committee members raised several questions.

"What was the total amount of money we received from Target?" asked Committee member Randy Brownrigg. "And what kind of account did this money go into?"

Morin responded that approximately \$1 million was available to first responders from the exaction fund. Committee member Kevin Walsh added that the money was placed into "a separate account."

"The police have used some of it - they've purchased new guns and the latest technology," said Morin. "The Fire Department, at this time, hasn't

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School Board Approves Student Well-Being Policy, Field Trip, and Coaching Nomination

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The School Board unanimously approved an updated policy focused on the physical and emotional well-being of students during its most recent meeting.

The policy, titled Physical and Emotional Well-Being of Students, outlines the district's commitment to supporting students' health as a foundation for academic success and personal development," the policy states.

To promote a safe and supportive environment, the policy includes several measures:

- Ensuring access to nutritious meals and clean

year.

PreK is one grade that saw an increase this year, with 99 students enrolled last year. The enrollment this year as of Oct. 1 is 105 students, which is the same it was in August.

For Kindergarten, last year's enrollment was at 187 students. This year the enrollment is at 177 students which is one more than they had in August.

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- Providing regular physical education and opportunities for physical activity
- Maintaining clean, safe, and accessible school facilities
- Offering health screenings and referrals to medical services
- Training staff in mental health awareness and trauma-informed practices
- Employing qualified staff

First grade had an enrollment of 197 students which is the same enrollment total they had last year. That number is also the same as the enrollment they had in August.

For the second grade the enrollment was a total of 197 students which is two less than they have this year with a total of 199 students. That number was also the same from their August

Under the prevention and intervention section, the policy calls for procedures to identify and support students in crisis, promote anti-bullying initiatives, and collaborate with families and community organizations to extend support beyond the school setting.

Parents and guardians are encouraged to communicate any physical or emotional concerns about their children with teachers, school counselors, or nurses.

Field Trip to Washington, D.C. Approved

Also during the meeting, the board approved a request from Hudson Memorial School Principal Keith Bowen for the eighth-grade class to attend the annual field trip to Washington, D.C.

"This will be our 47th year and our 45th trip," Bowen wrote in a memo. "Students and chaperones will travel via coach bus for a five-day, four-night stay in the Washington, D.C. metro

area."

Students are scheduled to depart Hudson Memorial School on the morning of May 11 at 7 a.m. and return on the evening of May 15 around 10 p.m.

Coaching Nomination Confirmed

The board also approved the nomination of Arthur Demers for the position of assistant cross country coach at Alvirne High School. The nomination was unanimously supported.

Enrollment

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enrollment numbers this is what we use for budgeting purposes for the school year," Hudson Superintendent Dan Moulis explained during the meeting.

Generally across the school district grade levels, the district saw a decrease in its enrollment numbers this year compared to last

enrollment report.

Last year the third grade had a total of 227 students enrolled, with this year them being down 27 students for a total of 200.

Fourth grade had 231 students enrolled last school year compared to 225 students last year.

For fifth grade there were 222 students enrolled as of Oct. 1 compared to just 173 students last year an

increase of 49 students.

Sixth grade had 167 students enrolled as of Oct. 1 compared to 192 students last year

At the seventh grade level the enrollment last year was 236 students compared to 189 students this year.

This year at Alvirne High School (AHS) there were a total of 955 students enrolled as of Oct. 1 which

is down compared to the 965 students enrolled at the high school last year.

It was also noted that the senior class at AHS this year will be the largest class at the high school with 260 students enrolled as of the Oct. 1 date.

The next Hudson School Board meeting is slated to take place on Oct. 20 beginning at 6:30 p.m.

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Hudson School Board Approves Computer Security and Internet Use Policy

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The Hudson School Board unanimously approved an updated policy governing computer security, email, and internet communications during its most recent meeting.

The policy outlines the district's expectations for responsible use of its digital systems and emphasizes the importance of protecting the safety and integrity of its technology infrastructure.

"The district has established this policy with regard to access and disclosure

sure of electronic data composed, stored, sent, or received by students or employees using the district computer systems," the policy states. "This policy is designed to protect the safety and security of the district's computer systems, including email and internet use."

Key Provisions of the Policy Include:

- Ownership and Access: All computer hardware, software, and email systems are the property of the district. Messages and data created or stored on

these systems are not considered private property of students or employees.

- User Agreements: At the start of each school year, students must sign a digital citizenship agreement. Staff members are required to sign an Electronic Communication Policy and Computer Usage Policy upon hiring.

- Authorized Use: District systems are to be used strictly for schoolwork or official business. Personal use - including commercial, religious, or political solicitations - is prohibited.

- Content Restrictions: The policy bans discriminatory, harassing, or offensive content in any form, including messages containing sexual implications, racial slurs, or comments targeting age, gender, religion, political beliefs, national origin, or disability.

- Copyright Compliance: Users may not send or receive copyrighted materials or proprietary information without prior authorization, in accordance with policy EGAD.

- Monitoring and Privacy: The district reserves the

right to access, audit, and disclose any data or messages on its systems, even if password-protected. Users should not assume confidentiality.

- Email Conduct: Students and employees are prohibited from accessing emails not intended for them. Exceptions require prior approval from the Superintendent.

- Disciplinary Action: Violations of the policy may result in disciplinary measures. Students will be subject to the District Student Behavior Standards,

while employees may face consequences up to and including termination.

- System Control: The district retains the authority to limit or terminate access to any software or platform at any time. Employee files are considered district property.

- Privacy Measures: The district will take necessary steps to protect student and employee privacy across its website, online platforms, and data storage systems.

The next Hudson School Board meeting is scheduled for Oct. 20.

Sustainability Committee Could Ask for Budget Increase Beyond Recommendations

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HUDSON TIMES

The September meeting of the Hudson Sustainability Advisory Committee featured a robust discussion on how to allocate its limited budget for the upcoming year - and whether to request a larger increase than recommended by the Board of Selectmen.

"There was a comment from Jay Twardosky asking us to expand roadside cleanups," said Committee member Chris Thatcher. "We have a very small budget, and roadside clean-up alone takes up a couple hundred dollars. If we want to do all these programs, we'll need more than a 2.5% increase. That would only give us an extra \$32.50."

Thatcher noted that while the Committee does receive sponsorships and donations, those sources are

not always reliable enough to support new annual initiatives. He suggested that the Committee formally request a larger budget increase, citing support from the Department of Public Works and successful programs like the Holiday Light Recycling initiative and the partnership with Troop 20.

"There's a strong case to be made that increasing our budget would benefit not just us, but the residents and other groups involved in town," said Thatcher. "We have good arguments to present to the Board of Selectmen."

Committee member Kate Messner added that expanding outreach efforts would require additional funding.

"We've talked about doing more outreach, and that means advertising - and

advertising costs money," she said.

Members also revisited the idea of contributing funds to the Efficiency Capital Energy Reserve Fund through a warrant article in the next town election. The fund, which supports improvements to town-owned buildings, has been nearly depleted.

"I checked with Police Chief Cayot, who referred me to Officer McStravick. They still need to replace half of the HVAC control units, which are so old you can't even find parts on eBay," said Committee member Deb Putnam.

"Chief Dionne confirmed that's why the Energy Efficiency warrant article was approved by the Board of Selectmen last year."

The warrant article narrowly failed in its first attempt, missing approval by just 55 votes.

"I just confirmed with Officer McStravick that the need still exists. That capital reserve fund needs to be replenished - it's very, very low," Putnam said. She also verified the Police Department's claims with the town's Finance Director.

Putnam asked whether the Police Department should lead the effort to

reintroduce the warrant article, or if the Sustainability Committee should resubmit it for 2025.

"Just write the same warrant you wrote before," advised Selectman Liaison Heidi Jakoby. "Bring it before the Board, repeat the process, and write your justification."

Jakoby emphasized the importance of "good PR" to

ensure the article passes this time.

With several issues still unresolved, the Committee voted to table the debate on the warrant article until its October meeting.

The Sustainability Advisory Committee is scheduled to meet again on Monday, Oct. 27, at 7 p.m. in the Buxton Room at Town Hall.

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Editorial

A Change in the Landscape

Many of us moved to Southern New Hampshire for its rural charm - winding roads, wooded lots, and quiet neighborhoods. But as time passes, our towns are growing. What were once sleepy backroads are now busy cut-throughs, and the increase in population has brought more vehicles, more traffic, and more noise.

Growth is inevitable, and with it comes change. We're seeing not just single-family homes but multi-story buildings, high density apartments, and condos. Intersections that once needed only a stop sign now require traffic lights or roundabouts. It's easy to feel overwhelmed by the pace of development and the challenges it brings.

But here's the good news: our town is starting to take action.

Under the leadership of our new town manager, a safety plan is being introduced to address traffic concerns, improve road conditions, and make our neighborhoods safer. It's still early, and the steps may be small - but they are steps in the right direction. For too long, these issues have lingered without meaningful solutions. Now, we're seeing a shift toward accountability and planning.

Traffic Safety Committees are hearing from residents. People are speaking up, asking for speed limits, signage, and enforcement. And while not every request can be granted -

especially on state roads - these conversations are prompting real attention from public officials. That's progress.

As we grow, we must also grow in awareness. This is the time to talk openly about how development affects our roads, water, air, and overall quality of life. Can we accommodate the influx of multi-family housing? Are traffic studies reliable? Are we considering the impact of neighboring towns' growth on our own infrastructure?

These are important questions, and they deserve thoughtful answers. But let's not lose sight of the fact that we're finally asking them. That's a win.

We don't need to wait for tragedy to spark change. We can be proactive, informed, and engaged. Attend meetings. Ask questions. Request documentation. Be respectful, but persistent. The responsibility to shape our town's future lies with all of us.

Let's stay positive. Let's support leadership that listens and acts. Let's recognize that even baby steps forward are better than standing still. The landscape may be changing - but with community involvement and a commitment to safety, we can help guide that change in a way that protects what we love most about our towns.

Letters

The Reality of Climate Change

To the editor:

I am outraged by the Trump Administration's relentless assault on our environment and climate protections. In New Hampshire, we are already seeing the effects: hotter summers, more flooding, and worsening air quality. Yet President Trump continues to dismiss the reality of climate change, calling it "overblown," while his EPA decided to stop requiring companies to report their climate pollution - and is even moving to scrap the government's legal obligation to address climate

change, a safeguard that has been in place since 2009.

This comes on top of years of rollbacks: weakening clean car standards, gutting methane rules, allowing more toxic pollution from power plants, and rolling back protections for our waterways and wetlands. Meanwhile, families in Hudson and nearby towns are already living with PFAS contamination in their drinking water - a stark reminder of how pollution directly threatens our health.

These actions are not abstract. In Hudson, families are already grappling with higher energy costs

and the impacts of extreme heat on health. Flooding along the Merrimack and its tributaries has repeatedly impacted towns like Hooksett and Nashua - and New Hampshire is seeing more flash floods as storms grow stronger. Our ski industry - a \$1.5 billion part of our economy - is also under threat.

Granite Staters value our clean air, clean water, and healthy landscapes. We deserve leaders who put our communities and our children's future ahead of corporate polluters and fossil fuel executives.

Ben Dibble
Hudson

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Survey Results Spur Committee to Explore Feasible Recycling Improvements

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HUDSON TIMES

The Sustainability Advisory Committee met on Sept. 22 to discuss next steps following two recent community surveys conducted during Old Home Day and National Night Out. Residents identified composting, solar power, and more frequent recycling as top priorities for the Committee to address.

Committee member Jake Keller referred to these initiatives as "low-hanging fruit," suggesting that some or all could be realistically implemented.

"What's going to cost the town more?" Keller asked. "For example, can we recycle weekly in town?"

While members expressed optimism about the logistics of several proposed programs, cost remained a significant concern.

"Weekly recycling probably isn't going to happen - it's just too expensive," said Committee member Deb Putnam. "The trucks would have to go all the way around town again. I think only a small percentage of people

would be interested in a second blue bin, but it's something we could explore. Duplexes already have two bins in some cases."

Putnam argued that offering an additional recycling bin to interested residents could be the most practical solution. She noted that residents can already purchase extra bins, and survey responses showed frustration over having to throw recyclables into the trash due to lack of space.

"It could be feasible if we're not asking trucks to make extra stops or cover the whole town again," Putnam said. "We'd focus on specific addresses. The tonnage and recycling percentage might improve if the town worked out a deal with Casella so certain households could apply for a second bin and be responsible for it."

Selectman Liaison Heidi Jakoby raised concerns about outreach and education, suggesting that overflowing bins may stem from a lack of awareness about recycling options.

"I don't think we do a good job promoting the fact

that you can take your cardboard, throw it in your car, and drop it off every Saturday," Jakoby said, referring to the Transfer Station's partial Saturday opening for cardboard, metal, and yard trimmings. "What's filling up our recycling bins? Probably cardboard from online orders. That cardboard is a commodity. The key is to keep it separate and dry so it can go into the recycling stream at the Transfer Station."

She recommended speaking with Casella about focusing more on cardboard collection.

"What's the most valuable recyclable, and can we move that out of the blue bins?" Jakoby asked. "That's really what we should be looking at."

Committee member Chris Thatcher suggested expanding access to the Transfer Station or creating additional drop-off locations.

"Some people just don't want to go out," he said. "I don't want to take time out of my Saturday morning if I've got sports or need to take care of my kids. Convenience is a real issue."

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Planning Board Considers Land-Use Reforms to Simplify Site Review & Permit Process

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At the Oct. 1 workshop of the Hudson Planning Board, Town Engineer Elvis Dhima presented updates on a proposed restructuring of the town's Land-Use Division, aimed at improving internal communication and streamlining the permitting process.

"The Board of Selectmen recently decided to restructure the Land-Use Division under a new Development Services Department," Dhima explained.

"The idea is to make things more compact. Previously, everyone reported to the Town Administrator - now they'll report to me."

Dhima emphasized that the change is designed to "better sync" communication among town officials involved in land-use matters.

"It's about having one point of contact on one side of the building, rather than everyone needing to go to the Town Administrator's office," he said. "This will allow him to focus on his

responsibilities, especially at a time when he's already stretched thin. The Planning Board won't see any major changes, except that we hope to communicate more effectively with you."

The Planning Board also discussed potential changes to the site review process. A special site review committee has been formed to explore ways to simplify approvals.

"There are two primary goals," said Associate Planner Ben Gradert. "First, we want to create an option for

very minor intrusions into wetland buffers. Right now, even small projects require a full conditional use permit and a full Planning Board review, regardless of scale."

"The second goal is to provide a pathway for long-standing developments that lack a site plan to obtain one - specifically in cases where no new development is proposed. This is strictly for existing properties with no recommended changes, but that still need a formal site plan."

Gradert also proposed

updating outdated department names and allowing conditional use permits for smaller single-family and two-family dwellings with minimal impact on surrounding wetland buffers.

Board member James Crowley raised concerns about the role of the Conservation Commission.

"Does this mean there would be no Conservation input at all?" he asked. "Have they been consulted? Are they comfortable with this?"

Gradert clarified that applicants would still need to appear before the Conservation Commission.

"The only change is that if Joe Schmoe wants to build a shed 50 feet from Robertson Pond, he won't need to go before the Planning Board," he said.

Dhima added, "If the

shed costs eight grand and you're spending ten on the permitting process, something's not working. That's really the theme here."

Crowley also questioned the authority of the special site review committee to make changes to land-use ordinances.

"It takes an act of this Board to change land-use regulations and grant that authority," said Planning Chair Tim Malley. "There are limits to what we can delegate - we don't have the ability to override the zoning ordinance."

Board members agreed that a public hearing should be held to discuss the proposed changes.

The next meeting of the Planning Board is scheduled for Wednesday, Oct. 22, at 7 p.m. in the Buxton Room of Town Hall.

Target

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purchased anything."

Brownrigg expressed concern about the legal handling of the funds.

"I spend quite a bit of time at the Department of Revenue, and I spoke with someone there," he said. "There's a procedure for receiving money outside the calendar year of the budget, and we haven't followed that process."

He cited RSA 31:95-b, a state law that governs the management of unanticipated revenue by municipalities.

"There's supposed to be a public hearing when receiving this kind of

money, to inform the public that it's available," Brownrigg explained. "It's something we need to look into and possibly correct."

Morin responded that some procedures under RSA 31:95-b had been followed, though he was unsure about the specifics of the account.

"The issues you're talking about were addressed, although I don't know about

the account," he said. "We'll find out for you."

Walsh added that three separate accounts, all isolated from the town's general budget, had been created to manage recent unanticipated revenue.

Committee member Shawn Jasper raised a broader concern about the legality of the exaction process.

"The Planning Board's

ability to request fees as part of a project's approval is governed by law," Jasper said. "Historically, that was meant to prevent any form of extortion."

He reiterated his long-standing position that the town's receipt of Target funds may not fully comply with state law, though acknowledged there may have been recent updates to the statute.

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State Transportation Aims to Control Costs with Next Ten-Year Plan

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HUDSON TIMES

The Governor's Advisory Commission on Intermodal Transportation (GACIT) held a public hearing in Hudson on Oct. 7 to gather feedback on its draft 2027–2036 Ten-Year Transportation Plan. The meeting offered residents and local officials a chance to weigh in on priorities for infrastructure spending across NH.

"This Commission takes the first shot at the Ten-Year Highway Plan and puts together a package based on available funding," explained GACIT District 5 Executive Councilor Dave Wheeler. "We'll meet again in November, compile what we've heard, and set transportation priorities. That plan will go to the governor, and then to the legislature."

Representatives from the NH Department of Transportation (NHDOT) also participated in the presentation. Assistant Director Tobey Reynolds from

NHDOT's Project Development Office outlined the funding breakdown and strategic focus of the plan.

"We'll start with the bottom three: airport, rail, and transit," said Reynolds. "These funding levels have remained essentially the same for the last few cycles and continue to be similarly funded in this plan. The number one priority is maintenance and preservation."

Reynolds noted that rising inflation has driven up project costs, while federal revenue remains "relatively flat." According to NHDOT, 62% of funding in the Ten-Year Plan will come from the Federal Highway Administration.

"There are 22 projects we had planned to be under construction with committed funds before the current plan ends. For various reasons, those projects have been delayed and are now included in this draft plan," Reynolds said. "Those delays are adding \$130 mil-

lion to the plan, and we've seen overall costs increase."

To offset the financial strain, GACIT proposed cutting or delaying \$300 million in spending. Toll increases at the Hampton, Bedford, and Hooksett plazas are also under consideration.

Public comments focused heavily on the limited investment in rail and other forms of public transportation. State Representative Sue Newman asked about the status of a previously funded commuter rail study.

"In the last Ten-Year Plan, there was a line item for the commuter rail study. It was moving forward, then stopped. Does the money spent up to that point stay somewhere?" she asked.

NHDOT Commissioner William Cass responded that the study was completed but lacked the additional work needed to qualify for federal funding.

"It stopped a little short," said Cass. "There was more work needed to bring it to a level of com-

pleteness. But the work done is a solid base."

Former State Representative Michael O'Brien criticized the lack of commuter rail service, calling NH the "donut hole of New England."

Support for road projects was also strong, particularly for the Belknap Road extension in Hudson, which was not included in the initial draft of the Ten-Year Plan.

"I'm here to support the extension of the Belknap Road project," said Hudson resident Vadym Iamtsun. "The intersection is unsafe. I'd like to see it included in the list for the next ten years." He also advocated for increased funding for bicycle infrastructure.

Hudson Town Administrator Roy Sorenson echoed the call for the Belknap Road project.

"We have the preliminary engineering done," Sorenson said. "It's an ideal fit to be added in."

Hudson Public Works Director Jay Twardosky agreed, describing the area as a long-standing traffic

and safety concern.

"It's just a stop sign - very dangerous trying to get out onto Lowell Road, and it slows traffic down," he said.

Local officials including State Senator Sharon Carson, Fire Chief Scott Tice,

Town Engineer Elvis Dhima, and Selectmen Chair Dillon Dumont also voiced support for the project.

"I really appreciate everybody coming out and taking the time to offer their input. It's very valuable," said Commissioner Cass.

OBITUARY

Albert Peter Goddu



It is with deep love and sadness that the family of Albert Peter Goddu, 86, of Nashua, NH, announces his peaceful passing at home on Oct. 9, 2025.

Born in Lowell, MA, Albert lived a life defined by devotion to family, hard work, and quiet strength. On June 10, 1961, he married his beloved wife, Rita, and together they shared 64 years of marriage filled with faith, laughter, and love.

Albert is survived by his beloved wife, Rita, and their three children: Kevin and his wife, Lorraine, and their two sons, Matthew and Alan, of Chelmsford, MA; Brian and his wife, Kelly, and their two sons, Joshua and his wife, Emily, and their daughter, Josephine; and Kenny and his girlfriend, Kylie, of Hudson, NH. He is also survived by Brenda Goddu Mendoza of Bedford, NH, and her three children, Michael, Kristen and her boyfriend Ethan, and Ryan, and Ryan's girlfriend, Emma.

He is also survived by his brothers Roger and Jerry and his fiancé Lucy, his sister-in-law Irene and sister-in-law Elaine and her husband Ken Vezina along with many nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his parents Lorenzo and Angelique, brother Edward and his wife Cecile, sister-in-law's Norma, Francine and brother Leo.

Albert enjoyed a distinguished 35-year career as a Quality Assurance Engineer with Raytheon, where he contributed to numerous programs, including Research and Development efforts on the Patriot Radar System. His work also took him to the White Sands Missile Range in New Mexico and to Japan, where he continued to uphold the highest standards of excellence in his field.

Outside of work, Albert was an avid golfer and a former senior club champion at Hoodcroft Country Club. He was also a talented woodworker, creating handcrafted furniture and keepsakes cherished by family and friends.

Albert will be remembered as a loving husband, father, grandfather, great-grandfather, and friend whose kindness and steady presence enriched every life he touched.

A time of visitation was held on Wednesday, Oct. 15, in the Dumont-Sullivan Funeral Home. A Mass of Christian Burial was held on Thursday, Oct. 16 at 10 a.m., in St. Kathryn Church, 4 Dracut Rd., Hudson, NH. All are asked to please meet at church. Burial will be private. In lieu of flowers the family encourages donations be made in Albert's loving memory to either: St. Jude Children's Research Hospital at www.stjude.org, or Shriners Children's Hospital at www.shrinerschildrens.org. To share an online message of condolence, please visit www.dumontsullivan.com. The Dumont-Sullivan Funeral Homes in Hudson is in charge of arrangements.

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Memorial Tree for Benson Park and Night Work at T-BONES Approved

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HUDSON TIMES

During its most recent meeting, the Hudson Board of Selectmen addressed two key agenda items: a memorial tree donation to Benson Park and a request for after-hours construction work at the T-BONES Restaurant site.

Selectman Heidi Jakoby asked that the tree donation item be pulled from the consent agenda to highlight the opportunity for residents to contribute to Benson Park.

"Aimee Stevens has contributed \$1,200.00 for a tree in memory of Brian Stevens. She requests that

the Board of Selectmen accept this donation and allocate it to the Benson Park Tree Replacement Fund," explained Hudson Town Administrator Roy Sorenson in a memo to the Board.

Jakoby noted that tree locations are coordinated by the Department of Public Works (DPW) and the Benson Park Advisory Committee.

"This item was discussed at the Sept. 18, 2025, Benson Park Advisory Committee Meeting, and logistics will be worked out with Public Works to complete the effort," Sorenson

wrote.

The Board of Selectmen unanimously approved the donation for the memorial tree honoring Brian Stevens.

T-BONES Construction Request

Also during the meeting, the Board considered a request to allow after-hours construction work at the new T-BONES Restaurant site.

Hudson Town Engineer Elvis Dhima explained that a similar request had previously been approved at the Aug. 12, 2025, BOS meet-

ing, but scheduling issues prevented the work from being completed.

"This work was previously heard and/or approved at the August 12, 2025, BOS Meeting; however, the contractor was unable to schedule, therefore a new request is before you," Dhima wrote in a memo.

T-BONES is currently constructing a new facility at 256 Lowell Road, adjacent to the Walmart store. Dhima explained that water and sewer utilities for the site are located along Walmart's main entrance,

requiring significant roadway excavation to extend services to the T-BONES property.

"Better Built Homes LLC, a subcontractor for the project, is requesting permission to perform this work outside of the standard construction hours due to the potential impact on Walmart's daily operations," Dhima wrote. "Per the Town's noise ordinance, excavation-related activities are limited to 7 a.m. - 7 p.m. The contractor is requesting to work from 8 p.m. - 6: a.m., from Oct. 8 through Oct. 10."

The request was made for two primary reasons:

- Safety: "Conducting the work at night will significantly reduce the risk to motorists and pedestrians during Walmart's peak hours."

- Operational Impact: "Night work will help minimize disruptions to Walmart's customers and deliveries," the memo stated.

Neither the Engineering Department nor DPW had objections to the request, according to Dhima.

The Board of Selectmen unanimously approved the request for night work.

Selectmen Greenlight Asphalt Hot Box & Police Gear with Logistics Center Funding

ALEX MALM
HUDSON TIMES

At its most recent meeting, the Hudson Board of Selectmen approved two funding proposals - one for the Department of Public Works and another for the Police Department - both aimed at improving operational efficiency and public safety.

One agenda item focused on the purchase of an asphalt hot box for the Public Works Department. In a

memo to the Board, Public Works Director Jay Twardosky explained the need for the equipment.

"Public Works has been in need of an asphalt hot box," wrote Twardosky. "This is a self-contained, heated box for storing asphalt up to 48 hours, to better utilize our use of Hot Mix Asphalt for pothole repairs."

Twardosky noted that the unit is designed to slide into the bed of a one-ton

truck, eliminating the need to tow a trailer.

"Currently, Hot Mix asphalt is placed in the back of an open one-ton truck for road patching. Typically, up to a quarter of the load is wasted due to the mix cooling down before use," he wrote.

He added that the proposed unit would come in under budget.

"This unit from Falcon RME fits our needs while procuring through Source-

well keeps us significantly under the \$45,000 that was budgeted," Twardosky explained.

The Board of Selectmen unanimously approved the sole-source purchase of a Falcon RME 2-Ton Slip-in Asphalt Hot Box Transporter for an amount not to exceed \$32,309, from Alta Equipment Inc., procured via the Sourcewell Government Procurement Contract.

Another agenda item involved a proposal to use funds from the Hudson Logistics Center Public Safety account.

"The Police Department requests to meet at the next

scheduled Board of Selectmen meeting on Tuesday, September 30, 2025, to request approval to release \$12,541.60 from the Hudson Logistics Center Public Safety money as defined by condition 61(d) of the Hudson Planning Board decision dated January 11, 2023," wrote Hudson Police Chief David Cayot in a memo to the Board.

Cayot explained that the funds would be used to purchase training and equipment necessitated by the development.

The proposed purchases include:

- Drones for First Responders (2): \$1,300 – for

training

- Drone Search and Rescue Training: \$450
- Blue Alpha Duty Belts (52): \$7,280.24
- Streamlight TLR-1 HL Tactical Lights (20): \$3,252.34

It was noted that as of June 30, the account held \$994,856.83.

The Board of Selectmen unanimously approved the release of \$12,541.60 from the Hudson Logistics Center Public Safety account to the Hudson Police Department for the proposed training and equipment.

The next Hudson Board of Selectmen meeting is scheduled for October 14.

SchoolCare Invoice

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payment.

"We need to act quickly, but once the decision is made, I'm not in a rush to pay it," Beals said. "If it were up to me, I'd wait until the very last minute."

Several residents urged caution.

"This Board has been given several choices - do not make this decision light-

ly," said resident Peggy Huard. "If you approve this payment hastily, you could become part of the problem instead of the solution."

The consensus was to delay payment, allowing time to observe how other districts respond.

Vice-Chair Mike Campbell expressed concern that the "one-time" charge might not be a one-off.

"Insurance prices aren't going down," he said. "If we're part of the risk pool, we need to keep this in mind and prepare for it."

Chair Dionne suggested establishing a reserve fund to cover future unexpected costs.

The Board agreed on the need for greater financial caution and unanimously voted to retain \$1,305,479 to cover unforeseen expenses through the remainder of the fiscal year.



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Blackout

The last home game of the Alvirne Broncos Football team featured a Project Blackout Ceremony with local families affected by childhood cancer being honored during a halftime ceremony. Vocalist Alivia Ferdinand, picture above, also performed "Rise Up" to end the ceremony. Photos by Chris Paul

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Selectmen Gives OK for New Police Leadership Position

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HUDSON TIMES

The Board of Selectmen approved several personnel changes during a non-public session held prior to its Sept. 30 meeting, with the votes disclosed at the end of the regular session.

Among the most notable decisions was a reorganization within the Hudson Police Department. The Board unanimously approved reclassifying one Captain position to a newly created Deputy Chief role - a non-union leadership

Another personnel move authorized by the Board

position.

In addition, the Board voted unanimously to allow the Police Chief to internally post the Deputy Chief position in January 2026, with an effective start date of July 1, 2026. The FY27 budget will include an additional \$14,000 to cover the salary for the new role, with final compensation and benefits to be negotiated between the Town Administrator and the selected Deputy Chief.

Another personnel move authorized by the Board

was for the Fire Department. The Fire Chief received approval to post a temporary, part-time Administrative Aide II position at a rate of \$22.85 per hour. The position will be limited to 29.5 hours per week, with no benefits, and may be filled through a staffing agency if necessary. The Board unanimously approved the request.

Also during the meeting, the Board of Selectmen recognized longtime employee Jana McMillan for her years of service.

"I'd like to take a moment to recognize Jana McMillan and personally thank her for her dedication and service to the Town of Hudson," said Board Chair Dillon Dumont. "As our Animal Control Officer, she will be truly missed - not only here in Hudson but across the state, where her incredible wealth of knowledge and expertise reached far and wide."

Hudson Police Chief David Cayot read a proclamation honoring McMillan, who began her career with

the town in November 1998.

"Throughout her career, Animal Control Supervisor Jana McMillan has proven herself to be a true asset to the Hudson Police Department and the greater Hudson community," Cayot read. "Her presence has been marked by compassion, resilience, and a deep sense of duty."

The proclamation concluded by officially recognizing McMillan's retirement and expressing heartfelt gratitude for her 27

years of outstanding service.

"Be it proclaimed that we, the Town of Hudson and the Hudson Police Department, do hereby honor and recognize Animal Control Supervisor Jana McMillan upon her retirement, and extend our best wishes for a retirement filled with continued happiness, good health, and plenty of time with the animals she loves. Proclaimed this day, September 30, 2025."

The next Selectmen meeting is set for Monday, Oct. 21, beginning at 7 p.m.

NHSaves Button Up Workshop Set for Hudson, Nov. 12

HUDSON SUSTAINABILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

NHSaves Button Up, the popular home energy savings workshop series, is coming to Hudson.

The Hudson Sustainability Advisory Committee, Rodgers Memorial Library and The Greater Hudson Chamber of Commerce are presenting this free workshop for residents.

The event will take place on Wednesday, November 12 from 7 - 8:30 p.m., at the Rodgers Memorial Library's Community Room located at 194 Derry Road, Hudson. The workshop is sponsored by NHSaves and coordinated statewide by the Plymouth Area Renewable Energy Initiative (PAREI).

NHSaves is a collaboration of New Hampshire's electric and natural gas utilities (Eversource, Liberty

Utilities, NH Electric Coop-

erative and Utilil). The utilities are working together to provide NH customers with information, incentives, and support designed to save energy, reduce costs, and protect the NH environment. PAREI of Plymouth, NH is working with local groups around the state to bring these workshops to the public on behalf of New Hampshire's utilities.

The NHSaves Button

Up Workshop is a 1.5-hour presentation plus Q&A about how to improve the energy efficiency of your home. It is conducted by a certified energy auditor and covers basic building science principles as well as examples of whole house weatherization measures that will button up your home for the heating and cooling seasons. It also covers details about the energy efficiency programs offered by NH utilities (for existing homes and new construction) that provide energy audits, weatherization measures such as air sealing and insulating and rebates on new technologies and products such as electric and gas appliances and high efficiency electric heating/cooling equipment.

Are you receiving fuel

or electric assistance? If so, attendance to this Workshop is highly recommended, as you can get started on 100% off Weatherization Improvements through the NHSaves Program.

NH residents wishing to use energy more efficiently, conserve energy and save money on their heating and cooling bills, will find the workshop presentation very helpful. The local workshop organizer, Jake Keller said "We are bringing this workshop to Hudson because it offers valuable and practical information about how to save energy and reduce costs while making our homes more comfortable. The information about available funding can also help make these improvements possible for more people. With the high cost

of energy, efficiency is now more important than ever. We hope many people will take the time to attend this informative workshop."

The workshop is free, and no registration is required but is recommended.

To register or for questions about the Hudson NHSaves Button Up please email hudsonsustainability@hudsonnh.gov.

For more information on the Hudson NHSaves Button Up or other NHSaves Button Up Workshops visit plymouthenergy.org/button-up.

Workshop organizers also recommend the public sign up with NHSaves Facebook and Twitter pages for up-to-date information on energy saving tips and programs.

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New Hampshire Named 7th State for Homes in Disrepair

New Hampshire Named Seventh State for Homes in Disrepair: A Housing Crisis

Colorado is revealed as the state whose residents are most in need of home repairs.

Indiana, Illinois, and Ohio all rank in the top ten states

The study analyzed Google Keyword Planner data regarding searches for various home repairs and services carried out in every state

A new study from home warranty experts, Cinch Home Services, reveals the U.S. states most in need of home repairs. By analyzing Google Keyword Planner

data, the study identified the average monthly search volumes for terms related to plumbing, roofing, electrical work, heating, ventilation and air conditioning (HVAC), and more, pinpointing the areas where home maintenance is most in demand.

Colorado takes the top spot with an average monthly search volume of 198,116 equating to 3,371 searches per 100,000 residents. Common searches include plumbing repairs, roof fixes, and HVAC services, suggesting the state's variable climate plays a significant role in wear and tear on homes. The average search

rate per state comes in at 2,173 searches per 100,000, Colorado's is 55% higher.

Indiana comes in second, recording an average of 189,037 monthly searches, or 2,755 per 100,000 residents. High demand for HVAC and appliance repairs underscores the need for reliable home systems in this Midwest state.

Ranking third, Florida sees an average search volume of 615,141, a rate of 2,721 per 100,000 residents. Hot summers and aging homes are likely to contribute to the high demand for HVAC repairs across the state.

In fourth place, Texas has an average search vol-

ume of 792,899, or 2,599 per 100,000. The data reveals a strong need for air conditioning repairs, indicating the hot Texan summers are a large contributor to the state's repair demands.

In fifth, Illinois saw an average search volume of 324,181, equating to 2,583 per 100,000 residents. The data reveals a strong need for plumbing, air conditioning, and roofing repairs.

New Hampshire ranks seventh with an average search volume of 35,777 per 100,000.

The state seeking home repairs at the sixth-highest rate is New Jersey, where

residents searched for the analyzed terms at a rate of 2,579 per 100,000. New Hampshire follows in seventh with residents searching at a rate of 2,552 per 100,000.

Midwestern states of Michigan, Ohio, and Missouri take the final three top ten spots. Residents of Michigan searched for the analyzed terms at a rate of 2,527 per 100,000, Ohio's rate came in at 2,520 per 100,000, and Missouri's at 2,485 per 100,000.

A spokesperson from Cinch Home Services spoke on the findings: "This study highlights the fact that home repair needs vary across the

U.S., with climate, infrastructure, and housing age playing significant roles."

"The cost of home repairs in various locations is important to not only homeowners but to renters, landlords, and first-time buyers. With several Midwestern states finding themselves in the top ten, it would seem that the variable climate is a contributing factor to the disrepair of American homes. This is something that homeowners and contractors alike should consider when addressing maintenance needs."

Credit to <https://cinchhomeservices.com> when using this story

State Warns: Vapes Don't Belong in Your Household Trash

JANA FORD
NH DEPARTMENT OF
ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

Chances are you or someone you know uses vapes, but did you know vapes cannot be thrown in with regular household trash? The nicotine in the pods is considered an acute hazardous waste and the Lithium-ion (Li-ion) batteries in them present a serious fire risk for solid waste haulers and facilities.

"To vape or not to vape" is not the question we pose here, rather how the heck do you deal with the parts and pieces? To answer that question, let's focus on two common vape styles, both of which have Li-ion batteries in them, and therefore cannot be thrown in the trash:

1. Reusable units that have replaceable or refillable nicotine pods.

2. Single-use "disposable" units. Refillable vape

pens

Reusable, refillable vape pens are easily separated into two pieces: a pod and an electronic device containing a battery.

Pod: The pod has vape juice containing nicotine, which is an acute hazardous waste. Residents may throw empty pods into their household trash, as long as it has been separated from the electronic device. If the pods are not empty, reach out to your local household hazardous waste (HHW) collection event for information.

Electronic device: The electronic device contains a rechargeable Li-ion battery. Li-ion batteries are banned from disposal in New Hampshire's landfills and incinerators, which means they cannot be thrown into the trash or with your household recyclables! To find a battery recycling location near you, visit the

NHDES Li-Ion Battery webpage.

Single-use disposable vapes "Disposable" single-use vapes are more difficult to dispose of properly because they are "sealed units" designed so the nicotine pod cannot be removed. Battery and electronics recyclers are not authorized to take the nicotine, and hazardous waste vendors avoid the sealed units because it is difficult to transport and recycle them.

The best option for these types of vapes is to collect and manage them as HHW, which is collected and disposed of by hazardous waste vendors. HHW collection events are run by municipalities and typically held once or twice a year. Collecting vapes in bulk at an HHW event is the most efficient and effective manner to dispose of them and is the safest

option for the individuals who run our solid waste facilities.

Find the nearest HHW event to you and ask if they accept vapes. Remember to be mindful of the fire hazard the batteries pose; when storing vapes until the next HHW event, follow safety precautions.

If you have questions about vapes or collection

events, contact your municipality or the NHDES Household Hazardous Waste Program at hhw@des.nh.gov or (603) 271-2047.

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Guided Cemetery Tour

Join the Hudson Historical Society for a special Cemetery Tour on Saturday, Oct. 25, beginning at 10 a.m. Participants will gather at the Hills House, located at 211 Derry Rd., for light refreshments before heading out to visit two historic cemeteries. Attendees will use their own transportation to follow the tour and learn about notable Hudson citizens laid to rest in these locations. No registration is required, and the event is free to all. Cemetery Stops: Blodgett Cemetery - Pelham Road (next to Nottingham West School); Westview

Cemetery - Burnham Road.

Electronic Recycling Fundraiser

Hudson Rotary Club Fall Electronic Recycling Fundraiser will be held on Oct. 18, from 8 a.m. to noon, in the Alvirne High School parking lot. All electronics will be accepted. This is a fundraiser, so a donation is requested.

Trunk or Treat

A Free Event at First Baptist Church of Hudson on Friday, Oct. 31, from 6 - 8 p.m. Dress up in your favorite costume, then "trick or treat"

from trunk to trunk (all decorated in fun themes-nothing scary to frighten little ones) in our church parking lot located at the corner of Central Street and Greeley Street.

This SAFE environment is the perfect place to gather goodies and make new friends. Free Hot Dogs, Chips, Apple Cider, Hot Cocoa And Coffee. Invite your friends and family. All ages welcome.

Pizza Dinner & Erev Shabbat

On Friday, Nov. 7, from 5:30 - 7 p.m., join Etz Hayim Synagogue for a free pizza dinner followed by potluck desserts. Shabbat service will

be led by Rabbi Jonathan Biatch with musical accompaniment by Irina, religious school director. Adult services follow at 7:15 p.m. All are welcome. Please RSVP to office@etzhayim.org by Nov. 6, so we can plan for pizza.

Sunday Family Camp

On Sunday, Nov. 9, from, 10 a.m. - Noon, learn about the traditions of Shabbat, work on projects related to the holiday and learn the Hebrew letters that spell the word Shabbat at Etz Hayim Synagogue. RSVP to sarahjohnplater@aol.com by 8 a.m., Saturday, Nov. 8, to ensure enough materials. The program is free, and no membership is required. Visit www.etzhayim.org/learn/grades-0-1 for more information.

AI's Next Act: Your Smarter Future

On Thursday, Nov. 13, from, 7 - 8 p.m., Wayne Kurtzman leads an AI-enabled social, communities, and collaboration for a global market intelligence firm. Discover what AI does now, what's next, and how it will transform work, life, and

play. Learn practical steps to embrace AI and thrive in an (arguably) smarter world. Learn what is driving the changes, and how to embrace new skills in a changing world by learning to use (and enjoy) AI. The program is free and all are welcome! Please visit www.etzhayim.org/learn/adult-learning for a complete listing of Hot Topics. For more information, please contact Stephen Soreff, MD, at soreffs-15@aol.com or 603-895-6120.

Interfaith Thanksgiving Service

On Tuesday, Nov. 25, from, 7:15 - 8:30 p.m., Etz Hayim Synagogue will be hosting this year's annual Interfaith Thanksgiving Service with the Derry Episcopal Church of the Transfiguration, with The Rev. Dr. Marjorie Gerbracht (Rev Margie) offering the sermon.

Holiday Dinner & Raffle

VFW Post 5791 Holiday Dinner & Raffle will be held a benefit for the Nashua Children's Home and Marguerite's Place On Nov. 22.

Also collecting toys for Toys for Tots, so bring a new unwrapped children's toy for the collection box. At 15 Bockes Rd., Hudson. Doors open 5:30 p.m., dinner at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$30 per person. Contact cshay35@gmail.com for tickets or more info. Great raffle prizes, music and fun.

Meat Raffle

American Legion Post 48 October Meat Raffle will be held at 37 Central St., on Saturday, Oct. 18, beginning at 2 p.m. This event is open to the public you must be 16+ to play. The proceeds from this event are to benefit the Hudson Hot Lunch Program. Pre-buys are available in the Fox-hole. More information is available at 603-889-9777.

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Trivia

Post 48 will be hosting Trivia on Saturday, Oct. 25 from 5 - 7 p.m., in the Foxhole at 1 Fulton St. This event is open to members and bona fide guests 21+. For more information, please call 603-889-9777.

Legion Meeting

Post 48 will be holding its Next Monthly Membership meeting on Monday, Nov. 3 at 6 p.m., followed by the Squadron at 6:30 p.m., at the Post located at 37 Central St. For more information on membership, please call 603-889-9777.

Veterans Day

Post 48 is holding its Vet-

erans Day Service at the post located at 37 Central St. on Tuesday, Nov. 11 at 11 a.m. This event will include a live firing by our Honor Guard. All are welcome to attend. For more information, please call 603-889-9777

Holiday Fair Event

A Holiday Fair and Silent Auction will be held at the First Church, One Concord Street, Nashua, on Friday, Nov. 7, from 4 - 7 p.m., and Saturday, Nov. 8, from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. There will be homemade goodies/sweets, food to go, gift baskets, craft items, puzzles and more. The kids can visit with Santa on Saturday between 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. Dinner will be available on Friday night from 4:30 - 6:30 p.m., and lunch on Saturday from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. The church thrift shop will be open Saturday from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Karaoke

American Legion Post 48 will be hosting DJ Mike on Friday, Oct. 17 from 6 - 10 p.m., in the Foxhole at 1 Fulton St., for Karaoke and Dancing. This event is open

to members and bona fide guests 21+. For more information, please call 603-889-9777.

Friends Of Library Meeting

The Friends of the Library will hold their business meeting on Oct. 21 from 6 - 8 p.m., in Rogers Memorial Library's community room. They will discuss upcoming events and new fund-raising avenues. Those interested in joining the group are welcomed to attend. Please register for the meeting on the RML website Event Calendar.

Old Fashion Ornament Making

On Wednesday, Dec. 3, from 7 - 9 p.m., at the Hills House, 211 Derry Rd., the Hudson Historical Society will be making traditional ornaments using all natural materials. This event is free and for adults only, materials will be provided, limited seating. Registration required by Nov. 28. Please email the Society at HudsonHistorical@live.com with your name and number of attendees.

Victorian Tea

On Sunday Dec. 7, from 1 - 3 p.m., an "Afternoon Tea" will be served complete with cakes, and pastries at Hills House, 211 Derry Rd. Limited seating. Registration required by Nov. 22. Please email the Hudson Historical Society at HudsonHistorical@live.com with your name and number of attendees. Free admission.

Cemetery Tours

On Saturday, Oct. 25, meet at Hills House, 211 Derry Rd., at 10 a.m., for refreshments. Attendees will provide their own transportation to Blodgett and Westview Cemeteries to listen to colorful stories of select graves. No registration required. Free admission.

Christmas Storytime

Come and listen to "Twas the Night Before Christmas" with the Hudson Historical Society at the Hills House, 211 Derry Rd., on Friday, Dec. 12 & 25 from 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. Kids will be gifted with a fun "Christmas box". Limited seating. Registration

required by Dec. 6. Please email the Society at HudsonHistorical@live.com with your name and number of attendees. Free admission.

Gingerbread House Contest

Hudson Historical Society will hold a Gingerbread House contest. To participate bring a completed House on Dec. 5 at 7 p.m., with a completed registration form at the Hills House, 211 Derry Rd. If you want to participate but not build a house then come on Dec. 6 from 10 4 p.m. to vote on houses with the winners and their prizes being announced at the end.

Wreaths Across America and Open House

On Saturday, Dec. 13, from 11 a.m. - 4 p.m., and Sunday, Dec. 14 from noon - 4 p.m., Come see the beautiful Hills House, 211 Derry Rd., decorated in Victorian Christmas style! No registration required. Free admission.

Dungeons & Donuts

On Saturday, Oct. 18 at 9:30 a.m., come to the Rogers

Library to play Dungeons & Dragons and grab a donut! All skill levels are welcome.

Baby Lapsit and Playtime

Come to the Rogers Library on Thursdays at 10 a.m., for interactive stories and songs for babies and their caregivers followed by playtime.

Afternoon Book Group

On Tuesday, Oct. 21 at 1:30 p.m., to discuss "Lessons in Chemistry" by Bonnie Garmus at Rogers Library.

Tween Halloween Espace Room

Kids in Grades 4-8 come to Rogers Library on Tuesday, Oct. 21 at 6 p.m., to read the clues, solve the puzzles, and decipher the codes to escape this seasonal themed room.

Pumpkin Catapults

On Wednesday, Oct. 22 at 5:30 p.m., build a catapult to launch a candy pumpkin into a basket at Rogers Library. Drop in between 5:30 - 6:30

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Discover Film Noir

On Thursday, Oct. 23 at 7 p.m., discover the background of film noir including the meaning, influences, evolution, common elements and essential films at Rogers Library.

Professional Headshot Mini Session

On Saturday, Oct. 25 at 9:30 a.m., Photographer Katie Wagner will be providing professional headshots in this mini-session at Rogers Library. Registration required.

Ghost Scrape Art

On Saturday, Oct. 25 at 10:30 a.m., Drop in to Rogers Library to paint a ghost using a squeegee. All ages.

True Crime Podcast Club

Come to Rogers Library on Wednesday, Oct. 22 at 7 p.m., to discuss "The Consultant's" podcast episodes on Wone's still unsolved murder.

Cookbook Club

On Monday, Oct. 27 at 11:30 a.m., Rogers Library invites you to bring whatever you want from your favorite cookbook or online resource for this club.

Read 'Em & Eat

On Monday, Oct. 27 at 7 p.m., the book "Something Wicked This Way Comes" by Ray Bradbury will be discussed at Soho restaurant in Hudson.

Scary Stories in the Dark

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Teen Forensic Science: Evidence Collection

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Genealogy: A Personal Introduction

Interested in learning about genealogy? Reference Librarian Mark will go over his first steps in tracing his family and provide tips along the way, on Tuesday, Oct. 28 at 6:30 p.m., and Wednesday, Oct. 29 at 1:30 p.m., at Rogers Library.

Haloo-tween Movie and Costume Party

On Thursday, Oct. 30 at 5 p.m., kids in Grades 4-8 are invited to dress up in a Halloween costume and watch Tim Burton's "The Nightmare before Christmas." At Rogers Library.

Too Cute to Spook

On Thursday, Oct. 31 from 10:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m., follow the Rogers Library Trick or Treat trail wearing a too-cute-to-spook Halloween costume and come say Hi or Boo to each library desk!

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.

Explorers Storytime

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

Baby Lapsit and Playtime

On Thursdays come to

the Rogers Library at 10 a.m., for interactive stories and songs for babies and their caregivers followed by playtime.

Teen Hangout

On Weekdays at 2:30 p.m., middle and high school students ages 13+ are invited to enjoy the Rogers Library's teen space after school. Snacks, charging stations, video games, and crafts provided.

Class of 1975 Reunion

A Reunion for the Alvirne and Pelham alumni class of 1975 will be held soon. If you are an alumni of the year and want more information go to the facebook Alvirne high school and Pelham high school class of 1975 page or email alvirne1975@gmail.com

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Brunch Bunch

On Fridays at 11 a.m., Eat pancakes and talk about books you love or hate at Rodgers Memorial Library. For students entering 5th-12th grades. Those attending will be divided by age (Tween 10-13 and Teen 13-18) if the group is large enough.

LEGO Racing

Build a vehicle from LEGO bricks and race it down a track at the Rogers Library on Wednesday, Sept. 24 at 5 p.m. This event is for ages 4+.

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.

Adventurers Storytime

On Tuesdays at 10 a.m. (except the second week of the month), join Ms. Tanya for stories, songs, games, and activities at the Rodgers Memorial Library. For ages 3-5.

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

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