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## ***Big Veterinary Advances in Our Small Town***

by Kara Ferri

The Charlestown Animal Hospital on 23 Main Street has been part of our community since 2004 when Dr. Claire Lindo and her husband Reza' Marukelli opened the business. In the years since, they have seen well over 4,000 clients and have most recently welcomed a new Associate Veterinarian, Dr. Desmond Muther, who is a 2019 graduate of Virginia-Maryland Regional College of Veterinary Medicine and resident of Baltimore, Vermont.

This past year they partnered with MediVet Biologics allowing them to offer cutting edge regenerative medicine which includes stem cell therapy, platelet rich plasma and cancer vaccines for your four-legged companion. Stem cell therapy is a one-day surgical procedure that uses your pet's own repair cells extracted from adipose tissue (fat) and is proven to improve conditions such as arthritis, hip dysplasia, joint cartilage, ligament and tendon damage. Platelet Rich Plasma (PRP) is a non-surgical option requiring only a sample of your pets' blood and can be combined with stem cell therapy or used on its own to speed healing from injuries and assist with inflammation. PRP is used by some of today's biggest human athletes.

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In addition to the above, they also offer alternative spay/neuter options (ovarian sparing spay and vasectomy), in house ultrasound, and canine reproduction. Dr. Claire, Dr. Desmond, Reza', and all the staff at the Charlestown Animal Hospital welcome new clients and anyone with questions! For more information on their many advanced services and facility, you can view their revamped website at: [www.charlestownanimalhospital.com](http://www.charlestownanimalhospital.com), call them at (603) 826-3300, or follow them on Facebook!



*Reza Marukelli, Claire Lindo, Dr. Desmond Muther*

## EXEMPTIONS AND CREDITS

Anyone wishing to file an application for a property tax exemption or credit should be aware that the deadline to file is quickly approaching. Applications and all proper documentation must be received at the Selectboard's Office by April 15th. Exemptions are available for the elderly, disabled and blind. Tax credits are available to Veterans who were honorably separated from military service.

To qualify for the elderly exemption you must meet the following criteria. You must be 65 years of age or older, a New Hampshire resident for three consecutive years as of April 1st, own and occupy the real estate, have a gross income of \$25,000 or, if married, a combined gross income of not more than \$35,000. Excluding your residence, you may not have more than \$50,000 in assets. The amount of the exemption depends on the age of the taxpayer.

To qualify for the disabled exemption you must meet the following criteria. You must be eligible under Title II of Title XVI of the federal Social Security Act for benefits to the disabled. You must be a resident of New Hampshire for five consecutive years as of April 1st, own and occupy the real estate, have a gross income of \$25,000 or, if married, a combined income of not more than \$35,000. Excluding your residence, you may not have more than \$35,000 in assets. The amount for this exemption is \$10,000.

A \$15,000 blind exemption is available to individuals who are legally blind as determined by the Blind Services Program, Bureau of Vocational Rehabilitation, Department of Education. If you think you may qualify for an exemption or credit please contact the Selectboard's Office and further information can be provided.

## RE-USE BUILDING CLOSED TEMPORARILY

On March 3 the Re-Use Building re-opened its doors, and many folks were very happy to see that. Now we are again closed.

Please remember that someone else might find the items that you are hoarding out treasures that they would love to own. Hopefully we'll still have our Town-wide Yard Sale this July. You may be able to make some extra cash then. If not, hold on to your hand me downs for a while longer. We will be back in business sometime.....



## NOTICE

"Due to health concerns with the Corona Virus, it has been decided to postpone Charlestown's Old Home Day until 2021. As soon as preparations are underway, more information will be forthcoming."

The Town offices are open by appointment only. 8am – 4pm until April 6. At that time the situation will be reviewed. Please be sure to check the website, [www.charlestown-nh.gov](http://www.charlestown-nh.gov), for updates.

The Rabies Clinic scheduled for April 4 has been rescheduled, the new date is April 18, 2020.

## INVENTORY OF TAXABLE PROPERTY

It is the time of year again when property owners will be receiving their Inventory of Taxable Property forms. These "inventories" will be distributed either on Tuesday, March 10th, Election Day, or if you are unable to come and vote they will be mailed to you shortly after.

These "inventories" are used by the Town for many purposes; not only to determine if the property has had any additions, alterations, deletions or improvements, but also to keep track of residency. When you complete your inventory please be sure to complete step five, by listing all persons that live at that residence. This step is important for persons who are receiving property exemptions or credits, exemptions and credits are only allowed on a person's primary residence. If step five is not completed the Selectmen's Office will be contacting all property owners that we feel may have school age children or property owners that receive a property exemption or credit to verify residency.

We also ask that you sign your inventory before returning it to the Selectmen's Office on April 15th, 2020.



## LOW AND MODERATE TAX RELIEF PROGRAM THROUGH THE STATE

The State is no longer mailing form DP-8 to individuals who have previously applied for the Low and Moderate Tax Relief Program. Forms are available online at [www.nh.gov/revenue](http://www.nh.gov/revenue) or in the Town Offices.

An eligible claimant is a person who is: Single with adjusted gross income equal to or less than \$20,000; Married or head of NH household with adjusted gross income less than or equal to \$40,000; who must also: Own a homestead subject to the State Education Property Tax; and have resided in that homestead on April 1 of the year for which the claim is made.

For more information or to check the status of a claim after it is filed, please contact the State at (603) 230-5000.

Applications must be postmarked no earlier than May 1 and no later than June 30, 2020.

## COMMUNITY MEALS CANCELLED

Unfortunately we will not be hosting the Friday night meals on the second and fourth weeks of the month, until the current Coronavirus is behind us. Please look for the sandwich sign at the corner of Railroad and Main Streets in the future. We hope to see you soon.

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**CHARLESTOWN ELECTION****WARRANT VOTE TOTALS-MARCH 10, 2020**

	YES Vote Total	NO Vote Total
Article 1	Bond	
	614	796
Article 2	Operating Budget	
	753	643
Article 3	Fire Truck Lease-Purchase	
	792	621
Article 4	Transfer Station Roll-off Truck C/R	
	821	572
Article 5	Real Estate Appraisal C/R	
	771	629
Article 6	Ambulance Equipmt Maint Reserve	
	1006	382
Article 7	Support of Senior Center	
	1121	272
Article 8	Emergency Communications Impr C/R	
	996	382
Article 9	FM Withdrawal Expenses	
	571	816
Article 10	Fort at 4	
	929	417

**THE VRYLING LOVELL HOUSE**

Barara Bullock Jones

The Vryling Lovell house is now the artist Gerarde Doucette house (see February 19, 2020, Eagle Times.) Jay Doucette bought the house in 1985 and is restoring it. Located on the lower side of Main Street in Charlestown, New Hampshire, the house has 160 years of history.

Vryling Lovell graduated from Dartmouth College in 1803 and came to Charlestown to teach. On January 7, 1804, he married Laura Hubbard. Lovell left teaching, and with a partner, established a store on lower Main Street. In 1825, he built his house with bricks made in the yard at the north end of Main Street, next to Clay Brook, where the fire and police stations are now. In 1828, Lovell represented Charlestown in the state legislature.

The store, built of brick, was moved to the center of town north of the Darrah Tavern. At one o'clock in the morning on April 1, 1842, a prisoner set a fire in the jail that burned all the buildings on the west side of Main Street from Depot Street to the Stone Cottage.

Mr. Lovell died in 1858, leaving his brick house to his daughters, Laura Elizabeth (Lovell) Cushing and Nancy Lovell. Judge Cushing and his wife, Laura, had three daughters. One of

**TOWN OFFICERS**

Selectboard 3year  
 Steven Neill 564  
 William Rescsanski 570  
 Scott Wade 691  
 Write ins 212

Selectboard 1 year  
 Wiilliam Rescsanski 114  
 John Streeter 315  
 Jeremy Wood 221  
 Robert Beaudry 284  
 Nancy Houghton 306  
 Write ins 16

Town Clerk  
 Patricia Chaffee 1235  
 Write ins 18

Supervisor of the Checklist  
 Emily St. Pierre 1183  
 Write ins 12

Trustee of Trust Fund  
 Barbara Hewes 39  
 Jeremy Wood 34  
 Write ins 80

Library Trustee  
 James Fowler 850  
 Shannon Glidden 936  
 Write ins 4

Cemetery Trustees  
 Rose Smith-Hull 1175  
 Write ins 4

Planning Board  
 Alan Putnam 531  
 Rose Smith-Hull 292  
 Jeremy Wood 366  
 Gabriel Bailey 649  
 Robert Frizzell 348  
 Write ins 9

Finance 3 year  
 Gabriel Bailey 890  
 Robert Davis 551  
 Scott Wade 558  
 Write ins 15

Finance 1 year  
 Patricia Chaffee 863  
 Trina Dearborn 387  
 Write ins 8

**CHARLESTOWN SENIOR CENTER**

By Kathy Royce Mitchell

The Charlestown Senior Center has been closed due to the Coronavirus threat. Director Kathy Mitchell and Assistant Director Lynda Sheldon have been stopping into the Center a few days each week to check our phone messages and to return calls. All activities through April of 2020 have been canceled. Our April 1st potluck as well as the April 4th turkey supper have been canceled. Programs for May are still scheduled, and we will hold out hope that the threat will pass before they have to be canceled.

If you have foot or blood pressure clinic appointments, you will receive a call from the Lake Sunapee VNA or the Keene HCS canceling your appointments.

We wish good health to all in our community, and we look forward to seeing you once the virus has passed.

I think the Town of Charlestown had a record turnout for the Town Meeting Day on March 10, 2020. Thank you all for voting.

Thank you too for removing all the road signs in such a timely manner. - Pat Royce

them, Mary Stearns Cushing, kept a diary that has been published by the Charlestown Historical Society. You can buy a copy of The Judge's Daughter, a New Hampshire Girl's Diary 1861-1866 from them.

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FALL MOUNTAIN REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT ELECTION RESULTS							
March 10, 2020							
SCHOOL BOARD							
		ACWORTH	ALSTEAD	CHARLESTOWN	LANGDON	WALPOLE	TOTAL
Charlestown-3 yr. term	Scott Bushway	77	167	605	71	318	1238
	Shelly Blouin-Andrus	69	157	638	52	276	1192
	Write-In	1	4	86	1	0	92
Langdon-3 yr. term	Mary Henry	156	340	840	99	562	1997
	Write-In	1	10	44	12	6	73
Moderator-1 yr. term	Leroy Watson	160	366	1004	88	688	2306
	Write-In	2	4	23	0	7	36
WARRANT ARTICLES							
		ACWORTH	ALSTEAD	CHARLESTOWN	LANGDON	WALPOLE	TOTAL
Article 1 (School Budget)	YES	152	309	681	124	720	1986
	NO	73	144	696	44	189	1146
Article 2 (Acworth Projects)	YES	195					195
	NO	34					34
Article 3 (Alstead Projects)	YES		382				382
	NO		72				72
Article 4 (Charlestown Upgrades)	YES			864			864
	NO			509			509
Article 5 (Charlestown Secure Entrances)	YES			697			697
	NO			627			627
Article 6 (Langdon Projects)	YES				148		148
	NO				22		22
Article 7 (Walpole Projects)	YES					839	839
	NO					103	103
Article 8 (FMRHS Projects)	YES	177	340	785	137	800	2239
	NO	42	104	564	28	123	861
Article 9 (Capital Reserve)	YES	171	325	704	133	766	2099
	NO	49	115	640	33	142	979
Article 10 (Walpole Land)	YES	180	343	860	135	847	2365
	NO	30	76	384	19	84	593
Article 11 (Withdrawal)	YES	12	26	509	17	47	611
	NO	220	430	905	154	911	2620



**FMRHS STUDENTS TEACHING STUDENTS AND  
EARLY LEARNING CENTER  
MENTOR PROGRAM**

The high school mentors and the Early Learning Center (ELC) students have enjoyed fun alphabet and number themed physical education days together. There were lots of relay races, games and laughs. Two of the mentors are interns at the ELC and spend either block two or four at the Early Learning Center. On Valentine’s Day the mentors did an activity called “A Love for

Books,” the high school students picked out and purchased a book for each ELC student based on the ELC child’s interest. On February 14th the mentors got to read and discuss the book with their mentee. For this special day mentors spent the day with both the morning and afternoon ELC classes. The ELC students got to keep the book, one ELC student stated as soon as they finished reading his book, “Again, again, lets read the book again!” Our goal is to promote a love for books and reading. This activity was funded by an IDEA Award, the mentors would like to thank Teacher Council for this grant.

## BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

Troop #31

Greetings from Troop 31!

As you can imagine, Troop activities were altered a bit for the end of March, and will continue to be throughout April. The Daniel Webster Council advised that all units adhere to the guidelines of groups of no more 10 and to follow scheduling of the local schools.

As a result of the recommendations by the professionals, the Spaghetti Dinner generally held on the last Saturday of April will be postponed. While we hope by the end of April things have begun to return to normal, at the moment we do not feel having the dinner as a take-out only will work, nor is there enough time to organize that format. However, as soon as everything returns to normal, the dinner will be rescheduled. Notices will go out as soon as the new date is set.

Despite the hiatus of traditional meetings, our Troop has persevered and found a way to stay active and continue working towards merit badges and summer plans. Through emails and Facebook messaging, the scouts spent several days exploring resources to allow them to meet using video chats. They began using these resources in March and continued their weekly meetings. We should all be proud of the determination and flexibility of our troop. They worked together, without adult intervention, in order to continue on with their work. What an amazing group of kids we have!

The Troop is currently working towards their Citizenship badges and requirements. They are also eager to help in any way they can. If you know of groups or individuals that need help the Troop can provide, please contact Scoutmaster Joe Town at the number below or send them a Facebook message.

New scouts are still always welcome. All new scouts will be eligible to attend summer camp with the troop in late July. Hidden Valley has a fabulous program for first year scouts that really gets them jump started in scouting. These are memories that last a lifetime. For more information on camp or how to join please give Scoutmaster Joe Town a phone call (826-5158).

## SOCIAL DISTANCING & STAYING POSITIVE

I know how hard it is right now for people to stay positive. Many are scared, reduced hours, out of work... I keep seeing & hearing people make/write such negative comments about the situation & others. Please please look for the good.

I have seen:

- Closed tattoo parlors donating PPE
- People sewing masks for health care workers
- People checking on the elderly – ones they don't even know!
- Closed delis, markets donating food items
- People buying gift certificates from closed businesses to help keep them afloat
- People volunteering their time
- Businesses offering places for truckers to park & sleep
- Businesses offering to allow walk ups for truckers to get food
- People offering to get food/run errands for others
- Places not mandated to close doing so anyway to help stop the spread

These are just a drop in the bucket of what I have seen out there. Some make me smile, others make me tear up on the generosity of others or that the need is so great.

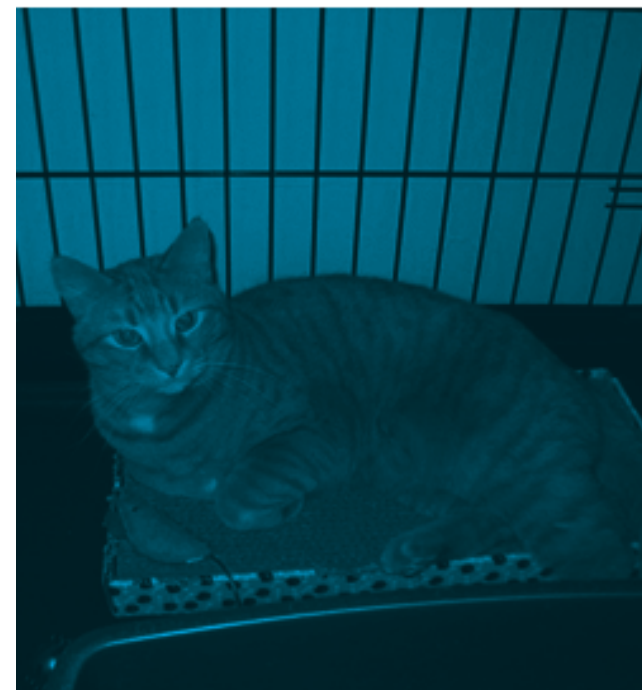
Remember, try not to judge others, you don't know what their situation is. Some prices will go up and it might not be the owner's fault – the cost of materials might have gone up just as much. Some people still have to work – they will be out and about. For those of us still lucky to be able to work, we have the same bills to pay that we always do so might not be able to do all – but help where you can. These are your friends, neighbors, HUMANKIND. We are in this together. Watch out for scams, check on your neighbors..

- Have a living room dance contest
- Have a date night in
- Game night
- Craft night
- Hike/walk/jog

Be there for each other – at an acceptable distance. Charlestown pulls together when the chips are down – we got this! Hope all are safe!

~ A Chucktown Kid

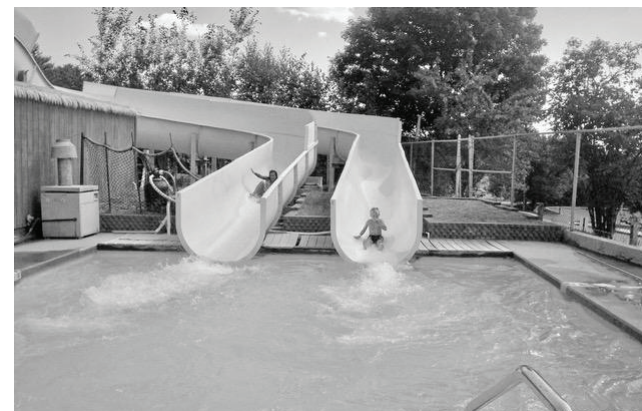
*Do not give up, the beginning is always the hardest.*



## RIVER VALLEY ANIMAL PROTECTION LEAGUE

by Beth Martin

Hi, My name is Sammy and I have a twin sister named Sophia, we are both orange tiger mixed kitties. We are 4 years old, been vet checked, and are fixed. We love children, catnip is one of our favorite things, we love to play. Our family had to move and couldn't take us with them. We are looking for another forever home. I really want to stay with my sister, as we have never been apart. We don't like to be outside as we could get into trouble. My friends at River Valley Animal Protection League would love to have you come and see us. We are at 60 Cummings Street, Charlestown, NH and the hours are Saturday 2-4pm, Monday 4-7pm or you can call and make an appointment to see me at 603 826 3061. Website: <https://rivervalleyapl.wordpress.com/>.



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## CHARLESTOWN PRIMARY SCHOOL



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play and learn!*

PreK and Kindergarten pre-registration is happening now at CPS for the 2020/21 school year! Please remember you must be a resident of Charlestown and your child must be 4 years old by September 30, 2020 to qualify for our PreK program and 5 years old by September 30, 2020 to qualify for our Kindergarten program. Please contact Amy Giuseppone in the school office at (603) 826-3694 or [awyman@sau60.org](mailto:awyman@sau60.org). Thank you!

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*It won't be long before we're out  
mowing the lawn.  
Snow today, gone tomorrow!*



## VEGETARIAN TEENS

Teens become vegetarians for many different reasons. Regardless of why a teen stops eating some or all animal-based foods, parents play an important role in helping make sure their child gets all the vitamins, minerals and other nutrients necessary for growth and good health.

Vegetarianism can mean avoiding all meats, dairy products, and eggs or eating dairy and eggs but no meat. Some vegetarians even eat small amounts of fish occasionally. Talking with teens about which animal-based foods they do and do not wish to include in their diets, and why, helps parents provide support and ensure their kitchen is stocked with a variety of plant-based offerings. Adapt Recipes: Look with your teen for recipes that can be adapted for the family. Start with dishes that include vegetables and a whole grain, along with a protein that can be added after cooking, such as, grilled tofu or beans for the vegetarian and grilled chicken breast or ground meat for other family members.

Encourage a vegetarian teen to try new foods and be adventurous. If your teen is hesitant to try new foods, it may be hard to meet their needs for nutrients like protein, iron and calcium. Tofu, kidney and other beans, edamame (soy beans), quinoa, dark leafy greens, fortified soy milk and fortified orange juice are just a few of the many nutrient-rich plant-based options. Remind teens to replace animal-based foods with nutritious foods rather than with empty calories from chips, fries, soft drinks, desserts or candy.

Have Your Teen Help: A vegetarian meal can be a healthy choice for the whole family, so let your teen plan and help create a family meal at least once a week. Work with your teen to create a menu and shopping list, and go shopping together.

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## UPCOMING FMRHS MUSIC DEPARTMENT ACTIVITIES:

May 16 Saturday Spring Concert - Band & Choir - Auditorium, 4pm

May 21 Jazz Band / Madrigal Concert - Auditorium, 7pm

May 25 Memorial Day Parades: 8am-1:30pm  
(Langdon 9am/ Acworth 10:30am / Alstead 12:15pm)

May 26 District Middle Tour - Jazz Band & Madrigals 8am-2:30pm

TBD June Graduation - Band, 9:15am-12pm  
Date TBA after April 1st by the School Board



## FMEEA 2020 DISTRICT DASH CANCELLED

The Board of the Fall Mountain Educational Endowment Association has announced the cancellation of the April 26, 2020 5K District Dash due to the Coronavirus that we are all dealing with now. We had already received checks from several local businesses and will be returning their money soon. We thank them for supporting us with this fundraiser and hope we can count on them next year, when things are back to normal. Thank you also to the many racers who had registered online. We are working with that company to refund your money as well.

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## BE CAREFUL, BE POSITIVE

I want to talk to you about good news. Lately, I have tried a few times to put out some positives in these uncertain times and have gotten immediate push-back. Some have interpreted my statements as urging a relaxing of your vigilance, or complacency. Nothing could be further from the truth. You are all making huge adjustments in your lives. Teachers and school personnel had one week to figure out how to teach remotely. Restaurants immediately had to move to a take out model and some have begun delivery or curbside service. Meanwhile, cashiers and other front line people have still chosen to go to work and risk exposure just so that your family can have the supplies you need, and we are grateful. First-responders and nurses still go to work. It appears that our county has the least exposure to this outbreak for some unknown reason. Be glad. That means that your efforts and sacrifice are worthwhile, working, and you should keep doing it because it matters.

My father in law is in poor health and elderly. For a few years now, we have had to make the hard decision to not see him if one of us felt sick. Any simple cold can seriously affect his health. We lost him for a few minutes last year, but they were able to revive him. Knowing the seriousness of his condition, we understand that sometimes love means staying away. Just yesterday, our daughter mentioned coming to visit and we had to say no, because people should not be traveling around visiting during this time of containment. Some of you are experiencing this for the first time. It isn't easy and it makes you cranky and conflicted. It is the right thing to do though. Neighbors have offered help to neighbors. Critical services like the food shelf continue to operate. This is the value of living in a place like ours. One of our neighbors scored some toilet paper on Amazon and asked if we needed any. People have offered to bring groceries and supplies to those who should not or can not go out. People still look for their neighbors lost pets. People have offered to cook and deliver meals to their neighbors. None of that is new. We live here and are proud because this is the type of thing we just do on a regular basis. The difference now is that we have to do it in extra sanitary fashion, from at least 6 feet away, and without shaking hands or offering a hug. It feels weird, but it matters and allows these support activities to continue. All of this is hard, but you do have to be able

to receive good news during this time and be glad for it. Will our county start logging cases of COVID? Probably. We are behind other places though and that is good news and we should be glad of it. Through our continued efforts to be vigilant and careful, we can be a safer place than more densely populated areas. I know this is a strange and scary time. The message I want to give you is that it is okay to receive good news and be happy about it. Good news does not mean that we should stop doing the things you are doing to keep us all safe. It just means that it is worth it. As long as everyone stays on their toes and follows the advice of the professionals working this problem, we aren't far away from sitting together at a restaurant or even (gasp) a buffet, and saying "Holy cow, remember March and the beginning of April? That was nuts". Until that all clear is given though, please follow instructions from DHHS and do everything you can to keep yourself and those around safe. Most of all, don't feel guilty if something makes you smile during all this.

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April is for Archaeology: Gender, Politics, and Family Squabbles at Ethan Allen's Homestead

With Daniel O'Neil, Director of the Ethan Allen Homestead

Saturday, April 11, Online

Ethan Allen was no stranger to conflict and [...]. Join us for a peek into Allen's famous family, their boisterous disagreements and political positioning when it came to women's voting equity.

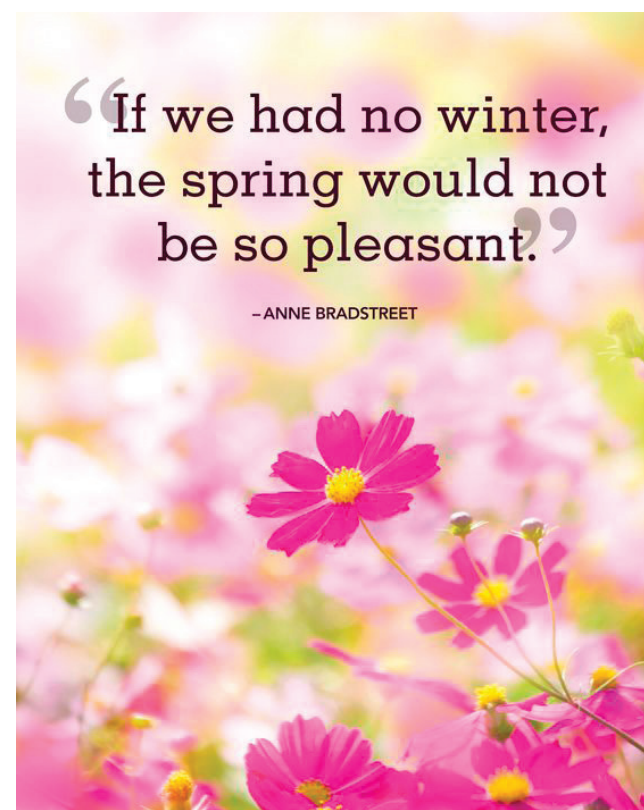
Easter Services in the 18th Century Style

Sunday, April 12 Online

Join us Sunday, April 12, for Easter Sunday Sunrise Services. Service will be done in the manner of the 18th century. A link to service and the accompanying service booklet will be available on the museum's website.

“If we had no winter,  
the spring would not  
be so pleasant.”

— ANNE BRADSTREET



## VFW NEWS

By Tom St.Pierre

Hopefully by the time you read this we are all starting to find a new normal to our lives. The deadline for the articles in this paper is the 20th of the month, so as we write these articles we can only guess as to the social climate of this country by the time the Our Town is published. Like most of the other non-profits our source of fundraising (Bingo in our case) has been shut down until at least the 7th of April and may possibly be extended beyond that date. We will post updates on our Post facebook page as they become available and hopefully our balls will be bouncing again before you know it!

For our members out there, we are still holding our monthly meeting on the second Monday of the month (April 13th) when we will be holding our annual election of officers and also voting on new bylaws governing how we run the Post. Please attend if healthy. For those of you who wish to attend but can't due to health concerns please call or email me prior to the meeting. We have plenty of space in the meeting room for our comrades who do attend to spread out without fear of infecting each other. As always we are looking for new members so if you know a Veteran who is eligible to join bring them along to the meeting.

For all the Veterans who need medical attention, whether at the VA or local medical facilities CALL before going. Then prepare for several rounds of questions, an abundance of patience will definitely be needed.

Up-coming events: Post Meeting 7:00 p.m. April 13th; The VFW Auxiliary meets on the same date and time as the VFW.

If you are wondering if you are eligible to join, you are welcome to stop in during bingo or you may call the Post at 826- 5186 and leave a message and we'll get back to you. Hall rentals are available, call Walter directly at 802-522-7055. Learn more about the VFW's programs at [www.vfw.org](http://www.vfw.org) or email at our new Post email: [vfw8497@gmail.com](mailto:vfw8497@gmail.com). Bingo is every Wednesday starting at 5:00 p.m. for Early Birds and 6:30 for regular games.

I'll finish with one last question. What have you done for your neighbor lately? Our community starts with our neighbors, it's a great place to start!

## CHARLESTOWN DEMOCRATS NEWS

We are all experiencing a life altering event that will impact how we will think, feel and act. We made it through March 10th with 1,440 voters coming out to vote at the Charlestown polls. This is a record for a Town Hall meeting. The passion and energy prior to the election quickly shifted to what we can do to help our neighbors as the Corona virus hit our state and close to our homes. With Charlestown and the other towns in our district providing such an outpouring of aid and comfort to others, then the final outcome will be victorious in so many ways. As Winston Churchill stated in a speech during WWII, "This will be our finest hour."

As to Charlestown Democrats News: Emmett Soldari, running for Executive Council District 2, was our Guest Speaker at our March 4th meeting. Emmett Soldari, a Somersworth resident, is a small business owner, activist and a graduate of the London School of Economics. He also works for an international nonprofit, FarmersFirstAfrica, to support climate knowledge and food security for subsistence farmers. Emmett presented with enthusiasm and knowledge of what he would bring to the Executive Council. Emmett is the forth candidate who has spoken to our group and he, along with Cinde Warmington, Craig Thompson and Leah Plunkett have all agreed to be part of a debate forum prior to the September primary. If restrictions are lifted, this will be arranged.

Charlestown now has a 5 member Selectboard. John Streeter (1 year seat), Bill Recsanski and Scott Wade (3 year seats) join Albert St. Pierre and Jeff Lessels to begin the work of making Charlestown strong and united. Congratulations to John, Bill and Scott and to all the others who stepped forward to run and to those elected to serve on the school board and town committees.

Charlestown Democrats will be suspending our monthly meetings at this time. In the meantime, Charlestown, keep up the kind, generous and great work supporting our Committees who will continue their duties in uncharted waters, the workers in health care, stores and restaurants and their employees that are staying open, our vulnerable neighbors, students and so many more such as the Charlestown Food Shelf who greatly appreciate your help and donations. Thanks and blessing to all who are posting con-

tact information for assistance and updates on our communities via the many town Forums. For those who are not on Facebook or a Forum, I am available to assist with information and contact numbers, etc. Kathleen Eames, Chair, Charlestown Democrats, 603-826-0100 or [kzetaeames@comcast.net](mailto:kzetaeames@comcast.net).

Be safe. Be well. Be kind.



## HOW THE EASTER BUNNY CAME ABOUT

By Beth Martin

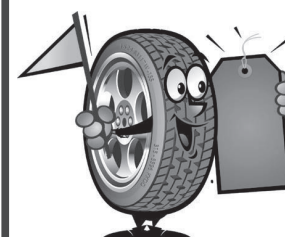
The Bible makes no mention of the Easter bunny, but it has become a symbol of Christianity's most important holiday. Rabbits (bunnies) are known to be prolific procreators and are an ancient symbol of fertility and new life.

The first Easter bunny came to America in the 1700's from the Germans, and they settled in Pennsylvania. The Germans showed their tradition of egg laying hares called "osterhase". Children then made nests where these colored eggs could lay. The custom went across America and it turned into rabbits Easter deliveries. Then came the chocolate, other candies and gifts, with decorated baskets.

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## MAKIN' THE MILES

Making the miles is going to be difficult right now for some of us, whether it's due to increased hours, kids home, anxiety etc. Lots of exercise programs are running free/low cost streaming right now.

Hiking/walking/Jogging are all an option as long as you practice safe distancing. Stay safe, keep the feet moving and hope to see all of us out and about soon. Warmer weather is coming!

The following are what I currently have for status on upcoming events. Quite a few of my races have already been cancelled, rescheduled or TBD.

Here are some upcoming events to look forward to:  
4-5: Dam Run in Springfield VT – **Unable to verify**

4-26: District Dash @ FMRHS\* - **cancelled**

4-26: Charlestown Sneaker Brigade Meet up – 2PM CPS\* - **cancelled**

5-2: Steppin' Up in Claremont NH – **unable to verify**

(Brigade has Team Turtlez set up if you'd like to join us)

5-9: Spring Into Health in Townshend VT– **Unable to verify**

5-9: Sunshine 5K in Newport NH – **Unable to verify**

5-16: Dandelion Run in Derby VT\* - **Postponed**

5-15: Chapman Challenge in Keene NH

5-23 & 5-26: Gunstock Mountain Trail Fest\*

The Charlestown Sneaker Brigade has a monthly meet up: 4th Sunday of every month (during the winter months we meet at 2 PM/summer months we will be changing to 6:30 PM)

We will be meeting at the Charlestown Primary School – snow or shine

Feel free to join us to walk, jog, run your preference.

\* Brigade members registered for these events.

We also have a facebook

page called Charlestown Sneaker Brigade – use it to meet up with others to walk/jog/run together.

~ Michelle Dole

## TURNING POINTS NETWORK

RESPONSE TO THE COMMUNITY  
REGARDING THE COVID-19 HEALTH CRISIS  
MARCH 20, 2020

YES, VICTIM SERVICES ARE STILL AVAILABLE 24-HOURS A DAY. WHILE SERVICES MAY HAVE CHANGED DUE TO THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC, THERE ARE SIX ADVOCATES RESPONDING TO SURVIVORS EVERY DAY.

Turning Points Network staff will continue to work remotely through April 5th to align with recommendations of public health officials and with local school closings. TPN staff are taking very seriously our responsibility to assume a role in minimizing the spread of COVID-19 as we continue to serve survivors of domestic and sexual violence in Sullivan County.

In an effort to be responsive to the recommendations of public health officials to engage in social distancing, Turning Points Network's offices will be modifying our work practices effective immediately.

We have made these decisions carefully, with full recognition that survivors' needs for support and advocacy will continue, and could even grow.

We have prioritized remaining available to survivors remotely as we navigate uncharted waters of service provision during this COVID-19 crisis as well as doing our part to minimize the risk to staff, volunteers, survivors, our own families, and members of our community.

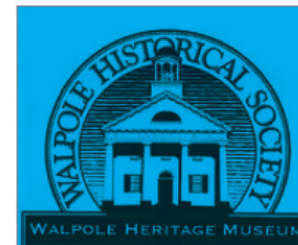
TPN's emergency shelter for survivors will remain open.

Turning Points Network staff will work remotely March 17-20. During this time staff will be working every day, from

locations other than our offices. We will be available during regular working

## WALPOLE PLAYERS CANCEL SHOW

Unfortunately, the Walpole Players had their "Radio Follies" on March 13 cancelled. And they had tryouts and cast "The Wind in the Willows" to be performed end of June as part of Walpole's every three years Old Home Days, but it is now cancelled/postponed since the Town Of Walpole has already cancelled the entire Old Home Days event. Don't know when, but we will rise again! Keep safe and well.



Please note that we have CANCELLED the April 10th speaker event on the Connecticut, New England's Great River by Adair Mulligan. We do plan to reschedule this at a later time. This was to be held at the Walpole Town Hall. Thank you.

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# ❖ CHURCH NEWS ❖

## **SOUTH PARISH UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CHURCH**

Rev. Robyn Carpenter – minister

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Sunday Services 10:30

To the dearly beloved community we are closing due to the seriousness of the corona virus and the safety of all people until further notice.

Spiritual consulting offered during office hours and by appointment.

Office hours Thursday 10:00 – 1:00.

*Any Questions call; 826-3418- email-  
spuuc1754@gmail.com*

Dearly beloved faith community – I hope you are still healthy and taking care of yourselves. You are all such precious beings.

Our church is closed right now because of the world wide pandemic and assuring your safety is the most important priority we have. This does not mean we can not still communicate. This is not a time to go with out the support of a faith community and I want you to know I am available to you . I want to offer audio support by phone on Sundays or other times as we go through this crisis together. Let me know if you would like a call on Sundays to spend a short time checking in with one another and ; praying, singing, listening to a poem and/ or just a chat. This is a chance for all of us to deepen our relationship with God, ourselves, and no one has to feel alone.

My number is 603-675-2559. When responding back to this email be sure to give me your telephone number I can most likely reach you at and what is a good time to call.

Namaste, Many, Many Blessing to you all,  
Rev. Robyn

*Old shoes and old friends are best.*

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March 17, 2020

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

The world in which we are living suffers many ills: war, poverty, disease and social unrest. In these present days, we are now all living with the fear and anxiety caused by the pandemic virus, COVID-19.

At all times, we ought to remember the words of Our Lord: “Behold I am with you always”. He is with us in the good times even when we fail to remember Him; He is with us in the bad times even when we are beset by fear and yet feel we must do it all ourselves. At these times I remember a few lines from a Psalm: “Only in God will my soul find rest; from Him comes my hope, my salvation. He alone is my rock of safety, my stronghold in whom I trust.” In times of crisis we must remember this very same God who shows His power when we are weak. St. Paul says: “When I am weak, it is Christ who is strong in me.” St. Paul was able, then, to turn to Christ for strength.

In times of crisis and great uncertainty, we look to this source of strength, our Faith, and we look to factual information to guide us to prudent decisions. That is why I have continued to celebrate Mass, personally, wherever asked, and also closely monitored and will continue to monitor information available from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services. Other similarly reliable sources added to the CDC and New Hampshire DHHS have been and will continue to guide the decisions in our own diocese concerning the Coronavirus, also known as COVID-19. As news of this situation continues to unfold, I wish to update you now and on an ongoing basis.

The celebration of Mass as we are accustomed to it in the diocese will change in light of the information we are receiving. We are mindful of our obligation to protect the most vulnerable and protect the common good.

I have reminded the priests of our diocese that

they must continue to celebrate daily and Sunday Mass with or without anyone present. No matter the circumstance, Canon law, the law governing church matters, requires that the intention for an announced Mass MUST be satisfied. Likewise, pastors bear a particular obligation to ensure that the weekly intention of the Mass Pro Populo (for all the people of the parish) is satisfied, applying the Mass for the welfare of the people entrusted to his care. It is a great and necessary comfort to those who cannot be present to know that their personal intentions will not be suspended or changed. It is also a great sign of care and a comfort for the people to know that the Mass is still being offered for all of them by their priests. As Bishop I intend to visit as many parishes as possible to offer Mass, no matter that the church will have few or be entirely empty. Your Bishop must follow the example of his predecessors who did the same and I am eager to do this to be in solidarity with you and our beloved tireless priests.

In light of the guidance I have received, attendance at Mass will not be available to the general public. A priest may include one, two or three members of his parish staff to be present at Mass if he and they so choose. Any former direction or suggestion is no longer possible. I encourage our pastors to have their churches open for extended hours of prayer and when appropriate, extended hours of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.

It pains me terribly to have to make this decision, but the severity of this world crisis reminds me of Our Lord who was bound and led away from his people to endure a suffering beyond all imagining – and this was done to Jesus who is God! Now, we are bound and led away from one another – we who are the People of God by Baptism. How can we not undergo a portion of the suffering He endured to save us from death?

Mass continues, thanks be to God! For the home-bound – which now, many of our Faithful must be, the EWTN Television Network televises the Mass twice a day each day. Boston’s Catholic Television also broadcasts the Mass each day. Other television stations and live streamed broadcasts over the internet also provide this limited and incomplete but, nonetheless in these circumstances, precious vehicle of the Church’s highest form of prayer. Make this viewing a priority in

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your home until we can all return to the Mass in our parish home.

Our priests have advised me that without the regular support of their parishioners they are very concerned that they will not be able to meet their regular financial obligations. Our diocesan offices are eager to help them. Your pastors will most likely reach out to you, hoping that you will continue to support your parish. Please do your best—even if, while you are watching the Mass on television you take up a collection in the living room and arrange for your gift of support to be brought to the parish. Online giving is something many parishioners do so that in snowstorm or while away on vacation their gifts continue. If you'd like, I'm sure our pastors would be willing to help you.

Throughout His Blessed Passion Jesus prayed to His heavenly Father. In the Agony in the Garden He prayed and angels came to minister to Him. During this time, let's follow this example of Jesus' fervent prayers in time of trial. During His walk to Calvary He encountered His Sorrowful Mother. Let's take up the Rosary and The Litany of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Here in these prayers we hear our story already told in the mysteries of the Rosary and in the titles of our Blessed Mother in the Litany. From the Cross Jesus forgave everyone. Let's follow His mercy and heal divisions, forego blame and ask pardon for our own offenses. While in the Tomb, Jesus' body rested after the rigors of the Crucifixion, yet His soul went to Hades to rescue and bring to Heaven the souls of those who had died before. Let's follow Him yet again and take this time of social distancing to allow the body to be less subject to the rigors of having to run from one thing to another with no time to even share a special moment at the family table. Let's spend time with "our own" who might sometimes feel like they are not with us anymore. When the stone was rolled away and the earth shook, the Tomb turned into a chapel of the presence of angels who announced that we had all come through to new Life with the Risen Christ. Let's follow just once more and renew our Baptismal Promises and our belief in the Father, The Son and The Holy Spirit. Stronger than when we began, let us be one in Christ!

Faithfully yours in Christ,

+ Bishop Libasci

## ANGLICAN CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

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The Rev. David Moody

Our brothers and sisters in Christ. We live in uncertain times. As you all are well aware, the COVID-19 virus is rapidly spreading in specific parts of the country. Like many other churches, our Bishop has decided that in the interest of public safety and welfare. Therefore, The Anglican Church of the Good Shepherd is cancelling worship services until such time as public health officials say that the need for self-isolation is over. The main goal of this is to try to reduce the rapid spread of the virus, particular among those most vulnerable such as the elderly and those with underlying health conditions. We need to pay attention to those medical professionals who are making important recommendations regarding gathering in even small groups.

We have not shown a calendar for April because of the uncertainties facing our nation. However, we will post any current information on our Facebook page referenced below. On a more cheerful note, the Fort at No. 4 and Good Shepherd will collaborate to stream on Easter morning, April 12, a pre-recorded Morning Prayer Service using the 1662 Book of Common Prayer and one of the Great Homilies on the Resurrection of Christ. The time of this virtual event will be listed on the Fort's website < <http://www.fortat4.org/> >.

During this time of trial and tribulation, we share a common bond of experiencing together a crisis that we hope and pray will strengthen us a community and as a nation. Pray for your neighbors and for your country and put your trust in God.

### *In Time of Great Sickness and Mortality*

O most mighty and merciful God, in this time of grievous sickness, we flee unto thee for succor. Deliver us, we beseech thee, from our peril; give strength and skill to all those who minister to the sick; prosper the means made use of for their cure; and grant that, perceiving how frail and uncertain our life is, we may apply our hearts unto that heavenly wisdom which leadeth to eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen (1928 BCP, p. 45)

During the continuing COVID-19 emergency, please consult our Facebook page for current information on church services. Search Facebook for "Anglican Church of the Good Shepherd, Charlestown, NH"

For more information, please contact the Rev. Arthur Bennett at (603) 542-5011 or by email: [blessedbearnh1@myfairpoint.net](mailto:blessedbearnh1@myfairpoint.net). Search Facebook for Anglican Church of the Good Shepherd, Charlestown, NH.

## ALL SAINTS PARISH

Catherine's Church - Charlestown

St. Peter's Church - North Walpole

Pastor: Father John Loughnane

Masses Saturdays at St. Peter's Church 4pm

Sundays at 8:30AM - St. Peter's

10:30AM - St. Catherine's

## From the Pastor's Desk



Our parish Knights of Columbus and Altar Rosary Society are devout men and women who serve the parish and our community in so many ways. The altar rosary society serves the poor and the needy and comforts the grieving. The Knights reach out to all in need and lend a hand to all who are struggling.

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## CHARLESTOWN BIBLE CHURCH

I was frightened of a lot of things when I was a child. I remember often lying in my bed at night, worried, anxious, even petrified of things seen and unseen. Then my dad or my mom would come in and sing to me. It was a simple song, really. "What time I am afraid, I will trust in Thee; I will lean upon Thy Word, of Thy truth and mercy learn; what time I am afraid I will trust in Thee". These words were taken from Psalm 56:3-4. My dad wrote the words and music which he would sing to my siblings and me when we were afraid. And yes, the song helped. Was this a coincidence? I believe that hearing that song, with the words taken from Scripture, helped me to take my mind off my problems and fears, and to focus on my great God instead. This is the same attitude that will get us through these trying times. Our government does not have all the answers. The healthcare industry can only do so much. And if we look within ourselves we just see anxiety and fear. Holocaust survivor, Corrie Ten Boom said this, "If you look at the world, you'll be distressed. If you look within, you'll be depressed. But if you look at Christ, you'll be at rest". Only Christ can give us the peace we long for. "You will keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on You, because he trusts in You." (Is. 26:3) If you don't know Jesus as your Savior, you may seek after Him today. He is waiting for you! "You will seek Me and find Me, when you search for Me with all your heart." (Jer. 29:13) "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and you shall be saved." (Acts. 16:31). If you do know Jesus, remember God is in control. He knows the end from the beginning. He has good plans for you! "For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, says the Lord, thoughts of peace and not of evil, to give you a future and a hope." (Jer. 29:11) Believer, trust! Trust God that His Word is true. "And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are the called according to His purpose." (Romans 8:28) ~ Amy Becker

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## THE NORTH CHARLESTOWN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

We begin the month of April with the commencement of Holy Week on Palm/Passion Sunday on April 5th at 9 AM. As we begin Holy Week we will recall first our Lord's triumphal entry into the city of Jerusalem to the shouts of acclamation on Palm Sunday and then the story of our Lord's suffering---his passion and death as the week unfolds.

On Good Friday, April 10th at 7 PM we will remember the death of our Lord with a Service for Good Friday. This is a powerful service enabling us to reflect on the death of Jesus and its meaning for us.

On April 12th, we will begin our celebration of the glorious Resurrection of our Lord with an Easter Sunrise service promptly at 6:12 AM.

We will gather at the top of the hill across the street from the church. In the event of inclement weather, we will worship inside the sanctuary of the church building. A light breakfast will be served for those who wish to stay for our Easter Worship service at 9 AM.

Our Easter Service . . . commences at 9 AM in the sanctuary on April 12th when we gather to greet one another: "Christ is risen!" . . . "Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!" We worship the one who said "I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die?" Join us!

On Saturday, April 18th we will host a Turkey Supper with all the trimmings: turkey, stuffing, potatoes, carrots, cranberry sauce, dinner rolls, and assorted pies for dessert. The cost is \$12 for adults, \$5 for children, and there is no charge for children 5 and under! We will serve from 4:30 PM to 6:30 PM and turkey dinners will be available for takeout. Join us and enjoy the food and fellowship!

Please Note: In this time of uncertainty caused by COVID-19 (Corona Virus) all of these planned events are scheduled conditionally. If you want to verify that they will indeed take place please call Pastor Simpson at 603.863.3148.

Submitted by Pastor Eldon Simpson,  
603.863.3148

## LIFE FELLOWSHIP/LIFE ON MAIN

by Pastor Tim Golden

2 Chronicles 6:26-31 says, "'When heaven is shut up and there is no rain because they have sinned against you, if they pray toward this place and acknowledge your name and turn from their sin, when you afflict, then hear in heaven and forgive the sin of your servants, your people Israel, when you teach them the good way in which they should walk, and grant rain upon your land, which you have given to your people as an inheritance. If there is famine in the land, if there is pestilence or blight or mildew or locust or caterpillar, if their enemies besiege them in the land at their gates, whatever plague, whatever sickness there is, whatever prayer, whatever plea is made by any man or by all your people Israel, each knowing his own affliction and his own sorrow and stretching out his hands toward this house, then hear from heaven your dwelling place and forgive and render to each whose heart you know, according to all his ways, for you, you only, know the hearts of the children of mankind, that they may fear you and walk in your ways all the days that they live in the land that you gave to our fathers..'"

At the time of writing this article, Covid-19 is in full swing in New Hampshire. I include this passage here today to remind us that God is faithful and just. When He allows such things as famine or environmental catastrophes (like Hurricane Katrina), or enemies (like the 9/11 devastation), or rampant diseases (like Covid-19), it is usually in an effort to draw people back to Himself. It is proven that when nations, whether Israel in the Old Testament or America in the current day or any other nation, become prosperous and overly confident in their self-sufficiency, that they soon turn away from the Lord. God allows catastrophes to reveal our weakness and need for Him so that we will turn back to the One who is actually the Lover of our souls. He would rather a temporary discomfort to befall us in the short term than to see us face eternal destruction in the long term. His discipline is actually an act of love.

I am aware that this is probably not a very popular message in this day and age, but it is truth. We have been a nation that has turned away from God. In fact, in many ways we have seen this in our world as a whole. God want us to turn back

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to Him. This truth of is actually good, because as we read on into the next chapter, God answers the prayer above and states that if His people would humble themselves, pray, seek His face and turn from there wicked ways, that He will hear their prayer, forgive their sin, and heal their land. Let us take this time to seek God – being careful not to seek Him just for selfish gain or protection - but to seek Him because He is worthy of all our worship and our lives. Let us be careful not to shake our fists at God, but rather fall to our knees in full reverence before Him who loved us enough to send His only Son for our salvation. During this time of the pandemic, all our services are online only. You can watch services at Life Fellowship at [lifefellowship4.org](http://lifefellowship4.org). If you want to tune in to services at Life On Main, they can be watched at [facebook.com/lifeonmain](https://facebook.com/lifeonmain).

Once the pandemic has lifted, if you do not have a church to call 'home', our doors are open to all. LIFE FELLOWSHIP provides a contemporary worship experience with lively worship and sound preaching from the Word of God. LIFE ON MAIN offers a more traditional worship service, featuring time-honored hymns with solid Biblical teaching.

Join Pastors David and Cindy Grasso, and the church family at "Life Fellowship" Sunday mornings at 10am at 85 Wheeler Rand Road, Charlestown. For more information or to watch us online, visit [www.lifefellowship4.org](http://www.lifefellowship4.org).

Join Pastors Tim and Tamara Golden, and the church family at "Life On Main" Sunday mornings at 11:00am at St. Luke's Episcopal Church building, 176-188 Main Street, Charlestown. For more information, visit us online at [www.lifeon-main.org](http://www.lifeon-main.org).

## UNION-ST. LUKE'S HAPPENINGS

During this time of COVID19 and the suspension of in person services, Union-St. Luke's, along with Trinity and Prince of Peace Churches continue to offer a live-streamed service for all in our community. Please check our facebook page as we finalize a time at "Union Episcopal Church," [www.facebook.com/unioneπισcocalchurch](https://www.facebook.com/unioneπισcocalchurch). Each week we will have Priest in Charge Rev Susan Eibner and music for Sunday service while Rev Davenport is on medical leave. She will also offer an online Evening Prayer Service on Wednesdays at 6pm. We do anticipate that this will continue through Palm Sunday, Holy Week, and Easter, but check in with us as it gets closer to see if we can meet in person, or see what special digital options we have planned.

Regular Sunday services at Union-St. Luke's are held at Union Church in Claremont at 8:30 AM in the church building, these are suspended until further notice. Services are live streamed for free on our Facebook page weekly, and can be accessed anytime after that via the videos tab. You can contact Union - St. Luke's by emailing [unionchurchnh@gmail.com](mailto:unionchurchnh@gmail.com) or visit us on Facebook at "Union Episcopal Church," [www.facebook.com/unioneπισcocalchurch](https://www.facebook.com/unioneπισcocalchurch)

If you are not receiving the weekly email newsletter with the Claremont/Charlestown Episcopal and Lutheran happenings and announcements and would like to, please contact [unionchurchnh@gmail.com](mailto:unionchurchnh@gmail.com) and we will get you on the list. This is a great way to stay in the know about events, special services, and other useful information.

What's coming up at the West Claremont Center for Music and the Arts?

For the moment in person programs at WC-CMA have been suspended due to the COVID19 pandemic, but we are working on ways to keep bringing you inspiring music and art during this difficult time. At this time all HopStop Family Shows are cancelled, and we do not anticipate our Spring Tea Party will happen in the spring. We will reschedule if possible. We look forward to announcing our summer season soon, and we are hopefully there will be limited interruptions this summer. However, we are looking at a number of contingency options in the event that we

can not meet in person. Would you like to be able to attend live streamed concerts from your home? Would you be interested in hearing from artists about what they are working on during this time? We'd love to hear from you as we all stay home!

What can you/we do? This is an incredibly difficult time for the arts, and all of our performers have had their concerts cancelled indefinitely. In most cases that means they don't get paid anything from performing (their main income) for months to come. We'd love to get creative with them to commission art and music for you, and we appreciate any contributions toward keeping the arts alive from a distance you are able to make. You can find details on our website about donating or news. We are also still selling tax credits for the Claremont Creative Center project, slated to begin later this year. If any businesses are interested in purchasing NH state tax credits, please contact [melissa@wcc-ma.org](mailto:melissa@wcc-ma.org). Anyone who pays NH business tax, or payroll tax, is eligible. This is a time of great unpredictability, and we are incredibly grateful to our sponsors, donors, and tax credit purchasers for continuing to recognize the value of the arts for society.

Please join our mailing list at [wcc-ma.org](http://wcc-ma.org), and follow us on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/ClaremontArts/> to stay up to date with live and digital programs through WCCMA.



## A ROUND TUIT

This is a Tuit. Guard it with your life as Tuits are hard to come by, especially the round ones. This is an indispensable item. It will help you become a more efficient worker. For years we have heard people say, "I'll do it as soon as I get a round tuit." Now that you have one, you can accomplish all those things you put aside until you got a ROUND TUIT.



### CONGREGATE MEALS

We are continuing to put up meals from the Community Room kitchen on Tuesdays and Thursdays. However, guests come between 11:30 and noon to pick up takeouts. Please continue to call one day in advance to let us know that you'd like a meal to go. We do need to order from the caterer and need to order the right number.

Thank you.

### ROTARY RUMBLINGS

by Daryl Royce

In place of the traditional Easter Egg Hunt, Rotary will be holding a "Drive-Thru Egg Hunt" on Saturday April 11, 2020 from 9:00 until 9:30 at our usual gathering spot on Paris Avenue. Parents/caregivers just drive up with the child ages 10 and under and the child will be handed a bag of Easter goodies. No need for anyone to get out of the car.


The Rotary sponsored River Theater production of "You Have the Right to Remain Dead" scheduled for March 27 – 28 has been cancelled. Charlestown Rotary Club meetings are cancelled until further notice, as are the Rotary District 7870 District Conference scheduled for May 1-3 in Portland Maine and the District Rotary Leads Seminar scheduled for April 4th at Dartmouth-Hitchcock in Lebanon. Everyone please stay healthy and follow all recommended precautions.



Guess whose granddaughter this is? Miss Emma Booth, Pat & Daryl's grand, who is now 18!

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## APPLE TREE AND BLUEBERRY BUSH PRUNING DEMONSTRATION

The UNH Cooperative Extension, Sullivan County's annual pruning demonstration for apples and blueberries will be held in April, so dress accordingly for the weather. Suggested donation \$5.00.

Location: Riverview Farm, 141 River Road, Plainfield

Date and Time: Saturday, April 11, 2020 from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm

For questions or to register, call Sherrie at 603-863-9200 or email [sherrie.fontaine@unh.edu](mailto:sherrie.fontaine@unh.edu).

For more information regarding the demonstration, contact Seth at [seth.wilner@unh.edu](mailto:seth.wilner@unh.edu).

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## WHEN THE GEESE ARRIVE:

Here in Charlestown we can always tell a season's arrival or departure by the migration of the Canadian Geese.

With the arrival of our geese this year also came a new social norm at least for now "social distancing." A term not followed by our feather friends who can often be found in flocks of a 50-100 birds in our local cornfields.

Charlestown and our migrating Canadian Geese population are visited frequently by bird watchers from near and far. You can often see bird watching groups gathering along Route 12A on your way to North Walpole.

So if you're needing to get out of the house for a little bit and at least witness a social gathering, head down 12A and find yourself one of these great flock of birds and snap a few pictures of these great season changers!



Photo credit Sandy Andrus



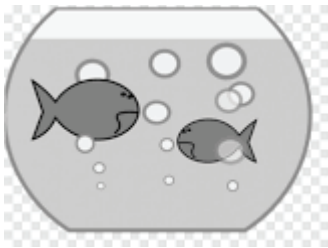
I pledge ————  
my *head* to clearer thinking,  
my *heart* to greater loyalty,  
my *hands* to larger service,  
my *health* to better living,  
for my *club*, my *community*,  
my *county*, and my *world*.

Thank you Marj Putnam for teaching so many youngsters this pledge over the years. We remember the pledge and all the fun we had at your home!



### EARTH DAY 2020

Earth Day 2020 will be far more than a day. It must be a historic moment when citizens of the world rise up in a united call for the creativity, innovation, ambition, and bravery that we need to meet our climate crisis and seize the enormous opportunities of a zero-carbon future.



**I imagine if Dr. Seuss were alive today, he'd write something like this:**

**(Read with Dr. Seuss book rhythm).  
The buildings were big and people would smile  
And travel they would mile by mile.  
But sick they become, in numbers it grew  
Businesses worried, communities too.  
Things stopped for a bit, the world slowed its roll  
The virus had certainly taken its toll.  
But what they then saw from slowing things down.  
Is in fact they now had less reasons to frown.  
Families now gathered, what game shall we play?  
Pass me the blue crayon, give mommy the grey.  
Dad's home guys! He'll read us a book  
then all of us together will cook.  
The lungs of the planet caught a small break  
less travel meant less pollution to make.  
People did realize they'd all be ok  
They don't need so much to get through the day.  
Maybe this virus that caused so much stress  
Showed the whole world that more can mean less.**

**Written by XXXXXX  
Inspired by Dr. Seuss**

### PARENTS' MUTUAL LOVE - *RECOLLECTIONS* *OF A HAPPY CHILDHOOD*

By Amy Becker

I had a blessed childhood. Why would I say this? Because I was secure and happy. I have my parents to thank for this. As I contemplate what makes for a good childhood I think that one of the most important things is that a child knows that her parents love each other. From an early age it was obvious to me that my parents did. My mom had a nickname for my dad; my dad treated my mom with care. Mom respected Dad, and he spoke highly of her. We kids would often catch them hugging or kissing in the kitchen (or living room for that matter). They talked tenderly with each other most of the time, and never had an argument in front of us kids. Their love was obvious in the way they looked at, talked to, and treated each other. Now don't get me wrong, my parents' marriage was not perfect. Just like every couple they were each unique individuals with good and bad qualities. Differences inevitably cause conflict. One small scenario played out often in our home. I remember Mom often running late when we needed to get somewhere, which would of course annoy my dad. But that annoyance never escalated. Perhaps Mom defused the situation with a gentle word - I'm not sure. I do know that those annoyances were not allowed to fester under the surface and create bitterness. If my parents had disagreements it was behind closed doors. I'm thankful for that. The lack of parent-to-parent tension in our home created a happy, secure atmosphere. That lack of tension combined with open signs of affection and care, let us kids know that they loved each other, and by extension us - the product of their love. So, it seems to me that mutual love between parents is an essential ingredient for a loving, secure family environment. And isn't that what you want when raising a child?



### HEARTS ON YOUR WINDOW OR DOOR DRIVE!

It's a way to try and bring the community together that truly can't be together right now. You can place just one or make one each and everyday - it can be any color, any size and even have a saying on it. This way walks or drives through our neighborhoods and communities will be filled with hearts

## PLANNING BD MINUTES OF 02/18/2020

Present: Bob Frizzell - Chair; Sharon Francis - Vice Chair; Douglas Neill; Rosie Smith-Hull; Dick Lincourt; Terry Spilsbury.

Absent: Steve Neill - ex officio

Alternates: Gabe Bailey; Patty Chaffee

Staff: Liz Emerson; Sarah Davis - Secretary

Bob Frizzell called the meeting to order at 7pm.

Approval of Minutes of meeting of 4/2: motion by Rosie Smith-Hull to accept the minutes as presented, second by Sharon Francis. Amendments: Dick Lincourt: p.3 para 7, line 1 change "project" to "scope". Patty Chaffee referred to p.2, para.10, line 5, the property is actually in zone E which is a water protection area. All in favor, minutes approved with the one amendment.

Sign Permit for 157 Main St. - Theodoros & Maria Georgidis. The applicants are stuck in Boston due to the weather and wanted to know if this application could be approved in their absence. Sharon Francis asked if the sign is temporary, Liz Emerson confirmed that this is a temporary sign but the applicant does not know how long the building will remain vacant and so the application has been made just in case. Liz Emerson confirmed that the applicant confirmed that when the building is leased a new application will be made. Sharon Francis asked about the name "Papous", Liz Emerson confirmed that this is the name of the Olive Oil. Terry Spilsbury asked about a sign for a building which does not relate to the business operating there. Jeremy Wood confirmed that the business does shipping and receiving from the building.

Bob Frizzell clarified with Jeremy Wood that he is not connected with the business, just knows this information.

Dick Lincourt stated that the sign was initially misleading and signs are required to be of high quality and asked if the board wants to approve a banner sign.

Bob Frizzell asked about a sign if there is no public access to the business, the consensus is for advertising and for carriers to know where to deliver.

Gabe Bailey asked about a peddler's license. Liz Emerson confirmed that this would be issued through the state.

Sharon Francis followed up on Dick Lincourt's comment on "high quality" signs as this is a temporary and not permanent sign. The "high quality" relates to permanent signs only.

Jeremy Wood spoke on behalf of the applicant to confirm that the sign is temporary and is acceptable according to the town ordinance. Once the building has been leased then the plan is to relocate the current business.

Rosie Smith-Hull asked about approval of a banner sign for the hairdresser on Main Street, Doug Neill confirmed that this is not a banner sign.

Liz Emerson confirmed that there is nothing in the regulations against "banner signs", simply the sign has to be of "high quality materials", 8.6.3F.

Doug Neill highlighted that the accompanying documentation is missing.

Jeremy Wood referred to 8.6.7 "temporary sign" which has an end date and stated that the sign is acceptable.

Terry Spilsbury referred to 8.6.7 and the definition of temporary signs, read out the relevant section and confirmed that this sign application is not something that the ordinance contemplates.

Bob Frizzell spoke about making an exception.

Dick Lincourt spoke about displaying the sign in the window as it is only a little longer. This would not require a sign permit and the \$40 fee could be returned.

Bob Frizzell asked Liz Emerson for comment, Liz confirmed that she can certainly pass this information on.

Sharon Francis proposed writing to the applicant to confirm that the sign does not meet the requirements and quote the relevant sections. Liz Emerson stated that she does not see where the does not meet the regulations. A discussion ensued on the regulations in relation to the sign.

Rosie Smith-Hull commented on the \$40 fee being for permanent signs only. Sharon Francis commented that it is the board's judgement that the sign cannot exist for a long time as a permanent sign and also made of the material it is made of.

Liz Emerson responded that as that is more of an opinion and therefore she is unable to specify that the sign does not meet regulations. Sharon Francis further commented that the manufacturer specify the quality of the material. Dick Lincourt and Terry Spilsbury commented to specify the details of the regulations requiring the sign be replaced should it become tattered. Terry Spilsbury stated that he is more concerned about the business activity on the premises and wanting to discuss how the building is being used with the owners. Terry Spilsbury suggested that the applicant be asked to come before the board to clarify the business situation, this could be a 3 minute approval.

Dick Lincourt asked Jeremy Wood if the applicant could attend a meeting. Jeremy Wood confirmed that the applicant is looking to be at the meeting on March 3rd.

Motion by Dick Lincourt: to postpone the motion to the meeting of March 3rd, second by Doug Neill, all in favor, motion approved.

Bob Frizzell welcomed Gabe Bailey as a newly sworn-in alternate.

2020-SDFP—001: Normand Beaudry (owner)

Travis Royce (Agent) request final review of a two lot subdivision for the property identified as Map 103 Lot 044. The proposal is to subdivide the 2.86 +/- acres in two lots. The proposed lots will be .56 +/- Acres and 2.3 +/- Acres. The property is located at 443 Old Claremont Rd. in the Mixed-Use (E) Zoning District.

Bob Frizzell asked for questions from the board and commented that the application seems quite straightforward. Travis Royce confirmed that the property has town water but not sewer and an application has been submitted to the state for the septic. Rosie Smith-Hull asked about a brook running through the property, Tory Royce confirmed that there is a brook and that there is also a small floodplain.

Bob Frizzell asked if the application is complete. Motion by Dick Lincourt: to accept the Normand Beaudry Subdivision application as complete, second by Terry Spilsbury, all in favor, motion approved.

Bob Frizzell asked for any questions or comments. Travis Royce stated that he would like to have approval conditional on the DES approval as the approval will be emailed to the town office as well as the applicant.

Motion by Terry Spilsbury: to approve the subdivision application before us as presented with the stipulation that the DES approval is granted, second by Doug Neill, all in favor, motion approved.

Sign Permit Application: Jeremy Wood.

Jeremy Wood confirmed that the sign is aluminum, 3 feet by 8 feet of high quality material made by the Ink Factory in Claremont, the sign reads "J C Wood Builders LLC".

Bob Frizzell asked for any questions for the board. Dick Lincourt asked for the dimensions of the sign as this is not stated in the application. Jeremy Wood confirmed the dimensions. Liz Emerson confirmed that the sign cost \$480.

Sharon Francis asked how many feet the sign is from the road, Jeremy Wood confirmed that the sign is 112 feet from the road and then commented that the sign is to be seen by people going by and asked where the nearest place is that a passing person would see the sign. Jeremy Wood confirmed that he is not able to say for certain the distance from Lovers Lane. Sharon Francis asked why the sign if it cannot be seen. Jeremy Wood confirmed that the sign is for advertising.

Bob Frizzell stated that there has been no application for a business at that location. Jeremy Wood

confirmed that the premises are his home based business.

Sharon Francis asked why the sign is needed and asked if the purpose is to locate the business from a distance, Jeremy Wood confirmed that this is the case and for deliveries.

Bob Frizzell asked for questions from the board.

Motion by Dick Lincourt: to approve the sign application of Jeremy Wood, second by Rosie Smith Hull, all in favor, motion approved.

Bob Frizzell asked for any continued business, Liz Emerson confirmed that there is none.

Administration: Liz Emerson referred to the application relating to the Eleanor Olsen plan which was approved in July of 2019, she has the mylars and paper copies for signage.

Communications: Sharon Francis spoke about the Cobb brothers attending a recent Select Board meeting to discuss their using the full dimension of their property for their development and not the portion that they are paying taxes on and stated that it is important to state for the record that when the site plan was approved it was for the property that he board knows is legally theirs and they pay property taxes on. The property to the east of the side walk is used at the discretion of the town. If the Cobbs wish to make a challenge this would need to be challenged in court because this is out of the Planning Board's hands and the Planning Board is not subject to the Select Board as the Planning Board has their own regulations. Bob Frizzell commented that this is hearsay, Sharon Francis confirmed that this is in the minutes of the Select Board meeting. Bob Frizzell stated that Steve Neill should be at the next Planning Board meeting and this can be discussed then.

Doug Neill commented that the very first time that the Cobb Brothers came before the Planning Board approval for the site plan was given as per the application but with the last application for "Foodies" it was done as per the site plan. He further asked, how does this work? Terry Spilsbury commented that this was the most complicated application he has dealt with and that the discussion arose from parking requirements and that the drawings were not referred to/seen until the final application. Sarah Davis read out the relevant motion from the meeting of 9/17/19 referring to the "Foodies" application.

Sharon Francis commented that she would like to get back to the Select Men if necessary to confirm that the Planning Board jurisdiction is final in terms of the approved plan and they certainly have the option of going to court and challenging it if they wish, this is not something the Select Men can do

and they can't really come back that the Planning Board unless they bring back a new Site Plan. The Planning Board has been asked nothing, hopefully this is nothing, no problem.

Bob Frizzell asked for any more communications, for anything from the board, seeing nothing, he asked for comments from the public.

Rosie Smith-Hull asked if Jeremy Wood has anything, seeing no response.

Motion to adjourn by Rosie Smith-Hull, second by Sharon Francis, meeting adjourned at 8.03.

Sarah Davis, Secretary

SELECTBOARD MEETING MARCH 4, 2020

Select board Present: Chairman Steve Neill, Albert St. Pierre, and Jeffrey Lessels

Staff Present: Keith Weed- Hwy & Tr St Supt  
Charles Baraly- Fire Dept Supt  
Patricia Chaffee- TC & Tax Coll  
Patrick Connors- Police Chief  
Jessica Dennis- Administrator  
Kelly Wright- Admin Assist

Public present: Scott Wade

Roger Rumrill

Amy Rumrill

Call to order & Pledge of Allegiance: Mr. Neill called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM and welcomed everyone. The pledge of allegiance was recited. Mr. Neill advised that the meetings are recorded and asked everyone wishing to speak to identify themselves for the record. Comments should be addressed to the Selectboard.

Public Comment: none

Selectboard Comment: none

Department Reports:

Police Department: Chief Connors reported so far this year the department has had 1,257 services calls, 10 arrests, 250 vehicle stops, 23 crimes, 5 search warrants. The Town's prosecutor has handled 10 trails, 2 pre-trials, and 1 DWI hearing for the Town. Chief Connors stated the new hire Mr. Matt Foss has been a huge asset with his experience he brings to the department.

Ambulance Department: Chief Connors reported the department has dispatched 22 fire calls, and there has been 77 ambulance calls, of those calls 17 were responded by Springfield Fire Department, 10 were responded by Golden Cross, 1 by Walpole Ambulance Department and Charlestown covered the remaining 49 calls.

Fire Department: Chief Baraly stated the department has been working on fixing the overhead door and replacing the safety eyes. The call volume has decreased. Mr. Lessels asked if Chief Baraly had anything to report regarding the generators from the school. Chief Baraly responded he did not but he did confirm if there was a Town Wide emergency the primary school would be the EMS location.

Town Clerk/ Tax Collector: Ms. Patricia Chaffee submitted a report but reported the water bills are due Monday, March 9, 2020. Delinquent notices have been sent and this is the start of the liening process. The Town Clerk/Tax Collector's office will be closed on Tuesday, March 10, 2020 for Town elections. The office will be open on Saturday, March 21, 2020 instead of Saturday March 28, 2020 because the Town Clerk/Tax Collector staff will be attending the regional Tax Collectors workshop. There are two abatement requests for the selectmen to review. The first one is Mr. Robert Frizzell. He had a large leak and has since been able to identify and correct the problem. He is asking for an abatement on the sewer only. The second request is from NARJE on the sewer portion of the large meters within the Park. There will be a rabies clinic on Saturday, April 4, 2020 at the fire station. Chief Connors shared that since Ms. Chaffee has been the Town Clerk she has reduced the number dog fines the police department have had to handle. Highway Department: Mr. Keith Weed reported the roads are posted and he has noticed the loggers have left Charlestown. The department has been pot hole patching, and brush cutting. Mr. Weed stated he has spent 62% of the snow/salt budget line from January 1st to today. The new highway truck has gone into the shop to be painted. Mr. St. Pierre thanked Mr. Weed and the department for setting up the polling booths for the Town election. He asked if the department could set up the construction fence and a barricade to assist residents entering and exiting the polls on March 10, 2020. Mr. Weed responded yes they would.

Recreational Department: Ms. Patricia Chaffee report that the committee met last night and decided Patch Park clean up day would be on Saturday, March 21, 2020 at 10 am. The rain date will be Saturday, March 28, 2020. This Saturday, March 6, 2020 from 10am-12 noon will be the last day for parents to sign their children up for baseball or softball before a \$25.00 late fee takes affect. Baseball and softball sign ups will be available on Monday and Tuesday, March 9 and 10 with the understanding there will be a late fee. There was discussion regarding the trash at Swan Common. Chief Connors stated there are several groups of middle school and high school kids who frequently play basketball there. He will increase the patrol around that area.

Administrator's Report: Ms. Jessica Dennis received a call from Pathways. They are asking if they could use the community room once a week either before or after lunch for their clients. After discussion the board agreed to allow this and asked Ms. Dennis to remind them to clean up when they are finished. Ms. Dennis has asked the Recreational Committee when the Selectboard can meet with them. They said April would be best, as they were busy at their March meeting

discussing baseball and softball.. The Old Home Day Committee would like to give the Town the viewing station. Chief Baraly reported this is used for the Memorial Day. This was built many years ago by former members of the Old Home Day Committee. The Old Home day Committee is not appointed by the Select-board and is not an official Committee of the Town, so it would clear up any confusion as to ownership. After discussion Mr. Neill moved to accept the viewing station as a gift, Mr. St. Pierre seconded, motion passed unanimously. Ms. Dennis received the new equalization rate from DRA. It is 85.2%. Homes are selling for more than they're assessed for. Next year will be a full Town-wide revaluation year. The board discussed NARJE's request for a sewer abatement due to a leak. Mr. Neill asked if Ms. Dennis knew if the Vanier's were planning to repair the water leak(s). After discussion by July 15th billing cycle the leak(s) must be fixed. Mr. St. Pierre moved to abate this bill and one more sewer bill, Mr. Lessels second and motion passed unanimously. Ms. Dennis also spoke with the Vanier's about the two abandoned lots, 30 and 47. It was explained that when the board met with Dean and Rachelle Vanier (NARJE) they discussed the tax abatements for Lots 30 and 47 but there was no discussion regarding the water and sewer bills. The Vanier's have offered to split the water and sewer bill if the board will agree to abate the other half. After some discussion, Mr. St. Pierre moved to accept the Vanier's proposal to pay for half of the water and sewer bill and abate the other half Mr. Lessels seconded and motion passed unanimously. The board discussed Mr. Robert Frizzell's abatement request. Mr. Frizzell has already located and fixed the leak and is willing to pay for the water bill but is requesting the excess amount billed on this sewer cycle be abated this bill cycle. Additionally, there will be a request for a smaller abatement of the next billing cycle. Mr. St. Pierre moved to abate the excess sewer portion of the bill, Mr. Lessels second and motion passed unanimously.

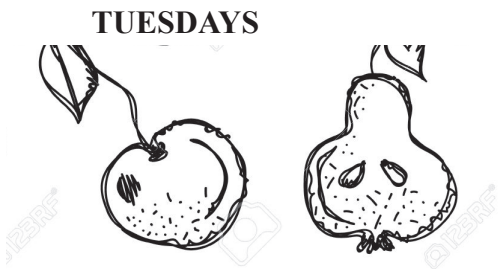
Minutes of Previous Meetings: Mr. Jeff Lessels moved to accept the following meeting minutes:  
February 19, 2020- Workshop  
February 19, 2020- Non Public: Legal  
February 19, 2020- Non Public: Reputations  
February 19, 2020- Regular Meeting  
Seconded by Mr. Albert St. Pierre. Motion passed unanimously. Mr. Neill abstained.

Consent Agenda Items: Financial Administration:  
Mr. Neill reported the following was reviewed and approved

1. 17 purchase orders
2. Abatements
3. Four Drummond Woodsum bills

New Business: Ms. Dennis reported she received a letter from USDA regarding feral swine. The USDA would like to put up cameras and bait in the Town

CONGREGATE MEALS  
TO GO ONLY



Chicken & Biscuit 7  
Diced Carrots  
Mashed Potatoes  
Apple Cake w/Confectioner's Sugar

BBQ Pork Loin 14  
Mashed Potatoes  
Brussel Sprouts  
Biscuit  
Apricots

Beef & Cheddar Patty 21  
Baked Beans  
Broccoli Florets  
Wheat Hoagie Roll  
Peaches

Hot turkey sandwich 28  
w/gravy  
Mashed Potatoes  
Zucchini  
Wheat Bread  
Pumpkin Cookie

THURSDAYS

Pork Loin/apple cider sauce 2  
Diced Homefries  
Broccoli Florets  
Wheat Dinner Roll  
Carrot Cake w/Light Bettercreme

Baked Stuffed Chicken 9  
Breast  
Mashed Potatoes  
Baby Carrots  
Wheat Dinner Roll  
Berry Crisp

Beef Tips,Mushrooms/Onions 16  
Egg Noodles  
Green Beans  
Wheat Roll  
Cantaloupe

ONSITE COOKING DAY 23  
Lasagna  
Bok Choy Salad  
Garlic Bread  
Chocolate Trifle

Oven Roasted Pork 30  
With Apple Tidbit Sauce  
Sweet Potatoes  
Vegetable Blend  
Whole Wheat Dinner Roll  
Fruited Jello w/Cream

forest to see if there are feral swine that have migrated to our area. The board agreed to this.

Old Business:

Committee Reports:

Planning Board: No meeting this week.

Conservation Commission: Mr. Neill reported they haven't had a meeting.

Heritage Commission: Mr. Lessels stated that he has contacted Mr. Wetherby a couple times and has had no response.

Building Needs: Mr. Lessels stated they are waiting for the results of voting next week.

Recreation Committee: Previously discussed.

School Withdrawal: Mr. Scott Wade reported there have been concerns about the Fall Mountain clothing with the hashtags will be worn by the supporters of a no vote on Article 11. The board answered they are waiting to hear back the Town attorney.

Old Home Day: Chief Baraly reported the committee has been coordinating activities for Old Home Day the weekend of July 4th.

Mr. St. Pierre moved to go into non-public RSA 91-A; 3 (C) at 7:25 pm, Mr. Lessels seconded and on a roll call all were in favor.

Mr. St. Pierre moved to exit non public at 7:40, Mr. Lessels second and on a roll call.

Mr. St. Pierre moved to enter non-public RSA 91-A: 3 (I), Mr. Lessels seconded and on all roll call all were in favor to.

Mr. St. Pierre moved to exit non public at 7:50, Mr. Lessels second and on a roll call.

Adjournment: Mr. Lessels moved adjourn, Mr. St. Pierre second the motion. Meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm.

Respectfully Submitted, Kelly N Wright

Approved,  
Steven Neill, Chair, Albert St. Pierre, Jeffrey Lessels

# APRIL 2020



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 April Fool's Day 6:30PM Selectbd Comm Rm	2 11:45AM Congregate Meals-Comm Rm 6:30PM Rotary Town Hall	3	4
5	6 5:30PM CEDA Bakery Bldg	7 11:45AM Congregate Meals-Comm Rm 6PM Rec Comm Bakery Bldg 7PM Pl Bd Comm Rm	8	9 11:45AM Congregate Meals-Comm Rm 6:30PM Rotary Town Hall	10	11
12 	13 7PM VFW & Aux Meetings	14 11:45AM Congregate Meals-Comm Rm	15 6:30PM Selectbd Comm Rm	16 11:45AM Congregate Meals-Comm Rm 6:30PM Rotary Town Hall	17	18 Turkey Supper NC Meth Church
19	20 7PM Cons Comm at Comm Rm	21 11:45AM Congregate Meals-Comm Rm 7PM Pl Bd Comm Rm	22 Earth Day	23 11:45AM Congregate Meals-Comm Rm 6:30PM Rotary Town Hall	24	25
26	27	28 11:45AM Congregate Meals-Comm Rm 5:30PM Cem Tr Bakery Bldg 7PM Heritage Comm -Bakery	29	30 11:45AM Congregate Meals-Comm Rm 6:30PM Rotary Town Hall		

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