



## ***Sullivan Community Newsletter***

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### **CANCELLATIONS & POSTPONEMENTS DUE TO COVID-19**

Unfortunately, many scheduled programs in Sullivan have been cancelled or postponed, due to Covid-19. To quote Abe Lincoln, “This too, shall pass.”, and we look forward to seeing everyone soon! Take care and be well.

**Button Up New Hampshire** - The popular home energy savings workshop series that was scheduled for April 8 at the town hall will be rescheduled at a later time.

**Quilt Program** – The Quilt Show, scheduled for April 18 at the Sullivan Church with Maurine Henry, is postponed and will be rescheduled as soon as it can be held safely for all concerned. Watch for the announcement!

**Roadside Clean-up Day** – Although the roadsides could use a good cleaning, the Conservation Commission thinks it best to call off clean-up day scheduled for May 2. If people would pick up bottles & cans in front of their own homes, it would be greatly appreciated. Note: there is no charge to recycle glass, aluminum & tin cans and plastics (#1 & #2) at the Keene Recycling Center on Summit Rd. in Keene. See <https://ci.keene.nh.us/public-works/rates-fees> for the list of all recyclables. To be on the safe side, it’s recommended you wear gloves.

**Fire Dept. Yard Sale** - In light of the COVID situation, the members of Sullivan Fire and Rescue have decided to cancel their Annual Memorial Day Weekend Yard Sale this year. Many thanks to everyone who has supported this wonderful fundraiser over the past 16 years. Stay safe, be well and look for the yard sale to be back better than ever in 2021!!!

**Sullivan Church Yard Sale** – The Sullivan Church will also cancel their yard sale scheduled on the same weekend. Depending on circumstances, they may hold it later on this summer,

**Plant and Book Sale** – This sale sponsored by the Friends of the Sullivan Library will not be held on Memorial Day weekend, as scheduled. It may be held later in the year, but no decisions have been made.

**Quilting/Sewing Group** – The Monday afternoon quilting/sewing group at the church will resume next fall.

**Nelson Agricultural Commission Lectures** - All Nelson Agricultural Commission lectures are cancelled until Governor Sununu rescinds the shelter in place order. They are hoping to have a Farmers Market in September at the Nelson School, date to be determined.

### **LAST DAY TO CHANGE PARTY AFFILIATION BEFORE SEPTEMBER PRIMARY!**

Supervisors of the Checklist will be in session at the Sullivan Library on June 2 between 7 and 7:30 pm. Additions and corrections to the checklist may be made as well as party affiliation. Registered voters may also change their party with the town clerk on or before this date. Check your party on line! <https://app.sos.nh.gov/Public/PartyInfo.aspx>

## State of the Town

The Selectmen and town staff are doing their best to keep the town running during this seemingly never-ending, COVID-19 crisis. The world has a new virus and it is nasty. Please do not underestimate it.

The goal of this article is to let you know what is happening in Sullivan.

First, to the best of our knowledge, there is no diagnosed case in Sullivan. That means no one has tested positive. However, there are cases in Keene and many surrounding towns. If you have symptoms, call your doctor. The best plan so far seems to be to treat the symptoms per your doctor's orders.

It is very important to heed the "stay at home" executive order of the Governor. Wear your mask if you go out in public; it's good idea to wear gloves and use hand sanitizer. At the store, take a list, get what you need and get back home. Do not stop to talk or visit and practice social distancing of at least 6 feet. Take every opportunity to wash your hands and avoid touching your face until you do. These few things do help with the spread. Particularly staying at home.

Some web sites with reliable information are <https://www.nh.gov/covid19/> (NH Dept of Health COVID-19 Status) or <https://www.fema.gov/coronavirus> .

### In Sullivan, this is the story.

The Town Hall is closed, but business is being conducted. You can make an appointment to talk to the Town Clerk or Tax Collector about a problem. You can make an appointment to register your car. You can mail in the check to get your dog tags. You can drop off that Inventory Sheet in the drop box by the front door. The staff is still working – Mary Hull (Tax Collector/Town Clerk), Marie Robinson (Deputy), Kathleen Rowe (Admin. Asst.), Jim Casey (Treasurer), Marsha, Paul and Joe. (Selectmen). We are wearing masks, using sanitizer and observing social distancing.

Town committees are trying to meet via Zoom, Go-to-Meeting or some other group meeting application. Some are cancelling until things open up. The Selectmen are meeting in person.

If you have an emergency, don't hesitate to call 9-1-1 for immediate assistance. For wellness and non-emergency needs, residents who are high risk and/or vulnerable and in need of assistance are encouraged to call the Sullivan Office of Emergency Management and Fire Department at 847-9020 or the Town Office at 847-3316. If you get voice mail only, be sure to leave complete information – your name, phone #, address and need). We will do what we can to help such as picking up medications or pre-paid groceries at places like Hannaford's. Please keep in mind that we will only pick up items, as our first responders also need to limit our time out in public for your sake and theirs.

The **Sullivan Office of Emergency Management (SOEM)** under Director Al Henry is up and running. The SOEM continues to monitor daily events and will notify the town in the event of any major developments. They have sent out a town wide letter with very helpful information. As usual, our all-volunteer Fire Department and Emergency Team are ready for just about anything. If you don't know who to call, call the station and leave a message for non-emergency questions at 847-9020.

The town website ([www.townofsullivannh.com](http://www.townofsullivannh.com)) will let you know what is happening as soon as they can. We are also going to put up some links for activities for children or help with activities. Links to museums and national parks may also be included.

Many things are happening in and around town, but you may not see it. If you would like to volunteer, please call the Town Office or SOEM and we will put you on our resource roster.

**EMERGENCY:** 9-1-1

**Showing symptoms of Covid-19?** - Call your personal physician for instructions.

**Town Hall:** 847-3316

**Fire Station and Sullivan Emergency Management:** 847-9020 Leave a message with your name, phone number and address and someone will get back to you.

**What is happening in Sullivan?** [www.townofsullivannh.com](http://www.townofsullivannh.com)

Stay Home - Stay Safe - Stay Healthy

## **WELCOME TO OUR NEW SELECTMAN & ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT!**

### **Selectman Appointed**

After our recent election, there was a vacancy for Selectman. This has recently been filled with the appointment of Paul Bolduc, and he will fill a one-year term. Paul is also a member of the School Board, a certified Firefighter & EMT with the Sullivan Volunteer Fire Department and he teaches middle school science & social studies. He lives on Ellis Rd. with his wife, Sara and two children.

We welcome him to the Board!

### **Administrative Assistant**

Kathleen Rowe was recently appointed as the new Administrative Assistant to the Selectmen. She replaces Barbara Clews, who was here temporarily through an employment agency. Kathleen's face may look familiar to you as many years ago, she was Administrative Assistant to the Selectmen in the old town hall. After that she held a position at Yankee Magazine; recently retired and is now back here. Kathleen and her husband, Dick, raised their two boys (now grown) in Sullivan and live on Centre St. Welcome, Kathleen!

The Selectmen meet on Monday evening at 6:30. If you would like to get on the agenda, please call Kathleen at 603 847-3316.

### **FROM THE TOWN CLERK...**

Just a reminder that you do not want to forget to register your little furry family members! All dog licenses are due. Notices have gone out, so please make sure your rabies shots have been updated, so that you can get them licensed.

### **DOES SOMEONE YOU KNOW NEED HELP WITH GROCERIES? DO YOU?**

With so many people out of work, some people may need assistance from the town food pantry, such as food and/or paper goods. If you or someone you know needs help, call Gaynelle Pratt at 847-3271 or the Town Office at 847-3316.

## **"Library Footnotes"**

What interesting times we are in right now... We at the Sullivan Public Library hope that you are all doing alright in this time of uncertainty and restraint in our daily routines.

The library is currently closed to the public, but we are working hard to maintain order and get things ready for when we are able to re-open our doors again.

When it is safe to reopen, it is our hope that more of our patrons come back to the library to check out materials, participate in some of the programs that we offer, or simply come in to chat with the friendly librarians. We are fully anticipating getting our book groups to resume to normal as soon as we can. Hopefully we will see you there. We offer the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday Cookbook Group at 12:30 where you prepare a recipe from the current cookbook and bring it in to share with the group. There is the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday Group that meets at 11 AM and discusses the latest mystery that they have read. And there is the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday Group that reads a variety of topics to discuss. Any or all of these groups would welcome more participants.

Please update your contact information with us. We would love to have better communication with our patrons!

Respectfully submitted,  
Paulette Tuttle and Dott Miles

### **Public Notice.**

The Sullivan Public Library Board of Trustees will hold their monthly meetings on May 14, June 11 and July 9, 2020 at 3:30 PM at the library. The purpose of the meetings will be to formally receive any donations, hear reports and conduct any business related to the administration of the library. If the rules on public gatherings related to the COVID 19 pandemic are still in force, these meetings may be held online. Please contact one of the trustees if you have concerns.

## LOOKING FOR A GOOD BOOK OR MAGAZINE TO READ? Try “Libby”!

“Libby” is a state-of-the-art digital reading experience that makes it possible for you to have something to read anytime you like. And, you can easily customize how you read - adjust an eBook's font size, book layout and lighting. Libby is only for digital books. It doesn't include any physical materials from your library.

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2. Is Libby free? Yes, Libby is completely free. It's free to install, and there are no subscription costs, no in-app purchases and no late fees. All you need a valid library card from your library.
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**Need help?** Call 847-3458 or email [sullivanpubliclibrary@gmail.com](mailto:sullivanpubliclibrary@gmail.com) and Paulette or Dott will get back to you as soon as possible. Or, just google “Libby” for more information.

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### PUZZLES - The library is looking for people to do a few puzzles!

Do you like to do puzzles? Stuck at home? The library is looking for a few people to help them do their puzzles so they can discard any that have missing pieces. Email [sullivanpubliclibrary@gmail.com](mailto:sullivanpubliclibrary@gmail.com) or call (847-3458 & leave a message) and they'll get you set up!

### OLD NEWSPAPERS WANTED -

Looking for newsprint only, not the shiny paper the ads are printed on. Now that the woodstove season is just about over, it's hoped folks will have some papers they would like to get rid of. Put them in a plastic bag and leave them by the back door at the library – they will be greatly appreciated. Thank you!

## WILL SULLIVAN LOSE ITS FUNDING FOR ROADS, SCHOOLS, HOSPITALS, ETC.?

You can help keep the funding in place and maybe even help increase it! Please, take a little time to fill out your Census 2020 form – on-line (<https://my2020census.gov/>) or on paper. If you need help, call 855-562-2020. It's quick and easy. The 2020 Census questionnaire will take about 10 minutes to complete.

It's safe, secure and confidential. Your information and privacy are protected.

Your response helps to direct billions of dollars in federal funds to local communities for schools, roads and other public services. Results from the 2020 Census will also be used to determine the number of seats each state has in Congress and your political representation at all levels of government.

**PLEASE FILL OUT YOUR CENSUS!**

## **From the Archives**

**by Chris Pratt**

Like all of our major roads, South Road was not laid out all at once. In fact, it did not connect to Sullivan Center until 1788. As with all of our roads, its original purpose was to provide a right-of-way for land owners to access their property and to be able to travel to the town meetinghouse. The road's original purpose was to access the northeast corner of Keene.

Keene's settlement was different from the other three towns that would make up Sullivan (Gilsum, Stoddard and Packersfield). While the other towns were laid out in a grid work defined by lot and range lines, Keene's settlement plan was based on a design used since the early days of European settlement. A group of proprietors received a grant of land. Land was assigned to each owner in small lots, so that their farms would form a cluster that could be defended in case of attack. In Keene's case, the cluster was modern day Main Street from about Davis Street to what is now Route 101. The balance of the land would be divided among the proprietors using a system of lot drawings. The lots were scattered throughout the township. These lots were referred to as "pitches" and were drawn from a box and assigned to the proprietors. The idea was for the land to be resold to new settlers as they arrived.

The northeast corner of Keene was dominated by what came to be called Nims Hill which had steep slopes into the Ferry Brook and Otter Brook valleys. Moreover, settlement in Keene came to a sudden halt when a force of Native Americans burned it down during King George's War in 1747. The land-owners returned around 1750 and it was incorporated as a New Hampshire town in 1753. It was another 20 years before the hill country of northeast Keene received its first settler. In May of 1771, Asahel Nims purchased the pitch of Benjamin Hall which included a piece of relatively flat land on top of the hill. Nims built a cabin near what is now 358 South Road. Asahel's brother Eliakim purchased the next pitch to the south in November of 1773 from Isaac Wyman. This lot was closer to the edge of hill near 469 South Road.

At its town meeting in March of 1775, Keene accepted a road to Eliakim's property. It began off a road built to the top of Concord Hill and probably followed the course of modern Concord Road to Sullivan Road, across Ferry Brook and up the long, steep grade that modern South Road follows. At the time it was a dead-end road. A month after the road was laid out the alarm came from Lexington and Concord.

Eliakim and Asahel marched off with Capt. Isaac Wyman's company and Asahel was later killed in the Battle of Bunker Hill. His property passed to his brother Zadok Nims. Zadok and his wife Elizabeth had 9 children and most of the Nims family in Sullivan were descended in some way from this family.

Although the conclusion of the Revolution led to economic hardship in Cheshire County, settlement continued in Keene and some new families arrived and purchased lots beyond the Nims family holdings. In 1784, Erastus and Roswell Hubbard took ownership of a pitch in the area near 187 South Road (which was built by Erastus). Keene acknowledged this at the town meeting in March, 1786, by extending the road from the Nims Farm to the Hubbard properties. The extension stopped at the Gilsum town boundary—roughly where 88 South Road is today.

At a town meeting in June of 1788, Sullivan officially accepted a number of roads laid out by other towns. They also voted to lay out a road almost due south from the Four Corners to what had been the Gilsum-Keene boundary. This connected the settlements on Nims Hill and along the road to the center of the new town. The action, incidentally, connected Sullivan with Keene's road system and would provide communication between the town of Sullivan and what was fast becoming the center of Cheshire County.

### **SULLIVAN HAS SOME GREAT WALKING/HIKING TRAILS!**

We can't go out in many public spaces, be with a group or even visit our friends. What is there to do? Those of us in Sullivan are lucky to have access to some little-used hiking trails right here in town! Spring is a great time to get out with your family for a woods walk – look for animal signs and spring flowers, listen for cheery birdsongs & woodpeckers diligently working and the rushing water of a nearby stream. Take time to listen – it's quiet, except for the sounds of the woods. Sometimes the best things can be found right in your own back yard, too!

**Printable maps are available on line!** Go to the Sullivan website <https://townofsullivannh.com/> and under "Conservation", you'll find maps for the various hikes in town. Meetinghouse Rock (behind the fire station) on town land is there along with the Nature Conservancy's Otter Brook Preserve (off Boulder Rd. & around Bolster Pond) and the Society for the Protection of NH Forest's Piper Memorial Forest (off Gilsum Rd.). They all have parking areas.

## The Village Storekeeper

**Note:** This is a revision of a piece I wrote 10 years ago. It was inspired by a leisurely ride on a sunny day during the 2020 corona crisis. The itinerary included favorite country roads in Nelson and Sullivan/East Sullivan from my childhood. As we drove past the store in East Sullivan and saw the windows covered, lights out and an empty parking area, I realized that I had waited too long to sample those famous doughnuts I'd heard about. I felt sadness for the Little family whose business couldn't withstand the Route 9 bridge construction. Could it also be signaling the end of my generation? Have stores in rural villages become superfluous in the 21st century? Are handheld mobile devices a replacement?

I grew up in the village of East Sullivan during the years when John J. "Jack" Hammond owned the store. Memories can be tricky, but sadly there are few people left to challenge my recollections!

"Sis, I need milk to make this cake. Run to the store, please!"

"We're out of bread. Go to the store if you want a peanut butter/marshmallow fluff sandwich!"

"Would you please go over, collect the mail, and don't drop it!"

Tearfully, "Mama, Mrs. Hammond told me that President Roosevelt is dead!"

Happily, shouting for the world to hear: "I've won a scholarship for a whole year at KTC!"

I can't imagine not having the store within walking distance of home in our rural village. It was a fixture in our lives, providing food needs, mail pickup and maybe most of all, social interaction.

Perhaps Jack Hammond left NYC in 1931 to fulfill a dream of owning a country store in rural New Hampshire. It seemed such a radical move! The store he purchased had a long history, and had been lately owned by Oscar G. Harris; the village was East Sullivan. My parents were renting the north apartment in the Goodnow home, when my mother saw a strange car stop in front of the store and discharge a handsome young man and a silver haired lady. She retold the story of the Hammonds' arrival throughout her long life.

In 1933 the Concord Road became Route 9; a new cement bridge was built and the village experienced its first bypass. Jack oversaw the design and construction of a new home and business where it remains today. Included were gas pumps and three little overnight cottages to provide lodging in the burgeoning era of automobile travel. The old store across Otter Brook was rented as a residence until it burned in the 1950s.

Jack's sister Mary remained in New York as a career woman until she came to live with Jack after his return from heroic service as an infantry lieutenant at the Anzio beachhead in Italy in WW 2, and after their mother's death. During the war, Bessie Davis, with the help of her sons, Richard and Sidney, kept store in Jack's absence, until he survived and came home.

The store in the 1940s and 1950s was the nerve center of our village. Jack had epicurean tastes and stocked SS Pierce canned goods, somewhat exotic and pricey for us villagers. He kept tripe in a barrel, bulk cookies, 5 cent candy bars, an assortment of goods in glass cases on the counter and a table with two hi-backed benches for people who wished to stay awhile. Later he had a large open garage built across Route 9 to house his maroon Jaguar, which took them royally to church in Keene. The post office boxes were built near the steps that led to the living quarters. Jack seemed to disappear as he sorted mail while Horace Upton, the mail carrier, waited for ongoing mail, or when he went into his cave-like storage area built into the hill.

The Hammonds, Irish Catholics from New York, added diversity to our Yankee provincial culture. Mrs. Hammond was a wonderful neighbor. When I was born in 1933, she invited my father for supper and gave him a gift for the baby. For several years she gave us the NY Sunday Herald Tribune after she had read it. I learned to read by studying the Peter Rabbit comics in the paper. One of my earliest memories is of Dad and Jack skiing from the top of Frost Hill before the woods grew in.

During the 1950s, Jack and Mary took part in local activities and had a close circle of friends on what is now Apple Hill Road. Their keen Irish wit and pleasure in living was enjoyed by everyone. They also

owned a cottage at Granite Lake that provided reprieves from the grueling hours of keeping store. Jack had a large stone fireplace built near the swimming hole in Otter Brook by the iron bridge. We young folks spent happy times having cookouts, swimming and daring people to dive off the top of the bridge. At Halloween he was unfailingly generous with treats, including individual sundaes, a newly marketed item in those days.

Jack and Mary retired to Vero Beach, Florida, and the store continued with several different owners. Our village had been greatly enriched and blessed by their presence in our lives.

Patricia McMahon Clark 2010, revised 2020

## Sullivan School District News

Well, during this unprecedented time of social distancing, I wanted to update you on what has been going on since the closure of our schools. As many of you know, Governor Sununu announced on March 14<sup>th</sup> (a Saturday) that schools would be closed effective that Monday, March 16<sup>th</sup>. Teachers and staff were given one week to come up with a plan for distance learning to keep students learning and engaged from home. Recently this school closure and remote learning has been extended through the end of this school year.

During this time our teachers, aides and other staff have been working harder than ever to plan and develop new curriculum that can be taught remotely and to engage their students. Students have had to adapt to remote learning and being away from peers and friends. Parents have had to try to work from home while also supervising their children. Bus drivers continue to work bringing meals to students who need them and supplies to the students who are unable to connect electronically, for whatever reason.

School is still in session, just in a very different manner than previously. The Sullivan School Board would like to thank all of our teachers, support staff, students, parents and everyone else who has worked so hard to make this possible!

For the Sullivan School Board,  
Malinda Sherpa

### Contact Information:

Sullivan School Board – Michael Brooks, Chairman [Sullivanschooldistrict.chair@gmail.com](mailto:Sullivanschooldistrict.chair@gmail.com)

Kelsey Kilburn – Principal, Nelson School [kkilburn@sau29.org](mailto:kkilburn@sau29.org)

SAU 29 - Dr. Rick Matte is the lead contact person for all COVID-19 inquiries and concerns (director of student services) at all SAU 29 schools and districts. He can be reached at [rmatte@sau29.org](mailto:rmatte@sau29.org).

## Local CSA Farms Offer Shares to Limited-income Residents! The Monadnock Farm Share Program

<https://www.cheshireconservation.org/farmshare>

Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) produce farms in the Monadnock Region have come together, in partnership with the Cheshire County Conservation District, to ensure that farm-fresh CSA vegetable shares are affordable for all interested community members.

The Monadnock Farm Share Program, initiated in 2019, is a program that provides limited-income Monadnock Region residents with the opportunity to support their local CSA farmer and receive reliable high-quality produce on a regular basis all season long. CSA Share prices are discounted through an innovative cost-share model.

Participating families and individuals receive a CSA vegetable share for **half the price!** Applications will be selected on a first come, first served basis - **FUNDING IS LIMITED**. The CCCD will accept applications until June 1st or until all available shares have been awarded.

Participating farms include: Abenaki Springs Farm of Walpole, Foggy Hill Farm of Jaffrey; Hillside Springs Farm of Westmoreland; Hungry Bear Farm of Mason; New Dawn Farm of Westmoreland; Picadilly Farm of Winchester; Stonewall Farm of Keene; Sun Moon Farm of Rindge and Tracie's Community Farm of Fitzwilliam.

Farmers raise funds to cover 25% of the program costs and 25% of costs is provided by the Cheshire Medical Center for Population Health through its Healthy Monadnock Initiative. The customer is responsible to pay 50%.

More information and the 2020 application are available on the Conservation District website [www.cheshireconservation.org/farmshare](http://www.cheshireconservation.org/farmshare). If you have additional questions, please call 603-756-2988 ext.4.

# 50th Anniversary of Earth Day

The 50th Anniversary of Earth Day was on April 22nd. The first Earth Day in 1970 mobilized 20 million people and started a lot of people thinking what action could be taken to better care for our planet and local communities. More than a billion people world-wide were expected to celebrate the fiftieth celebration, but, alas, we are and have been staying safely isolated in our homes. <https://www.earthday.org/earth-day-2020/>

Never fear! Some cool things are still happening:

- NASA has made available #EarthDayAtHome campaign. It offers a variety of videos, talks, quizzes and more. <https://www.nasa.gov/feature/goddard/2020/earthdayathome-with-nasa/>
- The Jaffrey Conservation Commission produced a 35-minute video that you can access on YouTube to inspire, inform and entertain you (good music, too!). <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1u5WwFE6MMo>
- <https://www.russvernonjones.org/> has a lot of hopeful, energizing perspectives.

You can find many more sites that offer activities and information as you look online. A few ideas children and families might engage in together as starters are below:

- Make plans to plant a tree. Trees take CO<sub>2</sub> out of our air.
- See how many things you can keep out of the trash by finding a new use for them or giving them to someone who could use them.
- Scout for good news about the environment/climate. People are doing great things. See a lot of good news at <https://www.russvernonjones.org/hopeful-news/>. Think together about how you might use less plastic. Only 1% of plastic bags get recycled, many end up in the ocean!
- Waste less food. Food waste is responsible for emitting CO<sub>2</sub>'s. Learn about composting.
- Make a poster of some of what you love about our environment. Notice some of those things each day together.

Here is some good news about our environment that happened recently. On July 29th, 2019 Ethiopia planted 350 million trees.... that's in one day! Since we have been sheltering in place, air pollution over New England has declined 30%. Wow!

## Household Hazardous Waste Collection!

*A great opportunity to clean toxic wastes from your basement, workbench, garage, and cupboards.*

### Spring 2020

Sat. May 9    Wed. May 13    Sat. May 23  
Sat. June 6    Wed. June 10    Sat. June 20

**All collections run 8:00 AM - 1:00 PM**

Keene Recycling Center, 55 Old Summit Road, Keene

<https://ci.keene.nh.us/public-works/household-hazardous-waste-schedule>

### What to Bring

Products marked toxic, poison, corrosive, irritant, hazardous, flammable, danger.

If you think it's hazardous, bring it up.

**What Not to Bring:** empty containers (can be recycled), latex paint, ammunition, fireworks, radioactive materials, makeup & toiletries

**Other Information:** Containers must be labeled as to their contents. No containers larger than 10 gallons will be accepted.

*Collection takes approximately 10 minutes from time of arrival.*

## HAMPTON BEACH SAND SCULPTING CONTEST

Gearing up for what they hope to be the best year ever - celebrating 20 years!!! Over the next few weeks they will keep everyone in touch with any new developments concerning the event, but for now it's a go for June 18, 19 and 20. Please think positive as we all know that we are in difficult times; again try to remain positive

<https://www.hamptonbeach.org/events/sand-sculpture-event/>

Or watch the Hampton Beach webcam <https://hamptonbeach.org/beach-cam/>.

## WANTED - SMALL WALKER

Do you have a reasonably-priced, basic, small, metal walker (no wheels, no seat) you would like to get rid of? Call 847-0004 – if no answer, please leave a message.

## GARDEN QUESTIONS? NH Extension is there to help!

Master Gardeners are available to help connect you with the resources and expertise of UNH Extension. Explore the resources below, or get in touch through the Infoline. At this time, most of the staff are working remotely, so it's best to email or call and leave a message.

**Call:** 1-877-EXT-GROW (398-4769)

**Email:** [answers@unh.edu](mailto:answers@unh.edu)

**Walk in:** Education Center, 329 Mast Rd, Ste 115, Goffstown, N.H.

**Social Media:** Twitter, Facebook, and Instagram

<https://extension.unh.edu/programs/ask-unh-extension>

## RECIPE CORNER

with Ginni McByrne

I tried this recipe the other day and it was easy and delicious. This recipe calls for 5 cups of shredded chicken, I used a rotisserie chicken, and used all the meat. Please email your recipes and a brief story and/or helpful hint to [g\\_mcbyrne@yahoo.com](mailto:g_mcbyrne@yahoo.com).

### Chicken Cordon Bleu Casserole

5 cups shredded cooked chicken  
4 oz. melted butter  
1 tbsp. Dijon mustard  
½ tsp. salt

4 oz. ham slices  
6 oz. cream cheese  
1 tbsp. lemon juice  
4 oz. swiss cheese

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Place shredded chicken in bottom of a greased casserole dish. Layer the slices of ham on top of the chicken. In a mixing bowl, mix together butter, cream cheese, mustard, lemon juice and salt. Mix for about a minute, until the ingredients are completely blended together. Spread the sauce over the ham and chicken, in the casserole dish. Place slices of swiss cheese on the sauce and bake covered for 30 minutes. Remove cover and broil for last 2 minutes, to brown the cheese. ENJOY!!

#### \*\*\*HELPFUL HINT\*\*\*

\*\*During this Covid-19 pandemic, look to the past. Get hope from your past resilience. You have likely endured other unforeseen major life disrupters like 9/11, major hurricanes or the financial meltdown of 2008. You made it through! And you are stronger because of it. Know that you will get through this. Remind yourself of your resilience on a regular basis\*\*

*“Danger gathers upon our path. We cannot afford—we have no right—to look back. We must look forward”.*

*by Winston Churchill*

## APPLE HILL THIS SUMMER

Unfortunately, The Apple Hill Center for Chamber Music has had to cancel most programs for this summer. From their webpage:

### A Special Appeal to All of You in a Difficult Time

We now find ourselves in a deeply precarious position. With the uncertainties of gatherings and travel, we are losing significant tuition and ticket revenue in these months. As we work together to define a new realm of normalcy, we need to reach our goal, and then some. We ask you, our loyal friends, to join with us so that we may pay our beloved Apple Hill String Quartet and the entire dedicated office staff (now all on a reduced salary and schedule) and proceed with necessary improvements to our facilities (currently on hold), as we adapt to continuing our mission.

Follow them via their website <https://applehill.org/> or on Facebook. Watch for some virtual concerts on-line or listen on YouTube.

**Save the Date: Apple Hill Concert Online** <https://applehill.org/concerts/concerts-apple-hill/>

Sunday, May 3, 3pm Apple Hill presents a virtual concert with violinist Elise Kuder and violist Mike Kelley.

We make every effort to ensure the accuracy of the information in this newsletter. However, you should always call ahead or check websites to confirm dates, times, location and other information.

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