

Chester Selectman Work on Developing Town Newsletter

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CHESTER – Chester Selectman held a meeting on Thursday, April 23, that was led by Chairman Jeremy Owens. The meeting, like other town meetings across the country, was conducted via remote videoconferencing, which will continue for all meetings until further notice due to the pandemic. The public is invited to access the meetings as per instructions on the Chester town website.

At the start of the meeting the selectmen agreed to elevate Rick Sibley from an alternate position to a full-time conservation member position. This was done to replace another member, Baron Richardson who has left the commission.

One of the meeting attendees pointed out, “Rick has done a great job and we look forward for him to continue working with that team.” Sibley can continue in this position until 2023. He will be sworn in as a next step and that can be done over the phone, as per the current situation with COVID-19 virus pandemic.

The selectmen discussed that they are working on an update in a newsletter for town residents regarding the situation for the pandemic and the current Emergency Management that is in place. That newsletter is taking into account the most recent communications that the town is coordinating with the State of New Hampshire.

Representatives from the town have been in communications with the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and will also be attending a webinar given by FEMA. At that webinar FEMA will discuss appropriate relief programs and applications so the town can properly work with the government to help with its recovery. The town will be assigned a specific representative like one of the field representatives from Homeland Security.

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Hampstead Selectmen Review Contracts, Change Chairman

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HAMPSTEAD - uring the town of Hampstead’s latest meeting of the Selectmen, members discussed the town’s recreation fields mowing bid proposals and paving contracts. They also appointed Sean Murphy to start as the boards chairman at the next meeting.

The board started the meeting by opening bids received for the four recreation fields in town. Two bids were received for the work, one from Auger Property Maintenance, the other was from Bennett Landscaping. Both companies are operated out of Hampstead. Auger proposed cutting the fields for \$1,005 per year with a additional spring clean-up cost of \$395.

Bennett came in at between \$625 and \$650 per year to cut the fields. Their spring clean-up cost would be \$350.

The board accepted the bids and forwarded them to the Recreation Committee.

Another point of business was to go over the town paving contracts. Selectman Chairman, Chad Bennett told the board that he and Road Agent Jon Worthen had gone through a spread sheet and discussed the two vendors the town was looking to use. Both of the vendors have been used by the town on prior jobs, and neither of them had achieved good results. One company had done Emerson Avenue, the other had done Hampstead Central School.

With the uncertainty of what the future holds, as far as the COVID-19 Pandemic, and concerns on whether residents would be able to pay their

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Recent contraction work on the Derry Central Fire Station has revealed some emergency work needing attending to. *Photo by Chris Paul*

Emergency Work Needed for Derry Central Fire Station

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DERRY - At the April 21 Derry Town Council meeting, members passed a resolution to repair the town’s central fire station. Public Works Department personel Mike Fowler and Alan Cote, worked with Town Administrator, Dave Caron, to put together a resolution to support this effort.

Derry Fire Chief gave an overview of the problem specifics at the meeting and council members Morgan and Tripp responded with questions about this emergency request. They were concerned to find out if the rebuild solution of this modular structure that is needed could be reused if a new Fire Station is built a few years down the road, which did not seem viable to the Fire Chief and then all council members then showed their support for the requests.

Since this is an emergency situation, there were no funds previously appropriated for this project. The

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Derry Council Establishes Trust for COVID-19 Pandemic

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DERRY - One of the issues that all towns across the U.S. are facing at this moment is revenue fall out as a result of the impact of the pandemic on town budgets. The cost for many EMS, Fire and Police Departments teams are impacted while revenues are likely to take a hit. And now is a very important time to keep town functions going in light of the Covid-19 challenges and a need to restart the local economy.

At the April 21 Town

Council meeting lead by Chairman Charlie Foote, the members heard from Derry Town Administrator, David Caron, who put together a funding recommendation to establish an expendable trust for COVID-19 mitigation, response and recovery.

The council meeting was set up as public hearing and after a discussion the council adopted the Town Administrators recommendation by a vote of 6 to 1 with Brian Chirichiello voting against this funding.

There is state guid-

ance that allows municipalities to establish such trust funds for any public purpose which is not foreign to the Town's institution or incompatible with the objects of its organization. Financial stability and the obligation to respond to emergencies is certainly within the goals and responsibilities of the Town.

The Town Administrator proposed that this fund be used as a vehicle to receive excess funds or other resources which would not lapse at year end and would be available to assist the Town

during this crisis. The Council would authorize specific expenses per Resolution.

The Town expects to receive 75% reimbursement from the Federal Emergency Management Agency for most expenses incurred responding to the Pandemic; it is unknown if the Federal or State Governments will assist local governments to replenish any revenue shortfalls. This fund can be used to pay for the non-federal share of expenses, as well as assist with revenue shortfalls and implement appropri-

ate economic development assistance to the community.

There are two funding sources which are initially recommended to be transferred for this Fund:

The first is the Debt Service raised for Interest Payment on the Exit 4A/Rec Bond, which was paid with bond premiums - \$122,813.

The other source is to use the balance of the State's Infrastructure Grant for FY 20 - \$356,030.86. Some State funding was already allocated for emergency repair of the Central Fire

Station and this is the amount that is left from this infrastructure grant.

These 2 funding sources will provide a total amount of \$478,843.86 to help meet the current challenge that the town is facing from the coronavirus impact.

While it was originally intended to use these funds for various capital projects throughout the community, Town Administrator Caron advises that it is prudent to reserve these funds to address the Pandemic. Funds can also be re-purposed by the Council at a later date.

DES Looks For Public Comments on Exit 4A Project

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The New Hampshire Department of Transportation (NH DOT) has proposed and has work in progress on a new interchange on I-93 that is to be known as Exit 4A. This new exit will be developed at an I-93 site located in Londonderry. The project will also provide improvements for local roads in Derry. The plan is to reduce congestion and improve safety along NH Route 102,

from I-93 Exit 4 easterly through downtown Derry. There will also be some work done in Londonderry, which will include certain transportation improvements as well.

Currently the project is finalizing planning efforts for roadway that will be approximately 3.2 miles in length between the new, proposed I-93 Exit 4A interchange and the eastern terminus in Derry.

At this time the New Hampshire Department of Environment al Services

(DES) has put out a request for public comments with regard to the draft Section 401 Water Quality Certification that is now available for public comment. Specifically, this is for certification # 2019-4041-002 for the

NHDOT Exit 4A Project in Derry and Londonderry, NH. The document is available for the public at the following web site link: www.des.nh.gov/organization/divisions/water/wmb/section401/documents/20200410-draft-exit-4-a-wqc.pdf

This project will affect surface waters including Beaver Brook, Beaver Lake and Cat O Brook North and South, Brook to Wheeler Pond, an Unnamed brook and certain other nearby wetland areas. The draft document outlines all the legal specifications that must be met for this project and requests the public to examine these guidelines and call out any question or feed back regarding this water certification for this project.

The draft certification states that based on the facts, findings and conditions in the certification,

NHDES has determined that there is reasonable assurance that the proposed I-93 Exit 4A project activity will not violate State surface water quality standards.

Comments will be accepted from the public until 4 p.m. on May 11, 2020. Only written comments will be accepted. Comments may be sent by postal mail, or email (email is preferred due to COVID-19 restrictions). Please include the project name/certification number, your name, and organization; mailing address, email address and telephone number

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Chester Transfer Station Reopens for Recycling Needs

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Chester residents may again begin to recycle appropriate waste on a limited basis. The Transfer Station will again support recycling on the following schedule: Wednesday 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. and Saturday 7 a.m. to 2 p.m..

This program restart is because the bulk of the recyclables in the barn have now been reduced to a

workable level and there is room to begin the recycling procedure again. Residents are requested to please follow Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) that have been set in past.

This means that residents should separate recyclables and then load them into cars or trucks in the reverse order for how you will be taking them out for disposal. The concept is to keep time for people in the barn to an absolute mini-

mum in order to comply with social distancing and management of interactions during the pandemic. Following this procedure will drastically reduce the possibility of interaction with the Transfer Station staff and other residents thereby creating a safer environment. Residents are reminded to please wear your facemask to protect everyone including yourself. This will continue to be the procedure for

the next phase of the town's recycling operation.

When residents come to the station, please form one line. Vehicles will be allowed in the barn through the overhead doors with the guidance of a staff attendant. All of the trailers and roll-offs, except for the cardboard trailer, will be open; however, please wait at the entryway of each trailer or roll-off until any resident in front of you exits before you enter in order to maintain proper social distancing.

The cardboard trailer itself will be closed until further notice as it is difficult to keep social distancing at this area while ensuring that the cardboard is stacked neatly. There will be staging to the right outside of the cardboard

trailer for residents to place your cardboard.

The mixed paper trailer is open now during our hours, and one person at a time will be allowed inside. The tin can roll-off will also be open. The plastic compactor will also be open. Please wait by the entryway all of these areas until the person before you exits. The glass roll-off will both be open and attended. Please wait by the entryway until the previous customer exits and the attendant calls you in. Aluminum cans can be deposited into the aluminum can trailer located outside of the barn. If you do not have recyclables, you may bypass the barn and deposit your trash in the trash compactor.

Please note the follow-

ing: The Swap Shop, Library, etc., need to remain closed for the time being. Items containing Freon are not being accepted as the company that recycles the Freon is based in Massachusetts and is not crossing the border at this time.

Small amounts of metal are OK to bring, but please bring nothing large until the metal recycler arrives. There will be an update posted when this will become available.

Residents should wait until Saturday, April 25 to bring brush.

The Town of Chester and Chester Recycling and Solid Waste Transfer Station officials and staff thank everyone for their cooperation, and they want everyone to stay safe.

Sandown Selectmen Allow Developments to Progress

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NUTFIELD NEWS

SANDOWN - During the April 13 meeting of the Sandown Selectmen, members were asked to vote on two areas in town that are being developed.

The first, on 6 Valerie Way was a request to terminate an easement and to allow the new drainage easement to move forward on a property that had been conditionally approved by the Planning Board recently.

The development is in the town's industrial area and is for two commercial

buildings that abuts a residential area at Little Mill Woods. DF Reality Trust, is the owner of the property and in order to move forward with the project, the termination of easement and a drainage easement needed to be signed by the board.

The board voted unanimously to approve both issues.

Also during that meeting, Selectmen were asked to approve a request by Lewis Builders on releasing a bond on a development on Wilkele Road, and also to accept the roadway as a town road.

Town Administrator, Lynne Blaisdell informed the board on the progress being made at the development, saying the inspections had been done on wearing coarse on the pavement and drainage issues.

In the end, the board voted unanimously to release the \$12,960 bond, and to accept the portion of the Class V Road, as a town road.

In other business, Selectmen also authorized Blaisdell to move forward with the 2020 Comprehensive Environmental Study for \$20,000.

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Editorial

“April Showers Bring May Flowers”

April is coming to an end, we still have our boots, umbrellas, and rain ponchos out for the rainy days. However, let's remember to take out our vases for the May flowers to come.

The age-old saying “April Showers Bring May Flowers” still holds true today. But where did this saying originate? The saying originated from a poem that dates back to the year 1157 that was written by Thomas Tusser. The line in the poem is: “*Sweet April showers do spring May flowers*”.

If we travel back in time a bit further to the end of the 14th Century, the poet, Geoffrey Chaucer, had this to say about the month of April, in his famous collection of stories entitled, “The Canterbury Tales.” Chaucer’s version in translation is: “*When in April the sweet showers fall, That pierce March’s drought to the root and all, And bathed every vein in liquor that has power, To generate therein and sire the flower*”

Although it may be said Thomas Tusser is the father of this saying, Geoffrey Chaucer is certainly the creator.

The idea was likely posed to urge us out of the depression that looms during the long hard winter and dreary, rainy months of early spring. We are encouraged to look forward to the month of May and the sunny and much more pleasant weather ahead.

Thinking about other sayings like: “*weeping endures for a night, but joy comes in the morning*”; “*there is a sil-*

ver lining after each dark cloud”; and “*this too shall pass*”.

The reality of death producing new life parallels with spring the thought of sunshine following a season of gloom and sadness.

The idea of this saying “April showers bring May flowers” shadows what we are all experiencing right now. It is a reminder that even the most unpleasant of things, in this case the virus of 2020, will pass and we can hope and expect enjoyable times in the near future. “Light at the end of the tunnel” and “a pot of gold at the end of a rainbow” all apply. Looking forward to May flowers and happier days ahead is on all of our minds. “April showers bring May flowers” is also a lesson in patience, and one that remains valid today.

Many of life’s greatest things come only to those who wait, patiently. Take in the sights and smells of May and the rebirth of life. After all, if you begin with an optimistic outlook positive things are sure to happen.

Have you had a season of setbacks, disappointments or hindrances? Do not be dismayed. Remember these things: “*there has never been a wind that did not change directions, clouds do not hang forever and April showers bring May flowers.*”

The point here is that after all this we will come out better prepared and stronger. Sometimes you have to go through something hard to truly understand what is most important.

Letters

A shout-out to my Colleagues at Easter Seals Gammon Academy

To the editor,

On April 17 it was reported in the media that 19 residents and 17 staff members at the Easter Seals Gammon Academy in Manchester tested positive for Covid-19. I have worked with the children and teens at Easter Seals as a massage therapist for the past 13 years. Because of the hands-on work that I do there, and because of my age, I have been furloughed, and have been in isolation at home. I have not seen “my Easter Seals kids” or my colleagues since March 15.

I’d like to give a shout-

out to all of my colleagues at Easter Seals. As hospital doctors and nurses risk their health every day at work caring for vulnerable people during this Covid emergency, so also do my colleagues at Easter Seals. To me they are all heroes. Over the years I have watched staff who give hands-on, personal care, for some of the children with the most severe needs. They do this work with incredible respect and kindness. I have seen unit staff, supervisors and therapists give authentic emotional support for children and teens who desperately need to be heard AND to have consistent and much needed behavioral expectations and daily structure set

for them. I have watched the kitchen and maintenance staff as they go about their work while also taking a quick moment to interact socially with the children. Perhaps one of the most important group of workers at Easter Seals in this “time of Covid” is the Cleaning Crew who go about their important work quietly. And the nurses! They couldn’t work fast enough to see all the children that needed to be seen even in the best of times before Covid-19. I cannot even begin to imagine what their work day looks like now. THANK YOU TO ALL OF YOU!!!!!!

Corinne Dodge
Derry

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Chester

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Chester will have an appropriate NH representative who will also help them through the appropriate process with FEMA.

During the meeting, it was pointed out by member Stephen D’Angelo that there are problems developing at the Wason Pond and Recreation area as members saying that people were coming from all over the area to hang out at the pond. For example, D’Angelo reported that he spoke with someone from Fremont who was Kayaking in the

pond.

He also added that there are operations in place that are being set up for baseball batting practice and other related baseball activities that are currently illegal activities in this park area.

This could be the tip of the iceberg as the weather gets better and so the Town is looking at ways to manage the park closure to keep people from creating problems and not observing social distancing in the area. The town is considering a more complete shut down for the area over the near term.

There is a request to the town from someone in

Candia who wants to buy School House Five and move it to their property. Evidently this is a very old schoolhouse that has historical value and was even used for an operation that developed blankets and other equipment used by soldiers in the first world war. There has also been some interest from the Historical Society for the building. There is some evidence to believe that the building dates back as far as 1812. The question is, does this belong to the town or the Ladies Aid Society? There will be more about this schoolhouse over time.

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Fire Station

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Town Administrator recommended use of unanticipated revenues derived from the approved FY 20 State Budget. Derry has received \$496,000, which would be suitable use of these funds. The funding allocation was recommended to be set as follows: \$356,030.86 is to be allocated to the Expendable Trust Fund for COVID-19 Mitigation, Response and Recovery, as created pursuant to a Resolution, from which the Council may later transfer for other purposes as authorized by Section 9.7 of the Town Charter.

There is \$140,000.00 of Capital Project Activity Center monies was to be allocated to fund the demolition and construction of a replacement

addition at Central Fire Station. This Resolution was authorized by the council to take effect immediately.

Derry's Buildings and Grounds Division had received a request from the Derry Fire Department to repair soft spots in the floor of the Emergency Medical Services (EMS) office, locker room and house officer's office and sleeping quarters located in the modular portion of the Central Fire Station.

However, upon removing the carpet to assess repairs that would be necessary, significant decay was found not only in the sub-floor sheathing but also in the floor joists supporting the sub-floor.

Further investigation to determine the source of the water damage revealed that the metal siding on the building had

been affixed without gas-ketted screws and the material behind the metal siding was a corrugated cardboard material. The studs in the wall had water staining and potentially black mold and the fiberglass insulation was damp.

Fire department personnel have relocated their offices from this damaged modular section although the remainder of the Central Fire Station continues with normal operations.

The existing modular structure located on the west side of the Central Fire Station building was installed in 2005. It was the third structure of this type to be installed in this location. Repairing the existing structure would require gutting the building to the studs and even replacing the studs in some cases. The floor joists are now rotted out



The modular structure on the west side of the Central Fire Station building was installed in 2005, and is need of repair or replacement. Photo by Chris Paul

and would need to be replaced as well. In short, it is impractical to repair the existing structure.

The Public Works Department recommended replacement of the modular with a modular-built structure, that is 12 feet

wide and 46 feet long or 556 square feet. This new building would be built with a four-foot frost wall and concrete slab matching the grade of the existing fire station floor. The structure will be built in accordance with current

Code requirements including 2 x 6 exterior walls, sprinkler system, more efficient insulation and new HVAC units. The new structure will be designed for a much longer lifespan as compared to a damaged modular unit.

Hampstead

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tax bills this year, the board held off on making any decisions on large paving contract.

Worthen told the board he would keep his crew busy with smaller

jobs, and maintain the roads as they are for the time being.

Discussions with Selectmen Administrative Assistant, Sally Theriault, showed that she would have a better idea of how the pandemic will affect the town's receivables on

July 1.

Also during the meeting, the chairman and vice-chairman switched seats. With Selectman Joe Guthrie being the swing vote, he suggested that the chairman position be rotated each year. Saying that he thought the burden of responsibility be staggered each term.

Guthrie nominated Murphy as chair, Murphy seconded the motion and it passed 2-1. Bennett voted no, as he had wished to maintain the seat.

Murphy will take over as chair during the next meeting.

Murphy also expressed his interest in

resuming his role as the Police Department liaison, which Bennett currently holds.

With contract negotiations happening this year, Murphy suggested that all of the board members be involved in it.

With Bennett protesting that he wasn't will to give up his police posi-

tion, the liaison roles were then tabled until the next meeting.

During the Public Comment section of the meeting, the board announced to residents that the annual Fishing Derby held by the Hampstead Civics Club on Shop Pond has been postponed to a future date.

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Hampstead Teenager Organizes Virtual 5K for Food Drive

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Isabel Povey, is a teenager from Hampstead and a student at Pinkerton Academy. Povey is an inspiration for all of us and given the current pandemic challenge we are facing, let's hope her story inspires more people to take action.

Last week was Global Youth Service Day, so Povey organized a Virtual 5k event. It was her way to get everyone involved in making a difference, especially during this unprecedented time where there is a greater need to help people.

Povey said, "We collected donations on Venmo (a money transfer app). Then we asked of our participants, who raised money for this fundraiser, to take a selfie on the day of the 5k and post it with the hashtag #PoveyPower5k. The idea was to show how many people were eager to help out their neighbors in need. Nearly 100 people participated by running, walking, biking, skateboarding, roller skating, even horseback riding the 5k!"

"After just three days of advertising on social media, we raised \$2,200 for the New Hampshire Food Bank," said Isabel. "That money was then

matched by a local donor to provide a total of almost 9,000 meals for NH families. This shows the power we all have and the significant impact of even the smallest acts of compassion."

Povey has been busy since the outbreak of Covid-19, with different service initiatives. Before school put on its current remote program, Povey worked to prepare take-home bags for the students who rely on school lunches for their meals, and then kicked off a social distancing food drive to restock the shelves at the Epping End 68 Hours of Hunger food pantry. That pantry provides children with meals for the weekends.

Povey also connected to an event venue for a homeless shelter where meals that were to be donated had been cancelled. She and others were able to provide the 21 families living in the facility with dinner for a week from a single event. Povey has been really creative as an entrepreneur to help people, "Two years ago, I decided to start my official 501(c)3 non-profit organization, Seeds of Hope, as it became clear to me that ending hunger is my mission and purpose. Seeds of Hope provides vegetable seeds to schools, orphanages, and churches



Povey's Kindness Rocks Campaign encourages people to get outside, be creative, and spread positivity at the same time.

overseas so they have a reliable source of nutrients."

"Not only do the seeds provide meals through the vegetables, but they are also used as a learning tool to equip children with the vital skills they need to earn a sustainable profit on their own, therefore helping to put an end to food insecurity in future generations as well. Along with this, we also utilize the symbolism of a seed to empower youth to make a difference and spread the message that it does not

matter who you are, where you're from, or how old you are, you have the power to change the world because from all of the tiniest seeds grow the mightiest trees."

Isabel's efforts with Seed of Hope are being conducted on an international basis, "We have so far served Pakistan, Haiti, Puerto Rico, Tonga, and Uganda. Locally, we work in schools to spread this message as well as with active politicians to initiate action at the legislative level while still serving the New Hampshire community daily with food drives, fundraisers, or working in food pantries and soup



The New Hampshire Food Bank was the first organization Povey spearheaded for her own food drive nearly six years ago. *Courtesy photos*

kitchens throughout the state."

Povey also is one of the folks behind the Kindness Rocks Campaign that we have previously covered in the Nutfield News. This initiative is a simple and creative project to spread positivity during this time. Kindness Rocks is a set up project that is delivered when people write an inspiring message on a rock and then leave it for someone to find. Povey says, "It has really taken off and Kindness Rocks can be found throughout the state now!"

This busy student and business woman also has been sending messages to

the children in the Make a Wish program whose wishes have been postponed due to the virus.

And since so many are having to stay home at this time, every Saturday Isabel hosts a virtual storytime on Youtube where she reads a few children's books for kids stuck at home.

Oh, and in her spare time, Povey is also the reigning Miss New Hampshire Outstanding Teen and is set to compete in the Miss America Outstanding Teen Competition at a date to be determined. We salute you Isabel. Thanks for making our world a better place.



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NH DMV Extends Expiration Date of Previously Issued 20-Day Plates

The New Hampshire Division of Motor Vehicles (DMV) has extended the expiration date of previously issued 20-day plates through May 31, 2020.

NH DMV 20-day plates as well as NH authorized dealer 20-day plates issued on or after February 26, 2020 have been given an automatic extension through May 31, 2020.

Residents are encour-

aged to reach out to their local city or town clerk's office for permanent vehicle options.

The DMV would also like to offer the following important service reminders:

The Division of Motor Vehicles has transitioned to phone and online services and appointment only walk-in services consolidated to five locations: Concord, Dover, Manchester, Newport, and

Twin Mountain.

Driver Licenses:

Non-CDL driving road tests as well as motorcycle testing will not be conducted for the duration of the Stay at Home Order.

All CDL related transactions can be conducted by appointment only. Call 227-4000 to schedule an appointment.

Customers whose licenses have expired or are set to expire between April 1, 2020 and May 31, 2020 may apply for a 6-month license extension.

Call 227-4020 to apply for the 6-month license

extension over the phone.

The REAL ID compliance deadline has been extended until October, 2021. REAL ID transactions will not be conducted for the duration of the Stay at Home Order.

Vehicle Registrations:

Existing vehicle registrations are renewed by your city or town clerk's office. Please visit your town website or call your local town clerk's office for vehicle registration renewal options.

NH DMV 20-day plates as well as NH authorized dealer 20-day

plates issued on or after February 26, 2020 have been given an automatic extension through May 31, 2020.

Walking disability placards or license plates may be issued six (6) month extensions without meeting the in-person application and medical certification requirements.

Drop box services are available Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. - 4:15 p.m. at the following

locations: Concord, Dover, Manchester, Newport, and Twin Mountain.

For all other transactions, please call DMV customer service at 227-4000 to determine the availability of services.

Customers should take advantage of the DMV's online services, including online driver license renewal, ID renewals, and online ticket pay at www.nh.gov/dmv

OBITUARY

William (Billy) Carlisle



William (Billy) J. Carlisle, 73, formerly of 29 Rollins St. Derry, NH died Monday April 20, 2020 in Manchester, NH. He was born in Derry on October 12, 1946, the oldest son of the late Robert J. Carlisle, Sr., and Pauline "Nappie" (O'Neil) Carlisle. Billy lived his whole life in Derry, attending St. Thomas Aquinas School for eight years and then graduating Pinkerton Academy, Class of 1966. Billy was a good student, always keeping good grades. For many years as a young man, Billy helped out at home, taking care of his grandfather, Paul Musial, who was a minor league baseball prospect at one time.

Billy's first job was at Harris Stamp Co., doing mechanical work. He then went to work at Klev-Bro Shoe Co. in Derry until the company shut down in 2011. He then went to work part time at Ames Department Store. When Billy's brother Robert returned from Arizona, Robert moved back into the family home with Billy. Robert's health was poor, and he could not work. Both brothers began to accept the generous services of The Sunshine Soup Kitchen, the Knights of Columbus-St. Thomas Aquinas, the Marion Gerrish Center and St. Luke's Pantry. They also came under the watchful eye of Community Caregivers of Greater Derry.

After retirement, Billy became a fixture in Derry, walking all over town to shop, to go to the library and to visit the various social agencies where he had many, many friends. After Robert passed away, Billy sold the family home and eventually moved into an apt., at Nutfield Heights in Derry, enjoying beautiful sunset views from his living room window.

Eventually Billy had to fight a battle with cancer, which was discovered last fall. He moved out of Derry and moved into the Villa Crest Nursing and Retirement Home in Manchester. There, he was lovingly cared for by the Nursing home staff and by Manchester VNA and Hospice. Billy was predeceased by his mother, Pauline in 1988, his father, Robert in 2001, and by his brother, Robert J. Carlisle, Jr. in 2018.

As per Billy's wishes, The Geisel School of Medicine at Dartmouth College has accepted Billy's remains, to help further the cause of modern medical education and research. The Peabody Funeral Homes and Crematorium of Derry and Londonderry is assisting "Team Billy" with the arrangements. Billy respectfully requested no flowers, but that donations be sent to any one of the organizations which provided services to Billy and Robert.

A celebration of life will be held at the Sunshine Soup Kitchen at a date to be determined.

OBITUARY

Robert M. Taubman



Robert M. Taubman, 77, of Derry, NH died Tuesday April 21, 2020 at his home. Bob was born in Baltimore, MD on October 23, 1942, a son of the late Julius and Helen (May) Taubman. He had been a resident of Derry since 1997, formerly living in Freeport, NY.

Bob was a US Coast Guard veteran having served during the Vietnam Era. He later served with the US Army reserves. Bob was employed for 31 years as a bus operator for the MSBA Long Island Bus Co. retiring in 1997. He held many memberships, including the Vietnam Veterans of America, Inc., the Law Enforcement Alliance of America, the Lodge of Antiquity #11 F & AM in NY, and a life member of the NRA. He was also a member of the American Legion Lester Chase Post #9 in Derry.

Bob enjoyed motorcycling, rifle and pistol shooting, music, playing darts, and TV game shows.

He is survived his wife, Socorro "Sally" Taubman of Derry, two daughters, Karin Shakrov of Isreal, and Gail Kissinger of Milford, CT, his stepson, Dennis Andreas of Freeport, NY, two stepdaughters, Chris Ann Atkinson of Delaware, and Patricia Bonaventura of Derry, many grandchildren, one brother, Matthew Taubman of Pawtucket, RI, five sisters, Julianne Eberl of Maine, Helen Boling of FL, Frances Taubman of VA, Mary Morrison of GA, and Beatrice Harned of Port St. Lucie, FL. He also leaves many nieces and nephews. He was predeceased recently by his sister, Paula Foster.

Following cremation, memorial services will be held privately by the family. The Peabody Funeral Homes and Crematorium of Derry is assisting the family with arrangements.

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OBITUARY

Gale J. Voorhies



Gale J. Voorhies, 80, of Derry died Saturday April 25, 2020 at Pleasant Valley Nursing Home, Derry. Gale was born in Brooklyn, NY on January 21, 1940, a daughter of the late Martin and Elsie (Sweet) Mahoney. She had resided in Derry for the past five years, formerly living in North Carolina, Colorado and Oneonta New York.

She is survived by her husband of 49 years, Jack A. Voorhies of Derry, two stepdaughters, Ann T. (Voorhies) Driscoll of Derry, and Kim E. (Voorhies) Alger and her husband Donnie, of Mt. Vision, New York, grandsons David Driscoll and his wife Brittany of Evansville, Indiana and Patrick Driscoll of Derry, brother Gary Maloney and his wife Tracy, and her niece Kelly (Maloney) Ransford and nephew Keith Norman and their families.

Gale loved her family and her yorkies. She was a fantastic cook and had a sharp wit and a warm heart. She will be greatly missed by her family and friends.

Following cremation, graveside services will be held on a future date in the Oneonta Plains Cemetery, Oneonta, NY. The Peabody Funeral Homes and Crematorium of Derry and Londonderry is assisting the family with arrangements.

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Derry's Sonshine Soup Kitchen Gets Up and Running

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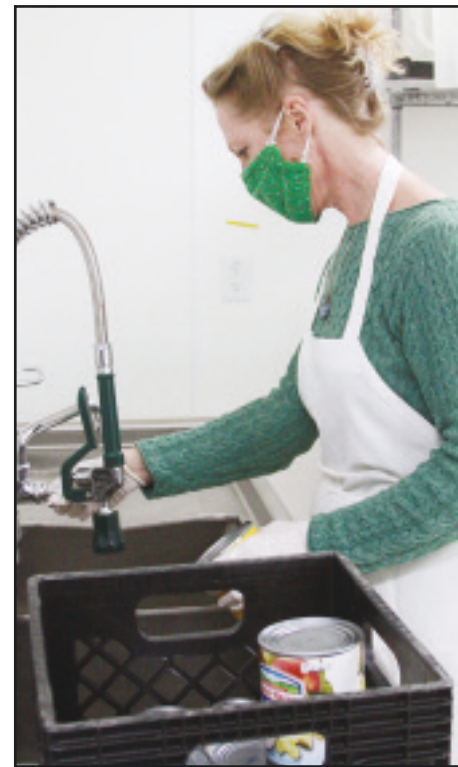
Approaching almost a month, the state of New Hampshire has been shut down. This caused all non-essential businesses to shut their doors for the time being and for everyone to stay at home the best they can. Sonshine Soup Kitchen was one of the many businesses affected by the shutdown. For the past two weeks, they have been almost completely down except for the give away of meal boxes. A way to still provide food to their patrons that need it, however, it is a way for them to make the food at home. These are still being handed out now. In addition, the board members of Sonshine Soup Kitchen

have decided that starting April 21st, they will do drive-by hot meal pickups on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

The board members have taken it upon themselves to run the kitchen and hand out the meals to patrons. There is a very limited amount of volunteers able to help during these times, so they are teaming up to support their town. With that being said, volunteers are still welcome to help out as long as they are healthy and understanding of what possibilities may occur at the soup kitchen. The safety of their people and patrons of Sonshine has always been their top priority, notably in these unknown times. As stated, hot meals will be provid-

ed Tuesdays and Thursdays starting from 4:30 pm to 5:00 pm. They advise to enter on Franklin Street and leave by taking a right on Crystal Ave.

With safety in mind, Sonshine Soup Kitchen have put in place many precautions and rules for their people to follow. All contributors will have on masks and gloves as they are working in the kitchen and outside handing over food. They have a lead person delivering food in a protective gown and gear, to assure nothing gets passed on to their patrons. The act of social distancing will be used outside and inside the building. Tuesdays and Thursdays there will be chalk lines on the pave-



Sonshine Soup Kitchen volunteers Christina Grover and Laura El-Azim prepared food to be cooked last week as the kitchen reopened after a three-week shut-down.
Photos by Chris Paul

ment out front to indicate where the six-foot mark is to make sure while people are waiting for their food, they are being safe. The board members keep up on their people and volunteers to make sure they are

healthy while there. Even if small symptoms are shown, they want to ensure their protection and send them home. Sonshine Soup Kitchen is taking safety very seriously as they want to be able to

feed their patrons but also keep them protected and in good hands while out of their homes.

The board members meet every week over the internet to assure they are keeping up with what is needed for their patrons and what is in their best interests to keep safety a priority. On a usual day before the shutdown, they would get around 20-40 people in their dining area. However, with all these new developments, Sonshine is prepared for whatever crowd they will get these two days a week. Going into the future of this state shut down, Sonshine will still keep their arms open for anyone that wants to volunteer. They are going about recruitment in a smart and efficient way to try to keep both their patrons eating well and their own people healthy. Sonshine Soup Kitchen will be doing hot meal pickups from 4:30 pm to 5:00 pm on Tuesdays and Thursdays until the state is able to get back to normal and they are able to reopen indoors.

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NH Fish and Game License Reminders, Spring Turkey Season Precautions

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NUTFIELD NEWS

Granite Staters have likely begun seeing flock after flock of wild turkey scurrying across neighborhoods for a few weeks now, a sign that turkey hunting season is upon the Granite State.

With social distancing orders still in effect, many have wondered what might become of the Spring turkey hunting season. According to the New Hampshire Fish and Game Department (NHFG), hunters will not have to quit turkey hunting cold turkey this year—but there will be some new guidelines to consider.

Spring Turkey Season opens statewide on May 1 of this year and resumes through May 31. All previous turkey hunting regulations remain in effect, including hunting hours,

permitted hunting weapons, etc. For a full list of rules see the 2020 NH Turkey Season flyer available on the NHFG website.

Local hunting and day trips are currently recommended as opposed to traveling to camp during the health emergency. Hunters are encouraged to go out alone or with members of the same household only, avoiding crowds and following the recommended distance of six feet between other hunters.

NHFG urges hunters that it is more important now than ever to be aware of other people recreating in the outdoors and to be absolutely certain of targets and what lies beyond them. Hunters are also encouraged to maximize their scouting and to be prepared with back-up locations should their first desired spot become busy during the spring season.

For the first time, hunters will be able to register their birds online. NHFG has filed an emergency rule with the NH Legislature that allows for online registration process for turkeys for the 2020 turkey hunting season.

Hunters who choose to register their birds online must do so within 24 hours of harvest. The tag that is issued with the turkey license must also be affixed to the bird, and the first bird taken must be legally registered before taking a second bird.

Before starting the online registration process, hunters should have the following information readily available:

Hunting/turkey license information, license plate number of the vehicle used while hunting, town and wildlife management unit where the turkey was harvested, sex of the bird, age

of bird (adult vs. juvenile), weight of bird to the nearest quarter pound, beard length to the nearest quarter inch, and spur lengths to the nearest 1/16 inch.

According to NH Fish And Game, many in-person turkey registration points will remain open at this time. However, these locations will likely have changes to their hours of operation and in the way they register turkeys, so hunters are encouraged to call their choice of registration point to find out what their current rules are.

Hunters who choose to register their birds at a local registration station will need to have the same information as the online registration, however, birds collected at these stations will continue to receive the official leg seal.

A list of NH registration stations can be found at <https://wildlife.stat->

[e.nh.us/hunting/deer-check-stations.html](https://wildlife.state.nh.us/hunting/deer-check-stations.html). Hunters are still encouraged to call their choice of station prior to visiting to understand their current hours and regulations.

The NH Fish And Game also reminds NH residents that fishing licenses are still very much required in order to go fishing. All fishing, hunting, and off-highway recreational vehicle (OHRV) rules and regulations remain in effect and will be enforced during the COVID-19 public health emergency.

The NHFG Department's Inland Fisheries Division has continued to stock trout in rivers, ponds, and other water bodies through the pandemic. However, stocking reports remain unpublished on the Fish And Game website to prevent large numbers of fishers and to ensure the safety of fish-

eries stocking staff.

NH Fish And Game reminds fishers to maintain the public social distancing recommendations of at least six feet between individuals.

According to its website, the NHFG will continue to sell hunting and fishing licenses and Hike Safe cards during this time. Residents are encouraged to buy online at the NHFG website to ensure the safety of the public and department staff.

Licenses and cards will still be available at the NHFG headquarters, however, residents are encouraged to call the department at (603) 271-3422 with questions and instructions on how to safely obtain their licenses or cards.

For further details on turkey registration for the Spring 2020 season, visit www.wildlife.state.nh.us/hunting/turkey-reg.html.

Derry Recreation Department News

The Derry Parks and Recreation has posted the following information about how they are dealing with the current COVID-19 Pandemic.

Veterans' Hall: Closed to the public; all programs suspended through May 4; Registrations may be completed on-line or by contacting the office at 432-6136.

Recreation Facilities: Playground equipment is

closed. Tennis courts and basketball courts are open with social distancing guidelines.

Derry Rail Trail and Derry Conservation parcels are open for walking and other activities.

Playing fields are closed for maintenance work. Please practice social distancing at all facilities, including the Rail Trail! Failure to do so may result

in further restrictions in order to safeguard public health.

Recreation Services: Please review on-line or call the Division at 603-432-6136. Questions regarding leagues (Derry Diamond Athletic Association, Derry Boys Lacrosse, Derry Girls Lacrosse, Derry Soccer Club) should be referred to the various league websites.



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Hazardous Waste Day Planned for Londonderry and Derry

MACK LEATHURBY
NUTFIELD NEWS

Given the current pandemic and stay at home situations, the semiannual household hazardous waste day for residents of Derry and Londonderry has been moved this year to Saturday June 6. The collection will be from 9 a.m. - noon at the West Running Brook School in Derry. The school is located at Rt. 28 By-Pass across from the entrance to the Fairways Complex.

Typically, this day is held during the first part of May every year in Derry. The event in the fall is held in Londonderry. The new proposed date of June 6 for the spring drop off is subject change, depending on the situations in the towns and the Governor's guidelines for such efforts.

Do not throw toxic products directly in the

trash, as they are potential fire hazards in trash and in landfills. They can also contaminate both soil and groundwater.

Residents should try not to miss this date as the next hazardous waste day for the two towns will likely not be scheduled until late fall. These collection days are actually connected to a private hazardous waste transporting company that is funded by the tax dollars of both communities. Since you are paying for this in taxes, no fees are charged to Derry and Londonderry residents for disposing of their household hazardous waste on this day.

If you miss one of these collections and still have household hazardous waste you need to get rid of, the Household Hazardous Waste Program for the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services

(NHDES), suggests that residents should contact other towns to determine when they may conducting collections. Most towns will charge a small fee for out-of-town wastes and not all towns accept out-of-town waste, so be sure to contact them before taking hazardous waste out of Derry and Londonderry to other towns.

There is up-to-date information on the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services website at: www.des.nh.gov/organization/divisions/waste/publications.htm

Hazardous waste is any toxic product that is dangerous to people and the environment if not recycled properly. Manufacturers typically label these products to alert you that they are hazardous. Hazardous waste products in-

clude fertilizers, bathroom cleaners, pesticides, anti-freeze, disinfectants, corrosives, fungicide, car waxes and polishes, furniture polish, oil based paint and stains, insect spray, creosote, metal polish, rust preventative, lighter fluid, driveway sealer, mothballs, solvents, pest strips and traps, flea powder, oven cleaner, paint thinner and turpentine, pesticides, gasoline and petroleum products, roofing tar, photo chemicals, wood preservatives, poisons, radiator flush, rug cleaner, wood stripper, pool chemicals, roofing tar, and thermometers.

Specific items that people are asked not to bring to household hazardous waste collections are batteries, explosives such as fireworks and ammunition,

infectious wastes, latex paints, radioactive products, and asbestos products.

For more information about household hazardous waste in Derry, contact Joanie Hamel at (603) 432-4650 or visit: www.derry-nh.org/transfer-station

For more information in Londonderry, contact Robert Kerry at 432-1100 ext. 137 or RKerry@LondonderryNH.org or visit the town's webpage at www.londonderry-nh.org/environmental-services-solid-waste

There are other items to consider that are a bit different from hazardous waste that should be properly disposed and that includes alkaline batteries and such things as hypodermic needles.

Alkaline batteries pro-

duced since 1996 are safe to dispose of in household trash but can be recycled if you wish. The Rechargeable Battery Recycling Corporation is a non-profit organization that collects these and other kinds of batteries at no charge to consumers. New Hampshire residents with explosives they do not want are advised to contact New Hampshire State Police.

If a hypodermic needle of unknown origin is found, Derry Police advise that it not be touched and that you call their dispatch number at (603) 845-5601. If you are in Londonderry you can call the police at (603) 432-1118. In most cases, a police officer will retrieve the syringe and dispose of it properly.

Hampstead Public Library

Last week, the Hampstead Public Library staff celebrated National Library Week, at home, by using email and social media to remind people how to "Find the Library at Your Place."

In a recent press release the American Library Association said, "We know that while library buildings may be physically closed, librarians and library workers are busier than ever continuing to safely deliver vital services to their communities."

There are occasional forays (one librarian at a time) to the library to do tasks such as new material cataloging and old material weeding, work on technology issues, record Storytime sessions, and set-up/take-down the Storybook Walk.

From home, librarians are working on new ways to bring virtual content to the

public, while also relying on Facebook, Instagram, email newsletters, and local news sources to share information about services. They continue to connect people with research databases, online instruction, digital downloads, book recommendations, at-home activities, and more educational and entertaining resources.

Librarians have reached out by phone to check on their more vulnerable patrons, especially those without computers at home. They are also doing research, attending video meetings with other librarians in the state, and joining committees. They are beginning to determine the new nature of the Summer Reading Program, and are rescheduling some of the in-library events previously planned. They are developing a plan and new safety proce-

dures for when the library is able to open again.

Hampstead librarians are providing tech support, and they are renewing and activating new library cards, when requests are received via email to circulation@HampsteadLibrary.org.

Hampstead librarians are delivering fun and enriching challenges to the public with programs, such as Library Bingo. You can email the library to request a board; a link to the game is also on the library website and Facebook page. When the library reopens, all submitted complete bingo boards will be your raffle tickets for a fabulous prize!

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You say "so what?" Log in to your favorite social media site and it's always national something day. You missed National Garlic Day on April 19? Everyone knows enough Spanish for "Cinco de Mayo". But, did you know May 10 is national "clean up your room day?"

Law day came about way back under President Dwight Eisenhower. The Bar Associations sponsor programs sending lawyers like me into the schools to address students. Various presentations highlight our judicial system, how it works and how unique it is compared to legal systems

around the world. I've gone to schools explaining our Constitutional form of government. I've done "career day" talks. And I've done Q and A.

I'm often impressed with the quality of questions from students. They've made me answer how separation of powers works in the U.S. when one branch claims it's in charge. They've asked tough environmental questions.

Covid-19 now prevents lawyers like me from giving "law day" talks in the schools. There is no school.

Instead, this year on Law Day many attorneys wonder what the future holds for our legal system.

Most people wonder when we can "get back to normal". Others warn there will be a "new normal".

The pandemic brought many changes to the courts. In a previous column I pointed out that New Hampshire courts, like those elsewhere, suspended normal operations. That meant, for example, the small claims docket and other daily bread and butter cases were halted. The date of the suspension was extended to May 4. The status of that date was not available at press time.

Most New Hampshire courts either highly recommend or require electronic filing. Lawyers in federal court have been required to

file documents electronically since the early 2000s.

Some matters since Covid-19 reared its ugly head are done telephonically. I've been spared driving to Concord, NH and Worcester, MA because certain federal hearings normally held in-person are now held on the telephone during the emergency measure.

State trials and other hearings can be either continued until after the pandemic measures, or held on the telephone.

In recent years many cases end with "Alternative Dispute Resolution". This usually means arbitration or mediation. Arbitrators and mediators now offer to conduct these key legal

proceedings telephonically.

So, if a case can be filed electronically, mediated remotely, and tried telephonically, does the future of the legal system in the U.S. mean people will obtain legal services without stepping into a courthouse? Will it be like justice a la Amazon.com? It's only a question with no answer at least on my part.

Most decision makers, rightly so, believe it's crucial to meet eye-to-eye with those testifying. Judging credibility of a speaker requires in-person contact, they feel. If a speaker is not in the room, only on the phone, they can be distracted, not fully attentive to the solemnity of a court proceeding.

On the other hand, with people seeming to distrust institutions why not make it easier for them to participate in legal proceedings. Why require witnesses and others involved in lawsuits to drive potentially for hours, especially in bad weather, for what can often be a brief event? Sometimes they're even cancelled.

Consider everything that changed after September 11, 2001. Air travel and building security top the list. Will that nearby courthouse stop being the place where civil disputes are resolved? Will long lines to get into the court building disappear only because no one goes there anymore?

Aviation Museum's Online Education Puts 'Distance' in Distance Learning

Schools are closed and stay-at-home orders remain in place. But why not use technology to fly over the Eiffel Tower and visit other world landmarks?

That's the idea behind the Aviation Museum of New Hampshire's new distance learning program: a virtual around-the-world flight that can be followed online by everyone as it progresses around the globe.

Using the museum's professional grade Elite Flight Simulator and Lockheed Martin's Prepare 3D terrain software, the flight will take off from Manchester on Friday, May 1 for an extended round-the-world odyssey.

Through the Museum's website, would-be travelers can soar over iconic world landmarks and touch

down at exotic airfields as the flight works its way around the world. Along the way, they'll learn history, geography, and information about the world's nations, cultures, and people.

Portions of the journey will trace routes flown by historic aviation pioneers, including the course followed by famed aviator Amelia Earhart in her 1937 attempt to circumnavigate the globe.

"Using our flight simulator to journey around the world is a fun way for students of all ages to explore and learn about the world we live in," said Jeff Rapsis, the museum's executive director.

"Visitors use the museum's flight simulator all the time to fly over southern New Hampshire and northern Mass. But the ter-

rain software literally has the entire planet mapped, and so with schools closed and people staying at home, we figured we'd fly around the world."

The flight will be managed by Aviation Museum volunteers, with the actual flying to be handled by a "celebrity guest pilot." The pilot's identity will be kept a closely guarded secret until the around-the-world flight arrives back at Manchester.

"We'll return to our home field after the Aviation Museum reopens to the public," Rapsis said. "That will allow us all to be on hand to welcome home celebrate this globe-spanning flight with the landing of a real plane, and welcome home our special guest celebrity pilot."

The Aviation Museum is currently closed to the public due to the coronavirus pandemic; a re-opening date hasn't been set, which means the flight will be exploring the globe for an undetermined span of time.

"Because we don't know when we'll reopen, we'll need to be flexible," Rapsis said. "Instead of taking the fastest route, we hope to give students and educators a new kind of 'distance learning' through aviation, which means visiting a great variety of destinations."

Fellow voyagers may follow the flight's progress online at www.aviationmuseumofnh.org. After take-off on Friday, May 1, a new segment will be post-

ed every two days.

To provide an idea of what each segment is like, the Museum prepared a sample flight over Devils Tower National Monument in Wyoming. It can be viewed online at www.vimeo.com/409770453

The Aviation Museum's "Virtual Around-The-World Flight Adventure" is made possible with support from the museum's members and generous donors.

"We're seeking sponsors to help underwrite the costs of developing this project," Rapsis said. "If you'd like to support local education, and also get your logo on a virtual DC-3 viewed by a large audi-

ence, give us a call."

The Aviation Museum of N.H., 27 Navigator Road, Londonderry, N.H. is a non-profit 501(c)3 tax-exempt organization.

Housed in the original 1937 passenger terminal at Manchester-Boston Regional Airport, the museum is dedicated to celebrating New Hampshire's role in aviation history and inspiring tomorrow's pioneers, innovators and aerospace professionals.

For more information, visit www.aviationmuseumofnh.org or call (603) 669-4820. Follow the Aviation Museum on social media at www.facebook.com/nhahs.

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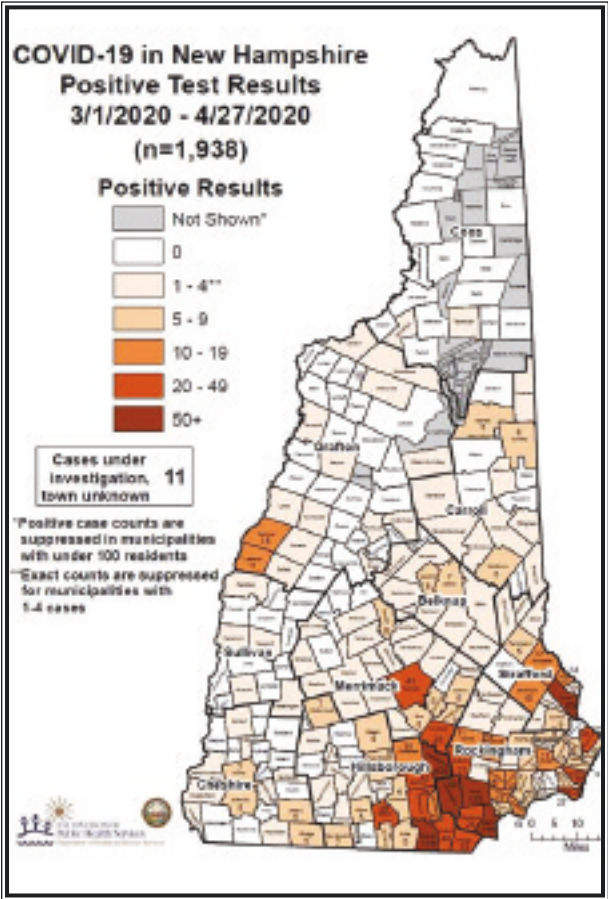
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State's Latest Update on the Coronavirus, COVID-19



The New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) has issued the following update on the new coronavirus, COVID-19

On Monday, April 27, 2020, DHHS announced 75 new positive test results for COVID-19. There have now been 1,938 cases of COVID-19 diagnosed in New Hampshire. Several cases are still under investigation. Additional information from ongoing investigations will be incorporated into future COVID-19 updates. Of those with complete information, there are four individuals under the age of 18 and the rest are adults, with 49% being female and 51% being male. The new cases reside in Rockingham (25), Hillsborough County other than Manchester and Nashua (10), Belknap (4), Merri-

mack (2), Cheshire (2), and Carroll (1) counties, and in the cities of Manchester (13) and Nashua (12). The county of residence is being determined for 6 new cases.

Four new hospitalized cases were identified for a total of 246 (13%) of 1,938 cases. Five of the new cases have no identified risk factors. Community-based transmission continues to increase in the State and has been identified in all counties with cases. Most of the remaining cases have either had travel to domestic or international locations or have had close contact with a person with a confirmed COVID-19 diagnosis.

Current Situation in New Hampshire:

County	Cases
Belknap	35
Carroll	31
Cheshire	38
Coos	2
Grafton	48

Hillsborough	
Manchester	405
Nashua	178
Other	276
Merrimack	128
Rockingham	643
Strafford	32
Sullivan	11
CountyTBD	11
Total	1,938

Persons with COVID-19	1,938
Recovered	798 (41%)
Deaths	60 (3%)
Total COVID-19 Cases	1,080
Persons Who Have Been Hospitalized for COVID-19	246 (13%)
<i>Includes specimens presumptive-positive at any laboratory and those confirmed by CDC confirmatory testing.</i>	
Current Hospitalizations	99
Number of patients currently hospitalized with COVID-19 as reported by hospitals.	19

Persons Tested Negative at Selected Laboratories

18,207

Includes specimens tested at the NH Public Health Laboratories (PHL), Lab-Corp, Quest, Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center, and those sent to CDC prior to NH PHL testing capacity.

Persons with Specimens Submitted to NH PHL

8,515

Persons with Test Pending at NH PHL

223

Includes specimens received and awaiting testing at NH PHL. Does not include tests pending at commercial laboratories.

Persons Being Monitored in NH (approximate point in time)

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NH DHHS Daily Update on COVID-19 Archive

For more information, please visit the DHHS COVID-19 webpage at www.nh.gov/covid19.

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DERRY

Couch to 5K

The Greater Derry Track Club is adjusting as well. We are trying to be optimistic about summer activities. We are hoping to schedule our Couch to 5K programs this summer. However, it's up in the air as to whether the associated race will be the Run for Freedom on July 4. Thank you to those of you who sponsored the 2020 Coach to 5K program. We are grateful and hope to provide this program within the year. If you have any questions please send me an email: fdlay@gdtc.org

Taylor Library Closed

Taylor Library Closed For the safety of all patrons the Taylor Library will be closed starting Sunday, planed to re-opening on Monday May 4. Any fines/late fees during this period will be waived. Please monitor the website for any updates during this time period. Thank You Linda Merrill Library Director

Touch A Truck!

Free family event offers hands-on opportunities for children to Explore, Climb, and Touch trucks, emergency response vehicles, heavy machinery, and other equipment. On June 6, from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. at West Running Brook Middle School 1 West Running Brook Lane, Derry. A kid's fire muster will be held on the rear field hosted by your very own Derry Fire Department Prepare to be Amazed by the BMX Stunt Show who will be promoting helmet safety and showing off their BMX skills. Don't forget to pick up your Free all-purpose helmet provided by the Derry Police Department and get sized by Derry PD Officers with assistance from Derry

Cooperative School Staff Members! Jump in line early - helmet sizes and numbers are limited. BMX Stunt Shows will take place at 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. Horn/siren free hour is 10 - 11 a.m. (for sensitive ears). Overflow parking is located at the following locations: Derry SAU Office: 18 South Main St., and Derry Village School: 28 South Main St. A free shuttle will be provided to and from the event at each above location.

Derry Garden Club Annual Scholarship

The Derry Garden Club is pleased to offer a \$1,000 scholarship to a graduated or soon to graduate New Hampshire student who plans to pursue a career in Environmental Studies. This could include Botany, Landscape Design, Forestry, Horticulture or a variety of other subjects. Application and Procedure information is available on the Derry Garden Club webpage www.derrygardenclub.org or in the scholarship information available to students at Pinkerton Academy and Londonderry High School. Materials are due by May 1, to Kathy Lane, 51 Drew Woods Drive, Derry, NH, 03038.

Annual Plant Sale

The Derry Garden Club's annual plant sale has a new location this year at the Robert Frost Farm, Route 28, in Derry on May 30 from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. This event is our biggest fundraiser for the year and all proceeds go toward improving Conservation efforts in town and supporting our community projects. The plants come from our members' gardens as well as those donated by nurseries and our supporters. Our plants are guaranteed to be "clean". We make every effort not to transmit diseases and abide by all good garden-

ing practices. We have knowledgeable gardeners on site to answer any questions you may have. Please join us on May 30.

Derry Lions

The Derry Lions meet on the first and third Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at the Marion Gerrish Community Center at 39 West Broadway, Derry. The Derry Lions are part of one of the largest civic organizations in the world. We are looking for new members to enable us to continue our support of the community. For decades, we have provided eye exams and eye glasses for needy members of the community. For more information contact us at derrylionclub@gmail.com or google Lions International. We look forward to seeing you at a future meeting.

HAMPSTEAD

Congregational Church

During the climate right now could you publish that Hampstead Congregational Church will be holding online services on Sunday mornings at 10 a.m. Streaming on Facebook Live all information can be found on our website hampsteaducc.org www.hampsteaducc.org/

Storytime Online

Hampstead Youth Services Librarian Devin

continues to post Storytime videos on the Library's Facebook page as well as the Library website. This has been a great way for toddlers to continue to connect with Devin and add to their budding reader routines. Upcoming Storytime themes include rainbows, butterflies, bugs, and dragons.

Storybook Walk

The Hampstead Public Library has put out their Storybook Walk on the Library's front lawn. The featured book is We're Going On A Bear Hunt. It starts near the stone-wall. Thanks to the Hampstead Mothers' Club for funding this project. The page-poles are at least 8' apart and should allow space for families to take turns, if more than one should visit at the same time. The Library will try to keep the story-walk up for a couple of weeks, but the book pages may be taken down on rainy days, and put back up for sunny days. If a pole falls down, don't worry, we'll get there and fix it.

Online Spinning and Knitting

Librarian Nancy has taken her Spinning and Knitting group to Facebook. She created the Island Pond Knitters & Spinners group. Members share inspiration and photos of their latest creation. Look for it on Facebook, and ask to join. All needlework crafters are welcome.

Staying Closed

The Hampstead Library will remain closed to the public until at least May 4.

Thus, April and early May meetings and events are cancelled. As for items checked-out, patrons should keep the materials for now because the book drop is closed. No late fees will be generated during this time. Librarians continue to reach out to the public in virtual ways, utilizing phone, email, and social media.

EBooks

Hampstead Library cardholders can access hundreds of titles via NH Downloadable Books Consortium/Overdrive, and using computer, tablet, or smart phone. There are ebooks and audiobooks for children and adults. Now Overdrive's new Deliver Later feature helps manage reserves better. For example, if you're not ready for a book when it becomes available, choose the Deliver Later option. The title will go to the next waiting patron, but you won't lose your place in line. Hampstead Library patrons, who need help with downloading books or have questions, can email circulation@HampsteadLibrary.org.

Bonus Borrows

Hampstead Public Library cardholders can also access thousands of digital materials via hoopla. And now, hoopla Digital has curated the hoopla Bonus

Borrows Collection. This list of more than 1,000 titles includes self-help, graphic novels, thrillers, and much more. When patrons borrow any of the titles included in the Bonus Collection, they will not be debited from their normal allotment of borrows allowed in a month! The Bonus Borrows are available through April 30, 2020. They can be downloaded to computer, tablet, or phone.

Library Cards By Email

Hampstead Public Library staff can remotely set up new library cards for Hampstead residents in need. This can be particularly useful to students who now need to do more work from home. It is also good for Hampstead adults who have never had a card before, or who need to renew their card. All can email circulation@HampsteadLibrary.org to find out how to accomplish this. Cardholders get free access to many online services.

Library Help

While the library is closed, the Hampstead Public Library staff members continue to help the public. They check and respond to Library emails (circulation@HampsteadLibrary.org.) Facebook messages (on www.facebook.com/HampsteadLibrary)

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TOWN OF CHESTER PUBLIC HEARING

The Chester Planning Board will hold a Public Hearing on Wednesday, **May 13, 2020**, at 7:30 P.M. in the Meeting Room at the Municipal Office Building, 84 Chester Street to act on the following:

1. Site Plan Review Application of NASR Enterprise, LLC to lease space for an Edward Jones Financial Services Office located on the first floor at 4 Haverhill Road (Map 16 Lot 31).

If on this date public meetings are still prohibited due to the Covid19 pandemic, please visit the Planning Board's website to see the agenda for this meeting. The agenda will include instructions and links for how to view and participate in the meeting via online and by phone.

These documents can be viewed during regular business hours in the Planning Board's Office and the Town Clerk's Office at the Municipal Office Building. The documents are also available online on the Planning Board's webpages. Questions and/or comments should be directed to the Planning Board Office.

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Online Media

Hampstead Public Library cardholders can access free entertaining and educa-

tional resources 24/7 via www.HampsteadLibrary.org. This includes links to free digital downloads of books (Libby and Hoopla,) magazines (Flipster and Libby,) newspapers including the Eagle Tribune and Union Leader (NewsBank,) art and craft videos (Creativebug,) educational classes (Transparent Language and Universal Class,) and more. If Library patrons have any questions or need assistance using these services, they are welcome to email staff at circulation@HampsteadLibrar

y.org.

SANDOWN

Drop-in Playgroup

Parents and those caring for children ages newborn to 5 are invited to take part in a drop-in playgroup on the first and third Wednesdays of the month from 9 - 11 a.m. at the Ed Garvey Recreation Facility located at 25 Pheasant Run Drive, Sandown. Meet up with other parents for some adult conversation; let the kids play, do a simple craft

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Presbyterian Church

The Walking Together Group and the Walk With Me Group will be meeting together via zoom 7 p.m. every Tuesday, via computer or telephone. This is a support group for anyone who has lost a spouse, a family member or a friend. For information, contact: 781-866-9976 or jrk-dias@aol.com

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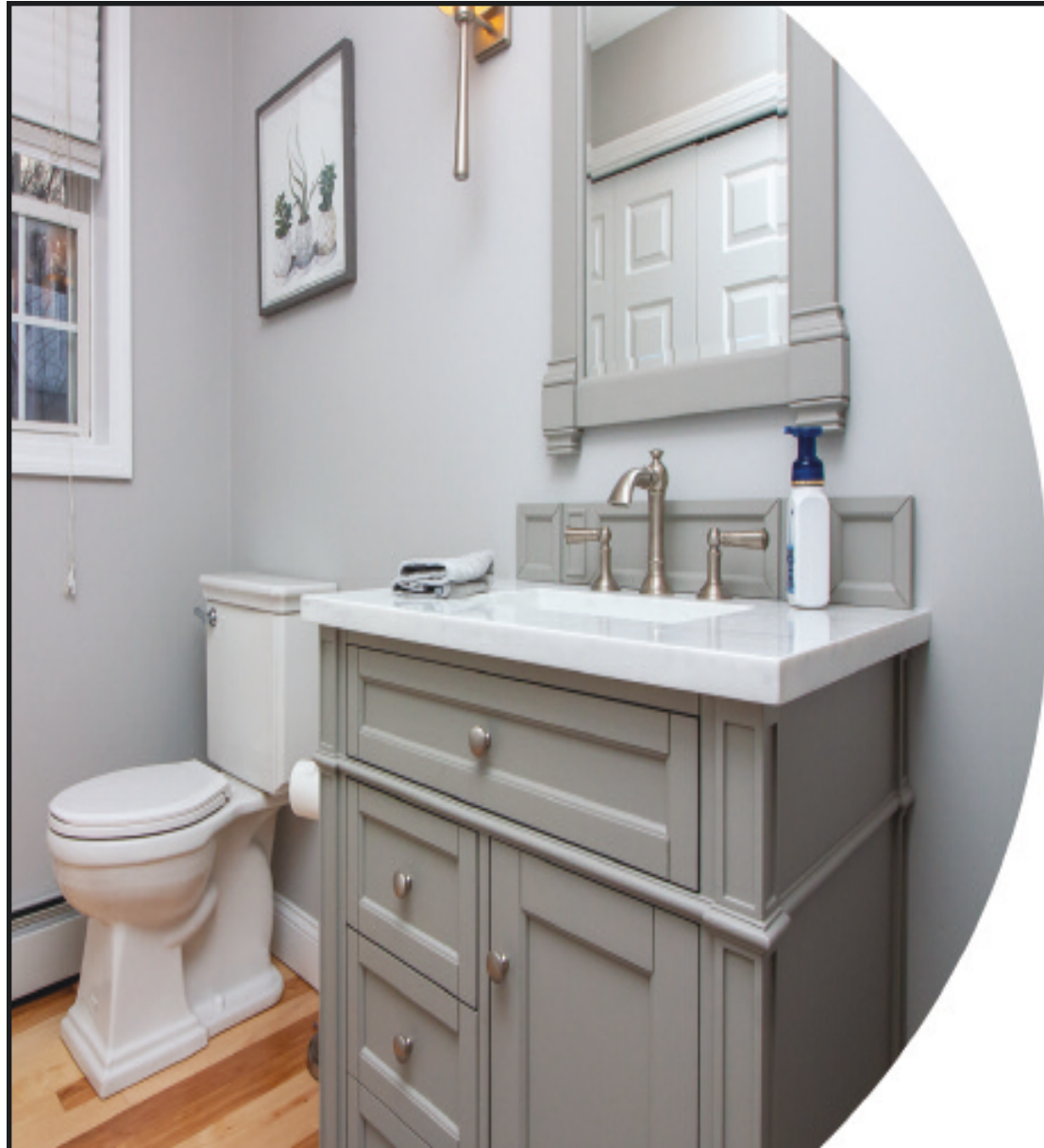
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