Good evening, it's Friday, April 1st.

We begin tonight with bizarre news out of Claremont as an unstable man was arrested yesterday after erratically driving himself to the hospital, and nearly striking a pedestrian in a parking lot. Hours later, the man's School Street home was raided by authorities on suspicions of a methamphetamine operation. According to police, 54-year-old Bradley Ames faces charges of driving under the influence and conspiracy to manufacture methamphetamine as a result of the events that began around 11 a.m. and didn't end until dusk. Police were alerted of a medical emergency call from School Street that was dropped shortly after 11, before hearing reports of an erratic driver near Valley Regional Hospital. Ames is said to have nearly struck a pedestrian in the parking lot, before changing his mind after briefly entering the building - he was arrested outside. At around 4:30 that afternoon, both Claremont and state police, as well as members of the New Hampshire Attorney General's Drug Task Force raided the 27 School Street home and were observed testing chemicals in the roadway. Ames was arraigned today in Claremont District Court.

Turning to Upper Valley news now, a 32-year-old Lebanon woman was arrested Wednesday on charges of prostitution as the result of a sting operation conducted by local police. According to Lebanon police, detectives became aware of an online advertisment on the website backpage.com by a woman offering to perform sexual activities for a fee. Detectives responded to the ad and arranged to meet the woman at a local hotel. When a detective met the woman - identified as 32-year-old Tiffany Richardson of Lebanon - she agreed to perform a sexual act in exchange for money, and was subsequently arrested and charged with prostitution. Richardson was processed at the Lebanon Police Department and released on \$2,500 dollars personal recognizance bail, and is due Lebanon District Court on May 23. Prostitution is a Class A Misdemeanor, punishable by up to one year and jail and a fine of up to \$2,000 dollars.

Now an unanticipated follow-up on a story we brought you just last month as the former principal of the Bernice A. Ray School in Hanover is being investigated on allegations he spent more than \$30,000 dollars of school-district money for personal use. Matthew Laramie abruptly resigned as the elementary school's principal in February after having served in the role since 2011. Laramie cited personal reasons at the time of his resignation, and was regarded by Superintendent Frank Bass as having left in good terms with students, teachers, and community members. According to the *Valley News*, however, a letter sent out by Bass on Thursday notified parents that the district had launched an investigation into expenses Laramie charged to the professional development account fund. The account is meant to cover specialized training and education for staff. The *Valley News* reports that the district first became aware of the situation in late January, when employees noticed receipts that looked "out of place."

Well residents of Newport will get a chance to crunch some numbers next week with members of the selectboard as the town will host is deliberative session Tuesday at 6 p.m. at the high school. The most notable point of discussion will be the proposed \$9.5 million dollar operating budget which comes in at a decrease of nearly \$15,000 dollars from Newport's current budget. If passed, the budget - and an increase in non-tax revenue - would result in a decreased tax rate of about 29 cents per \$1,000 dollars of assessed property value. Residents will also discuss a 15 additional warrant articles including a proposed \$5 increase in the motor vehicle registration that is estimated to raise more than \$35,000 dollars in the first year alone according to the *Valley News*. Newport voters won't take to the polls to vote on the proposed budget and town officials until Tuesday, May 10 at the Newport Opera House.

A followup now on a story that we've been following since it began last fall. A Dartmouth professor accused of possession of child porn pleaded guilty yesterday to the single felony count. J. Martin Favor, a professor of African-American studies at Dartmouth and a resident of Plainfield, was arrested in September of 2015 when police found five videos depicting sexual abuse of children on his computer. Last Wednesday, Favor and his attorney filed an "acknowledgement and waiver of rights" filed on Wednesday in US District Court in Concord, which indicated that he would plead guilty during his change of plea hearing yesterday. Favor will be sentenced on the felony count on July 11th and faces a maximum of 10 years in prison, a fine of up to a quarter million dollars, and supervised release with terms and conditions. An affidavit that was unsealed recently has revealed more of how specifically Favor was caught, involving the social media site Tumblr where the child porn content tripped an online alarm when it was detected, leading to Favor. The 49-year old remains on paid leave from his position at Dartmouth.

Another crime update now, as a Claremont teenager accused of hitting two separate homes with his car in December and March has been indicted by a grand jury. According to court documents, on Wednesday in Sullivan County Superior Court, 19-year old Louis Gratacos III was indicted on a felony charge of reckless conduct with a deadly weapon and is facing additional charges including disobeying an officer, conduct after an accident, and possession of controlled narcotic drugs, which in this case, was marijuana. On December 28th, he led police on a high speed chase and wound up hitting a home on Maple Avenue, injuring his passenger. Earlier this month on March 22nd, he led police on yet another chase and hit a 30-foot trailer next to a home on Citizen Street with a passenger in the car, who was not injured. Gratacos is currently held at the Sullivan County House of Corrections in Unity on \$100,000 bail awaiting a future hearing.

Let's be honest, as kids, or even adults, we've all wanted to pull the fire alarm or call 911 and hang up at some point because it'd be funny right? Well in Vermont, Woodstock Fire-Rescue has revealed why this probably isn't the best idea. In a report by *The Vermont Standard*, members of the town's government and fire-rescue unit revealed to the paper the numbers when it comes to how many calls come in compared to how many are false alarms. Woodstock Fire-Rescue responded to 232 calls last fiscal year, of which 72 were false fire alarms, roughly 30%. In addition, the police department responded to 128 burglary calls and only in eight of those calls did a burglary actually occur. The town expends \$17 an hour to each firefighter whenever the department responds to a call, which means that false calls and alarms amounts to a lot of wasted money for the town. Woodstock officials are trying to reduce the amount of false alarms and to more accurately respond to calls.

And finally tonight, as we told you about yesterday, Claremont residents fought the raindrops today at noon as they met at Broad Street Park to learn about organ donors. Today's event was held as part of National Donate Life Month where local, regional, and national activities take place to encourage Americans to register as organ donors and to celebrate those whose lives have been saved by a donation. The event was facilitated by 61-year old Tracy Pope who received a kidney transplant 4 years ago from her husband Scott Pope. City Manager Guy Santagate and Mayor Charlene Lovett both spoke, including a proclamation that established April as Organ Donation Month for the city. Residents then heard testimonials from various families and individuals from the area who have been affected by organ donation. Overall, their words focused on deriving life from tragedy. There were guest speakers as well, including a

statement from NH State Senator David Pierce, read by Ray Gagnon. The boy scout troop raised an organ donor flag to round out the ceremony. For more information on how you can save a life, check out www.DonateLife.net.

Good evening, it's Monday, April 4th.

We begin tonight with news of the white and fluffy kind, as you've no doubt noticed if you've poked your head out the window and gone outside at all today. Yes ladies and gentlemen, it was snowing for most of the day today and as usual, it caused multiple motor vehicle accidents in various towns across our region, and even some power outages. What made this late snow more detrimental for driving is that most drivers had already taken their snow tires off following a string warm spring days last month. Regarding accidents, Cornish Police reported four accidents this morning on one road within 45 minutes of each other. At around 9:00 this morning, police closed a portion of the road while Eversource repaired a damaged telephone pole and drivers were urged to find an alternate route. Eversource serviced other towns who had lost power due to the snow, including nearby Plainfield. Power and public works crews have been working throughout the day to keep everyone safe and with power. If you're heading out tonight, as always, drive safe and be careful.

In crime news now, Lebanon Police have been credited with yet another drug bust, this time involving two individuals and multiple drugs. This past Saturday, April 2nd, officers of the Lebanon Police Department sought a warrant for a Mascoma Street residence, acting on the results of an investigation from the day before. Once inside, officers arrested 38-year old John Demers of Lebanon and 30-year old of Canaan on drug charges after heroin, cocaine, and evidence of sales were all discovered in the residence. Demers was charged with two counts of possession of controlled narcotic drugs with intent to distribute, was released on personal recognizance bail, and will appear in Lebanon District Court in late May. Meanwhile, Pelletier faces one count of possession of controlled narcotic drugs, was transported to the Grafton County House of Corrections and was arraigned today.

Sticking with crime news, we've got yet another drug bust, this time out of Springfield, as authorities all over our region continue to fight the heroin epidemic. Late last week, three men were arrested by the Springfield Police Department on drug charges. On Thursday, officers from the Springfield Police Department executed a search warrant on a home at 1 Elm Hill and inside found a large quantity of heroin and other drugs allegedly owned by 54-year old Eddie Cruz of Springfield, who owned the home. Police also found various other drugs and firearms, although it is not known whether the latter were legally registered. Cruz was later taken into custody for the alleged offense of trafficking heroin, possession of cocaine, and possession of regulated drugs. He was transferred to the Southern State Correctional Facility on \$25,000 cash or surety bail. Since Thursday's bust, a Thomas Daniels and a Keith Destromp were both arrested in Springfield for possession of heroin.

On a different note now, it's often said that you can practice something a million times over but when the real thing happens, it's an entirely different experience. Well firefighters over in New London, WIlmot, and Sutton got some experiential practice over the weekend that was almost identical to the real thing. On Saturday, more than a dozen live training scenarios were conducted at Slope and Shore in New London at the house owned by James Lallinger. This specific home has been used for the last month to conduct live burn training, search and rescue,

firefighter bailout, hose roll out, and water access. New London, Wilmot, and Sutton fires crews practiced venting a metal roof and coordinating the three fire departments to work together to put out fires most effectively. State fire marshals were on the scene to make sure that everything ran smoothly and safely and after training was complete, the house was burned to the ground in a controlled burn. A new house will be built on the property in the future.

After the break on YCN News, we'll visit New London Hospital for a peek at some state of the art technology that has recently been installed. Please stay with us.

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Small community hospitals are such a great value to their towns. In many cases, they provide services that keep local residents from having to travel long distances to major medical centers. In New London, not only do we have a highly recognized facility, but one with many state of the art technological features. Recently, New London Hospital upgraded a part of their facility that makes it unique to our area. YCN asked Kris Eschbach, a doctor in the radiology department, to tell us about this exciting addition.

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Thank you Kris and thank you New London Hospital for providing the services locally that make our medical care more local than ever. If you would like to know more about the services provided by the radiology department or the New London Hospital in general please give them a call at 603-526-2911 or go to thir website NewLondonHospital.org and click on "Contact" in the upper right hand corner.

Good evening, it's Tuesday, April 5th.

We begin tonight with crime news, where a man from Newbury New Hampshire has been charged with two separate crimes. 27-year old Drew Hankins of Newbury was charged yesterday in Portsmouth District Court with multiple charges that include poaching and possession of methamphetamine. New Hampshire Fish and Game officers arrested Hankins on Friday at the Hampton Falls River when authorities were alerted of eel poaching through their surveillance team. Police say that when a uniformed Fish and Game officer approached him at the river, he jumped in and began swimming towards a culvert but when a state trooper appeared at the culvert, he turned around and swam back to the Fish and Game officer and turned himself in. Officers searched his vehicle and found eel trapping equipment, methamphetamine, and a large amount of cash. Hankins was charged with numerous charges, including 1 count of Taking American Eels Without a Harvest Permit. He is being held on \$5,000 cash bail and as this is his second eel-poaching offense, the charge is a felony.

News out of Claremont now and following up on a story we brought you recently, a proposed senior living community on private land located on Washington Street won't be moving forward for another month. *The Eagle Times* reports that yesterday, the city's Zoning Board of Adjustment decided to not take any action on the plan after it was revealed that a land abutter was not alerted of the public hearing. The project is being spearheaded and proposed by Wayne and Jean McCutcheon, who own 18 acres of land on 492 Washington Street and hope to

construct 66 senior condominium units. Some neighbors did attend the meeting last night, but the hearing could not move forward because not all of the abutting landowners had been notified.

The McCutcheon's are asking the city for a variance from rules governing permitted uses within residential zones, as well as lot sizes. Wayne McCutcheon, who works locally as a surveyor, bought the 492 Washington Street property in 1969. The hearing for the zoning variance has been postponed until May 2nd.

In medical news now, two of our local hospitals, that being Dartmouth Hitchcock and Mt. Ascutney Hospital, have paired up to provide yet another service to residents of the area. TeleHealth and TeleEmergency focuses on local medical care for rural communities of New Hampshire where long distances between hospitals and clinics creates problems for patients requiring medical attention. A lack of medical specialists are a major issue especially when the population of these rural areas have a large percentage of elderly residents. Telehealth is considered to be life-saving technology as the Mt. Ascutney Hospital and Health Center staff are now able to immediately connect with medical emergency specialists who include board-certified emergency physicians, critical care specialists and nurses with emergency training. For a nurse needing to make a critical medical decision with limited time, getting a second opinion from an emergency specialist at the click of a button can be the difference between life and death and that is what TeleHealth and TeleEmergency are all about. They also aim to keep patients in their own homes surrounded by loved ones in a comfortable setting.

Tomorrow is the day that many have waited for in regards to a controversial issue that has received support and opposition for more than two years now. Tomorrow, the NH Governor and Council will vote on the proposed Mt. Sunapee West Bowl Expansion, slated to start at 10:00 AM. The five-member executive council will vote to approve or disapprove the large expansion of Mount Sunapee Resort that will offer new terrain for skiers and riders. Three weeks ago, Jeffrey Rose, commissioner of the Department of Resources and Economic Development presented the plan to proponents and opponents alike and one week later, it went in front of the Governor and Council. However, the vote was tabled 5-0, as members of the Council stated they needed more time and a public hearing to truly learn about the expansion plan. Last Wednesday, a public hearing was held and council members heard input from area residents on the potential impact of the project. Tomorrow's vote has increased gravity because two of the five councilors are currently running for the governor's office and have yet to make their stances known on the controversial development. Tune in to YCN News tomorrow night for a report from tomorrow morning's council vote.

Lets now join the Lake Sunapee Region VNA and Hospice to take a look at the increasing use of prescription drugs.

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Be sure to join us again next week at the same time for another valuable look at Home Care Matters.

After the break on YCN News, we'll join sports reporter Andrew Zurheide for a look at some local sports action, plus your weather and community calendar. We'll be right back.

Welcome back to YCN News, I'm Andrew Zurheide. Let's take a look at our forecast for the next couple of days.

So far today we've seen sunny skies and cold temperatures. Tonight will be MOSTLY CLEAR and the chilly temps will continue to drop down to a low near 13 degrees. Wednesday will be PARTLY SUNNY with a high near 38 and it could be a bit breezy in the morning. Wednesday night there is a CHANCE OF SNOW during the late hours. After 3am the snow will turn into RAIN with CLOUDY skies and a low near 34. Now on Thursday we can expect lots of RAIN mainly after 9am with a warmer high near 54 degrees and Thursday night the RAIN will continue mostly before midnight with a low around 40 degrees.

The Spark Community Center in Lebanon is hosting another event but this time a cooking class will be offered from 12:30 to 1:00pm and then arts and crafts from 2 to 3pm. This is of course a free event and you can call 603-678-8619 for more information.

Also in Lebanon, Pam's exercise class at the Norris Cotton Cancer Center will be happening from 1 to 2pm. Pam's exercise class is for women who have been diagnosed with breast cancer. This event is free. Please call 603-650-7768 to registers as registration is suggested but walk-ins are also welcome.

Author Michelle Hoover will discuss her novel at the Norwich, Vermont Norwich Bookstore starting at 7pm. Her book Bottomland is about a German family living in the Midwest after World War II. You can call 802-649-1114 to reserve your spot for this free event.

Well since the days are getting longer and warmer (we hope) it's time to start thinking about outdoor activities. In preparation for this, we'll revisit our first Trail Ride Review segment where our own Kurt Wehde tests out the mountain biking trails around the region. Today Kurt will be riding through Moody Park located right here in Claremont.

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Thanks for the shots Kurt. Moody Park looks like a beautiful place to mountain bike or take a hike. I can't wait to get out there myself.

Now let's take a look at all-state girls hockey selections.

Hanover dominated the all-state selections this year with Juliana Taube, Matti Hartman and Eliza Laycock making the first team. The honorable mentions include Sarah McCormick, Catherine Wagner, and Kelly Brigham all again from Hanover. Matti Hartman received the NHIAA player of the year award.

Good evening, it's Wednesday, April 6th.

We begin tonight on a mournful note as students and staff of Colby-Sawyer College in New London are honoring a student who died Monday from a car crash on I-89. 21-year old Melissa Molin of Hartford, Connecticut who was set to graduate this year in the class of 2016, was involved in a car crash on Monday at around 3:41 PM on Interstate I-89 in Sutton. When police responded, they found her trapped inside the vehicle as the lone occupant and provided first aid

until they were finally able to extricate her. She was transported to Concord Hospital where she succumbed to her injuries. Colby-Sawyer College says that "the college community extends our deepest sympathies to Melissa's family and many friends as they try to come to terms with this devastating loss." Melissa was a psychology major working to realize her dreams of becoming a counselor, and she was a member of the swimming and diving team. Counselors were available Tuesday, April 5, for students, faculty, and staff and the college's flag has been lowered to half-staff.

On a different note now, in crime news, a Lebanon man has been arrested for solicitation of prostitution through the popular classifieds website, Craigslist. On Monday, Lebanon Police Detectives investigated an ad on Craigslist that offered money for sexual interaction and contacted the poster of the advertisement. Police say that when contacted, the male subject offered \$75 for sexual intercourse and detectives then planned to meet the man at a local restaurant in Lebanon. The subject and the detectives met at the restaurant at around 6:00 PM and 48-year old Robert B. Armstrong was arrested and charged with Solicitation of Prostitution which is a Class B Misdemeanor. He was processed at the police station on Poverty Lane and released on personal recognizance bail. He scheduled to appear in Lebanon District Division, New Hampshire Second Circuit Court on May 23rd. This arrest is in line with Lebanon Police's ongoing efforts to monitor and combat internet crimes, which can often involve human trafficking.

Well today was a big day down in Concord, New Hampshire, as the Governor and Council met to discuss two topics that are relevant to our region. We start with the first item that was discussed at today's meeting, that being the appointment of Senator Jerry Little of Senate District 8 to the position of NH Banking Commissioner. Senator Little was appointed to the position by a vote of 3-2 along party lines, with the 3 votes in favor coming from Republican councilors while the 2 against votes came from the Democrat councilors. The close vote comes in light of criticism regarding Little's past as the state's top banking lobbyist. He was appointed by Governor Maggie Hassan in February and on March 18th, a public hearing was held prior to today's vote, allowing residents to offer their input on the nomination. Senator Little of Weare, New Hampshire, is serving his first term in the Senate and his seat represents many towns in our area including New London, Newbury, Newport, Sunapee, and Unity. He takes office on June 2nd today's vote nullifies the need for a special election his senate seat.

Well as we teased yesterday, further down on the agenda of today's Governor and Council meeting was the much anticipated vote on the Mt. Sunapee West Bowl Expansion. After years of planning, opposition, and support, the final vote has been made and the development was approved. The final vote tallied in as 3-1 in favor, with Republican Chris Sununu recusing himself from the vote as to not conflict with his run for governor and because of his position of CEO of Waterville Valley ski area. However, a second gubernatorial candidate, Democrat Colin Van Ostern did vote, casting the sole against vote. Councilor Joe Kenney, of District 1, which includes Sunapee and many other towns in our area, voted for the expansion, alongside David Wheeler and Christopher Pappas. Mt. Sunapee's general manager, Jay Gamble offered his reaction.

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The expansion plan, as planned and proposed by the Department of Resources and Economic Development, will add 56 acres of new terrain to Mt. Sunapee with new trails, a high-speed quad, and a modest base lodge.

After the break on YCN News, we'll check out some underwater robots. Yes it's as interesting as it sounds, stay tuned to check it out.

On Saturday April 2nd, the sixth annual Seacoast SeaPerch Regional Competition was held at the University of New Hampshire in Durham. This event teaches students to build remotely operated vehicles from low-cost, easily accessible materials and following basic engineering and science concepts. This year, 147 students, including Claremont's 'Rogue Robotics of 4H' competed against each other. There were two staggered events: an obstacle course of submerged hoops, and an orbs course, which tested the ROV's ability to collect and control items with precision. The Claremont team places second as runners-up in the SeaPerch Competition and are going to the national competition in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, in May.

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Beyond encouraging interest in STEM, that being science, technology, engineering, and math, the SeaPerch Challenge also teaches local youth to see an ROV that malfunctions minutes before a competition not as a crippling setback, but as opportunity to get to work. SeaPerch Challenge has been an effective way to get students excited about STEM and the problem-solving challenges inherent to the four subjects.

After the break on YCN News, we'll join sports reporter Andrew Zurheide for a look at some local sports action, plus your weather and community calendar. We'll be right back.

Welcome back to YCN News, I'm Andrew Zurheide. Let's take a look at our forecast for the next couple of days.

Well it looks like the temperatures have finally started to become very seasonal after last week we saw temperatures soar up into the 60s and over the weekend they plummeted down into the teens. Tonight the low will be a very normal 34 degrees with PATCHY FOG and CLOUDY skies after 1am. Tomorrow we can expect RAIN mainly after 11am with a rather comfortable high near 53 degrees. Thursday night the SHOWERS will continue mainly before 1am with a low near 39. Chance of precipitation on Thursday is 80%. Friday there is a chance of showers with MOSTLY CLOUDY skies and a high near 46. And Friday night we can expect MOSTLY CLOUDY skies with a low around 28.

Our Savior Lutheran Church in Hanover is hosting a disaster relief quilting event from 9am to 2pm where you can come work on quilts that will be donated to disaster relief victims. Training and materials will be provided and no experience is necessary. This is of course a free event and you can call 603-643-3703 for more details.

From 11am to 12:30pm come to 14 Green St. in Lebanon for guided meditation followed by a discussion. This is a Valley Insight Meditation event and donations will be accepted. Please call 603-448-1706 if you plan on attending for the first time.

Come check out the Vermont Institute of Natural Science in Quechee from 10am to 4pm everyday. There are trails, exhibitions, live bird programs and animal feeding times. This will cost you 11.50 to 13.50 unless you are three years old or younger in which case you are free. You can call 802-359-5000 for more information.

Well since the days are getting longer and Spring has sprung it's time to start thinking about outdoor activities. In preparation for this, we'll revisit our second Trail Ride Review segment where our own Kurt Wehde tests out the mountain biking trails around the region. Today Kurt will be tackling French's Ledges located in Plainfield, New Hampshire.

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Thanks a lot Kurt. Looks like a great place to ride and if you'd like to look ahead to next winter, the French's Ledges trails also support cross country skiing and fat biking. The trails are open to the public year round so feel free to try them out any time.

Good evening, it's Thursday, April 7th.

We begin tonight with crime news, this time out of Springfield Vermont, as police have arrested a man for stabbing a woman in attempted second degree murder. Police say that yesterday, at around 2:30 in the afternoon, Springfield police officers received a report that at 3 Wall Street, there was a female outside who was covered in blood and had possibly been assaulted. When officers responded, they learned that the woman had suffered a stab wound to her abdomen. She was transported to Springfield Hospital and was later moved to Dartmouth Hitchcock for further treatment. During that time, the female identified the attacker as one Brian Butler, who was found in front of the Village Pizza on Main Street at around 4:00 PM, following a search of the area. Butler was arraigned today at 12:30 PM at Windsor Superior Court, Criminal Division. He faces the charges of Attempted Second Degree Murder, Aggravated Domestic Assault, and Violation of Conditions of Release.

An update now in a story that we've been following since this winter as a former post office employee has been charged with felony theft for opening up mail and stealing money. 50-year old Kim Smith of Hartland Vermont has been indicted by a grand jury on the felony-level charge of theft by unauthorized taking after stealing money and gift cards from unopened mail at the Meriden Post Office. She pleaded not guilty in January in Fifth Circuit Court in Claremont to three related misdemeanor charges that include carrying a loaded handgun without a license. Smith was cited by Plainfield Police in December of last year, and is accused of stealing 17 gift cards totaling \$920 dollars, and an additional \$200 dollars in cash while working at the post office on the campus of Kimball Union Academy. Residents began complaining about their mail appearing to have been opened back in October, prompting the post office to install a surveillance camera within the facility. Footage from the camera is said to show Smith sorting through mail, setting some aside, and then later opening those pieces and pocketing the contents. Smith is scheduled to be arraigned April 14th in Sullivan Superior Court in Newport.

Yet another update out of Brattleboro regarding the police station move, as plans are now underway to get the new building move-in ready and able to host the town's police force. Following the Selectboard meeting on March 30th, which officially authorized the relocation of the police station from the Municipal Center downtown to a building owned by the *Brattleboro Reformer* on 62 Black Mountain Road, the move is finally beginning. The newspaper itself is reporting that Phase 1 testing, which is an Environmental Site Assessment, should go smoothly, and is a test that is done typically after the purchase of any commercial or industrial property. When all is said and done the town will have paid Alden Global Capital – which owns the Reformer and several other newspapers across the nation – \$720,000 dollars to acquire both the building and surrounding land. The newspaper will remain a tenant as part of the deal. Officials have said that they are expecting to close the deal on the Black Mountain Road property by August 10th.

And in our third update of the night for you, officials from two towns across the river from each other further south on the Connecticut are reaching across the divide to discuss wastewater and a closed bridge. The bridge in question is the Vilas Bridge, which closed in March of 2009 and officials announced in late January of this year that the bridge would likely remain closed to vehicular traffic. However the bridge is still being used, but not by vehicles. The span supports a large pipe that carries wastewater from Walpole to Bellows Falls, where it is processed at treatment facilities. Now, the *Eagle Times* reports that Walpole and Bellows Falls officials are signing another inter-local agreement to continue delivering wastewater across the historic bridge and to bring Rockingham into a tri-board discussion to place emphasis on the structural integrity of the bridge. If the bridge were to fail, it could pollute the Connecticut River and hamper the transport of wastewater across the river. Officials in both towns are seeking solutions to continue using the current system and want an open discussion on the bridge. The Vilas Bridge was built in 1930 and spans 635 feet across the Connecticut River.

After the break on YCN News, following yesterday's approval of the Mount Sunapee West Bowl Expansion, we'll take a look at the entire timeline over the past two years.

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Yesterday, the Governor and Executive Council voted on the Mount Sunapee West Bowl Expansion, approving the development 3-1. The decision during yesterday's meeting marked the beginning and end of two different timelines. It marked the end of the planning stage where the Department of Resources and Economic Development heard public feedback, which at times was overwhelmingly negative. However, it also marked the beginning of the actual development stage as officials now have the green light to move it forward. In light of yesterday's vote, we thought that today we'd take a look at the project as it has developed over the years.

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For any and all of our previous pieces on the Mt. Sunapee Expansion, check out our website, YCNNow.com.

After the break on YCN News, we'll join sports reporter Andrew Zurheide for a look at some local sports action, plus your weather and community calendar. We'll be right back.

Welcome back to YCN News, I'm Andrew Zurheide. Let's take a look at our forecast for the next couple of days.

So far today it's been very rainy and wet but it has felt warm with highs in the mid 50s. Tonight the RAIN will continue and it could be heavy at times. We can expect total rainfall amounts close to three quarters of an inch. The lows will drop down to the high 30s. Tomorrow there is a 40% chance of showers before 11am with MOSTLY CLOUDY skies and highs in the mid 40s. Tomorrow night will be cold with lows in the mid 20s and MOSTLY CLOUDY skies. Saturday will be a bit warmer with MOSTLY SUNNY skies and highs climbing into the mid 40s. Saturday night will be MOSTLY CLOUDY and will be very cold with lows in the upper teens.

It's time for your daily community calendar, brought to you by MJ Harrington and Company, where we take a look at some events happening tomorrow.

From 9:30am to noon join master gardener Cheryl Kring at the Grantham town offices where she will teach you the proper way to prune trees and shrubs. This is a free event and if you have questions you can email granthamgardenclub.org for more information.

If you're a fan of star gazing you won't want to miss this free astronomical observing event in Hanover at the Shattuck Observatory. Come view the constellations through Dartmouth College's own telescope from 8 to 10pm. Please call 603-646-9100 to confirm, weather permitting.

Well before you do some stargazing, head over the state border to Woodstock, Vermont to see the movie Eddie the Eagle at the Woodstock Town Hall Theatre. You will learn the story of Eddie Edwards, a ski jumper who makes an improbable trip to the 1988 Winter Olympics. This event will cost you 6 to 8 dollars. You can call 802-457-3981 for more details.

Well the Kearsarge Cougars boys basketball team sure had a memorable year making it all the way to state championship game. This years team was so good that we put together a highlight reel of some of the great footage we gathered over the course of the season. Let's check out some of these amazing plays.

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The Cougars sure were a group of very talented and athletic players. We hope next year the team will be just as talented and can go deep into the playoffs again.

Now let's take a look at the beginning of the high school tennis season.

Starting with the girls, the Hanover Marauders easily beat the Kennett Eagles at home last night by a score of seven to zero. The Marauders had the lead four to zero in the last two doubles matches before the snowy conditions forced the matches to stop play. The lady Marauders can rest for awhile until they take on Souhegan on the 18th at home.

Now to the boys, the male Hanover Marauders blew past the Londonderry Lancers by a score of nine to zero on Londonderry's home courts. Hanover will have their home opener tomorrow when they take on the Merrimack Tomahawks.

Good evening, it's Friday, April 8th.

We begin tonight with an update in yesterday's top story as a 58-year old man accused of stabbing a woman Wednesday in Springfield has pleaded not guilty. Brian Butler was arraigned yesterday in Windsor Superior Court following Wednesday's crime, answering charges of Attempted Second Degree Murder, Aggravated Domestic Assault, and Violation of Conditions of Release. Butler currently has a second aggravated domestic assault charge against the same female victim, who remains unidentified at this time, but is known to Butler. On Wednesday around 2:30 PM, Springfield officers responded to a call and found the woman outside of a home covered in blood with a stab wound to her abdomen. She was transported to Dartmouth Hitchcock Medical Center and revealed Butler's identity. Police quickly apprehended him outside of Village Pizza on Mainstreet and hour and a half later. He is currently being held without bail at the Southern State Correctional Facility, pending his next court appearance May 17th.

In the Upper Valley now at the area's local Ivy League School, a new building proposed for the campus is causing quite a stir among local residents. Officials at Dartmouth College have proposed a new 70,000 square foot athletic facility that would serve as a field house and would cost around \$20 million to construct. The plan sounds great to any of the school's athletes, however, Hanover residents who live off South Park Street, on Tyler Road, aren't as pleased. The Valley News reports that area residents have repeatedly made their voices heard, citing one main reason to oppose to the project: its sheer size, which is slightly bigger than a football field. Planners have brought these concerns into consideration and have appropriately changed the look of the building to be more attractive and to have enhanced landscape screening. The site plans fit well within zoning parameters for the city and hopes to be able to build the facility in a way that promotes year-round sports practice for its athletes but also keeping area residents in good terms with the school. The facility would support a synthetic turf field, hitting tunnels, and training rooms and Dartmouth officials hope to begin work late this year.

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Well it's no secret that our country and especially our region, with Vermont in particular, have been making large strides in moving towards renewable energy and simply cutting energy consumption overall. In New Hampshire, the state's Public Utilities Commission is offering incentives in the form of rebates to homeowners, business owners, or even school districts who can cut their energy use and move to renewable. The Claremont School District, SAU 6, is receiving benefits of their own after making considerable improvements at the middle and high schools in the form of replacing oil burners with wood pellet burners for heat. *The Eagle Times* reports that the bonded project cost around \$12.5 million, which included new windows and insulation. However the district is seeing some of that money come back in two separate rebates from the Public Utilities Commission, totalling \$110,000. The district had submitted two separate rebate applications to the state, highlighting their new furnaces and renewable energy measures. Earlier this week, the district received a letter saying that their applications had both been approved and that two \$55,000 rebates would be on their way.

And finally tonight out of Hartford, Vermont, residents of the town may soon have a survey to complete that will shed some light on what municipal services are most useful and important to them. The implementation of this survey was not a simple process and is only finally being set forth following a March 29th meeting of the town's Selectboard. At the meeting, it was revealed

that a \$10,000 agreement with the University of New Hampshire, who was to conduct the survey of town residents, had never been shaken on, even though the Selectboard were certain that they had voted last fall to authorize the agreement. The idea of the survey came to fruition when the Selectboard realized last spring that there appeared to be a gap between the town's revenues and the services it was providing, and that a survey would help close the gap. A committee was formed that eventually recommended hiring UNH to complete the survey, but the committee disbanded before any true action could be completed. In addition there have been three separate acting town managers between August and February, making it hard to move the plan forward. Now that the survey is being revisited, residents may soon be able to offer their input on the town's municipal services.

After the break on YCN News, we'll check out a local leader being recognized as a good scout. We'll be right back.

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Let's be honest, communities are made up of noticed and unnoticed leaders. Guy Santagate, the current City Manager of Claremont, will be recognized later this month by the local Boy Scouts of America for the qualities he exhibits that are exemplified with his service to the community and area businesses while exemplifying Scouting values in his daily life.

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The aims of Scouting are to develop character, to encourage participating citizenship, and to promote personal fitness. As a community leader who has worked to foster these attributes in other people through his work and volunteer effort, Guy Santagate will be recognized with the Greater Claremont Good Scout Award. In addition to recognizing Santagate, the luncheon will benefit the local Boy Scouts programs. For more information on the April 28th award, please contact Jennifer Bean at 603 625-6431 at the Daniel Webster Council.

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Welcome back to YCN News, I'm Andrew Zurheide. Let's take a look at our forecast for the next couple of days.

Well this weekend looks to be chilly but very clear as all the rain and snow we had this past week will be long gone. Tonight we will see PARTLY CLOUDY skies with temperatures falling into the low 20s. Tomorrow will be SUNNY with highs in the mid 40s while tomorrow night we can expect MOSTLY CLOUDY skies with temperatures falling again into the low 20s. Sunday will again be SUNNY but a bit colder with highs in the low 40s. And Sunday night we can expect MOSTLY CLOUDY skies with lows in the high 20s.

It's time for your daily community calendar, brought to you by MJ Harrington and Company, where we take a look at some events happening tomorrow.

The Converse Free Library in Lyme is having an artist coloring night from 6 to 7:30pm featuring illustrator, author and artist Sarah Rosedahl who creates coloring books for children and adults.

All materials will be provided or you can bring your own. This is a free event and you can call 603-795-4622 for more information.

From 10am to 3pm come enjoy science day at Dartmouth College in Hanover. Dartmouth's graduate women in science and engineering show projects and run activities for area students. All children must be accompanied by an adult. You can visit gwisedartmouth.wordpress.com for more detials about this free educational event.

Documentary filmmaker Michael Moore's new movie titled "Where to Invade Next" will be screened in Hanover at the Visual Arts Center on Lebanon St. Moore goes abroad to solve U.S. problems. This movie will cost you eight bucks and you can call 603-646-2422 for more information.

Well since the days are getting longer and Spring has sprung it's time to start thinking about outdoor activities. In preparation for this, we'll revisit our third Trail Ride Review segment where our own Kurt Wehde tests out the mountain biking trails around the region. Today Kurt will be taking on the 349 acre Boston Lot Trails located in Lebanon.

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Thanks a lot Kurt. Those do look like some well groomed trails that offer a challenge to the more experienced mountain biker.

Good evening, it's Monday, April 11th.

We begin tonight with crime news that stands to offer a reminder to residents. Over the last several weeks, the Lebanon Police Department has been conducting an investigation on stolen items taken from inside motor vehicles after receiving multiple reports of stolen items. As a result of their investigation and numerous patrols, yesterday, the Lebanon Police Department identified 24-year old Christopher Rodgers of Grafton as a suspect for these thefts. He was arrested and charged with three counts of theft from a motor vehicle. Rodgers was released on personal recognizance bail and given an arraignment date of June 6th, 2016. Anyone with information on these thefts or anyone who is a victim of these thefts is urged to contact Lebanon PD at 603-448-1212. The investigation is ongoing and other police departments in our area are seeing similar trends in this type of crime, most notably Brattleboro. Police are using this opportunity to remind residents to always lock their cars, even when they're in the driveway, which is when residents think they are most secure.

Well it was one of the biggest stories of 2015 and it is still very much alive this year. The story I'm referring to is the case of the Croydon schools and the issue of school choice, which is currently being discussed at the state level. Tomorrow, the New Hampshire Senate Education Committee is scheduled to hear testimony on a bill that would permit school choice, meaning students in towns or districts without schools for their specific grade would be able to attend a private school elsewhere. The Croydon School Board has stood firm on its policy of allowing parents to choose their children's school after the fourth grade and currently sends of its students to the private Newport Montessori School. Late last year, injunctions were filed by the state requesting that Croydon immediately cease funding the tuition of the four students, as it was being paid for with public taxpayer money. The bill in discussion was passed by the House of Representatives 208-143 in March and permits school choice, provided the private schools

are approved by the state. The hearing is scheduled for 10 AM in Concord in the Legislative Office Building.

Down in Vermont now, Brattleboro's Department of Public Works is set to overhaul a water main as part of a budgeted project. *The Brattleboro Reformer* reports that the director of public works is currently in talks with the contractor who will complete the project, which will clean and line the inside of a six-inch water main on Frost Place. This particular water main was installed in 1894, and because of the time it was built, did not come with lining on the inside of the pipe. Officials hopes to dig up the main, clean the inside out, then reline the inside with an epoxy coating. The town had budgeted \$100,000 for the project to be completed and only one bid came back from the contractor HeitKamp Inc. of Watertown, Connecticut. Fortunately for the town, the bid came in at \$99,300 which is \$700 less than what they budgeted. Steve Barrett, director of public works, told the *Reformer* that they won't need to dig up the entire street and work can be done in 500 foot sections, reducing any big impact on traffic. The work may begin late this spring or in the summer and notices we'll be put out prior to construction beginning. Frost Place runs from Canal Street to Elliot Street, parallel to the Whetstone Brook.

An update now on a story that we've had since earlier this year as Hartford is looking to make some extra bucks through an options tax, despite a brief paperwork delay which officials say shouldn't cause a problem. The 1% options tax for the Vermont town is set to go in front of the Vermont Legislature later this spring, but a delay in documentation raised very little concerns, as a Windsor lawmaker who chairs the committee in charge of charter changes says that it shouldn't be an issue. Last week, Interim Town Manager Pat MacQueen told the Hartford Selectboard that a set of meeting minutes that document a portion of the charter changes regarding the options tax were not available at that time. However, later in the week, Representative Donna Sweaney from Windsor said they got the paperwork and that she was able to process it without a hitch. A public hearing with the Selectboard was held January 19th to allow residents a chance to voice their opinions on a proposed 1% tax on meals, rooms, and alcohol, which is designed to bring in more revenue for the town from tourists or travellers. The majority of the residents who attended were in favor of the options tax, which would avoid a tax increase on Hartford residents.

After the break on YCN News, the Kearsarge Chorale is saying goodbye to one of its own. Details when we come back.

A founding member of the singing choir Kearsarge Chorale is retiring from his role as the group's artistic director and conductor. David Almond has been apart of this regional volunteer chorus since the Fall of the 2008 when he and a group of singers performed a concert and the Chorale was formed. Mr. Almond recently sat down with YCN to discuss his decision to step down from the group he holds close to his heart.

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Thank you David for sitting down with us and thank you for all the wonderful music you and the Kearsarge Chorale have provided us over the years. We will miss your masterful conducting but look forward to hearing the songs you will compose for the Chorale. If you would like to attend David's last Kearsarge Chorale performance you can attend the Spring concert on Sunday, April 24th at the Colby-Sawyer College auditorium at 2pm.

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Well this past weekend was gorgeous with clear and sunny skies. Now we are paying for it as today has been very cloudy and wet while tonight we will see similar weather with RAIN and FOG continuing throughout the night with lows in the mid 40s. Tomorrow the RAIN will continue throughout the day with highs in the mid 50s and southwest winds as strong as 10mph. Tomorrow night the rain will have stopped and we will be seeing PARTLY CLOUDY skies with the temperatures dropping into the low 30s. Wednesday will be clear and calm with SUNNY skies and a high near 51 degrees while Wednesday night will also be calm with PARTLY CLOUDY skies and a low near 31.

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Que le gusta hablar español? That's spanish for do you like to speak spanish? If the answer is si, then head on over to Umpleby's Bakery in Hanover from 9:30 to 10:30am to speak spanish with the Buena Gente Social Club. All ages and proficiency levels are welcome. Please call 802-649-5151 for more details about this free event.

Some Northern Stage actors from the production of Living Together are hosting a workshop at the Howe Library in Hanover from 6:30 to 7:30pm where the actors will discuss the play and their experiences. Please call 603-643-4120 for more information.

Looking ahead now, celebrate the 20th anniversary of National Poetry Month by coming to the Richards Free Library in Newport on April 28th at 7:00pm. Come meet local poets who will read and discuss their poetry. This is a free event and refreshments will be served.

As the days begin to warm up we start to take a look at some outdoor activities. Today, we'll take a look at a local course over in Sunapee's Tilton Park in a piece that originally aired on YCN last summer.

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Looks like a blast guys! Tilton park looks like a beautiful place to play some friendly or competitive frisbee golf. I can't wait to bring a friend out there myself.

Now let's take a look at local high school tennis scores from Friday.

The Kearsarge Cougar boys at home narrowly beat Portsmouth Christian Dover by a score of 5 to 4. The Hanover boys had a close matchup against Merrimack where the Marauders were able to pull out a victory by a score of 6 to 3. Turning to college sports, the Colby-Sawyer Chargers men's team fell to Colby College by a score of 0 to 9, a clean sweep, during this non-conference action on Saturday. The Charger's #1 singles player Gustav Jigrup made it a tough

test for Colby College's #1 singles player Carl Reid but in the end the score would end up favoring Reid with a 7-5, 6-3 victory. The Chargers record is now even at 5-5 and they will host Wheaton on Sunday weather permitting.

Good evening, it's Tuesday, April 12th.

We begin tonight up in Lebanon, New Hampshire as the city's Planning Board has given the go ahead for a new apartment complex to be located near a busy intersection. During last night's meeting, the board approved a 75-unit apartment building that will sit next to Mascoma Corporations' Research and Development building at 67 Etna Road, near the intersection with Route 120. *The Valley News* reports that the building is being proposed by ICV Holdings of New Hampshire on a 44-acre parcel of land with the two stories of a parking garage and four stories of housing units above. The plan originally established the structure as an office building in 2008, but has since been changed to an apartment building, given that it would generate much less traffic to the already busy Route 120 corridor. ICV's website states that they will use state of the art building techniques during construction to improve energy efficiency while cutting down on any sort of big impact on the surrounding environment. Earlier this year, the Lebanon Planning Board approved a similar apartment unit further up Route 120 near Centerra, which will provide 120 apartments.

Speaking of building site plans, down in Claremont now, the city's Zoning Board of Adjustment is discussing a proposed structure of their own, which won't house people, but instead, landscaping equipment. *The Eagle Times* reports that Jeremy Zullo, who owns Zullo Property Maintenance on 86 Windy Hill Road, is looking to build a 30 by 60 foot maintenance garage on Caajm Road next to a salt and sand shed that he already owns on an adjacent lot. According to the agenda for yesterday's meeting, Zullo sought a variance on "Permitted Uses and Yards, to permit construction of a salt shed and a maintenance building on two lots on Caajm Road." However, he had made a request prior to yesterday's meeting to delay the discussion until the next meeting, given that he was out of town during the meeting time. His property maintenance and landscaping company hires four employees and has a selection of heavy machinery, including excavators and front end loaders, which would be stored in the proposed garage. The Board will meet again on April 25th and will discuss the site plan with Zullo present.

Well so far this year we've brought you news of gubernatorial candidates campaigning as part of their run for office, but how about the current governor? Peter Shumlin was in Brattleboro yesterday, returning to his roots in the town of his birthplace, as he attended one final "Lunch with the Governor" event as the state's top executive. As part of the event held by the Brattleboro Chamber of Commerce, Shumlin delivered a speech at the American Legion post touching on his past six years in office and both the trials and accomplishments he encountered. In attendance was a supportive crowd, who also welcomed House Speaker Shap Smith who offered thoughts of his own including the fact that the communication and relationship between the two officials was healthy overall. Both Smith and Shumlin are stepping down from their positions at the end of this year. Of particular interest was marijuana legalization which Vermont is moving closer towards, and Shumlin seeks to bring the focus back to opiate abuse once the first is figured out.

Yet another local police department is taking part in a national trend that tries to bring officers of the law closer to those who they serve. The Brattleboro Police Department will be hosting a Coffee with a Cop event on Saturday. April 23rd which will offer an informal and neutral space to

discuss issues in the community, form relationships, and of course, drink coffee. It's being held from 9:00 AM to noon at the Brattleboro Food Co-Op at 2 Main Street. Officers hope to field questions from residents and to shed light on the department's work in various neighborhoods throughout town. Coffee with a Cop is part of a national initiative created by the United States Department of Justice to break down barriers and create more relaxed and one-on-one interactions with law enforcement and residents. Numerous other towns in our region have undertook this initiative, including Sunapee, Charlestown, Lebanon, Hanover, and Woodstock. All are invited to attend next weekend's event with officers of Brattleboro and the police station's move to Black Mountain Road out of the downtown will be possibly be a hot topic of discussion.

Lets now join the Lake Sunapee Region VNA and Hospice to take a look at

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Be sure to join us again next week at the same time for another valuable look at Home Care Matters.

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Welcome back to YCN News, I'm Andrew Zurheide. Let's take a look at our forecast for the next couple of days.

It has been warmer today, despite the rainy and cloudy weather, while tonight the precipitation will have moved on and we can expect MOSTLY CLEAR skies with lows in the upper 20s. Tomorrow look beautiful with SUNNY skies and highs in the low 50s and tomorrow night will be MOSTLY CLOUDY with another nightly low in the upper 20s. Thursday again looks to be SUNNY and clear with temperatures climbing as high as the mid 50s. And finally Thursday night looks to be MOSTLY CLEAR with lows staying in the upper 20s.

It's time for your daily community calendar, brought to you by MJ Harrington and Company, where we take a look at some events happening tomorrow.

Do you enjoy planting flowers? From 9am to noon the Grafton Library in Grafton on 47 Library road is hosting a free flower planting morning to brighten up the town for Spring. You can call 603-523-7865 for more details.

At 12:30pm head over to the Hopkins Center in Hanover at the Faulkner Recital Hall for an event featuring saxophonist and pianist Fred Haas, and guitarist Jason Ennis where they will be performing original compositions and standards. This is a free event and you can call 603-646-3531 for more information.

Pam's exercise class at the Norris Cotton Cancer Center in Lebanon will be going on from 1 to 2pm. This class is for women who have been diagnosed with breast cancer. This is a free event and please call 603-650-7768 as it is recommended that you register but walk-ins are also welcome.

As the days begin to warm up we start to take a look at some outdoor activities. Today, we'll take a look at a local mini golf course over at the base of Mt. Sunapee in a piece that originally aired on YCN last summer.

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Thanks a lot guys. You would think that Mt. Sunapee is only popular during the winter months but the mountain's new adventure park offers many fun activities that the whole family can enjoy.

Starting with boys lacrosse, the Hanover Marauders lost to Champlain Valley Union by a score of 7 to 14. Now to the girls, the Kearsarge Cougars easily beat Merrimack Valley 20 to 3 at Colby-Sawyer College. Moving to boys tennis, Hanover blew past Salem High School with a score of 7 to 2.

Good evening, it's Wednesday, April 13th.

We begin tonight with an update in a court case of a Hartland woman charged with embezzling more than half a million dollars from her previous place of employment. This week, 62-year old Catherine McKinney is serving time in federal prison, following a sentencing last week where she pleaded guilty for mail fraud of embezzling at least \$690,000 from Myers Associates PLLC, a law firm in Lebanon that serves clients on both sides of the river. Court records say that McKinney will serve 36 months in federal prison and upon her release, will be under a one-year term of supervised release. In addition, she will have to pay restitution of a total of \$903,000, of which she has already paid back around 7%. In June of last year, a grand jury indicted McKinney, which said that from 2008 to 2015, she wrote law firm checks to herself and to her creditors and forged the signature of her employer on each one, allowing her to deposit more than \$90,000 into her Vermont bank account. She also allegedly completed electronic transfers of firm funds to pay large credit card bills and she pleaded guilty in December to the mail fraud charge. The entire investigation was completed by the United States Secret Service.

And continuing with court news tonight, with another serious charge, a Vermont man accused of hiring a hitman to kill his former business partner is asking for a shorter prison sentence. *The Valley News* reports that Louis A. Fucci Jr., former owner of the closed Benning Street Bar and Grill, took the stand yesterday in Windsor Superior Court to explain that he is a changed man and suffered from mental illness during 2011 when he allegedly hired a hitman to kill both his business partner and ex-girlfriend at the time. The 59-year old was transported from prison in Michigan where he serving 10-15 years for three felony charges for yesterday's hearing in Vermont for officials to reconsider the length of his sentence. He explained that multiple factors, including his mental state and the decline of his business, were not given enough emphasis during his sentencing in 2013. Fucci's former business partner, Bruce Weissman, and exgirlfriend, Joy Barney, who he had tried to have killed, have expressed their support of the longest possible sentence. Fucci's attorney argued for a reduction of six to 15 years which could see Fucci released this year. However, no witnesses at the hearing confirmed the alleged mental illness that he said he suffered from during the time of the crime.

And now an update in a story we brought you Monday, part of the saga of the Croydon School Board's ongoing battle for school choice. Yesterday, the New Hampshire Senate Education Committee heard testimony on a bill that would permit school choice, meaning students in towns or districts without schools for their specific grade would be able to attend a private school elsewhere, which is currently being done in Croydon. The bill in discussion was passed by the House of Representatives 208-143 in March and permits school choice, provided the private schools are approved by the state. A co-author of the bill, Representative Jim Grenier of Lempster, proposed an amendment that would require private schools with public school students on its roster to undergo testing by the state for adequacy. This requirement would mitigate the fears of state officials that public school students attending private schools would not be receiving the same education and that it would be sub par. The Croydon School Board has stood firm on its policy of allowing parents to choose their children's school after the fourth grade and currently sends of its students to the private Newport Montessori School.

This past weekend, community members packed the Wilmot Community Association's Red Barn to learn more about NH Women Farmers and the local food movement. The event was co sponsored by the Wilmot Community Association and the Wilmot Garden Club. The afternoon featured many speakers on the farm movement including an introduction from Helen Brody President of New Hampshire Farms.net and author of the book, *NH Women Farmers; Pioneers of the Local Food Movement*. We caught up with the photographer for the book, Leslie Tuttle.

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Thanks Leslie and if farming or gardening is a hobby of yours, especially as the weather gets warmer, be sure to grab a copy of this locally-inspired book.

After the break on YCN News, we'll hit the bar after work as we check in with the Bartender of the Year contest in Vermont.

Now in its second year, the Bartender of the Year contest kicked-off yesterday at the Vermont Tourism Summit, which is a two-day industry conference at Killington Resort. The event highlighted the skills of the state's best bartenders and featured high-quality pours from Vermont's fast-growing distilled spirits industry. Presented by Hotel Vermont, the Vermont Distiller's Association, and Vermont Ski & Ride magazine, the battle amongst 10 of Vermont's finest bartenders ended with one winner claiming the title of Vermont Bartender of the Year. The competition had two rounds. In round one, contestants drew from a stocked pantry and randomly selected Vermont distilled spirit to create a cocktail, in the second round contestants used all the secret ingredients from a mystery box to whip up a winner.

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This year's overall winner was Matt Farkas, from Mule Bar in Winooski, Vermont with his martini entitled, "A Father's, Son". The winning cocktail will be featured at the Vermont Tourism Summit welcome reception and the champion bartender will be highlighted in Vermont Ski & Ride magazine.

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Welcome back to YCN News, I'm Andrew Zurheide. Let's take a look at our forecast for the next couple of days.

Well today has been very sunny and clear which will lead to PARTLY CLOUDY skies for tonight with temperatures dropping down to the mid 20s (26). Tomorrow will again be clear and SUNNY with temperatures climbing up to the mid 50s (55). Tomorrow night we can expect MOSTLY CLEAR skies with lows in the upper 20s (28). Friday looks to be SUNNY with highs reaching the upper 50s (58) as the temperatures will start to warm up for the weekend which looks to be sunny and very warm and Friday night will be MOSTLY CLEAR with the temps dropping down to the low 30s (30).

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From 1:30 to 3:00pm at the Converse Free Library in Lyme, there is another handcrafters gathering where you can bring a project you're currently working on, a pattern you want to share or you can bring a question for the experts. This is a free event and you can call 603-863-3177 for more information.

Do you have a mac computer that you don't know how to use or are you simply interested in learning more about macs? From 5 to 6pm there is a free mac users group meeting in Windsor, Vermont at the WinCycle store on Main St. Please call 802-674-6320 for more details.

Come help feed the Montshire Museum of Science's leafcutter ant population in Norwich, Vermont at 1pm and then experiment using household products to create chemical reactions at 3pm. Admission will cost you 11 to 14 dollars unless you are 2 years old or younger in which case you are free. You can call 802-649-2200 for more information.

As the days begin to warm up we start to take a look at some outdoor activities. Today, we'll take a look at a local 9 hole golf course right here in Claremont in a piece that originally aired on YCN last summer.

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Those were some nice looking swings out there, thanks a lot guys. The Claremont Country Club looks like a beautiful place to spend a summer morning or afternoon.

Well the Kearsarge Cougars boys lacrosse team traveled to Merrimack Valley High School last night and ended up losing to the Lions by a score of 4 to 9. This loss opened up the season for the cougars as this was an out of division matchup with Kearsarge in division 3 and Merrimack Valley in division 2. John Stark traveled to Hopkinton yesterday and won easily by a score of 13 to 3.

Good evening, it's Thursday, April 14th.

It was certainly a busy day yesterday for the Lebanon Police Department as they made three arrests for two separate crimes which can only be described as interesting, to say the least. We begin tonight with the first of the two as 22-year old Ryan Dionne and 25-year old Shaun Carey were arrested for felony charges of drugs and distribution as well as reckless conduct for discharging a firearm. Police were called to 139 Heater Road yesterday morning when a first floor resident found a bullet lodged in her dining room floor, appearing to have come from upstairs, and she recalled hearing a loud noise that night. Officers, fearing there was a gunshot victim upstairs, searched the apartment and found a male suspect asleep with a large amount of drugs nearby. Officers secured a warrant and searched the apartment, finding over a pound of marijuana, PCP, bath salts, LCD, hashish, amphetamine pills, and butane honey oil. Police also found 14 firearms: seven handguns, including a .45 caliber that was fired into the apartment below, three shotguns, and four assault rifles. Both men face multiple charges, some of which are felonious, both class A and class B. Both Dionne and Carey were being held at the Grafton County House of Corrections on \$50,000 cash bail and \$10,000 cash bail respectively and were arraigned this morning.

Now for our second story involving Lebanon Police yesterday, as a man was arrested for huffing a propellant cleaner in his car and getting into a struggle with police. Police say that yesterday around 1 PM, officers responded to the Colonial Plaza in West Lebanon for a report of a male huffing an inhalant in a car. Police found 26-year old Christopher Auld passed out in the vehicle surrounded by cans of "Dust Off" and when officers awoke him, he grabbed a can of "Dust Off" and began to inhale it. Corporal Brown attempted to take the can away, but Auld slammed the door on Brown and continued to inhale the vapors. Brown called for backup and Fire Chief Chris Christopolous, who was driving in the area, responded and assisted in getting Auld in handcuffs after a struggle. Corporal Brown used OC spray, known as pepper spray, to help subdue Auld He was charged with Simple Assault on a Police Officer, Resisting Arrest, and Inhaling Toxic Vapors for Effect. The first two of these charges are Class A misdemeanors while the last is a violation level offense. Auld was held at the Grafton County House of Corrections on \$2,500 cash bail is was arraigned this morning.

Staying in the Upper Valley tonight, although on less of a serious note, we may all remember when we were students, to some of us, the difference between getting an A or an A+ was a pretty big deal. For Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center, in regards to their credit rating, the same applies. The hospital received notice recently that their credit rating had been downgraded by the Standard and Poor's Rating Services, which is a financial watchdog company part of McGraw Hill financial. *The Valley News* reports that the grade was lowered from an A+ to an A, as the balance sheet metrics were not up to the watchdog company's expectations, due in part to underwhelming financial performances in the past year. However, the rating service says that the grade isn't likely to keep declining, provided the hospital doesn't deepen its half-billion dollar debt or cut into its reserves. The paper reports that S&P's rating change does not reflect an actual change in their view of the hospital, which remains a strong pillar in its respective region. A second credit rating firm, Fitch Ratings, still maintains an A+ rating for DHMC.

And bringing the news right here to Claremont, a property on Chestnut Street known to be an eyesore and a health hazard due to its deteriorating condition may be getting cleaned up after all. The two-story home on at 25 Chestnut Street is currently unoccupied and the property

owner no longer lives in town and currently resides in Swampscott, Massachusetts. *The Eagle Times* reports that at last night's city council meeting, Police Chief Alex Scott and Development Director Nancy Merrill explained that options are running out to clean up the property, which serves as a health hazard to neighbors. During the summer of last year, city officials had tried to have the owner appear in a New Hampshire court through a summons but it was to no avail. Chief Scott recently made a motion for the city to take corrective action, which would allow them to enter the property and work on it, before placing a lien on the land and receiving funds through tax collection. The judge has yet to rule for or against the motion. Residents of neighboring properties have expressed their concern of the property and an unnamed source told YCN News that in the four years he has lived near the property, he hasn't seen anyone there and that it seems to be affecting property values in the general area.

After the break on YCN News, a local inn and restaurant is saying goodbye to a longtime employee and chef while also welcoming a new one after a national search. We'll take a look when we come back.

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Well as we've mentioned before on previous newscasts of YCN News, our region has many notable features, but the food and hospitality definitely rank near the top. When you combine great food and a wonderful stay under one roof, well you've got a great combination. At the Inn at Pleasant Lake in New London, Brian MacKenzie, the iconic chef at the poplar inn and restaurant, is celebrating his last week in the kitchen. MacKenzie was owner and chef at the Inn for 18 years and has remained on board since new owners Jennifer and Scott Reed purchased the property one year ago. After an extensive, nationwide search for a new chef, Bryan Leary, a graduate of Johnson and Wales, will be taking over full responsibility of the kitchen by the end of the month. YCN News caught up with both outgoing and incoming chefs this week.

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We wish good luck to Chef MacKenzie in his future endeavors and encourage anybody to check out the Inn at Pleasant Lake to try some of Chef Leary's culinary delights. For more information on the inn and restaurant in New London, visit InnAtPleasantLake.com.

After the break on YCN News, we'll join sports reporter Andrew Zurheide for a look at some local sports action, plus your weather and community calendar. We'll be right back.

Welcome back to YCN News, I'm Andrew Zurheide. Let's take a look at our forecast for the next couple of days.

Well it looks as if the weather is finally starting to become more Spring like with temperatures today in the mid 50s. The nights are still very cold however, with CLEAR skies tonight and lows in the mid 20s(24). Tomorrow will be very SUNNY with highs in the upper 50s(59) while the night will bring MOSTLY CLOUDY skies with temps in the upper 20s(28). We begin the weekend with SUNNY skies on Saturday and highs breaking through to the upper 60s (61) then Saturday night the temps will fall back down to a low of 33 degrees.

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The Highland Lake Grange Hall in East Andover is hosting a free coffeehouse concert with Mary Maguire. Doors will open at 6pm and a light dinner and refreshments will be provided by the Andover Congregational Church while the show begins at 7pm. Maguire will perform along with other open mic musicians. The Andover Community Coffeehouse is a folk and acoustic music venue.

Well if you don't live close to East Andover but you would still like to listen to some live music, Bill Staines will be performing in Sunapee in the basement of the Sunapee Methodist Church from 7 to 9pm for the weekly Sunapee Community CoffeeHouse. For more information you can call 603-763-4301.

From 10am to noon, the Lakes Region Art Association is hosting an open studio painting and drawing class located at the Tanger Outlets suite 132 in Tilton. Come learn to draw or feel free to paint what your heart desires. This is a free event and you can call 603-998-0029 or visit www.lakes-region-art-association.com for more details.

Well yesterday the Kearsarge Cougars girls tennis team was finally able to play their first match of the season as wet weather had forced cancellations of their first two scheduled games. The Cougars at home took on the Sanborn Indians and Kearsarge's head coach gave YCN a summary of the match.

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Even though Sanborn won without a problem, the Cougars looked great especially since they have had very limited playing time on actual tennis courts.

Scores

First up boys baseball, the Kearsarge cougars traveled to Hopkinton and won by a score of 2 to zero. Fall Mountain hosted Hillsboro-Deering and won easily by a score of 13 to 1. Sunapee traveled to Wilton-Lyndeborough and lost a close one by a score of 2 to 3. Turning to girls lacrosse, the Kearsarge ladies traveled to Derryfield where they lost a close one 11 to 16. Now to softball, Sunapee beat Wilton-Lyndeborough by a crushing score of 10 to 1. Kearsarge lost to Hopkinton by a wide margin, 1 to 14. Fall Mountain played well but ended up falling to Hillsboro-Deering 1 to 5.

Good evening, it's Friday, April 15th.

We begin tonight with an update on a story that we brought you on the first of this month involving a meth bust that occurred here in Claremont. 54-year old Bradley Ames was in court yesterday in Newport answering to the felony charge of conspiracy to manufacture methamphetamine after he was arrested on March 31st in the parking lot of Valley Regional Hospital. Local police and the New Hampshire Attorney General's Drug Task Force searched his home at 27 School Street and found materials that suggested Ames intended to manufacture meth, which included the chemical pseudoephedrine. The drug is a decongestant which can treat stuffy noses or sinuses and acts as a stimulant precursor chemical in producing methamphetamine. Court records say that Ames waived his right to be indicted by a grand jury on the charge that carries 15-30 years in prison and a half million dollar fine. As part of a plea

deal, the state recommended that he spend one year in the county lockup, be under three years probation after release, and pay a \$500 fine. Ames remains behind bars and police are continuing to investigate the meth manufacturing operation, with their sights set on three to four other suspects.

Down in Rockingham Vermont now, following the end of the plan for a proposed prison in town, the Selectboard has approved a temporary zoning amendment. The citizen's group, Rockingham for Progress, which publicly opposed a proposed justice center in town last year into this year, called for a temporary zoning bylaw amendment that that would change the definition of public facilities for the entire town and make public facilities in the Riverfront 14 zoning district be under conditional use. The Riverfront zoning district houses the former Liberty Mill Paper Company building, which was planned to be converted into a prison by Windham County Sheriff Keith Clark. The project was dropped when the building was deemed too unstable and deteriorated to be restored effectively. The zoning bylaw, as proposed by Rockingham for Progress reads, "Any facility in which more than 18 people are incarcerated at any time or in which any person or persons are incarcerated for seven or more consecutive days is not compatible with the recreational potential of riverfront property." Residents will vote via an Australian ballot on May 17th at a special town meeting on nine articles, including the bylaw.

Growing up, we were all taught to set goals and reach for them, even if they seem out of reach. Well one local Dartmouth College student is looking to achieve a position that is typically seen being held by people who are older. That isn't stopping Dartmouth Junior Brian Chen who is challenging Athos Rassias for a three-year seat on the Hanover Selectboard, the Vice Chairman seat to be exact. *The Valley News* reports that Chen confirmed that he was running on Wednesday of this week but has yet to formally announce or begin his campaign against the incumbent who is seeking a fourth term. Hanover's Town Meeting is taking place on May 10th, with voting polls open from 7 AM to 7 PM at the Hanover High School gym and a floor meeting taking place at the close of voting, at 7. On the docket is a \$26 million dollar operating budget for the town, and provided that every proposed document passes, residents will face a 1.6% increase to their taxes. There are a whopping thirteen zoning amendments, including one regarding a proposed parking garage on East Wheelock Street. Municipal positions, including Biran Chen's run for the board set, and the zoning amendments will all be voted upon on May 10th.

Last week, the biggest story in not only our region, but in the state at large, was the Mount Sunapee West Bowl Expansion, which as you know, was approved on Wednesday by the Governor and Council. The vote weighed in at 3-1 in favor, with Councilor Christopher Sununu recusing himself because of his position as a gubernatorial candidate and the CEO of Waterville Valley Resort. YCN's John O'Connor sat down with Councilor Sununu this week on Capital Connections, and he implied how he would have voted had he not recused himself.

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For the full four-part interview series, tune in to WYCU right after the news to hear more from Councilor Sununu on the Sunapee vote and his run for governor.

After the break on YCN News, we'll take a look ahead to this year's Summerfest concert series taking place at the Arrowhead Recreation Area.

With this spell of warmer weather recently, there's no better time to look ahead to summer. In Claremont summer will be a little more lively this year, thanks to the work of a local group made up of determined residents. Thanks to the efforts of the Claremont Citizens Group, the Arrowhead Recreation Area will be hosting a summer concert series, entitled Summerfest, which hopes to raise money for Arrowhead and bring in crowds from all over the area. We caught up with Michael Charest of CSG to give us some insight into the summer festivities.

PKG

This first concert is Saturday, May 28th with a Battle of the Bands featuring six local bands. Be sure to check it out!

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Welcome back to YCN News, I'm Andrew Zurheide.

Well we are currently in a Red Flag warning until 8pm tonight which means there are dangerous fire conditions for most of New Hampshire and western Maine. A combination of low humidity levels and winds ranging from 10 to 20 miles per hour create favorable conditions for rapid fire growth if any fires do occur.

Moving on to tonight, we can expect CLEAR skies with lows in the upper 20s (28) and winds eventually calming down to 5 mph from the north. Tomorrow will be gorgeous and SUNNY with highs in the low 60s (61) while tomorrow night will be CLEAR with temps dropping down to the low 30s (32). Sunday will be very warm and SUNNY with temps nearly climbing into the 70s (68) and to wrap up the weekend we can expect Sunday night to be MOSTLY CLEAR with a low around 41 degrees.

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Does your dog need a rabies shot? Or maybe you're interested in a microchip to be able to track your dog if he or she runs away? Well in South Newbury there is a rabies clinic from 9 to 11am in the parking lot of the Friendship House on the corner of Village and Sutton Roads. A rabies shot will cost you 14 bucks while a microchip will cost you 40. The town clerk will be present to issue licenses and registrations for your dog.

The Fells in Newbury off of 103 A are hosting a Vernal Pool Adventure Walk for families from 1 to 2:30pm. Fells and LSPA members are free while non-members will cost 5 dollars per family. Come enjoy the natural beauty of this fascinating historic site.

From 7 to 10pm, come on over to the Spring Fling Dance at the Warner Town Hall in Warner. The Windham Swing Band will be performing and there will be a raffle. This event will cost you

15 dollars and you can purchase your tickets at the door or across the street at Mainstreet BookEnds. And this is a bring your own booze occasion.

Well the Kearsarge Cougars hosted their first home track meet this past week in what was very cold and windy weather. The athletes were able to tough it out to make this a very exciting sports filled afternoon.

PKG

I don't know how these athletes were able to function so well in such cold weather but we're glad they did. Congratulations to the Kearsarge boys and the White Mountain girls on their strong victories.

Scores

First to girls lacrosse. Yesterday Merrimack Valley traveled to Timberlane where they lost by ten goals. Final score, Merrimack Valley 4, Timberlane 14. John Stark traveled to Keene where they had a much different outcome. The Generals would score 15 goals while allowing zero from keene. Now to girls tennis, Stevens High hosted the Pelham Pythons for a very close competitive match. Stevens would end up losing by a final score of 3 to Pelham's 6.

Good evening, it's Monday, April 18th.

Okay let's get this out of the way, it is beautiful out. Yesterday and today have showed us that spring might actually be here and summer might not be far behind. However, for local fire departments, this warm weather means heightened awareness and being on call, as the chance of fire has been very high as of late, with some brush fires taking place in our region. In particular, the Goshen Fire Department fought a brush fire on Lear Hill Road on Saturday evening around 7:00 PM that burned around a half acre of land. Then, on Sunday, a 2nd alarm brush fire occurred on the west flank of Mount Sunapee, which was knocked down by multiple crews that responded through mutual aid. Crews from Claremont, Lempster, Newport, Unity, Newbury, Sunapee, and New London all responded and the Goshen department has expressed their thanks to the assisting departments over the weekend. All weekend, there has been a Class 3 statewide fire warning because of warm temperatures and dry fuel conditions. The Goshen department and others are warning residents to not burn anything outside, given the fire watch.

Down in Vermont now, in Putney, the town's selectboard is a bit tired out after discussing a large pile of tires in the woods off of Old Route 5. Since the mid-1900s, a pile of 300 to 600 tires has accrued in the forest and at least five cars and motorcycles have been discovered nearby, including in a nearby seasonal stream. According to video of the last week's Selectboard meeting by Brattleboro Community TV, Town Manager Cynthia Stoddard announced an estimate from a company that there are around 15 tons of tires, which they could remove for \$130 a ton, amounting to slightly less than \$2000. However, the tires are in two big piles with many scattered around on a slope and many are buried. The Selectboard expressed concern on the removal process, given that the geography of the land would make it hard for an excavator to get to the site and that underneath the tires, there may be other unforeseen obstacles. The town has sought the assistance of the Vermont Agency of Natural Resources, but they have expressed that their isn't much interest in the project because is there no

immediate environmental concern. The discussion was concluded with Town Manager Stoddard saying she would contact the state again.

Up the river in Lebanon, New Hampshire, city officials are seeking input from area residents on which direction they should take in regards to the future of the downtown. The specific downtown areas in question are Colburn Park, the pedestrian mall, and the old rail tunnel underneath the mall. The city is looking to move forward with the Downtown Visioning Study and Tunnel Project, using the public's input to influence how they re-engage the project consultants to develop what's being called a Preferred Alternative. The finished proposal, based on survey results, will be presented to the public later this spring after the survey closes this Friday. This is the second survey of the sort, with the city having held multiple public hearings last year and this year and over a thousand residents chiming in. The city has posted current survey results on their website, which shows how many people have voted for each "alternative" for each part of the downtown being looked at, with each one having Alternatives A, B, and C. If you live in Lebanon and would like to offer some words of your own on how the downtown can be altered, you can visit www.Planning.LebNH.net to get started.

Anybody who has lived in the region for a sizeable amount of time has no doubt felt the sense of community exhibited by the various towns across the area. When one town in our region implements a development that positively affects the town, a neighboring town may catch on and develop something similar. Such is the case of New London and Claremont as the former will be replacing their streetlights with more efficient bulbs. This comes in light of Claremont's city council approving an eventual conversion from traditional lights to new LED bulbs, which last between 20 and 25 years and would save the city around \$1-million over the bulbs' lifespans. The New London Energy Committee proposed a similar conversion plan from their current halogen incandescent bulbs and the Selectboard approved it last week. There are 115 total street lights that would see replacement and there is currently a test light in front of the Town Office on Main Street. The best part? The town would see a reduced annual operating cost of 45 percent after the switch is completed. The streetlight bulb replacement in both Claremont and New London may shed light on other ways to save energy across town.

After the break on YCN News, we catch up with the co-author of a book about a murder at Dartmouth that occurred in 2001. We'll be right back.

In 2001 a gruesome murder took place in Hanover, NH of Dartmouth professors Half and Susanne Zantop. This began an unpredictable writing relationship between Irene Kacandas, a professor of German Studies, who saw the Zantops as her mentors, and a Valley News reporter, Steve Gordon, who later started Hand to Heart, a massage therapy group that provides services to terminally ill patients. Steve covered the murder and a year later provided Irene with assistance to telling the personal story of the Zantops as loving, caring individuals for the Valley News.

PKG

Irene and Steve's book, "Let's Talk about Death" is available through Amazon.com in both hard and "E" versions. Also, Irene a great supporter of local book stores so she encourages you to go into yours and ask for it. If they don't have it they'll be happy to order it.

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Welcome back to YCN News, I'm Andrew Zurheide. Now let's take a look at the local forecast.

Well this past weekend and today has been absolutely beautiful with temperatures climbing into the low 70s with clear and sunny skies! This was the first weekend where we can clearly say Spring has arrived and Summer is on the way. Now let's take a look at the forecast for the next couple of days.

Well tonight there is a 70% chance of showers after 7pm with CLOUDY skies and temps dropping down to the low 40s. Tomorrow we can expect showers in the morning mostly before 9am with CLOUDY skies and gradual clearing throughout the day. The high will reach into the upper 50s. Tomorrow night will be MOSTLY CLEAR with the low around 30 degrees. Wednesday will be SUNNY with highs climbing into the mid 50s (55) and Wednesday night will be MOSTLY CLEAR with a low around 32.

It's time for your daily community calendar, brought to you by MJ Harrington and Company, where we take a look at some events happening tomorrow.

Are you interested in volunteering this summer? The Marsh-Billings-Rockefeller National Historic Park in Woodstock, Vermont is hosting a free volunteer information session from 10am to noon. Come meet current park volunteers and discuss a variety of volunteer opportunities for the coming months. Please call 802-457-3368 for more details.

Colby-Sawyer College is hosting an environmental expo potluck and film screening on campus in New London at the Ivey Science Center beginning at 6pm. Bring a dish to share for the potluck that will be followed by a screening and discussion of Inhabit: A Permaculture Perspective. This is a free event and you can visit colby-sawyer.edu/events for more information.

The Enfield firefighters association is hosting another bingo night at the Enfield Community Center starting at 6:30pm. For 12 cards it will cost you 20 bucks or for 18 to 36 cards or all-night play it will cost 25 bucks. Refreshments will be available and you can call 603-632-5438 for more information.

Last Friday the Kearsarge Cougars softball team at home took on the Fall Mountain Wildcats in what was just the Cougars 2nd game of their young season. Kearsarge varsity head coach David Yazzie told YCN about his thoughts after the game.

PKG

Wow, nice swing on that home run Ashley! That ball was absolutely crushed! Thanks for talking with us Coach Yazzie and congrats to the Cougars on a great win.

Now let's take a look at the YCN Scoreboard to check out some local results from last Friday.

First up baseball, Sunapee traveled to Derryfield and won by a score of 6 to 0 while Lebanon traveled to John Stark and was not able to score losing by a score of 0 to 3. Moving now to softball, Lebanon traveled to John Stark where the Raiders were again blanked, losing 0 to 12 while Sunapee traveled to Derryfield and won 8 to 3. Now to boys lacrosse, Kearsarge drove all the way up to Plymouth where they would win 10 to 5. Stevens High had a very close matchup against Manchester West where Stevens would pull out a victory 5 to 4. Now to the girls, the Hanover ladies absolutely crushed Pembroke in Hanover by a score of 20 to 0. And last but not least, girls tennis, Bedford hosted Hanover and was able to blank the lady Marauders by a score of 9 to 0.

Good evening, it's Tuesday, April 19th.

We begin tonight with news of a Lebanon man who has made headlines for the second time this month, but not for the right reasons. 48-year old Robert Armstrong of Lebanon was arrested yesterday for charges of Certain Uses of Computer Services Prohibited, Obscene Matter, and Criminal Contempt for contacting a 15-year old for sexual contact. According to a press release, Armstrong's arrest is the result of an investigation into possible solicitation of minors and that the 15-year old he contacted through a Craigslist advertisement was actually an undercover officer. Armstrong and the undercover officer exchanged messages and planned to meet on the Rail Trail yesterday. However, officers apprehended Armstrong when he approached the meeting spot, planning to meet the underage girl. Earlier this month, he was arrested for a similar charge where he offered money for an ad on Craigslist for sexual contact. Officers arrested him when they met at a local restaurant. For yesterday's crime, Armstrong was held on \$25,000 cash bail and was arraigned this morning on the felony charge and two misdemeanor charges for at the Lebanon District Court.

Well in an unfortunately similar story, a Georges Mills man is facing a sexual related felony charge after he was accused of having sex with a 10-year old girl. On Friday night, Claremont police acted on a warrant and arrested 34-year old Travis Bunnell, of Georges Mills, for Aggravated Felonious Sexual Assault, Indecent Exposure, and Lewdness after an investigation into sexual contact with an underrage female. He was arraigned yesterday via teleconference in the 5th Circuit Court, Claremont District Division and pleaded not guilty to the charges. Court records say that he was ordered held at \$10,000 cash bail and will possess no firearms, consume no alcohol or drugs, and not threaten any members of the victim's family. Bunnell was known to have had previous complaints about lewd conduct, including two this month. A high bail was argued on the grounds that he had committed arson in 1991 and 1999 and had a notable criminal history. Bunnell himself argued a lower bail because he is unemployed and doesn't have enough money to hire an attorney. He remains behind bars on bail and is scheduled to appear in court again on April 28th.

In Vermont now, on yet another serious note, an apartment fire that occurred in Bellows Falls on Sunday night is now being considered by authorities to be arson. According to a press release, the Bellows Falls Fire Department was called to 57 Williams Street at around 11:30 after it was reported that heavy smoke was pouring out of the third floor of an apartment building. There were four occupied apartments in the building and the fire was found in the third floor apartment in a small room. The occupant of the third floor apartment had evacuated himself as firefighters tried to access the room. The blaze was extinguished and was considered suspicious.

Yesterday morning, the Vermont Department of Fire Safety Arson Investigations arrived to determine the cause and whether it was an arson. After an investigation, it was deemed that it was indeed an arson and the building was then turned back over to the building manager. No one was injured the building suffered a little less than \$10,000 worth of damage. Multiple departments arrived on Sunday night to battle the fire, which is still under investigation.

On the same note but on a broader scale, despite the weather being absolutely stunning and finally feeling like spring and even summer, it doesn't bode well for local fire departments. We are currently in the time of year known as brush fire season, which may seem unusual, as you'd think the summer would be the time for it. But for several days now, since late last week, our region has been on at least a Class 3 fire rating, which is a high chance. The Fire Mutual Aid group based out of Keene NH has issued a Class 4 Very High warning for our region for today, as well as a Red Flag Warning, which indicates a dangerous combination of fire conditions and can be issued at any fire level. The Goshen Fire Department was busy this weekend battling two separate brush fires. Also, a four-alarm brush fire that broke out on Sunday and turned into a small forest fire in Stoddard, New Hampshire, was finally deemed under control around 8:00 last night. In Vermont, the current fire level is moderate, although the types of fuel in brush fires, those being surface fuels and ladder fuels, are still very dry at this time of year. Local fire departments are advising residents that they should not burn anything outside during this spell of high level fire warnings.

After the break on YCN News, we'll check out another Home Care Matters from the Lake Sunapee VNA and Hospice. Please stick around.

Let's join the Lake Sunapee Region VNA and Hospice as we take a deeper look at the medical world through Home Care Matters. Today's focus is new guidelines for later mammograms to diagnose breast cancer.

PKG

Thanks Jim, we'll join you again next week at the same time for more valuable health information.

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Welcome back to YCN News, I'm Andrew Zurheide.

Well we are currently in a red flag warning which means the fire danger is high for mid to southern parts of New Hampshire. A cold front coming across the state has failed to bring much rainfall to the region and as a result, surface fuels remain dry. This combined with today's temperatures reaching into the low 60s and gusty winds will create the potential for rapid fire growth. Now let's take a look at the local forecast for the next couple of days.

Tonight we can expect MOSTLY CLEAR skies with temperatures dropping down to 33 degrees. Tomorrow will be SUNNY with highs nearly climbing into the lower 60s (59). Tomorrow night will be MOSTLY CLEAR with northwest winds around 5 miles per hour calming down in the

evening. The low should be around 33. Thursday looks to be MOSTLY SUNNY and very warm and comfortable with highs reaching the upper 60s! (68) while Thursday night there is a 30% chance of showers after 10pm with MOSTLY CLOUDY skies and a low of 48 degrees.

It's time for your daily community calendar, brought to you by MJ Harrington and Company, where we take a look at some events happening tomorrow.

From 5:30 to 7:30pm the Upper Valley Young Professionals and NH Center for Nonprofits is hosting a "Stay, Work, Play, Give Nonprofit Fair" in Enfield at the Upper Valley Humane Society. Come learn about volunteer opportunities in the Upper Valley and beyond. You can visit uvyp.org for more information.

The Hartland Public Library In Hartland, VT is hosting a TED talk screening and discussion that will feature Al Gore on "The Case For Optimism on Climate Change" at 6:30pm. This is a free event and you can call 802-436-2473 for more details.

Pam's exercise class at the Norris Cotton Cancer Center in Lebanon will be occurring from 1 to 2pm. This exercise class is for women who have been diagnosed with breast cancer. This event is free. Please call 603-650-7768 as registration is suggested but walk-ins are also welcome.

The Kearsarge girls lacrosse team hosted Plymouth High school last Friday for what was the Cougars third game of their young season. Let's take a look at the game and the final result.

PKG

Great job out their ladies and coach Grimes. I can't wait to see the results of the John Stark game tomorrow. Go Kearsarge.

Now let's take a look at the YCN Scoreboard to check out some local results from yesterday.

First up boys lacrosse, Kearsarge hosted the Lebanon Raiders yesterday afternoon and the cougars easily won by a final score of 15 to 2. The Raiders scored the first goal but then the Cougars would respond by scoring 14 straight. Zander Hauck led the scoring for Kearsarge with four goals. Now to girls lacrosse, Hanover took on John Stark yesterday and it looks like the lady Marauders home field advantage gave them the edge they needed to barely beat John Stark by a score of 12 to 10. Lizzie Brandt led the John Stark offense with 4 goals and 2 assists. Moving on to boys tennis, Plymouth hosted Kearsarge for what was just the second match of the year for the Cougars. After both teams evenly split the six singles matches, it came down to doubles. Jack van Etten and Charlie O'Connor pulled out a victory for Kearsarge in the third doubles match by a score of 8 to 6 to make the Cougars 2 and 0 on their young season. In some other matchups, Hanover beat Manchester Central 7 to 2 and Lebanon blanked Bishop Brady 9 to 0. The Kearsarge ladies took on Plymouth and lost 1 to 8. And now to softball, Newport crushed Mascoma Valley with a score of 19 to 2 and Sunapee beat Epping by a score of 15 to 7. And finally baseball, Sunapee beat Epping 16 to 0 and Fall Mountain fell to Monadnock 4 to 15.

Good evening, it's Wednesday, April 20th.

We begin tonight with an update in a story that we've been following for some time as the purchases and spending of a former Hanover school principal have been revealed through an audit report. An accounting firm has revealed the specific purchases of former Bernice A. Ray School Principal Matthew Laramie using a school-issued credit card over a three year period during various professional or graduate school program trips. The audit report shows at least \$34,000 being used on various purchases on Laramie's trips that were flagged as not being part of approved activities by the school district. Purchases include food, gas, and lodging in various places across the country as part of 14 different professional or graduate program trips. During a trip for a Boston College Program, the audit shows that Laramie spent over \$5000 on various expenses, including \$46 on gas at Sunoco in Lebanon, \$1000 at the Hampton Inn and Suites in Boston, and \$60 at a Boston bar. Laramie resigned in February after allegations began to arise that he was using school money inappropriately. The school board was scheduled to meet tonight at 7:00 to appoint a new principal for the Bernice A. Ray School.

An interesting story out of Unity, New Hampshire, as a state legislator has been given a new seat, and no not a seat on the legislature, but an actual chair, after some complications with a breathing device. 80-year old Representative Ernie Bridge, who carries an oxygen concentrator with him after he developed lung problems, was told about a month ago that he would no longer be able to sit in his assigned seat because of the bulky 10-pound respirator, which was deemed too large and could be an obstacle in the cause of an emergency. However, *The Valley News* reports that Bridge has since worked out an arrangement that will allow him to sit in the rear of the chamber at meetings and will signal his votes to the House Clerk. The paper had published a previous article on the seating complication on April 11th and since then, the House Speaker, the House Clerk, and other legislatures have all reached out to him to cooperate and accommodate his health needs. Bridge told the paper that he will most likely attend the remaining House sessions now that he's been given a new seat, provided his health permits the trips down to the Statehouse for the meetings.

In Vermont now, in what may be related to the current brush fire season in the twin states, the Rockingham Selectboard has approved the purchase of a new fire truck for Saxtons River. The town is an incorporated village within Rockingham and fire chiefs from both towns were present at a special meeting held last night with the Selectboard. *The Eagle Times* reports that the Selectboard gave the go-ahead to a motion that suspends the town's purchasing policy so that the fire department can make a purchase as soon as they find an ideal truck. The town's purchasing policy normally requires a request for bids, which might take up to 19 months until a purchase is actually made. Saxtons River is currently in need of a new truck having purchased a new pumper truck back in 2007 and is looking for a new one to fill multiple roles. Previously, residents had approved the allotment of \$500,000 to fund buying new firefighting and emergency equipment. Rockingham is also seeking a new truck, but said that it can wait another year before moving to purchase one.

What's a city without a thriving downtown? Claremont certainly has the spirit of a community-minded town with its garden in the middle of the traffic rotary in front of the historic Moody Building. However, a new sculpture proposed in the "bullpen" as it's called, is receiving both positive and negative feedback. Local sculptor Ernest Montenegro has proposed an idea for a statue in the bullpen, but residents have opposed the art form in that specific part of town, saying it won't belong there and would better fit elsewhere in town. The City of Claremont has taken both the thoughts of both proponents and opponents into consideration and is holding a public hearing on May 3rd at 5:30 PM at the Claremont Savings Bank Community Center. The

hearing will allow city officials, residents, and the sculptor to have an open discussion on the impact of such a statue. This specific piece would see two small fountains and solid arches, which is the 3rd design proposed by Montenegro. One previous statue idea would remove 11 parking spaces, which was widely opposed by residents. The idea was discarded.

After the break on YCN News, we'll check in with some furry friends over at the Windham County Humane Society who are looking for new homes.

It is a well known fact that bringing a new furry friend into your life, whether it be a dog, cat, or other pet, can be beneficial in many different ways. Are you looking to adopt? Many animal shelters in our area have the pet you are looking for. Today, we'll look at the Windham County Humane Society in Brattleboro. It's a non-profit organization dedicated to ensuring the safety and well-being of animals and enhancing the relationship between pets and their owners through adoption, education, advocacy, and compassion for animal welfare. They help stray, abandoned, neglected, and surrendered pets by giving them a second chance at a healthy, happy life. All their animals receive excellent health care from local staff and veterinarians. Their goal is to reduce the number of unwanted animals in Windham County, so their animals are spayed or neutered prior to adoption and they stay safely at WCHS until the right new home comes along. Let's take a look.

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Windham County Humane Society relies on the local community for support. Other than grant funding, they receive no funding from national humane organizations or from state or federal sources and deeply appreciate donations from this wonderfully supportive community. They're located on Route 30 just 3 miles north of Brattleboro, Vermont and online at WCHS4pets.org.

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Welcome back to YCN News, I'm Andrew Zurheide.

Well the red flag warning that was supposed to end last night has been extended into tonight which means there is currently an increased risk for fires. Lack of recent rainfall has kept surface fuels dry across most of the state and today warmer temperatures will cause humidity levels to drop which will create conditions for rapid and uncontrolled fire growth. Now let's take a look at the local forecast for the next couple of days.

Tonight looks to be CLEAR and cool with temperatures dropping down to 30 degrees. Tomorrow we can expect the warmest day of the Spring so far with SUNNY skies and temps soaring up to 72 degrees! Wow! Thursday night CLOUDS will start to roll in during the later hours and there is a 40% chance of SHOWERS after 11pm with southwest winds around 5 miles per hour. The low will only drop down to 49 degrees. Friday SHOWERS will be likely and there is a chance of thunderstorms around noon with CLOUDY skies but it will still be very warm with highs in the upper 60s (69). And Friday night there is a 30% chance of showers with MOSTLY CLOUDY skies with a low around 41.

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If you want to play with legos as a kid or an adult, come on down to the Wilder Club and Library at 3pm where lego construction will be available to all ages. The event is free. Call 802-295-6341 for more details.

Looking ahead now, celebrate the 20th anniversary of National Poetry Month by coming to the Richards Free Library in Newport on April 28th at 7:00pm. Come meet local poets who will read and discuss their poetry. This is a free event and refreshments will be served.

Last Friday, the Kearsarge Cougars baseball team hosted the Fall Mountain Wildcats. Kearsarge was feeling great while bringing some momentum into the game after coming off of a win against Hopkinton two days earlier. Let's see how the game played out.

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Great job on the mound Jake and congrats to you and your team on the come from behind win. We have results from the Kearsarge Mascoma Valley game that took place last Saturday and the Cougars easily won by a score of 10 to 3.

Now let's take a look at the YCN Scoreboard to check out some local results from yesterday.

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First up baseball, Kearsarge hosted Merrimack Valley in a very exciting game. During the bottom of the last inning, Kearsarge was down three runs but was able to rally to tie the game at 4 - 4 to bring it to extra innings. The game would go all the way into the 11th when Merrimack Valley's Mark Barton hit a double into the gap that scored the eventual game winning run. Kearsarge's Jake Vierzen pitched 7 and a third innings while allowing four earned runs while Zach Mattos pitched 3 and two thirds innings allowing 1 earned run while also compiling 3 hits with 3 run batted in. Final score, Merrimack Valley 5, Kearsarge 4. Now to softball, Merrimack Valley also faced off against Kearsarge for another exciting game. Merrimack would score 5 runs in the first inning to take a 5 to zero lead until Kearsarge fought back in the third by scoring 7 straight runs to take the lead 7 to 5. Merrimack Valley would then score four unanswered runs in the fifth to lead them to a victory. Final score, Merrimack Valley 9, Kearsarge 7. Now to girls lacrosse, Laconia was able to score 14 goals against the Hanover Marauders to win the game 14 to 9. And finally boys tennis, Kearsarge easily beat Sanborn 8 to 1 as the cougars won all of their singles matches.

Good evening, it's Thursday, April 21st.

We begin tonight with a hot story as crews from many fire departments in our region and twin states have been battling fires nearly nonstop over the past few days. A large brush fire in Springfield Vermont yesterday near Missing Link Road brought in mutual aid crews from all over, including the New Hampshire and Vermont Region of the American Red Cross, who

helped hydrate the firefighters. In Grafton on Tuesday, Grafton Fire responded to 32 Millbrook Road to find a woodshed and the forest behind it on fire, which was extinguished shortly after. The cause was pinpointed to a pile of wood ash deposited behind the shed. And in Stoddard, New Hampshire, as of 3:00 today, crews continue to battle a five-alarm fire near Route 9. Because these fires are demanding a considerable amount of manpower and resources, the Chester Fire Department has issued a warning that fire resources are currently low and departments won't be able to react in their fullest capacity should more fires break out. For those who smoke cigarettes, fire departments are warning to carefully dispose of each butt, as fire conditions are currently at high warnings in both Vermont and New Hampshire. Remember, only you can prevent forest fires.

An update now in a story we brought you earlier this week as a Georges Mills man accused of sexually assaulting a 10-year old girl has been indicted by a grand jury on two felony charges. 34-year old Travis Bunnell was indicted Monday by a Sullivan County Grand Jury on two aggravated felonious sexual assault charges for raping a girl under the age of 13. He was originally arraigned on charges of felony sexual assault and indecent exposure charges but those charges have been replaced with two Class A felonies, which each carry 10-20 years in prison. On Friday night, Claremont police acted on a warrant and arrested 34-year old Travis Bunnell, of Georges Mills, for Aggravated Felonious Sexual Assault, Indecent Exposure, and Lewdness after an investigation into sexual contact with an underage female. During his arraignment, a high bail was set on the grounds that he had committed arson in both 1991 and 1999 and had a notable criminal history. He's currently being held at the Sullivan County House of Corrections on \$10,000 bail. He has a probable cause hearing scheduled in the Claremont courthouse on April 28.

In the Sunshine Town now, Newport New Hampshire, residents should expect to pay a little more for various fees in town, starting this summer. At Monday's Selectboard meeting, the board and members of the public discussed increases to fees for motor vehicle registration, cemetery plots, and rental rates of both the opera house and town common. The motor vehicle registration fee adds \$5 to to how much residents pay for their vehicles each year, but will ultimately wind up being a positive thing to motorists. The extra funds the town will receive with the extra \$5 will allow them to complete improvements to roads and bridges. Cemetery and grave plots will go up based on size and the time of year. Renting the opera house will now cost at least \$650 for one day and an extra \$300 every day after that. Finally, renting the town common will bring a \$150 security deposit and and \$100 per day. The additional fees hope to bring in extra revenue for the town and to put the money back towards improvements around town. The 5-member Newport Selectboard meets the 1st and 3rd Monday of each month in the Selectmen's Meeting Room.

At this time, there are countless election campaigns being run across the country for not only the president's office, but political positions at the state and town levels. YCN had a chance to sit down with NH Representative Jack Flanagan, a Republican, who has taken up the challenge to run for the 2nd District US congressional seat currently held by Democrat Ann McLane Kuster who is running again. We asked Representative Flanagan for his thoughts about the legislative paralysis that seems to affect the legislative body's ability to get things done.

If you'd like to see the entire 4 part interview with Representative Flanagan, tune in tomorrow night on WYCU at 7:30pm and 10:30pm. You can learn more learn more about this man's run and his moderate position.

After the break on YCN News, we'll take a look at a bouncy new business right here on Pleasant Street. We'll be right back.

Not too long ago on YCN, we brought you a look at a business that was opening up in an empty storefront on Claremont's once-thriving Pleasant Street. Linden's Bounce House, a play place for kids featuring plenty of inflatable bouncy houses and even memberships and birthday packages, opened recently. Kids have been coming in from all over to test out the new place to have a good time. We caught up with one of the co-owners to fill us in on the advantage a place like this.

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Linden's Bounce House is open most days of the week and offers monthly memberships including birthday deals. If you're looking for a fun place to head with your youngsters, check out this business on Pleasant Street and hop right in.

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Welcome back to YCN News, I'm Andrew Zurheide.

Well the red flag warning is over but conditions are still dry and hot with temperatures today reaching 74 degrees. This does increase the possibility for wildfires across the state with low levels of humidity. Now let's take a look at the local forecast for the next couple of days.

Tonight we can expect increasing clouds, with a low around 45 and south winds around 5 miles per hour. Tomorrow between 11am and 3pm there is the possibility for scattered showers and thunderstorms. After 3pm there is a 60% chance for larger thunderstorms and heavy rain with MOSTLY CLOUDY skies and a high near 73 degrees. Friday night the heavy rain will continue until around midnight when we can expect just showers for the rest of the night. The low will drop down to around 46. Saturday we will see MOSTLY SUNNY skies with a high near 57 and Saturday night will be MOSTLY CLEAR but cool with lows falling to 31 degrees.

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Well if you enjoy live acting, tomorrow night at The Barrett Center for the Arts, The Northern Stage will be presenting The Norman Conquests: Living Together. A hysterical look at a day in the lives of some 30 year olds living in England. I have heard great things about this play. You do not want to miss this. The performance begins at 7:30pm and will go until 10pm. The play will be running at The Northern Stage until May 8th.

The Hatbox Theatre in Concord off of Loudon Road, is happy to announce their first live standup comedy night. Comedian Stephen Bjork headlines the show along with others including Carolyn Plummer. Bjork has worked alongside some of the top national acts including, Steven

Wright, Dave Chappelle and Joe Rogan. Tickets will cost 15 dollars or 12 if you are a senior, student or Hatbox member.

Part of the Concord Area Race Series, The always fun annual 5k road race will be held at New Hampshire Technical Institute in Concord beginning at 6:00pm. Registration and pre-race events start at 3pm with a post-race barbecue and general celebration continuing until 8pm. There will also be a free children's Fun Run at 6:45pm.

Yesterday the Kearsarge Cougars boys lacrosse team hosted the John Stark Generals for what was just the fourth game of the Cougars young season. Coming in with a record of 2 and 1, Kearsarge tried to focus on defense to shut down any offensive threats from the Generals. Let's take a look at how the game played out.

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Congrats on the win Kearsarge and coach Matthews. Loved seeing the intensity on the defensive side of the field.

Now let's take a look at the YCN Scoreboard to check out some local results from yesterday.

First up girls lacrosse, the Kearsarge cougars traveled to Weare to take on the John Stark Generals yesterday afternoon. The cougars would allow John Stark to score the first goal but going into halftime Kearsarge would take a 4 to 3 lead. During the second half, the cougars would score three goals to ultimately secure the lead in a game that was dominated by defense. Final score, Kearsarge 7, John Stark 4. Now to boys tennis, Kearsarge traveled to take on the Pelham Pythons and the cougars easily won all singles matches which allowed them to try different combinations for their three doubles matches which they also won. Final score, Kearsarge 9, Pelham 0. Kearsarge is now an undefeated 4 and 0 on the year. We move now to the girls, Hanover blanked Trinity 9 to 0 while Kearsarge hosted Wilton-Lyndeborough where they were only able to secure two wins from Miranda Bonin at #5 singles and Ellie Mellott at #6 singles. Now to baseball, Conant won a close one by a score of 5 to 3 over Fall Mountain while Goffstown beat up on Hanover in a 14 to 1 win.

Good evening, it's Friday, April 21st.

Well this story will seem all too familiar if you been with YCN News all week. We've got another brush fire to tell you about, except this one is even closer to home for Claremont residents, as firefighters responded to Anderson Street around 4:30 PM yesterday for a brush fire. Trucks of the Claremont and Newport Fire Departments responded to the blaze and the brush fire unit was deployed to combat the flames. It was deemed under control within an hour and trucks remained on scene to complete the cleanup operation, including extinguishing any hot spots. During the operation, traffic was not affected in a major way, but authorities did block the street next to the Disnard Elementary School. Smoke could be seen from a fair distance away, given that the flames had started to make their way up a handful of trees. The fire was in a tough place to access and firefighters had to run hoses for a little less than a hundred yards, but were able to able to reach the blaze nonetheless. The flames scorched an area of the forest about the size of a basketball court. For the final time this week, we'll relay to you that local fire

departments are urging you to not burn anything outside as fire conditions are incredibly dry this time of year.

Now we've got an update in the case of a murder that occurred in Brattleboro last year as a Sharon man suspected for first-degree murder is having a strong case being built against him. 40-year old Leonard Moffat of Sharon is set to stand trial in September in Brattleboro which, although it is many months from now, prosecutors are actively working to build and fortify a strong case against him, after he was suspected in a drug deal gone bad, resulting in the murder of a father in Brattleboro last year. 35-year old Sultan Rashed was found dead on November 9th in his vehicle in a parking lot and police immediately suspected foul play. Through shared connections, police were informed that Moffat had owed Rashed almost \$10,000 in drug debts and may have killed him over the debt from cocaine sales. *The Valley News* reports that prosecutors are trying to find all evidence of a drug connection between the two men, which would provide the strongest case in front of the jury. Police are currently working with Google to preserve all Gmail communications made by Moffat between the date of the murder and the date of his apprehension, which was November 13th. He's currently being held at the Southern State Correctional Facility without bail.

Another update now in a story that we've been following since its beginning as a proposed senior-living facility on Washington Street is moving closer towards becoming a reality. During Tuesday's Zoning Board of Adjustment meeting, board members were given the lowdown on the legal information of the proposed project, including the fact that the building will be owner occupied and a rental or subsidized. *The Eagle Times* reports that the board will pick up the proposal once again on May 2nd for a public hearing and garner input from neighbors and abutting properties to see if the project is actually feasible. The project is being spearheaded and proposed by Wayne and Jean McCutcheon, who own 18 acres of land on 492 Washington Street and hope to construct 66 senior condominium units. The McCutcheon's are asking the city for a variance from rules governing permitted uses within residential zones, as well as lot sizes. Their attorney delivered legal documents to the planning board, who will take some time to review them ahead of the public hearing. Wayne hopes to begin the project early next year, provided all permits and variances are approved.

It's often been said that when you get knee deep into, well you know, you have to keep going. The City of Lebanon has already put around 5 million dollars into its latest sewer project and just this week, has approved even more funds to go into the project. During Wednesday night's city council meeting, *The Valley News* reports that the council approved an additional \$1.7 million in funds for the sewer project on Route 120, bringing the total cost of the project up to a whopping \$6.5 million. What's more is that the council didn't approve the extra funds without reluctance, as the project's total cost has tripled its original estimate of \$2 million. The work itself focuses on the busy Route 120 corridor, where 1.4 miles of sewer line will be replaced. City officials hope the money for the project will be paid for by ratepayers of the sewer service through a long-term bond. To date, the project has encountered some obstacles, including unforeseen dense rocks in the digging area. Other developments on Route 120, including an apartment complex by ICV Holdings of New Hampshire, are awaiting completion of the line, as they would connect to it. Even though the funds were approved, officials did not make it clear as to when the project would resume or when it would be completed.

After the break on YCN News, we'll take a look at a local museum and how they're recovering from 2011's Tropical Storm Irene. We'll be right back.

For so many towns in our region, Tropical Storm Irene is still fresh within memory. For one local museum, the storm took a big toll as it destroyed something that was built only two weeks beforehand. The American Precision Museum in Windsor Vermont is only now recovering from the storm that damaged so many towns and historic landmarks in our area. We caught up with the museum's executive director to tell us more.

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The museum's exhibits will be open for the season on May 28th. There's always interesting stuff over at the Precision Museum, so drop in once they open for the season!

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Welcome back to YCN News, I'm Andrew Zurheide.

Well so far today it has been very warm with temperatures reaching the low 70s. But we have scattered thunderstorm and showers for most of the day with southwest winds around 10 miles per hour. Now let's take a look at the local forecast for the next couple of days.

Tonight the rain should have moved on by around 1am with MOSTLY CLOUDY skies and a low around 51 degrees. Saturday will bring MOSTLY CLOUDY skies through mid morning and then by noon we will be experiencing gradual clearing with a high around 60 degrees. Saturday night will be CLEAR with lows in the upper 20s (29). Sunday looks to be MOSTLY SUNNY with highs in the upper 50s (58) and northwest winds around 5 miles per hour while Sunday night will cool down to 38 degrees with MOSTLY CLOUDY skies.

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Are you interested in exercising your high school or college french skills? Or are you currently enrolled in a french language course? Then the "Club Petit Dejeuner", (DAY JU NAY) which translates to simply breakfast club, is the place for you! Meet up with other community members interested in speaking French. The group meets at 10am on Saturdays at the Community Lutheran Church in Enfield. All proficiency levels are welcome and this is a free event. You can call 603-632-5026 for more information.

Well if you enjoy live comedy, you won't want to miss this. Crom Saunders brings his one-man show, "Cromania" to deaf and hearing audiences, bringing multiple characters to life through storytelling, pantomime, and improv. He will be performing at the Bethel, Vermont town hall starting at 3pm. Adults cost 12 dollars while kids cost just 5. And there will of course be english interpretation for the "deaf-impaired". Please call 802-254-3920 for more details.

This Sunday, join the Kearsarge Chorale for their Spring concert at the Sawyer Fine Arts Center on the Campus of Colby-Sawyer College. The performance will honor Robert Shaw and Alice

Parker featuring their folk songs, hymns and spirituals. Conductor David Almond will say goodbye to the chorale as one of its founding members. The concert begins at 3:00pm and the event is free but a 10\$ donation is encouraged.

Last Friday the Kearsarge Girls tennis team hosted Stevens High School for the cougars second match of the year. Let's take a look at some of the action.

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Nice job pulling out the win Kearsarge. It always makes for an intense matchup when it comes down to the final match.

Now let's take a look at the YCN Scoreboard to check out some local results from yesterday.

Well the Kearsarge baseball team, coming in with a record of 3 and 1, traveled to Franklin in hopes of delivering the Golden Tornadoes their first loss of the year with a record of 3 and 0. The Cougars opened up the game in the second inning when they were able to score 5 runs. Patience at the plate was key for Kearsarge as they were able to draw five walks, with all of those base runners coming across the plate. In the sixth inning, Kearsarge was up 11 to 5 but Cougars pitcher Brad Underhill found himself in a jam with the bases loaded and no outs. He would get the next three batters out to escape the situation unharmed. This would lead to Kearsarge finishing the game off with an 11 to 7 win. Some other games now, Sunapee hosted Moultonborough and won easily by a score of 20 to 7. Stevens traveled to take on Newfound and scored 11 runs while allowing just 1 from Newfound. Now to softball. Kearsarge traveled to Franklin where they would let up 10 runs while only scoring 2. Anna Doherty from Franklin would hit two home runs during the game with 3 runs batted in. Franklin is now 4 and 0 on the season while Kearsarge is just 2 and 3. And now to girls lacrosse, the lady cougars drove south to Campbell where they would pull out an easy victory by a score of 16 to 2. Kaileigh Davis has five goals and 1 assist for Kearsarge while Anna Stowell scored 4 goals and also has one assist. The Cougars are now 4 and 1 on the season.

Good evening, it's Monday, April 25th.

We begin tonight with news that we broke earlier today and has received an incredible amount of feedback from our viewers. A fire that started this morning in Ascutney Vermont has destroyed the Yankee Village Motel on Route 5. Authorities initially said the fire may have started from a brush fire around 10:30 AM that spread behind the building, but was considered suspicious shortly after. During a statement to press around 2:45, the Ascutney Fire Chief announced that the fire was started by an unidentified child playing with a lighter behind the building which began as a brush fire. By the time crews responded, it had spread to three motel rooms. The child later approached the chief and told him he had started the fire accidentally. There were several occupants inside at the time of the blaze, including the owners, but they were all evacuated safely and no injuries were reported. Authorities deemed the fire "under control" shortly after 3:00, as firefighters continued to clean up. A portion of Route 5 was closed while fire crews battled the blaze and drivers had to seek alternate routes. Smoke could be seen from miles away and had drifted across the Connecticut River to Route 12A, which drivers used as a detour. Route 5 is anticipated to be open to drivers by 8 tonight. Residents of nearby Windsor reported losing power briefly this morning when the fire was reported and the nearby

Weathersfield School also lost power and the school was locked down and was in the process of sending students home for the day. The Ascutney Fire Chief said that the brush fire in the back spread in the other direction as well, burning all the way back to Martin Street. Crews from every surrounding town responded to the blaze, including Claremont, Windsor, Plainfield, Ludlow, South Woodstock, West Weathersfield, Cornish, Reading, and others. Tanker trucks used a hydrant near the Sweet Water Hyrdoelectric dam on Plains Road in Claremont to fill up with water and deliver it to Ascutney. There have been no public remarks from the owners as of yet. The fire spread quickly because of the extremely dry conditions this time of year, known as brush fire season, and today's fire serves as another reminder to not conduct any sort of outdoor burning with the high fire chance.

On another serious note this evening, a fatal car crash in Claremont on Saturday has left one dead and one arrested after a vehicle flipped and ejected a passenger into a river. 36-year old Amber King of Claremont was arrested by Claremont Police for Aggravated Driving While Intoxicated, a Class B Felony, after she and three other passengers were involved in a motor vehicle accident on Saturday around 1:30 PM. While travelling around a curve slightly north of Tractor Supply Company on Main Street, the 2005 Jeep Grand Cherokee flipped over and one passenger was ejected from the car and thrown into the Sugar River. The three other occupants, including the driver, were trapped inside and were extricated by rescue crews when they arrived on scene. Witnesses helped the person who had been thrown into the river and was transported to Valley Regional Hospital. The person, identified as 32-year old Amanda Grasso of Goshen, died as a result of her injuries and the three other occupants were all transported to Valley Regional as well with serious injuries. Amber King has no arraignment date set as of yet for her felony charge and police are continuing to investigate, with additional charges pending.

On a lighter note now, a handful of employees of the Hartford School District in Vermont won't be saying goodbye to their jobs after all, for now. *The Valley News* reports that the school district has successfully reduced their workforce numbers without having to conduct layoffs of its current employees. The district is faced with a \$1.1 million gap in its budget and it became apparent that they needed to cut at least 14 positions within the district to close the gap. Superintendent Tom DeBalsi said that the workforce reduction could be achieved not just by layoffs, but through retirements or rehiring and that he had until April 15th to notify employees that they were being terminated. Five employees were notified back in March that they were being laid off. However, the 15th has passed and no additional school employees received any sort of notice that they were losing their jobs. DeBalsi told the paper that he said the remainder of the job cuts would happen naturally, through retirement or resignation, and that no more current teachers would be affected. The School Board will hear from DeBalsi this Wednesday at 7:00 PM to learn how the workforce reduction is progressing.

After the break on YCN News, we'll talk about how new mothers in our region totally rock! I'm serious, stick around to find out what I mean.

Let's be honest new mothers in our area absolutely rock! Bringing a child into this world is no easy task and many groups in our area make it their aim to help those mothers who aren't as financially able as others. All thanks to the TLC Family Resource Center, the Rocking Chair Project is a foundation out of Connecticut that raises funds to provide rocking chairs to economically disadvantaged new mothers. It was founded by a retired pediatrician that noticed

during his years of practice that some new moms did not have the skills to hold and rock a newborn. The foundation's goal is to provide a nice piece of furniture but more important, it is to give the new mother a place to nurture and bond with their baby. Let's hear from their local partner.

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If you would like to know more about the Rocking Chair Project or other TLC Family Resource Center programs feel free to contact them at 603-542-1846 or at info@TLCFamilyRC.org.

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Welcome back to YCN News, I'm Andrew Zurheide.

Well so far today we've experienced mild temperatures with highs in the upper 50s and with clear to partly cloudy skies across most of the state. Now let's take a look at tonight's weather and for the next couple of days.

Well I know it's late April but don't count out the winter weather just yet! Tonight there is a CHANCE OF RAIN before midnight and then around 4am, SNOW will be expected with accumulation possibly reaching one inch. The low will be in the mid 30s (35) and the chance of precipitation is 80%. Tomorrow the SNOW will continue until about 9am then it'll all turn to rain with some PATCHY FOG expected. New snow accumulation could be as high as two inches. The high will only reach 40 degrees. Tomorrow night there is a 30% chance of RAIN before 7pm with MOSTLY CLOUDY skies and a low around 29. By Wednesday the wet weather will have completely moved on and we can expect CLEAR SUNNY skies with highs becoming a bit warmer, reaching into the upper 40s (49) and Wednesday night looks to be MOSTLY CLEAR with a low around 31.

It's time for your daily community calendar, brought to you by MJ Harrington and Company, where we take a look at some events happening tomorrow.

If you'd like to start your week off on a relaxing note, in White River Junction at 5:30 PM, there will be a meditation class at the Shambhala Center at 158 South Main Street. You can take part in both sitting and walking meditation and instruction will be available. It's free and you can call 802-484-7235 for more information.

Well if your idea of meditation involves some form of yoga then we have a class for you too. From 9 to 10:30am the Seven Stars Center in Sharon, Vermont is is offering a beginners yoga class led by Rose Loving that will include postures, breathwork and relaxation. If you are dropping in the class will cost you 15 dollars. Please call 802-565-0565 for more details.

Looking ahead now, celebrate the 20th anniversary of National Poetry Month by coming to the Richards Free Library in Newport on April 28th, this Thursday at 7:00pm. Come meet local poets who will read and discuss their poetry. This is a free event and refreshments will be served.

Last Friday, the Lebanon Raiders baseball team hosted the Hanover Marauders for another highly anticipated rivalry matchup. Let's take a look at how the game played out.

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Once again the Hanover Lebanon rivalry delivered another exciting game. These two teams will meet again on May 20th in Hanover for what should be another crazy game.

Now let's take a look at the YCN Scoreboard to check out some local results from last Friday.

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First up boys lacrosse. The Kearsarge cougars coming in with a record of 3 and 1, hosted Campbell who held a record of 2 and 1. The Cougars would score four goals in the first quarter, 5 in the second and 2 in the third while allowing zero goals from Campbell. Final score, Kearsarge 15, Campbell 0. Justin Norris would score 4 goals and 3 assists en route to the Cougars fourth straight win. Coe-Brown hosted the Lebanon Raiders and Leb took home the win by a score of 10 to 5. Now to girls Lacrosse. The lady Raiders hosted Coe-brown for what was just the first game of Lebanon's young season. Coe-Brown came into this matchup with a record of 2 and 2. Lebanon would easily win by a score of 9 to 3 to open up their year.

Now to Softball. Hanover made a short trip over to Lebanon for a much anticipated rivalry matchup. Hanover came into the game winless with a record of 0 and 2 while Lebanon also came in winless at 0 and 2. The Raiders wasted no time and quickly took a large lead which resulted in the final score being Lebanon 17, Hanover 1. Fall Mountain took on Mascoma Valley and won with ease by a score of 10 to 2. And finally to baseball, Fall Mountain played host to Mascoma Valley in what turned out to be a very close game. Final score, Fall Mountain 9, Mascoma Valley 6.

Good evening, it's Tuesday, April 26th.

We begin tonight with an update in one of yesterday's top stories, as a Claremont woman has been arraigned for two felony charges after a fatal car accident this past Saturday. 36-year old Amber King of Claremont was arraigned yesterday in 5th Circuit Court Newport after being released from Dartmouth Hitchcock Medical Center where she was being treated for injuries sustained in the crash. She was arraigned for one Class B Felony of Aggravated Driving While Intoxicated and one Class B Felony of Negligent Homicide and bail was set at \$50,000. On Saturday, April 23rd, King was behind the wheel of a Jeep Grand Cherokee with 3 other passengers when the vehicle flipped going around a curve on Main Street just north of Tractor Supply Company. 32-year old Amanda Grasso was thrown from the vehicle and landed in the Sugar River, where she sustained injuries that caused her death shortly after at Valley Regional Hospital. The two other occupants, 35-year old Jacob King and 37-year old Jody Metcalf were seriously injured and were later transferred to Dartmouth Hitchcock. Amber King is due back in court on May 2nd for a probable cause hearing.

For some fire crews in Vermont yesterday, the fire at the Yankee Village Motel in Ascutney was not their first fire they had to fight that day. At 2:15 AM yesterday morning, crews from Windsor, West Windsor, Hartford, and Hartland all responded to Ferry Road in Hartland for a report of a fire. Neighbors in the area had reported hearing explosions from a large warehouse belonging to Northern Timber Incorporated and when crews got there, they found flames that had fully

engulfed the structure. Despite the fire reaching a two-alarm level, firefighters from the mutual aid departments were able to knock it down with a few hours, according to the fire chief. The Vermont Division of Fire Safety investigated the scene later that day and deemed that the cause of the fire was to be determined and was not being considered suspicious. The building contained firewood, a processor, and a dry kiln, which belonged to Northern Timber and flames may have sparked because of the dry conditions this time of year. In other fire news in a quick update, this is what the Yankee Village Motel looks like today, 24 hours after the blaze that occurred yesterday when a child accidentally started a brush fire behind the building. The owners have the building insured and have owned the business for 10 years. They are still trying to figure out their next step.

In Claremont now, and no this isn't about a fire thankfully, a local business that has been closed for a couple years now is considering reopening with some new parking changes. BJ Bricker's Restaurant at 214 Washington Street is looking to reopen with a waiver from a site plan review and a variance that would allow the restaurant to operate with less parking spaces than is required. *The Eagles Times* reports that the applicant, one of the owners of the closed restaurant, Sandra Holl, went before the Planning Board this week to request the above and in addition, to allow for looser parking regulations, where customers would be allowed to park in the adjacent Claremont Plaza through an easement. The restaurant closed in August of 2013 after a brother and sister duo inherited the business in 2008 and could not find common ground on how to run the business. They ultimately got into a rather serious feud and the sister, Sandra Holl, filed a lawsuit on her brother shortly after the business closed. The building was inherited from their mother Gertrude Holl and the building is under the ownership of the Gertrude Holl Revocable Trust. The Planning Board has yet to approve or deny the site plan review waiver and will continue the discussion on May 9th.

A local town is extending a survey to its residents to garner feedback and which direction the town should take in the future. Just like the the City of Lebanon is doing for its downtown projects, Newbury, New Hampshire is taking to the internet as well to utilize an online survey. It's called Envisioning Newbury 2027 and the town has launched an online survey for residents to give their two cents on what they would like to see from the town and in the town moving forward. Although 2027 is fair amount of years from now, it's not too early to work on the town's Master Plan and the town has formed a Master Plan Steering Committee made up of representatives from multiple groups across town. The project team has planned a variety of community outreach events and ways to get residents involved, including two public forums. Those are slated for June 18th and August 27th, both taking place at the Newbury Town Offices. In the meantime, those who are interested can check out Newbury's website at NewburyNH.org. There, you can find information more information and what the town is looking for, as well as, most importantly, a link to the survey.

After the break on YCN News, we'll join the Lake Sunapee Region VNA and Hospice as we take a look at Home Care Matters.

Let's now join the Lake Sunapee Region VNA and Hospice to take a look at flu vaccines for preventing pneumonia.

PKG

Thanks for that, we'll tune back in at the same time next week for more medical information.

After the break on YCN News, we'll join sports reporter Andrew Zurheide for a look at some local sports action, plus your weather and community calendar. We'll be right back.

Welcome back to YCN News, I'm Andrew Zurheide.

Well so far today we've seen all kinds of precipitation from snow to sleet to rain with temperatures right around freezing for most of the morning. It has warmed up a bit this afternoon to about 40 degrees and rain will continue into the early evening. Now let's take a look at the forecast for the next couple of days.

In the earlier hours of tonight we expect MOSTLY CLOUDY skies with gradual clearing and calm winds with the low around 28 degrees. Moving on to tomorrow, the weather will be very calm with CLEAR SUNNY skies and highs in the low 50s (51). Wednesday night the skies will be MOSTLY CLEAR but with low temperatures still below freezing at around 29 degrees. Thursday will be similar to Wednesday with SUNNY skies and highs reaching 52. Thursday night will be PARTLY CLOUDY with low around 33 degrees.

It's time for your daily community calendar, brought to you by MJ Harrington and Company, where we take a look at some events happening tomorrow.

Well here's a fun event, tomorrow morning from 7 to 9am drive up to West Lebanon and take a walk around Boston Lot Lake, which is home to a wide variety of bird species including song birds, waterfowl and waders. But be sure to bundle up a bit as tomorrow will be cool with morning temperatures in the 40s but sunny skies will make this a beautiful event. You can call 603-795-4167 for more information about this free walk.

Later in the afternoon at Hanover's Reed Hall, David Cope will be discussing "Experiments in Musical Intelligence" a talk addressing his experience creating the computer program which he's used to write more than 1,000 musical compositions. The talk will begin at 4pm and will run until 5:30pm in room 108, again at the Reed Hall in Hanover. This discussion is free and you can email cognitive-science.dartmouth.edu for more details.

The Enfield Community Center on 308 Route 4 is hosting another Bingo night sponsored by the Enfield Fire Fighters Association. Beginning at 6:30pm, you can spend between \$20 and \$25 dollars, depending on how many cards you like for all-night play. Refreshments will be available and you can call 603-632-5438 for more information.

Turning now to baseball, the Stevens Cardinals with a record of 1 and 1 traveled to North Sutton yesterday to take on the Kearsarge Cougars who sat at 4 and 1. Both teams won their previous matchups from last Thursday and hoped to bring some of that winning momentum into this game. Let's take a look at how it all played out.

PKG

Congrats on the win Stevens and nice pitching Zach. We wish you good luck taking on Monadnock tomorrow afternoon.

Now let's take a look at the YCN Scoreboard to check out some local results from yesterday.

First up softball, Kearsarge with a record of 2 and 3 hosted Stevens who came into this game winless at 0 and 3. In the first inning, Kearsarge's Maddie Folcik hit a two run homer to give the cougars a lead but Kearsarge would have a tough time preventing Stevens from scoring. The Cardinals would have two players combine for five hits and four runs batted in what resulted in Stevens getting its first win of the year by a final score of 11 to 8. Fall Mountain traveled to Newport where they would lose by a large margin. Final score, Newport 15, Fall Mountain 3. Moving on to baseball, the Fall Mountain boys also traveled to Newport where that had a different results than the girls, winning by a score of 11 to 3. Lebanon hosted Pembroke and won without a problem by a final score of 12 to 2. Now to girls lacrosse, John Stark hosted Hanover for what was a very exciting matchup. Stark fell behind early but fought hard to keep the game close by halftime. During the final two quarter, Hanover won more draws and opened up a lead that Stark was not able to recover from. Final score Hanover 15. John Stark 10. Lizzie Brandt scored three goals for John Stark. ConVal hosted Lebanon in what some are calling the most exciting game of this young season. Tied at 10-10, this game would go into overtime as both goalies seemed to on their game despite each letting up 10 goals during regulation. Elle Brine of Lebanon would be the hero scoring the game-winning overtime goal. This was her seventh goal of the game while also recording one assist. And now to the boys, Hanover hosted Merrimack in what was a blowout victory for the Marauders, winning 18 to 1. Reed Winter had four goals and one assist for Hanover.

Good evening, it's Wednesday, April 27th.

We begin tonight with crime news as a Claremont man has been sentenced to spend 18 months behind bars for child pornography. Yesterday, 28-year old James Bednarcyk was sentenced to federal prison in the United States District Court for New Hampshire after he pleaded guilty to one count of possessing child porn. The sentencing is the result of an investigation that began in 2014 where it was determined through undercover operations that child porn was being shared through the internet from Claremont. Local police acted on a search warrant to search his home in September of that year and officials seized a personal computer. Authorities inspected the computer and found 20 videos and 70 still images of child pornography and he was subsequently taken into custody. The case was investigated by local departments, including Claremont, and received help from statewide and national institutions like the Vermont Attorney General's Office and the New Hampshire Crimes Against Children Task Force. Bednarcyk's arrest and sentencing to prison is part of Project Safe Childhood, established in 2006.

An update now in a story we brought you in March of this year, as a 19-year old has been arrested in connection with a car crash that seriously injured two of the car's passengers. On April 20th, Travis Franklin-Tonini was arrested by Claremont Police for two counts of vehicular assault after two female passengers suffered broken pelvises during a single-car accident on March 22nd, in which he was the driver of the vehicle. Claremont police say that Tonini had recently purchased the Chevy Cobalt and had picked up four minors from Stevens High School to bring them out for a ride when they went around a corner on Elm Street going too fast and hit a tree, spinning the car around. None of the passengers were wearing seatbelts and police say that speed is believed to have been a factor. Tonini cooperated with police after the crash and

said that he was going around 45 miles an hour, despite the posted speed being 30. All four passengers, who were 15 and 16 years old, were all transported to Valley Regional Hospital for non-life threatening injuries, including the broken pelvises. Tonini is scheduled to appear in 5th Circuit Court, Claremont District Division on May 23rd.

On another serious note, a Springfield Vermont man involved in a fatal shooting in 2008 is looking to have his 24/7 curfew removed so that he can leave his home to look for a job. 35-year old Timothy Arbuckle recently finished his jail sentence for a separate drunk driving conviction and is on probation but is now asking a judge in Windsor County Superior Court if he can venture out of his home to seek employment. Arbuckle was involved in a fatal shooting in 2008 in Chester where he kicked Vincent Tamburello Jr. repeatedly in the face after he had been shot by Kyle Bolaski. Tamburello had been in a feud with several local men and Arbuckle had been contacted to help confront him with a mob at a local ballfield. Tamburello had showed up to the invitation to fight and began smashing out car windows with a splitting maul and was shot once by Bolaski when he made threatening moves. He was shot again in the back as he limped away and witnesses said that Arbuckle kicked the man in the face until he died. Bolaski is currently free on bail and has already several years in jail. The judge has said that entirely lifting the curfew for Arbuckle is not an option but if he could provide proof of employment, the curfew could be amended so that he could work before his trial.

An update now in a story that we've been following since early this year as a proposed tax in Hartford Vermont won't see the light of day in 2016, much to the disappointment of town officials. The options tax would impose extra fees on rooms, meals, and alcohol and would hope to bring in extra revenue for the town from tourists and travellers. The tax was approved by a 300 vote margin during March's town-wide meeting, however, the *Valley News* reports that the town has been told that the plan would not be approved by Vermont's current legislative session. Town officials are calling it a "fatal flaw" in regards to how they handled presenting the charter change to voters, considering that the tax would have provided the town with roughly \$250,000 in annual revenues. Despite Hartford officials hearing from the state that they received necessary paperwork and that there shouldn't be a hitch, the problem stemmed from the town not providing public access to the proposed charter changes that involve the options tax. Because the legislature has not offered their approval, charter changes cannot be enacted and the tax may not be collected this year. The discussion will continue on May 10th.

After the break on YCN News, we'll take a look at a local restaurant over in Plainfield, NH, which isn't known for restaurants. We'll be right back.

Anybody who's a resident of Plainfield, New Hampshire knows that the little town isn't known for food, with only two gas stations offering up any sort of eats. However, in November of last year, a restaurant opened up on 12A through the historic main drag, called The Olde Village Haunt, which offers up hearty food and drinks in a cozy atmosphere. Now you may be thinking, does the name mean it's actually haunted? We caught up with the owner recently to get some insight on why she opened a restaurant in the little town of Plainfield and if there really are spooks.

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The Olde Village Haunt is open Friday, Saturday, 11 to 8 and Sunday for brunch. Be sure to stop in and grab a hearty meal this weekend in a historic building!

After the break on YCN News, we'll join sports reporter Andrew Zurheide for a look at some local sports action, plus your weather and community calendar. We'll be right back.

Welcome back to YCN News, I'm Andrew Zurheide.

Well today's weather has been very normal and seasonal compared to yesterday as we have seen sunny skies and highs in the mid 50s. Now let's take a look at the forecast for the next couple of days.

Tonight we can expect MOSTLY CLEAR skies but it will be VERY COLD with temperatures dropping down to the mid 20s (24). Tomorrow will be similar to today with SUNNY skies and highs in the mid 50s, around 56 degrees. Tomorrow night some clouds will roll in (PARTLY CLOUDY) and it will still be chilly with temps falling to around 33 degrees with calm winds. Friday looks to be a bit warmer with SUNNY skies and highs nearly reaching into the low 60s (59) while Friday night will be PARTLY CLOUDY with lows around 34 degrees.

It's time for your daily community calendar, brought to you by MJ Harrington and Company, where we take a look at some events happening tomorrow.

Come celebrate the 20th anniversary of National Poetry Month by coming to the Richards Free Library in Newport at 7:00pm. Come meet local poets who will read and discuss their poetry. This is a free event and refreshments will be served.

The Estabrook Christian School's 8th grade class in Plainfield, New Hampshire is hosting a spaghetti dinner to benefit the school's monarch butterfly habitat project. This dinner will take place at the Plainfield SDA Church on 1050 route 12A. The event begins at 5:30pm and will run until 7:00pm. All are welcome and admission is free but donations are recommended. If you are gluten sensitive there will be a gluten-free option available.

Did you play with legos growing up and did you pass your love of legos on to your kids? Perfect! Then head on over to the Norwich Public Library in Wilder, Vermont for an hour of free lego play! This event will begin at 3pm. Children under 8 must be accompanied by an adult. Please call 802-295-6341 to make sure you have a spot.

Well since the days are finally getting warmer, besides yesterday's snowy day, we bring you another episode of the Trail Ride Review that aired last summer. Our own Kurt Wehde tests out the mountain biking trails around the region and today Kurt will be tackling the Pinnacle trails located in Newport, New Hampshire

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Thanks a lot Kurt. The Pinnacle trails really do seem to offer many different terrains for all different types of mountain bikers.

Now let's take a look at the YCN Scoreboard to check out some local results from yesterday.

The Lebanon Raiders hosted the ConVal Cougars for another NHIAA Division III matchup. The Raiders were able to put up three goals while allowing just one after the first quarter but their lead quickly disappeared after Con-Val scored on its first four shots of the second quarter. Lebanon was able to pull within a two goal deficit at 6 to 4 but they would surrender the next four goals in a little more than four minutes. By halftime, Lebanon trailed Con-Val 7 to 13. The Raiders would not score in the second half. Final score, Con-Val 17, Lebanon 7. The Cougars outshot the Raiders 26 to 14. Junior attackman Nate Damren scored five goals for the Raiders. And now to the only other game or lack of a game, Kearsarge was supposed to host Manchester West but the Blue Knights forfeited the match to give the cougars the win. Kearsarge is now 5 and 1, winning their last five contests and outscoring opponents 53 to 20 on the season.

Good evening, it's Thursday, April 28th.

It wasn't too long ago that former elementary school principal Matthew Laramie made headlines for resigning from his position at a Hanover school for inappropriately using the school credit card. Now, he's in the news again, but for something completely different. Laramie, along with two other local men, were arrested on Monday in Canaan during an undercover prostitution sting. Police said that in each arrest, the men contacted undercover officers and offered to pay money for various sexual acts. 48-year old Matthew Laramie of Grantham, 55-year old Peter Bloomfield of Enfield, and 49-year old Alan Lane of Sharon Vermont were all arrested and charged with prostitution, which is a Class B Misdemeanor. Lane was also charged with Acts Prohibited - Possession of Oxycodone which is a Class B Felony. Matt Laramie had resigned from the Bernice A. Ray school in February after allegations arose that he was using his assigned school credit card for unauthorized purchases and a recently released audit report shows that he spent over \$34,000 on various trips. All three men were released on \$7,500

personal recognizance bail and are scheduled for arraignment on July 11th in 2nd Circuit Court

Lebanon.

An update now in a story we brought you late last month as the winner of one of nine properties that were auctioned off by the City of Claremont was unable to close the deal by the deadline. The property in question is the historic Colonial-era farmhouse located on 54 Windsor Road which sold for \$82,000 in late March and was among eight other properties auctioned off by the city, including the former Goodwin Community Center on Broad Street. The winner of the farmhouse was Northern Heritage Mills, a local educational non-profit, which hoped to transform the building into an education center and museum to inspire young women to take part in STEM, that being Science, Technology, Math, and Engineering. Northern Heritage Mills had until April 22nd to close the deal and provide payment, but was unable to do so, according to Richard Sager of NH Tax Auctions, who held the auction on behalf of the city. The second highest bidder, Robert Connelly, with \$81,000, has agreed to purchase the property and to close the deal this week. The city has since returned the \$8,200 deposit that Northern Heritage Mills put down on the purchase.

As if fire crews in our region didn't already have their hands full with the many brush fires, Monday's devastating fire at the Yankee Village Motel in Ascutney made headlines across the twin states and affected not just the owners, but some tenants of the motel. Now, generous members of the community are reaching out to help one local man who lost it all in the fire that deemed the motel a complete loss. 54-year old William Tyler moved into the Yankee Village

Motel a month ago after being hospitalized for pneumonia and Monday's fire has left him without a home. Tyler told *The Valley News* that he lost his medications, his clothing, and the ashes of his brother who died one year ago. Tyler stayed at the Shady Lawn Motel in Hartland and has since moved in with his daugher until May 2nd. His other daughter has started a GoFundMe page to help him get back on his feet, which has garnered \$105 in just one day. The cause of the fire was deemed accidental by authorities and was started by a child playing with a lighter behind the building that sparked a brush fire. If you'd like to help out Tyler yourself, you can visit the GoFundMe page and we've posted the link on our website.

This past weekend, festivities were in the air at the Salisbury Historical Society as they celebrated the start of its 50th anniversary year with a benefit concert. Music was provided by the Mike Parker Jazz Trio and the evening was presented in a classic Jazz Cabaret setting with food and beverages served throughout. Most of the musicians have notable records, literally, as they have won awards for their work and worked with world-famous performers. We caught up with the President of the Historical Society, Linda Denoncourt, as she addresses a few of the society's upcoming events and scholarship program.

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For more info, including a list of the upcoming events, you can check out www.salisburyhistoricalsociety.org ***

After the break on YCN News, running a 5K is no easy task but when there's a strong cause behind it, it's easier than it seems. We'll take a look at a local run when we come back.

It's been called "the most inspiring and fun event of the year" and it's this Saturday morning at the Claremont Middle School! Steppin' Up to End Violence is a unique community event and fundraiser that Turning Points Network holds in Claremont. It's their signature fundraising event and every year it grows and expands, due mainly to the incredible individuals and teams "Steppin' up" to walk, stroll, jog, or run to end violence in their communities. Last year, Steppin' Up raised over \$75,000 for survivors and programs - what an amazing achievement! Some of their services to survivors include a 24-hour crisis and support line, emergency shelter, peer counseling, support groups, medical and social services advocacy, and a safe home network, all the services are free.

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The funds generated from Steppin' Up go towards support, services, and programs for survivors of domestic violence, sexual violence, and stalking in Sullivan County, as well as to preventioneducation programs in local schools. These programs cover topics such as healthy relationships, respect, empathy, bullying, personal safety, and sexual harassment.

After the break on YCN News, we'll join sports reporter Andrew Zurheide for a look at some local sports action, plus your weather and community calendar. We'll be right back.

Welcome back to YCN News, I'm Andrew Zurheide.

Well it looks as if the weather is finally becoming rather seasonal as today has been clear and very sunny with highs in the mid 50s across most of the state. Now let's take a look at the forecast for the next couple of days.

Tonight the lows will continue to be very cold with temps dropping down to 30 degrees so don't turn off your heat just yet. Tomorrow, Friday, we can expect a nice day with MOSTLY SUNNY skies and highs reaching into the high 50s (58) while Friday night the chilly temps are back with lows in the mid 30s (34). Saturday looks to be absolutely gorgeous with SUNNY skies and temperatures reaching as high as 62! But again, Saturday night will be cold, dropping down to around 37 degrees.

It's time for your daily community calendar, brought to you by MJ Harrington and Company, where we take a look at some events happening tomorrow.

The Plainfield School seventh grade class is hosting a community dinner and silent auction at the Plainfield Elementary School in Meriden from 5:30 to 8pm. The silent auction will include over 100 items. Cash and check only will be accepted for auction item payments. This event will cost adults \$5 dollars, seniors \$4 dollars, students \$3 dollars and families with 5 or more members will cost a total of \$20 dollars. Please contact Stephanie Schell at 1-603-469-3527 for more details.

The musical "Cats" will be performed at the Woodstock Town Theatre in Woodstock, Vermont starting at 7:30pm. The musical is based on a whimsical book of poems by T.S. Eliot. This is a Pentangle Arts production in collaboration with ArtisTree. Tickets range from \$17 to \$30 dollars and you can visit the Pentangle Arts Council Facebook page to learn more.

Beginning at 7:30pm, a play titled "Heroes" will be performed at the Whipple Memorial Town Hall in New London. This comedy play is about three world war one veterans whose camaraderie is tested by boredom and physical afflictions. I have heard it is quite funny. The cost is between \$20 and \$24 dollars and you can visit www.nnertc.org for more information.

Well right here in Claremont, the Stevens Cardinals baseball team hosted the undefeated Monadnock Huskies yesterday. Let's take a look at the game to see if the Cardinals were able to take down hard hitting Huskies.

PKG

Tough game Stevens. River Fish really did look unhittable off the mound. Don't worry though, I'm sure your team will bounce back soon.

Now let's take a look at the YCN Scoreboard to check out some local results from yesterday.

We will start with softball, Hanover hosted ConVal last night and lost by a score of 5 to 16. The Marauders are now 0 and 5 on the year. Stevens hosted Monadnock and lost an exciting extra inning game 3 to 6. The game was tied at 3 apiece until the 8th inning when Monadnock hit a 3 run game winning homer to take the lead. Stevens is now 1 and 3. Fall Mountain faced off against Bellows Falls and won 6 to 1. Lebanon traveled to Plymouth and got demolished losing 1 to 20. Now to baseball, Hanover took on ConVal and was to take an early lead from a two run

single from Marc Hampers in the second inning but ConVal chipped away and came out on top 3 to 2. Sunapee traveled to take on Pittsfield and won 12 to 9. Sunapee is now 4 and 1. Turning to boys lacrosse, Hanover faced off against Concord and was able to come out on top 10 to 4. The Marauders are now 3 and 3 and now to girls lacrosse, Hanover traveled to Nashua to take on Bishop Guertin and came up just short losing 10 to 14. And finally to tennis, the male Lebanon Raiders easily swept ConVal 9 to 0 and the lady Stevens Cardinals came up just short losing to Monadnock 4 to 5.

Good evening, it's Friday, April 29th.

We begin tonight with crime news out of Windsor Vermont as the town's police department has arrested four suspects on drug charges during what was called "Operation Quicksand". The name isn't just for show, as the operation took place over six months through an investigation into various complaints about drug distribution throughout Windsor. Yesterday, Windsor Police arrested 50-year old James Morse for heroin, 42-year old Steven Gross for heroin, 37-year old David Moodie for cocaine, and 31-year old Stephanie Hewitt for heroin. A fifth individual, 27-year old Michael Place is still at large and is being sought by authorities for distribution of heroin. Operation Quicksand was the latest effort into combating the plague of drug violence and opiate addiction in New England and police say that these arrests are just the beginning of their ongoing efforts. The Windsor Police Department has partnered with other local departments as well state police in both twin states, Massachusetts, and the State Attorney David Cahill's Office.

Staying in Windsor Vermont now, anybody who's driven through the main drag in the past week or so has no doubt had to wait for a road work sign spinner to spin their sign from 'Stop' to 'Slow', as construction has been progressing in the downtown. Pike Industries has been conducting cold milling for the past two weeks on various roads throughout town, focusing on the routes that see the most daily traffic. Route 5, which goes right through the center of town, received cold milling from near the American Precision Museum all the way down to Price Chopper. In addition, construction crews have been working on Route 44 from the intersection with Route 5 all the way up to near the Windsor Armory past Mill Pond. Officials told YCN News that they anticipate to be repaving the roads next week and drivers should anticipate delays if they plan to head through the downtown or on Route 44 during weekdays and no parking is permitted between 6 AM to 6 PM in marked zones. The improvements are part of a four-town project including Chester, Rockingham, and Springfield, being completed by Pike Industries for around \$9 million. The projects are being overseen by the Vermont Agency of Transportation.

Staying in the same area of Vermont, in fact right over in West Windsor, covered bridges are a symbol of our region and the rich history preserved here. The Bowers Covered Bridge in West Windsor was a topic of discussion for the town's selectboard on Monday night as they discussed closing the historic span on Bible Hill Road. The bridge was torn off its abutments during 2011's Tropical Storm Irene and was rebuilt a year later, but repeated motor vehicle incidents and damage has prompted the town to reconsider the bridge, considering the repairs they've needed to do. *The Valley News* reports that board members voiced mixed opinions on the future of the bridge at Monday's meeting and did not lean toward either side of closing or continuous reparation. As most town governments do when making decisions of the sort, the board agreed to hold a public hearing prior to making a concrete move. Since 2012, there have been numerous accidents caused by motor vehicles of all different types trying to cross the bridge, including overweight vehicles. The bridge was built originally in 1919 and Vermont plays

host to over a hundred historic covered bridges and local towns work heavily to preserve these pieces of regional history.

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Thinking of taking a trip down to Bellows Falls for a romantic weekend and enjoying the various activities in town? Well if you're planning to do that in the future, you may have a new place to stay in that has plenty of history to tell. The historic Hotel Windham, built in 1932 and located right in the heart of the downtown at The Square may be getting a second lease on life through a revitalization, with a proposed feasibility study that hopes to energize the downtown and draw in economic development. Minutes from the Selectboard's most recent meeting say that the Revolving Loan Fund Committee had approved a \$30,000 for Windham Development standing at 2 percent interest and will cover a feasibility study of the building. The building was sold to the Windham Development Group in 2007 and pending approval, the second stage of the development would open a handful of apartments and 20 hotel rooms on the upper floors. The feasibility study is estimated to cost \$20,000 and will be completed by Stevens Associates, the same group that analyzed the proposed prison in town. The board will continue the discussion at their next regularly scheduled meeting.

After the break on YCN News, we'll take a look at a group of local young professionals and how they network. That's when we come back.

Let's be honest, right out of college, it's tough to find a job. We've most likely all been there and once you get a job, finding that next one along your career path isn't always easy. Are you in that situation? One local group is trying to help you! The Lake Sunapee Young Professionals Network are a new group of local businessmen and women who aim to bring together the Lake Sunapee region's young adults for networking and social events. This month, the LSYP's met at the Lake Sunapee Country Club where they had a speaker in attendance for the first time.

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The Lake Sunapee Young Professionals Network really looks like a great opportunity for locals to get together to network and share their professionalism. Plus, it looks like some great food and drinks to boot.

After the break on YCN News, we'll join sports reporter Andrew Zurheide for a look at some local sports action, plus your weather and community calendar. We'll be right back.

Welcome back to YCN News, I'm Andrew Zurheide.

Well today's weather's been great with normal temperatures reaching into the low 60s and with partly sunny skies. Now let's take a look at the forecast for tonight and the next couple of days.

We can expect the nightly chilly weather to continue with lows dropping down to 35 degrees and MOSTLY CLOUDY skies for the majority of tonight. We can also expect southwest winds around 5 miles per hour that will become calm during the late hours. Tomorrow we will see MOSTLY SUNNY skies with nice warm temperatures around 63 degrees with calm winds. Saturday night some clouds will roll in (MOSTLY CLOUDY) and the temps will drop down to the high 30s (39). Sunday the weather starts to become a bit wet as there is a 50% chance of RAIN

after 7am with CLOUDY skies and highs a bit cooler, only reaching into the mid 50s (54). And to conclude our weekend, Sunday night we expect SHOWERS before 2am and then more consistent rain into the early hours on Monday with lows around 40 degrees.

It's time for your daily community calendar, brought to you by MJ Harrington and Company, where we take a look at some events happening tomorrow.

You can freshen up on your French in Enfield tomorrow at 10 AM at the Community Lutheran Church on 96 Main Street. Being held is a French Conversation Club where you can practice your French in a social setting. All abilities are welcome and you can call 603-306-6606 for more details.

The monthly all-you-can-eat pancake buffet community breakfast is back in Norwich, Vermont at the Grange Hall on 344 Main St. The breakfast will run from 8 to 11am and includes scrambled eggs, sausage, sausage gravy, biscuits, juices, teas, coffees and milk with real maple syrup, toast and condiments. If you are under five years old you are free. If not, you will cost \$5 to \$8 dollars and you can call 802-356-0844 for more information.

The Full Circle Choral Spring Concert will take place tomorrow from 7:30 to 9pm in Lyme, New Hampshire at the Lyme Congregational Church on 1 Dorchester Rd. The choir will perform pieces from different periods and styles. This concert is of course free and you can call 802-785-4547 to find out more.

On Wednesday, the Stevens Cardinals softball team hosted the Monadnock Huskies at Veterans Park right here in Claremont. Stevens came into this game with only one win sitting at 1 and 2 while Monadnock was also searching for their second win of the year with a record of 1 and 3. Let's take a look at some of the action.

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Nice job on the mound Hannah and congrats on the win Monadnock. Don't worry Stevens, your team has looked solid so far. Im sure you will bounce back quickly.

Now let's take a look at the YCN Scoreboard to check out some local results from yesterday.

First up baseball, Hanover hosted John Stark for what turned out to be a close game toward the end. Hanover was down in the bottom of the sixth but was able to tie the game at 4-4 before the final inning. John Stark then scored five runs in the top of the seventh to win the game 9 to 4. Jeremy Aubin had the big hit with the bases loaded in the seventh that drove in 3 runs. Lebanon traveled to take on Goffstown and lost by a score of 4 to 10. Lebanon is now 1 and 6 on the year. Turning now to softball, the lady Raiders visited Goffstown where they would have a tough time score runs. Goffstown's offense was too much for Lebanon would go on to win 12 to 0. Newport traveled to Gilford where they would score a run in the first inning to take an early lead but Gilford would soon tie and game and bring it to extra innings. Gilford then hit a walk-off home run in the 8th inning to win the game 2 to 1.

Good evening, it's Monday, May 2nd.

We begin tonight with governmental news on a local scale, as town officials in Claremont are now examining a proposed budget budget for Fiscal Year 2017 that would save residents a pretty penny on their municipal taxes. City Manager Guy Santagate has proposed a budget for \$16.95 million that would cut nearly \$750,000 from the amount requested by the Public Works Department for projects this year. However, there is a tradeoff, as the taxpayers would pay one percent less for municipal taxes for the next year. *The Eagle Times* reports that Santagate has expressed that although the Public Works Department's request for that amount is valid, he deems it more important to ease the tax burden on residents, especially given the numerous complaints about the tax rates within town. Under his proposed budget, the town would still reap around \$10.3 million in taxes and the required road improvements and projects would still be completed by funds from a \$3 million road bond. The fiscal year begins on July 1st and the council will hold a public hearing and a vote on the final budget on June 22nd.

Recently, we've brought you numerous stories on how towns in our area are holding hearings and conducting surveys to receive input on what residents would like to see in the future. In Lebanon, the School District is doing the same, as officials listened to a handful of parents late last week where they voiced opinions on what they would like to see in the schools that their kids are enrolled in. *The Valley News* reports that the district held a community forum last Thursday where groups of parents and residents tackled the questions of how the district can best reach their numerous goals while also keeping in mind the needs of students, teachers, and the actual buildings in the district. School officials and parents agreed that the district should promote a welcoming and supportive community while also increasing communication between the two groups. In regards to building improvements, last year a consulting firm estimated that around \$10 million would be needed to maintain and upgrade the district's buildings and officials are taking this into consideration while also looking to conduct improvements that positively affect the learning environment. The School Board will be discussing the plan on May 11th at the Lebanon Middle School.

It is not uncommon in Vermont and New Hampshire to find towns with smaller villages within such as Plainfield and Meriden New Hampshire and most notably for this story, Rockingham and Bellows Falls. What happens when a town and an incorporated village try to merge? In Windham county Vermont, residents mostly opposed a proposed merger of Rockingham and the Village of Bellows Falls within, as although taxes would be less for residents of the Village, they would increase for residents of the Town. Two public hearings was held this past Saturday and it was explained that the different effects on the tax rates are because of the different budgets between the two entities, with a nearly \$2.5 million gap. A hearing was held in each town and officials had hoped to create a merger committee to discuss the idea, made up of both Trustees and Selectboard members. If approved by voters in both towns, the merger would then go to the state for their approval or modification and if approved there, all property within Bellows Falls would belong to Rockingham, including all finances. The proposed merger will be discussed at tomorrow's Selectboard meeting and after two more public hearings, a vote is scheduled for May 17th.

This past Saturday, nearly 1000 people met at the Claremont Middle School and participated in a 5K walk/fun run for a the cause of preventing violence, promoting respect, and strengthening lives. Turning Points Network, the host of the event, has since announced that the event was a smashing success, as they broke their record for amount of money raised, reeling in over \$96,000, which is \$20,000 more than last year. The event brought out people from every walk of life and from countless different organizations, including sports teams, faith communities, police

and fire departments, a well as friends and families. Participants in the fun run were able to enjoy refreshments, fresh fruits, and baked goods, which were all provided by local businesses and individuals. The funds from the event will go towards needed repairs to Turning Points Network's 16-bed emergency shelter, prevention education programs, and all their direct services. Saturday's event stands to show how communities can come together to truly impact the lives of so many around them. Congratulations to all who participated and to Turning Points Network for smashing their record from last year.

After the break on YCN News, we'll take our weekly look into the medical world through the Lake Sunapee Region VNA and Hospice. We'll be right back.

Let's join the Lake Sunapee Region VNA and Hospice to take another informative look into the world of medicine and health. Today's topic is the HCM Combination drug to reduce agitation in patients with alzheimer's.

PKG

Join us again next week at the same time for another look into the fascinating and vast world of health.

After the break on YCN News, we'll join sports reporter Andrew Zurheide for a look at some local sports action, plus your weather and community calendar. We'll be right back.

Welcome back to YCN News, I'm Andrew Zurheide.

Well today's been a wet chilly one with lots of rain and fog hitting most of the state and high temperatures reaching only 48 degrees. Some parts of the state might see as much as half an inch of total rainfall. Now let's take a look at the forecast for tonight and the next couple of days.

Around 7pm most of the rain will have moved on but there might be a drizzle here and there until around midnight with CLOUDY skies. Visibility could be slightly affected with fog still lingering for most of the night. Temperatures will drop down to around 43 degrees. Tomorrow there is a 30% chance of RAIN before 10am with MOSTLY CLOUDY skies and high temperatures barely breaking into the 60s. Tuesday night looks to be uneventful with MOSTLY CLOUDY skies but it will be a bit chilly with lows dropping to around 44 degrees. Wednesday there is a 40% chance of RAIN before 10am and we can expect MOSTLY CLOUDY skies with highs near 57 and finally Wednesday night the 40% chance of rain continues along with MOSTLY CLOUDY skies and lows falling to around 43.

It's time for your daily community calendar, brought to you by MJ Harrington and Company, where we take a look at some events happening tomorrow.

Que le gusta hablar español? That's spanish for do you like to speak spanish? If the answer is si, then head on over to Umpleby's Bakery in Hanover from 9:30 to 10:30am to speak spanish with the Buena Gente Social Club. All ages and proficiency levels are welcome. Please call 802-649-5151 for more details about this free event.

Early childhood educator Jo Brambles will be leading music for little music makers in Wilder, Vermont from 10 to 11:00am at the Wilder Club and Library on 78 Norwich Avenue. Brambles will provide an interactive program for preschoolers with rhythm and movement activities. You can call 802-295-6341 for more details about this fun free event.

If you'd like to start your week off on a relaxing note, in White River Junction at 5:30 PM, there will be a meditation class at the Shambhala Center at 158 South Main Street. You can take part in both sitting and walking meditation and instruction will be available. It's free and you can call 802-484-7235 for more information.

Last Friday the Lebanon Raiders girls lacrosse team hosted the Derryfield Cougars. At this point early in the season, both teams were undefeated with Lebanon coming in at 2 and 0 and Derryfield at 4 and 0. Let's see who came out on top.

PKG

Derryfield arguably is the best team in the division so don't worry Lebanon. If you're gonna lose, might as well lose to the toughest opponent.

Now let's take a look at the YCN Scoreboard to check out some local results from last Friday.

We start with baseball, Franklin hosted Stevens for a game that went into extra innings. With the bases loaded in the bottom of eighth, Brendon Frechette hit a hard grounder to the shortstop who was unable to field the ball cleaning allowing the game winning run to come across the plate. Final score Franklin 6, Stevens 5. Undefeated Monadnock hosted Kearsarge and was able to easily defeat the cougars 8 to 1. Sunapee traveled to take on Nute and scored 12 runs while allowing none to Nute. Turning to softball, Monadnock hosted Kearsarge and was barely able to come out on top with a 1 run victory 8 to 7. Ashley Thompson of Kearsarge pitched well but her team's offense struggled to keep up with Monadnock. Sunapee took on Nute and just like the boys, they didn't allow a single run winning 21 to 0. Franklin faced off against Franklin and won without a problem by a score of 11 to 1. Franklin is now 6 and 0 on the year. Now let's take a look at boys lacrosse, Coe-Brown ran all over Stevens winning 15 to 1. Liam Taylor scored 4 goals and an assist for the Bears. Lebanon went up against Manchester West and was able to score 25 goals! While allowing just two from the Blue Knights. And last but not least girls tennis, Hanover was able to win 8 of its 9 matches to beat Coe-Brown 8 to 1. Hanover is now 4 and 0 and Coe-Brown is 3 and 4.

Good evening, it's Tuesday, May 3rd.

We begin tonight with a familiar story to those who joined us last week as police in Canaan, New Hampshire have arrested another man for prostitution. Canaan Police say that yesterday, they arrested 55-year old James M. Morgan of Sudbury, Massachusetts, when he contacted undercover officers and offered to pay them for various sexual acts. The charge for prostitution is a Class B Misdemeanor and he was released on \$7,500 personal recognizance bail. He is scheduled to be arraigned on June 11th in 2nd Circuit Court, Lebanon. This arrest is related to an investigation that took place last week where three other men were arrested for prostitution, including former Hanover elementary school principal Matthew Laramie, who resigned earlier

this year when it was discovered he had spent nearly \$34,000 in unauthorized purchases on his school credit card. The other two men, 55-year old Peter Bloomfield of Enfield and 49-year old Alan Lane also face the Class B misdemeanor charge and Lane is also facing a felony for possessing oxycodone. All three men are scheduled to be arraigned on July 11th.

In other police news now, authorities in Salisbury, New Hampshire and the surrounding area are seeking your help in finding a missing teenager who was last seen on Friday. New Hampshire State police say that 15-year old Joyce Gilbert was last seen on Friday around 3:00 PM where she left the area on a white mountain bike after an argument with her father. Police have discovered that her last known location was the Tllton Wal-Mart and that she frequently visits Franklin, Tilton, Boscawen, and Penacook. Both her parents and state police have expressed concern because of her age but police currently do not suspect foul play in this missing person case. Gilbert is described as being 5 foot 4 inches, weighs 115 pounds, has dark blonde hair, and blue eyes. She was last seen wearing a brown hair band with her hair up and had a gray camouflage zip up hoodie sweatshirt and tan pants. If you know anything or might know anyone who has any information, you are urged to contact Trooper First Class Carter of the New Hampshire State Police communications department at 603-223-4381.

Recently on YCN News, we brought you a look at a local animal shelter and how adopting an animal not only affects their life, but can drastically improve your own and provide happiness. Even if you don't adopt, even helping out your local shelter can be a gratifying experience. One of the biggest shelters in our area, the Upper Valley Humane Society, is holding two events in the next coming days so we caught up with Ayeshah Al-Humaidhi, the executive director, to tell us more.

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If you'd like to adopt a furry friend from the Upper Valley Humane Society, stop in at 300 Old Route 10 in Enfield, New Hampshire to browse the many pets; there's always one for everybody!

Over in Newport, the town's Library Arts Center is a hoppin' place all year round. Recently, the LAC opened up their Juried Regional Exhibit where they showed off work from 49 area artists, chosen from over 120 entries. The judges this year were Jane Oneail who is the executive director of the League of NH Craftsmen and Pamela Tarbell, who is the owner and director of Mill Brook Gallery and Sculpture Garden. We caught up with Andrew Williams, an artist from Unity, and Laura Morrison, an artist from Concord.

SOT

Guests were treated to appetizers, drinks, and music, all provided by the Library Arts Center. The exhibit is ongoing, is free, and is open to the public until June 16th.

After the break on YCN News, Orthodox Christians in our area celebrated easter this past weekend. We'll take a look at how three local churches when we come back.

This past weekend, over 300 million Orthodox Christians around the world celebrated Easter, or Pascha, as they call it. Locally in our communities, we have three Orthodox Churches that participated in that celebration; Holy Trinity in Springfield, Vermont, St. Vasilios Greek Church in Newport, NH and Holy Resurrection here in Claremont. They all welcomed YCN into their midst to share in the joy of this annual event. Father Peter Carmichael spoke to us about the significance of this event in the life of Christians.

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It is obvious that the Orthodox Church is a most ancient sensory experience; hearing, seeing, touch, smell, and taste. YCN would like to thank these three Orthodox Churches for their hospitality while sharing this precious and sacred event with YCN and our viewers.

After the break on YCN News, we'll join sports reporter Andrew Zurheide for a look at some local sports action, plus your weather and community calendar. We'll be right back.

Welcome back to YCN News, I'm Andrew Zurheide.

Today's weather hasn't been sunny but at least it hasn't been rainy as we've seen mostly cloudy skies with temperatures reaching a rather comfortable 60 degrees. Now let's take a look at the forecast for tonight and the next couple of days.

The MOSTLY CLOUDY skies will continue throughout the night with low temperatures falling to a chilly 43 degrees with calm winds. Now to tomorrow, precipitation and CLOUDS will roll in around 11am with a 40% percent chance of SHOWERS. Temperatures will only reach as high as 58 degrees. The 40% chance of SHOWERS and CLOUDY skies will continue during the late night hours with temps falling to around 43 degrees. Thursday also looks like a wet one with MOSTLY CLOUDY skies and a 30% chance of SHOWERS with highs in the low 60s (60) while Thursday night will again be MOSTLY CLOUDY but with lows in the mid 40s (44).

It's time for your daily community calendar, brought to you by MJ Harrington and Company, where we take a look at some events happening tomorrow.

Well here's a fun event, tomorrow morning from 7 to 9am drive up to West Lebanon for the weekly "Warbler Wednesday's" and take a walk around Boston Lot Lake, which is home to a wide variety of bird species including song birds, waterfowl and waders. You can call 603-795-4167 for more information about this free walk.

The weekly Fiber Arts Group is meeting in Newport tomorrow at the Library Arts Center on 15 Main Street from 10 to 12:00pm. Bring sewing, embroidery, felting, knitting, spinning, quilting or whatever it may be for fiber based arts and crafts. This group will cost you a small fee of four dollars and you can call 603-863-3040 for more details.

From 3:30 to 5:30pm, Black Moon Games on 2 Mascoma Road in Lebanon is hosting its free Pokemon league where you can learn to play or play against new and equally skilled opponents. All ages are welcome and you can call 603-632-5820 for more details.

Well since the days are finally getting warmer, we bring you another episode of the Trail Ride Review that aired last summer. Our own Kurt Wehde tests out the mountain biking trails around the region and today Kurt will be tackling the cornish town forest trails.

PKG

Thanks a lot Kurt. The Cornish town forest looks like a great secluded area for some quiet private mountain biking.

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Well nearly every game was either postponed or cancelled from yesterday as the cold rainy weather made it impossible for teams to safely compete, so here are some scores from last Saturday. The Hanover baseball team hosted Oyster River and was able to barely pull out a victory by a score of 7 to 6. Hanover now improves to 3 and 3 while Oyster River falls to 4 and 3. And now to softball, Hartford High from Vermont took on the Hanover ladies and won by four runs with a final score of Hartford 10, Hanover 6. The Lady Marauders are still winless sitting at 0 and 6.

There was one local matchup that was able to be played yesterday as the Bishop Brady women's tennis team hosted Hanover in the indoor tennis facility at the Boss Tennis Center. The Marauders came into the match undefeated and continued their winning streak winning by a score of 7 to 2. Hanover is now 6 and 0 on the year.

Good evening, it's Wednesday, May 4th.

We begin tonight once again with crime news, as a Lebanon man was in court yesterday to answer four felony charges of rape after he was arrested on Monday. Police say that 35-year old Ramon Romero De Jesus was arrested around 11:30 PM on Monday on two counts of Aggravated Felonious Sexual Assault, which are both Class A Felony offenses. He was arrested after a 40-year old female had contacted Lebanon Police saying that she had been sexually assaulted by her former boyfriend at an apartment on Hanover Street. The Lebanon Police Detective Division investigated, identified the suspect, and took Romero De Jesus into custody. He was held at the Grafton County Department of Corrections on \$50,000 cash bail and was arraigned yesterday. An affidavit states that he did not enter pleas and the judge set his bail at \$25,000 for four felonious sexual assault charges. It was also revealed that initially, he had given false information to officers when they arrived at the Hanover Street residence. Each of the felony charges carry a maximum of 20 years in prison and Romero De Jesus has a probable cause hearing on May 16th.

Continuing with crime news tonight, this time out of Vermont, as a Windsor woman has pleaded guilty to forgery and petty larceny charges in court. 36-year old Michelle Cormier was in Windsor Superior Court yesterday to answer to nine charges, including three felony charges and six misdemeanor charges and entered a plea deal. In front of presiding Judge Theresa DiMauro, she pleaded guilty to three of the nine counts, including one of the felony charges and was given an 18-month deferred sentence with her probation conditions still being enforced. She was advised that if she sought to get a job, she must notify employers of the charges if the position involves dealing with money. The charges stemmed from an incident where she was hired to clean a Windsor woman's house, and upon finding a checkbook, wrote \$425 worth of checks to herself. Her crime was revealed when the homeowner received an image of the check

on a bank statement that she did not make out herself, and immediately reported it. The 59-year old victim is still expecting reimbursement from Cormier who had originally pleaded not guilty back in February. *The Valley New* reports that after the court date yesterday, she told a reporter that she didn't do the crimes and had pleaded guilty to "get it over with".

A lot has happened in the past 24 hours in the presidential campaign, with Ted Cruz and John Kasich both suspending their presidential bids, leaving Donald Trump as the top dog. It's no secret that the business mogul has a lot of money, as he's proclaimed that he has self-funded the entire campaign, but his expenses are adding up and one local town is still feeling the impact of one particular rally months ago. In a packed house back in January at Stevens High School here in Claremont, Trump spoke to numerous supports and secured his win in our region and the Granite State. However, Claremont officials are now confirming that the Trump Campaign still owes Claremont over \$1000 for the rally, including \$240 to the school district for using the building and around \$830 to the city for officials that helped screen people entering the rally. The Eagle Times reports that the city has attempted to contact the New Hampshire headquarters of the campaign but has yet to hear back on any sort of reimbursement. The police department also contributed their services for around \$1600, but nothing was owed because of an agreement with federal agencies, including Secret Service. The city is continuing to seek the funds and is contacting the campaign headquarters.

Let me ask you, do you like to build it forward? If you answered yes, you'll enjoy this next story. If you didn't know what I meant, well, stay tuned regardless and maybe you can learn a thing or two. Belletetes Building Product Specialists, with locations in Sunapee and Andover, is known for their annual We Build it Forward event, which is normally held in the fall, but this year, will be held just next month. Assistant Manager and Purchaser of the Andover location, John Howe, tells us more.

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The deadline is May 15th if you are in need of repairs and would like to submit for a job. Volunteers of all ages are accepted so grab your tools and get ready to work!

After the break on YCN News, with all the rain we've had recently, it created the perfect combination for gardening and growing. We'll take a deeper look when we come back.

Just like flowers bloom and fade or harvests thrive and shrink, gardening trends come and go. While tried-and-true favorites will always be in season, different trends and hot new techniques like Single Color Flower beds, Gardens as Living Spaces, and Petscaping are becoming popular. With this in mind, YCN news stopped at Achille Agway in Walpole to find out more about new trends in gardening fertilizers and lawns.

PKG

Now you can be ready with your shovel when the weather improves and the sun comes out. The wet weather has probably kept you out of your garden this week but before you know it the sun will be out along with warm temperatures, leaves, and budding plants.

After the break on YCN News, we'll join sports reporter Andrew Zurheide for a look at some local sports action, plus your weather and community calendar. We'll be right back.

Welcome back to YCN News, I'm Andrew Zurheide.

Well today's been rainy, cloudy and a bit chilly with temperatures only in the low 50s. The new precipitation amounts shouldn't be higher than a tenth of an inch. Now let's take a look at the forecast for the next couple of days.

Tonight the precipitation is expected to continue with heavier RAIN at times. Total rainfall could reach as high as a quarter of an inch. Temperatures will drop into the mid 40s (43). Thursday there is a chance of a drizzle here and there but for the most part we can expect CLOUDY skies with temps reaching as high as 55 degrees. Thursday night there is a 40% CHANCE OF SHOWERS before 1am with MOSTLY CLOUDY skies. Winds should be calm but it will still be cold with lows falling to 44 degrees. Friday will be partly sunny for the morning and into the afternoon but around 3pm there is a 30% CHANCE OF SHOWERS but temperatures will become warmer climbing into the mid 60s (63) while Friday night we anticipate a 40% CHANCE OF SHOWERS with mostly cloudy skies and lows becoming slightly warmer, around 47 degrees.

It's time for your daily community calendar, brought to you by MJ Harrington and Company, where we take a look at some events happening tomorrow.

Our Savior Lutheran Church in Hanover is hosting a disaster relief quilting event from 9am to 2pm where you work on quilts that will be donated to disaster relief victims. Training and materials will be provided and no experience is necessary. This is of course a free event and you can call 603-643-3703 for more details.

Well it's nearly time to start thinking about opening up your garden. If you would like some expert advice, a garden workshop will be taking place in Newbury, New Hampshire at The Fells Historic Estate address 456 on Route 103A from 1 to 2:30pm. For the novice to experienced gardeners, join Fells' nursery manager Sue Ellen Weed-Parkes to review garden opening tips and steps. There is a 10\$ requested donation and advanced registration is required so please call 603-763-4789 extension 3 to register.

Long River Valley and Gifts is hosting "Paradise Found!" an art opening and wine and cheese tasting event in Lyme, New Hampshire from 6 to 8:00pm. Come witness the beautiful artwork of Liliana Paradiso whose artwork has gained attention from the Art New England Magazine. Many wines will be available for tasting as well as local cheeses from Piermont, NH. You can call 603-795-4909 for more information.

The Kearsarge boys tennis team hosted Monadnock yesterday for a double header. The first match was played to decision with Kearsarge winning 5 to 1. The second match however was a bit different with Kearsarge playing new players to try and switch things up. Let's see how well it fared for the Cougars.

PKG

Nice swings Kearsarge. Great to see the Cougars tennis program becoming successful.

Now let's take a look at the YCN Scoreboard to check out some local results from last Friday.

- -First up softball, Fall Mountain was barely able to squeak by Raymond by a final score of 4 to 3. Kearsarge beat up on Hillsboro-Deering 16 to 3 as the game was called due to the mercy rule. Sunapee beat Newport 10 to 5 as the Lakers improved to 7 and 0.
- -Now to baseball, Fall Mountain played against Raymond for a heart pounding extra inning game. Fall Mountain would eventually get the win 3 to 2 scoring a run in the 10th inning. Kearsarge hosted Hillsboro-Deering and dominated from the start of the game. Final score Kearsarge 13, Hillsboro-Deering 2. Jake Vierzen from Kearsarge pitched four strong innings with only one earned run. Lebanon took on ConVal and was able to score four times while allowing zero runs from ConVal. Lebanon picked up just its second win of the year with a record of 2 and 6. Newport traveled to Sunapee for a very competitive matchup. Final score, Sunapee 4, Newport 1.
- -Turning to girls lacrosse, Lebanon faced off against Belmont and won easily 18 to 6. Hanover was able to score 24 goals while allowing just 9 from Keene. Kearsarge hosted Derryfield for what was a highly anticipated matchup as Derryfield has beaten them earlier in the season. Kearsarge would end up pulling out a victory by a score of 10 to 8. Derryfield hadn't lost a regular season game in two years so this was a surprise.
- -And finally boys lacrosse, Lebanon took on Belmont and won by 14 goals. Finals score, Lebanon 18, Belmont 4.

Good evening, it's Thursday, May 5th.

We begin tonight with an update in what was no doubt our most interesting story in yesterday's newscast, as a \$1000 bill left by Donald Trump for his January rally in Claremont has been paid back, but only partially. But the reimbursement was not done at the hands of the NH headquarters for the Trump Campaign, and instead came from a local resident who had seen the article about it in yesterday's edition of *The Eagle Times*. The paper reports that Claremont resident Jeremy Herrell, who is a supporter of Trump, was upset about the article, walked into the administrative offices of SAU 6, and paid back the \$240 bill with a personal check. The amount owed comprised of the renting cost for the gymnasium at Stevens High School. However, the additional \$840 is still owed by the campaign for fire details that assisted in screening people into the rally back in January. City officials have yet to hear back from either the NH headquarters or the national campaign, but Herrell says that he hopes to start a campaign of his own through Twitter that would rally local residents to help pay back the remainder.

As if tonight's news wasn't already interesting enough, police in Springfield, NH are warning of a scam, but not your usual phone or email scam. If a construction crew showed up at your house and offered to pave your driveway for a low cost, that doesn't sound too bad right? However, what if once the work was completed, the bill was much larger than expected? Chances are, you'd feel scammed. Some residents in Springfield had this happen to him and police are warning of a paving scam in town after residents reported that a paving crew showed up at their house and began to work on their driveway. When confronted, the crew used sales tactics to pressure the homeowner into letting them begin a low-cost project. Once the work was completed, the crew charged a much higher cost than originally stated and would offer a

discount if the homeowner paid with cash up front. One victim agreed to pay over \$10,000 but the crew left before the work was completed, leaving the driveway in disarray. Authorities are seeking information on who is responsible for the scam and anyone with information is asked to contact Trooper Michael McLaughlin at 603-223-8855 and to report if a paving crew shows up announced at their residence.

Following votes earlier this year and the approval of the police and fire upgrades in Brattleboro, the improvements will soon be on a set schedule that some are calling ambitious. *The Brattleboro Reformer* reports that the newly reconvened Police-Fire Facilities Building Committee is planning a schedule that will outline how the fire station will be brought up to safety standards and how renovations will be completed at the police station's new address on Black Mountain Road. The calendar is being described as aggressive and includes 30 days for applicable Development Review Board approval and appeal periods. The paper reports the committee will be reviewing a site plan for the West Brattleboro Fire Station on May 11th and improvements are scheduled to be done between the middle of summer and will end in early 2017. Meanwhile, the police station's new location is undergoing design proposals and will be ready by the end of May, with construction scheduled to begin in November. The town's Central Fire Station will also be improved, with construction beginning in the fall as well.

And in New Hampshire tonight, a notable member within the New London Hospital is getting the recognition she deserves by getting appointed to a newly-created state commission. The New London Hospital Board of Trustees Chair, Susan Reeves, EdD, RN, will be taking up a position on Governor Maggie Hassan's recently created commission on Health Care Workforce. The commission's job is to address the health care workforce shortage in the Granite State and to ensure that the state can meet health care needs for its residents. Reeves will join 14 other members from various backgrounds including nursing, child and elderly care, developmental services, and education. Reeves has served as a trustee at New London Hospital since 2009 and was elected as the Board Chair last year. In addition, she is also the Dean of the School of HEalth Professions at Colby-Sawyer College. Reeves says she is honored to serve on the Governor's commission and that we must be prepared to meet the future health care needs of our population.

After the break on YCN News, the Kearsarge tennis team has struggled over the recent years but a new coach has started to change that. We'll take a look when we come back.

As much as the Cougars may not like to admit it, the Kearsarge Regional High School is not and has not been known for its men's tennis program, ever. In fact, the last time the male Cougars played in the division III tournament was five years ago in 2011 when they lost in the first round. They've been slowly improving going 32 and 27 over that five year span but after going 6 and 8 last season, the current players were hungry for more and were without a head coach. That's when a woman by the name of Lynn Miller with more than 35 years of coaching experience saw an opportunity to coach the male cougars into a winning team. She has whipped her players into shape and turned the program completely around as they are currently undefeated sitting at 6 and 0. Let's learn more and take a look at why she chose Kearsarge, a small rural school in North Sutton.

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Great job Coach Miller, the team looks much better than past years. We look forward to seeing how the rest of the season pans out for you and your team and we'll no doubt see you on future broadcasts of YCN Sports.

After the break on YCN News, we'll join sports reporter Andrew Zurheide for a look at some local sports action, plus your weather and community calendar. We'll be right back.

Welcome back to YCN News, I'm Andrew Zurheide.

Well today hasn't been as rainy as originally predicted with just a couple small showers here and there. Temperatures felt rather warm as they climb into the mid 50s. Now let's take a look at the forecast for the next couple of days.

Tonight we could be seeing a bit more rain with a 30% CHANCE OF SHOWERS before midnight and low nightly temps will continue to be in the mid 40s (44). Friday looks like a great day with very warm temperatures reaching as high as 65 degrees with PARTLY SUNNY skies for most of the morning and afternoon. Friday night however could be wet as there is a 50% CHANCE OF SHOWERS but we expect calm winds so it won't be stormy. Saturday will again be warm with temps in the mid 60s (63) but there continues to be a CHANCE OF RAIN (40%) for most of the day and this chance of precipitation will stick around for Saturday night as well with lows falling to around 48 degrees.

It's time for your daily community calendar, brought to you by MJ Harrington and Company, where we take a look at some events happening tomorrow.

Join the Feathered Fridays group from 7 to 9am in Thetford, Vermont at the Thetford Center Union Village Dam Park off of route 113. This club focuses on watching the arriving Spring migrants with a special focus on the parks "Mystery Trail" area. This is of course free and will be open to the public. You can call 603-795-4167 for more details.

As part of the ninth annual National Public Gardens Day, join The Fells Historic Estate from 10am to 4:00pm for a free nation-wide celebration of public gardens. Explore the Fells and discover the spring blossoms in the rock garden and the blossoms of early flowering trees and shrubs. The Fells is located in Newbury, New Hampshire on 456 route 103A. You can visit www.thefells.org or call 603-763-4789 extension 3 fore more information.

Come support the Windsor school district by attending the student made production of the comedy musical "Spam-A-Lot" at the Lois F. White Theater in Windsor, Vermont. The play will run from 7 to 8:30pm and is based on Monty Python's "Search for the Holy Grail." Attending will cost a small fee of between 3 and 5 dollars but all proceeds benefit the school's drama department. I'm sure it will be hilarious. If you would like more information you can call 802-674-6344 extension 366.

Last Tuesday the Kearsarge girls lacrosse team hosted Derryfield for what some are calling a playoff matchup with both teams expected to be ranked in the top three come playoff time. Let's take a look at some of the high pressure action.

PKG

Great win Kearsarge and nice job avenging the loss from early in the season. We wish you luck against laconia tomorrow.

Now let's take a look at the YCN Scoreboard to check out some local results from yesterday.

First up girls lacrosse, Kearsarge hosted Gilford and won easily 14 to 4. Eleanor Angus scored 3 goals for kearsarge while also making three nice assists. Kearsarge has won six in a row. Lebanon took on Plymouth and emerged victorious winning 14 to 2. Lebanon is now 4 and 1. Turning to girls tennis, the undefeated Hanover Marauders hosted Pembroke where they were able to sweep all 9 matches. Nicole Carr from Pembroke played well at number 1 singles but she and her team ultimately weren't strong enough to take down a tough Hanover team. And for softball, Campbell hosted Kearsarge and dominated from the start winning the contest 17 to 0. Campbell is now 6 and 1 while Kearsarge falls to 3 and 6.

And now we turn to baseball, Campbell took on Kearsarge at its home field and beat the cougars 4 to 2. Brad Underhill hit a two run homer for Kearsarge. Now to boys lacrosse, Gilford hosted Kearsarge but the cougars had little trouble putting the ball in the net winning by a final score of Kearsarge 15, Gilford 3. Kearsarge improves to 6 and 1. Hanover lost a close one to Essex High in Vermont by a score of 10 to 9 while Plymouth beat up on Lebanon 13 to 3.

Good evening, it's Friday, May 6th.

We begin tonight, as we do most nights, with crime news, as Lebanon police have seized a hefty amount of heroin and arrested one woman on drug charges. According to police, officers in Lebanon pulled over Ashley Follensbee of South Royalton, Vermont for a traffic stop after an investigation by the NH Attorney General's Drug Task Force, Hartford Police, and Vermont Detectives into the sale of heroin. Previously, Follensbee had sold heroin to a confidential informant and police had since received information that she had additional heroin. When a search warrant was executed on her vehicle, police found 40 bags of heroin along with her 3-year old child. Vermont authorities executed a second search warrant, this time on her home, and found 600 bags of heroin, 4.5 grams of crack cocaine, 20 grams of marijuana, various prescription pills, and more than \$1500 in cash. She was charged with possession of a controlled drug with intent to sell and sale of a controlled drug, which are both Class B felonies. In addition, she is facing another charge of endangering the welfare of a child, a misdemeanor. She was arraigned yesterday and bail was reduced from \$100,000 to \$5,000 cash or surety.

Last year, there was big news for Claremont-based River Valley Community College as they extended their reach and opened up and all new location further north in Lebanon. Now, officials are reporting that enrollment numbers are much higher than they anticipated and that the future of the location, based in the former Lebanon College building, is certainly bright. *The Valley News* reports that with a planned official opening of August 25th of this year, college officials announced to the City Council on Wednesday night that 83 students have enrolled for the first term, which is 60 percent more than anticipated. The community college had purchased the new location in August of last year using a \$1.6 million grant from the US Department of Agriculture Rural Development program and Lebanon received \$500,000 to complete needed renovations to the interior of the building. Improvements that have been done include buying a new furnace, removing asbestos, and increasing the number of bathrooms. The college is continuing to enroll students for the first term this fall, with 12 classes being offered right away.

An update now in a story we brought you earlier this year as Santa's Land in Putney, Vermont will not be reopening, despite the hard efforts of one local woman and committed supporters. In March, it was announced that C.S. Wurzberger of Marlboro, Vermont was trying to fundraise to reopen the park as a "Rare Breeds Zoological Park". *The Brattleboro Reformer* reports that Wurzberger had until May 1st to come up with \$375,000 to purchase the park from the property owners, but was only able to raise around \$24,000. In addition, the cost of needed repairs to the park added up to more than \$500,000. She had hoped to ditch the Santa theme and instead wanted to expose kids and adults to all different types of native rare animals that you might not encounter at a traditional zoo. Although her hopes of reopening Santa's Land were unable to be fulfilled, she plans to host endangered animals on 13 acres of land at her personal property and bring them to schools and libraries to educate people on rare animals in our area. Santa's Land closed in 2011 and had gained a bad reputation over the years for how they treated animals on the premises.

The recent spring weather bodes very well for gardening and we've brought you multiple pieces on the topic throughout the week. National Public Gardens Day is today and one local historic estate is taking advantage of this national celebration. The gardens and grounds at the Fells in Newbury will be open free to the public today to the 8th to celebrate National Public Gardens Day. YCN News talked with Fells Nursery Manager Sue Ellen Weed-Parkes about the event and what the Fells has planned for the weekend.

SOT

National Public Gardens Day was started in 2009 by the National Public Gardens Association, who designated that the first Friday before Mother's Day be National Public Gardens Day. Public and historic gardens through North America are open free to the public on this day. The Fells gardens in Newbury will be open 10am to 4pm.

After the break on YCN News, Mother's Day is right around the corner. If you haven't gotten anything for mom yet, we're here to help you out. Details when we come back.

As you hopefully know, and if you don't, let this serve as your reminder, this Sunday is Mother's Day. If you're still scrambling to find the right gift for mom, one local jeweler is looking to offer some great tips on what you can pick up. Meg Cowan from MJ Harrington on Newport's Main Street tells us more.

PKG

MJ Harrington will be open tomorrow 9-5 and has already helped countless people who are looking for a jewelry piece that will no doubt put a smile on your mother's face. Stop in and let them help you out!

After the break on YCN News, we'll join sports reporter Andrew Zurheide for a look at some local sports action, plus your weather and community calendar. We'll be right back.

Welcome back to YCN News, I'm Andrew Zurheide.

Well there was a small chance of showers today but so far it has been gorgeous with mostly clear skies and temperatures reaching into the mid 60s. Now let's take a look at the weekend forecast.

Tonight the small CHANCE OF SHOWERS from earlier will increase to 50% and some clouds will roll in but there isn't expected to much wind. The temperatures will fall to as low as 47 degrees. Saturday there continues to be a small CHANCE OF SHOWERS (40%) but it looks like it'll be another warm day with highs in the low 60s (60) while Saturday night the chance of showers falls to 30% but will only continue until around 2am with low temps in the upper 40s (48). And to wrap up the weekend on Sunday, there will be some morning SHOWERS between 7 and 10am and won't be as warm as Saturday with temps in the mid 50s (56) and finally Sunday night we can expect partly cloudy skies and it looks like the showers will have finally stopped BUT it will be very cold with temps falling to nearly freezing around 36 degrees.

It's time for your daily community calendar, brought to you by MJ Harrington and Company, where we take a look at some events happening tomorrow.

Are you interested in exercising your high school or college french skills? Or are you currently enrolled in a french language course? Then the "Club Petit Dejeuner", (DAY JU NAY) which translates to simply breakfast club, is the place for you! Meet up with other community members interested in speaking French. The group will meet at 10am at the Community Lutheran Church in Enfield. All proficiency levels are welcome and this is a free event. You can call 603-632-5026 for more information.

Well mother's day is on Sunday so if you need some last minute flowers for your mom, head on over to the mother's day plant sale at the volunteer fire department in Ascutney, Vermont off of route 131 from 9am to 1pm. Annuals, perennials and mulch will be available for purchase. All proceeds benefit the Ascutney Volunteer Fire Department. You can call 802-674-5021 if you would like more details.

Looking ahead to Monday now, From 11am to 12:30pm come to 14 Green St. in Lebanon for guided meditation followed by a discussion. This is a Valley Insight Meditation event and donations will be accepted upon admission. Please call 603-448-1706 if you plan on attending for the first time.

Last Tuesday the Kearsarge cougars softball team hosted Hillsboro-Deering. Ashley Thompson took the mound for Kearsarge while Emma Moore pitched for Hillsboro. Let's take a peek at some of the action.

PKG

Great job on the mound Ashley. She would strikeout 7 seven batters across her five innings of work.

Now let's take a look at the YCN Scoreboard to check out some local results from yesterday.

First up boys tennis, a strong Bow team hosted undefeated Kearsarge for a very exciting anticipated matchup. Kearsarge won its first two singles matches and its first two doubles matches but would end up falling short losing 4 to 5. Kearsarge is now 6 and 1 while Bow improves to 5 and 1. Hanover took on Keene and the Marauders won easily by a score of 8 to 1. And for the girls, Kearsarge hosted Bow and unfortunately lost every match. The fourth singles was a closet for Kearsarge with Morganne Flinkstrom playing hard. Bow is still undefeated at 6 and 0.

Now to boys lacrosse, Hanover took on Manchester Memorial and would have no problem putting the ball in Manchester's net. Final score, Hanover 17, Manchester 3. Hanover's George Geraghty had six goals and three assists.

And now we turn to softball, Newport was able to blank Fall Mountain by a score of 12 to 0. Stephanie Carl hit a three run homer to lead Newports offense. John Stark faced off against Hanover on Hanover's home turf and crushed the Marauders 17 to 1. John Stark is now 3 and 5.

We have one baseball score for you today, Newport traveled to Langdon to take on Fall Mountain and would win by a final score of 6 to 2. Sophomore pitcher Kyle Rossiter tossed a complete game leading to the tigers first win of the season.

Good evening, it's Monday, May 9th.

We begin tonight with a story that will fit right in with the many headlines we've had recently about structure and brush fires. A painting business in Newport was damaged Saturday afternoon when an electrical malfunction sparked a blaze at Foster's Professional Painting Plus. Mutual aid departments from the surrounding area were called to the building on John Stark Highway around 6:20 PM, after Newport Fire Chief Peter Lamb saw smoke rising from the building. The fire, later deemed electrical in nature, started on the first floor and moved up into the attic, but was knocked down by 7:30 PM. There were no injuries and no one was inside the building at the time of the blaze. In addition to Saturday's fire, Newport Fire and EMS responded to a second blaze on Sunday around 6:30 PM for a reported building fire at 3 Golf Club Road. Crews found a small fire in the basement that had spread slightly to the first floor. It was knocked down within 20 minutes and Sunapee, Goshen, and Lempster all helped in responding to the scene.

Last week, we told you about a driveway paving scam going on in Springfield, NH, but now, residents of the area have an entirely different scam to be on the lookout for. This is an email scam and it's named "Locky", which may not sound too bad, but if you are struck with it, your computer may lose all of its data. Sunapee Police have sent out a warning that this scam is starting to show up everywhere, with business emails seeing it more, and it appears as a business invoice in your email inbox. The subject line typically says "Attention Invoice #123456", or a similar message, and comes with an attached Word Document. If you open the invoice, malicious macros will work their way through your computer and encrypt all your data, essentially locking you out of your personal files. To get back into them, the scam tells you to send payment to a website in exchange for a decryption key. You can restore your computer without sending the ransom by doing a full software reinstall, which may cause you lose all your data if your system is not backed up. Sunapee Police are warning residents to not click on any attached files like the one described and to report it to your IT department.

There are plenty of options for residents in terms of banking in the twin states, with many local banks, like Mascoma Savings Bank, Lake Sunapee Bank, and Claremont Savings Bank. The

second of those three, Lake Sunapee Bank, with 35 locations in New Hampshire and Vermont, will soon be under new ownership, but will keep the same name. Bar Harbor Bank & Trust of Maine announced late last week that through an all-stock transaction, the group would be acquiring the bank group for around \$143 million. The deal received unanimous approval from the boards of directors for both companies and moving forward, the groups await shareholder approval and clearance from state and federal officials. The deal is less of a purchase and more of a merger, as the two banking groups are roughly the same size in not only banking activities, but assets as well. These mergers are not unusual, especially in the case of community banks, like some in our region, as national banks and the growing popularity of online and mobile banking have caused the share of community banks to slowly decline over the years. Lake Sunapee Bank has locations all throughout our region, including Claremont, Hanover, Newport, Enfield, and Grantham.

It's that time of year once again where colleges both local and abroad send off their graduating classes into the great beyond. Colby Sawyer College in New London held its 178th Commencement Ceremony on Saturday, as family and friends watched around 310 graduates received their diplomas under the big tent on the front lawn of the campus. Outgoing President of the College, Tom Galligan Jr who is stepping down as president to pursue other interests, gave his last welcome address and president's Charge to the Class of 2016. Hilary Walrod, who received the Jack Jensen Award for Excellence in teaching, spoke about "Living with Contrast" in her Commencement Address to the 2016 class. Jillian R Jacobs, a 2016 graduate with a degree in Business Administration, was chosen to give the Senior Address and spoke to her class about "Passion, Compassion, Humor and Style". After the diplomas were given out, the new graduates celebrate with family and friend on the campus quad. Other awards were handed out, including the Distinguished Alumni Award, Award for Excellence in Advising, Award for Excellence in Service, and others. Congratulations to the Colby-Sawyer Class of 2016!

After the break on YCN News, we'll take another look into the world of health in medicine as we join Home Care Matters. We'll be right back.

Let's now join the Lake Sunapee Region VNA and Hospice to take a look at an injectable treatment for diabetic eye disease.

PKG

Thanks for that, we'll tune back in at the same time next week for more medical information.

After the break on YCN News, we'll join sports reporter Andrew Zurheide for a look at some local sports action, plus your weather and community calendar. We'll be right back.

Welcome back to YCN News, I'm Andrew Zurheide.

Well the drier air and gusty westerly winds today has increased the risk for wildfires across the state. We've received a lot of rain recently so a red flag warning is not needed. However, burning is discouraged as fires that start could quickly burn out of control even though temperatures will only reach the mid 50s. Now let's take a look at our forecast for the next couple of days.

Tonight we expect MOSTLY CLEAR skies with west winds from 5 to 10 miles per hour. Temperatures will plummet to just below freezing, around 31 degrees! Wow! Be sure to keep that heat on. Tomorrow looks very nice as we will start to see a warm up this week. SUNNY skies and temps around 66 are expected. Tomorrow night will be mostly clear with low temperatures climbing just a bit but still cold, around 39. Wednesday continues to be warmer with SUNNY skies and highs around 68 while Wednesday night we expect mostly clear skies and lows still climbing into the mid 40s (43).

It's time for your daily community calendar, brought to you by MJ Harrington and Company, where we take a look at some events happening tomorrow.

Que le gusta hablar español? That's spanish for do you like to speak spanish? If the answer is si, then head on over to Umpleby's Bakery in Hanover from 9:30 to 10:30am to speak spanish with the Buena Gente Social Club. All ages and proficiency levels are welcome. Please call 802-649-5151 for more details about this free event.

The Enfield firefighters association is hosting another bingo night at the Enfield Community Center starting at 6:30pm. For 12 cards it will cost you 20 bucks or for 18 to 36 cards or all-night play it will cost 25 bucks. Refreshments will be available and you can call 603-632-5438 for more information.

Acclaimed poet Laura Foley will be reading from her newly released collection Night Ringing at Left Bank Books on 9 South Main St. in Hanover from 7 to 9pm. The evening will also offer the opportunity for audience members to try their own hand at writing from a prompt and then sharing what was written. Author Joni Cole will be leading the prompt portion of the evening. No experience is necessary for this fun free event and you can call 603-643-4479 for more details.

Last Tuesday Stevens High School, right here in Claremont, hosted its first home track meet of the year. Let's take a look to see who came out on top.

PKG

Great work out there Stevens and to the rest of the athletes. I can't wait to see the results from tomorrow's track meet in Hanover.

Now let's take a look at the YCN Scoreboard to check out some local results from Friday. ***

First up, girls lacrosse. Kearsarge and Laconia faced off as both teams were ranked in the top three of their division. Laconia continued to dominate as they have all year, winning 14 to 3. Anna Stowell had two goals for Kearsarge. Laconia improves to 7 and 0. Lebanon traveled to take on Pelham and would come up just short, losing 13 to 9. Winnacunnet took on Hanover and won by five goals, final score 10 to 5. Now to boys lacrosse, Kearsarge and Laconia faced off on the men's side for another top three ranked matchup. Kearsarge fought back being down 6 to 3 to tie the game at 7 but Laconia made more key plays in the final quarter. Kearsarge would lose 12 to 8. Laconia is now 7 and 0 while Kearsarge is 6 and 2. Pelham went up against Lebanon and was able to blank the Raiders, winning 20 to 0.

Now to softball, Sunapee beat up on Pittsfield winning 18 to 0. Fall Mountain won a close one over Mascoma Valley 6 to 3 and Trinity easily was able to put up 19 runs against Hanover's 2.

Turning to baseball, Fall Mountain was able to defeat Mascoma Valley 5 to 1. Bow was able to have 11 batters come across the plate while only allowing 3 from Stevens. And Sunapee was able to barely pull out a win against Pittsfield 10 to 8. Sunapee started the game up 7 to nothing and allowed Pittsfield to battle back during the game but ultimately Sunapee would win by two runs.

Good evening, it's Tuesday, May 10th.

Well it may not be the Shawshank Redemption or a similar prison breakout, but an inmate at the prison in Springfield, Vermont is running from authorities and police are seeking your help in tracking him down. 28-year old Dale Adams, who was incarcerated at the Southern State Correctional Facility, was placed on an "escaped from furlough" status yesterday morning around 9 AM when he failed to return to his residence after a scheduled group support meeting. Springfield Probation and Parole is currently seeking Adams and says that his furlough date was April 4th and a press release says that he has been escaped since Friday. He is described as being a caucasian male, standing 5-foot-11-inches tall, brown hair, and hazel eyes. His current offenses include violating abuse prevention order and lewd and lascivious behavior with a child. He last known residence is River House, 2263 Route 106, in Perkinsville Vermont and citizens are urged to contact local police if they see Adams. State law in Vermont dictates that any inmate may be allowed a furlough period before their release, as to better prepare them for reassimilation into the community.

Across the river in Newport now, in an update from a story we brought you earlier this year in January, a guidance counselor charged with indecent exposure is now seeking a court hearing before his trial. Thomas Mauzy, a guidance counselor for middle and high school students at Newport, was arrested in January when he turned himself in after a month-long investigation in which he was accused of exposing himself on multiple occasions to his neighbor. The neighbor's parking space is 30 feet from Mauzy's window and she had reported seeing him stand in front of his window and expose himself to her. Now, *The Valley News* reports that Mauzy is saying that he was merely getting dressed for his work each morning and that his neighbor actually violated privacy laws by videotaping him. Conversely, the neighbor, Viva Hilgerson, says that she did indeed record him with a cellphone, but it was only for evidence in the case against him. He pleaded not guilty to the multiple misdemeanor charges during his arraignment earlier this year and has since filed a motion to hold a hearing before the May 24th trial. He is currently on leave from his guidance counselor job at Newport.

Voters in the town of Newport went to the polls on today to cast their ballots for town selectmen, the town budget. and 14 other articles. Three candidates, Jeffrey Keesler, Jack R. Clark and, John H. Hooper were running for two seats on the board of selectmen in the only contested race on the ballot. A hot topic is Article 2 to amend a zoning ordinance to address the land application of septage within the community, which brought many people to the polls. The town was also asking voters to raise \$509,000 for the Oak Street Bridge Project and additional funds for the Knolls Street Infrastructure Project which will need a ¾ majority to pass. The Newport Town operating budget of \$9.5 million was also voted on on Tuesday and if voted down, the default operating budget of \$9,408,000 will be used. In addition, the police department was looking for \$10,800 to purchase new computer network hardware with many of the remaining articles dealing with capital reserve funds. The polls are open till 7pm tonight and YCN will have full results during tomorrow night's broadcast.

And right nearby over in New London, the town's iconic New London Gallery has just hung up all new artwork for visitors to enjoy and is holding an open house this weekend. We caught up with the owner of the gallery, Kim Gallant, to shed some light on these new pieces.

SOT

The New London Gallery is open 9-4 most days of the week so make sure to stop in this Saturday or next week to check out the new exhibits.

After the break on YCN News, two local hospitals are teaming up to offer better home care to patients. Details when we come back.

Just like in yesterday's new where two community bank groups merged together, two local healthcare groups are doing the same. Recently, Peter Wright, the President and CEO of Valley Regional Healthcare, announced the partnering of their Connecticut Valley Home Care and Hospice with the Lake Sunapee Region VNA and Hospice. It was noted in a letter sent to clients, "Helping people regain their health at home in a familiar setting, while keeping them out of the hospital as they recover, is more important than ever in this changing healthcare scene." YCN caught up with the Lake Sunapee Region VNA's Jim Culhane and asked what this partnering means to their organization.

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Jim told YCN that the transition would be seamless and clients in both organizations should see no change in services and the insurance programs that they accept. More important is their excitement to creatively develop new services for all the communities they now serve.

After the break on YCN News, we'll join sports reporter Andrew Zurheide for a look at some local sports action, plus your weather and community calendar. We'll be right back.

Welcome back to YCN News, I'm Andrew Zurheide.

Well it appears as if Spring has finally sprung in terms of Spring weather as today has be absolutely gorgeous with sunny skies and temperatures reaching into the mid 60s. This is the week where we will see the trees and flowers really starting to bloom. Now let's take a look at our forecast for the next couple of days.

Despite very warm daytime temperatures, the lows for tonight will plummet to around 34 degrees. The night will be CLEAR however and we could wake up to a bit of frost here and there. Tomorrow looks to be even nicer than today with a bit of morning frost but by mid day, temps will soar into the low 70s! (71) and we will see CLEAR and SUNNY skies. Tomorrow night will be mostly clear again but will still be chilly with temps falling to around 41 degrees. Thursday looks to be the pick of the week with SUNNY skies and the warmest day of the year so far with highs reaching into the mid 70s. (74) While Thursday night we will see mostly clear skies with low temperatures becoming warmer reaching as high as 50 degrees.

It's time for your daily community calendar, brought to you by MJ Harrington and

Company, where we take a look at some events happening tomorrow.

Well early tomorrow morning from 7 to 9am drive up to West Lebanon for the weekly "Warbler Wednesday's" and take a walk around Boston Lot Lake, which is home to a wide variety of bird species including song birds, waterfowl and waders. You can call 603-795-4167 for more information about this free walk.

From 3:30 to 5:30pm, Black Moon Games in Lebanon is hosting its free Pokemon league where you can learn to play or play against new equally skilled opponents. All ages are welcome and you can call 603-632-5820 for more details.

If you would like to unwind after work tomorrow, head over to the Canaan Methodist Church in Canaan off of route 4 from 6:15 to 7:15pm for a yoga class that will work on postures, breathing and relaxation techniques. All levels of experience are welcome and this will cost 10 to 12 dollars per class. Please call 603-523-7253 for more details.

Yesterday Sunapee's baseball team traveled to take on nearby rivals Newport. Let's take a look at some of the action.

PKG

Nice job out there Sunapee. The Lakers look strong again and it seems like you may be on your way back to the division four state championship game.

Now let's take a look at the YCN Scoreboard to check out some local results from Friday. ***

<u>First up boys lacrosse</u>, Kearsarge hosted Merrimack for an exciting overtime thriller. The Cougars battled back from being down 7 to 1 and eventually was able to gain the lead 11 to 10 at the beginning of the final quarter. Merrimack would tie the game to bring it to overtime when Justin Norris from Kearsarge scored the game winner 53 seconds into overtime. Norris would score 7 goals and 3 assists for the Cougars. Lebanon was able to beat Gilford by four goals, winning 10 to 6.

Now to the girls, Lebanon traveled to take on Gilford as the Raiders built an early lead and were able to hold on late to beat the Golden Eagles. Final score, Lebanon 13, Gilford 12. Kearsarge took on Merrimack Valley and easily won 19 to 2. Eleanor Angus scored 5 goals and 5 assists for Kearsarge.

Moving on to baseball, Hanover hosted Milford and fell 9 to 5. Souhegan traveled to take on Lebanon and scored 14 runs while allowing just 2 from the Raiders. Monadnock was able to blank Fall Mountain while scoring two runs to get the win in a very competitive game. And now to softball, Sunapee took on Newport and won by three runs. Final score Sunapee 4, Newport 1. Katie Frederick pitched seven strong innings for Sunapee while also getting three hits and scoring two runs. Manchester West was able to squeak by Lebanon winning 14 to 12 and Monadnock was able to beat Fall Mountain 5 to 2.

Good evening, it's Wednesday, May 11th.

We begin tonight with big news out of Newport as town voters have cast their ballots and made their voices heard following yesterday's 2nd Session Town Voting Day. The town's proposed \$9.5 million budget was approved, which means the town won't need to revert to the default

budget which sits slightly lower at around \$9.4 million. Incumbent Jeff Kessler and John Hooper II were both elected to two three year seats on the selectboard with 347 and 457 votes respectively. Hooper beat Jake Clark, who racked in 280 votes of his own, and will now take the empty seat left by longtime selectman Gary Nichols. Town officials reported that this year, voter turnout was very low and Supervisor of the Checklist, Ella Casey, told WNTK Radio that of the roughly 3800 registered voters in the Sunshine Town, only 600 turned out to cast their ballots. There were 14 articles on the docket and three of them were defeated, one of which would add \$5 to the motor vehicle registration fee and would allow the town to draw in additional funds for road and bridge projects. Article 2, which amends zoning ordinance to address the land application of septage within town was passed, along with ten other articles. These include two bonds that would fund road projects were approved, which will now bring improvements to the Oak Street Bridge and 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th Knoll Streets.

In crime news now, in a story that you don't hear everyday, a doctor from Windham County has been of accused of prescription fraud after it was discovered she was falsely prescribing painkillers to patients and picking them up herself. 49-year old Melanie Canon of Weston, Vermont was let go from her job at Mountain Valley Medical Clinic in Londonderry nearly a year ago but had been conducting undocumented home visits until March of this year. Vermont State Police announced yesterday than an investigation began earlier this year when they received a complaint of possible prescription fraud. In the complaint, the accused physician, later revealed to be Canon, supposedly prescribed to patients Oxycodone (Percocet), a strong opioid painkiller, and upon picking it up from the pharmacy, would keep it to herself and not deliver it to patients. The DEA and Vermont Board of Medical Practice investigators discovered that she did this at least eight times and took into her possession over 1200 tablets of the drug. She has since turned over her license for medical practice in Vermont and is faced with eight charges of prescription fraud and additional charges are pending. Her court date is set for June 14th in Windham Superior Court.

Claremont's Zoning Board of Adjustment certainly has plenty to talk about with two projects in town currently moving forward. One is the proposed senior living facility off of Washington Street and the other is a property maintenance business looking to begin business with a new salt shed and garage. The second of these two is the topic of this story as *The Eagle Times* reports that the planning board on Monday said that they are not quite ready to move ahead just yet as the board still needs to make decisions on the variances that apply to the project. Jeremy Zullo, who owns Zullo Property Maintenance on 86 Windy Hill Road is seeking the board's approval of two zoning variances, one of which would allow commercial activity within a rural residential district, and the other would allow access to the salt shed using a 50-foot right of way. The site maintenance garage and shed would be built on Caajm Place and would even allow for designated parking spaces for his four employees. The board is set to meet and ultimately vote on the variances June 6th, which will allow the board to move forward with the application.

And in New London now, the town's local college has announced their next annual meeting for Adventures in Learning, making it their 17th event so far. Adventures in Learning, put on by Colby-Sawyer College, year after year celebrates providing lifelong learning programs for adults in the Kearsarge-Lake Sunapee Region. It's taking place next Thursday, May 19th, at 4 PM in Wheeler Hall at the Ware Student Center on none other than the Colby-Sawyer Campus. This year's event will open with "Adventures Through a Lens - A Photo Retrospective" by Maureen Rosen and will feature AIL members and study leaders who were engaged in the past year's courses and activities. A business meeting will follow with an annual review.

acknowledgements, recognitions, and a vote to elect the 2016-2017 board members. Adventures in Learning was created in 1998 to offer educational enrichment for adults in the region and allows intellectual growth in an informal setting. The RSVP deadline for next week's event has been extended and you must make a reservation by Monday, May 16th, if you plan on going. To do so, contact Shaina Driscoll at 603-526-3690 or email adventures@colby-sawyer.edu. We've posted this information on our website so feel free to check after this newscast.

After the break on YCN News, the Brattleboro Brewfest is this weekend so get ready to taste some delicious beers. We'll take a preview when we come back.

It's May which means it's Brewfest Time in Brattleboro! This weekend, the Brattleboro Brewers Festival is being held at the VABEC Fields off Old Guilford Road in Brattleboro, Vermont. Under several large tents with be local brewers featuring over 100 beers and ciders to sample along with music, food and of course, a good time. Festival-goers are encouraged to bring camping chairs or any pop-up seating and event tickets can be purchased online and at the event. One ticket gets you samples of 8 beers plus a souvenir tasting glass. Of course additional pour tickets are available. We spoke to Kelli Corbeil of WTSA FM Radio, the host of the event, to tell us more.

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It looks like great food and a Super fun time to me! Parking for this Saturday's festival that runs from 12 to 4 pm is available at Brattleboro Union High School on Fairgrounds Road. Shuttles will run patrons to the Brewfest and be running all day. Tickets are available locally at the Hermit Thrush Brewery and the Whetstone Station Brewery.

After the break on YCN News, we'll join sports reporter Andrew Zurheide for a look at some local sports action, plus your weather and community calendar. We'll be right back.

Welcome back to YCN News, I'm Andrew Zurheide.

Well today's weather has been beautiful with clear sunny skies and temperatures reaching as high as 70 degrees so be sure to go outside and get some rays. Now let's take a look at our forecast for the next couple of days.

Tonight will be CLEAR and chilly as temperatures will fall to as low as 41 degrees. There will be a northern wind around 5 miles per hour that will eventually become calm throughout the night. Tomorrow will be even nicer than today with SUNNY skies and temperatures soaring to around 76! This could be considered the nicest day of the year so far. Thursday night looks to be mostly clear with a few clouds and low temps falling to around 48. Friday there is a 50% CHANCE OF SHOWERS after 11am with mostly cloudy skies but it will stay warm with highs in the mid to low 70s (73) and Friday night the 50% chance of showers continues until around 1am with mostly cloudy skies and low temperatures falling to around 52 degrees.

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The Enfield Shaker Museum in Enfield on 447 route 4A will be offering tours between the times of 10am and 4pm. General admission includes the introductory video program, guided tours, exhibits, and craft demonstrations and in a few weeks you will be able to have access to the gardens and other historic buildings. Price of admission will cost 3 to 12 dollars. You can call 603-632-4346 for more details.

Do you like to meditate? Come on over to the Shambhala Center in White River Junction at 158 S Main St from noon to 1pm. Sitting and/or walking meditation with instruction will be available and admission is by donation. Please call 802-484-7235 for more information.

If you enjoy making quilts, the Northern Lights Quilt Guild Meeting in Lebanon at the United Methodist Church on 18 School St. is the place for you. Come join other quilting enthusiasts to work on projects, ask for advice and contribute to community service projects. This is of course a free meeting and you can call 239-404-1962 to find out more.

Well the Stevens baseball team hosted Mascoma yesterday at Barnes Park right here in Claremont. Let's take a look to see which team came out on top.

PKG

Great job on the mound Login. The Cardinals are only 3 and 4 but still has seven more games remaining to try and secure a playoff spot.

Now let's take a look at the YCN Scoreboard to check out some local results from Friday. ***

<u>First up softball.</u> Merrimack Valley took on Kearsarge for their second meeting of the season for another out of division matchup. Sam Hodkinson took the mound for Merrimack Valley had some control issues but by the end of the game she only let up 1 hit as she lead her team to a 6 to 1 victory. Windham hosted Lebanon and easily won scoring 17 runs while allowing just 1 from Lebanon. Sunapee traveled to Moultonborough and was able to pull out a two run victory 4 to 2. Now to one score for girls tennis, a very strong Hanover team hosted Goffstown and swept the day winning 9 to 0.

Turning to baseball, a 5 and 4 Kearsarge team traveled to take on a weaker Merrimack Valley. The Cougars would end up pulling out a victory by two runs, winning 3 to 1. Jake Vierzen took the mound for Kearsarge and pitched seven strong innings allowing just 1 run. Moultonborough hosted a strong Sunapee team. The Lakers were behind in the sixth until Senior Mike Platt blasted a three run go-ahead game winning homer to give the lakers their ninth straight win. The Lebanon Raiders faced off again Windham in what was a completion from a game last week that was rained out. Windham picked up the action in the second inning with a 3 to 1 lead. Windham would end up allowing just one hit and would go on to win 8 to 1.

And finally boys tennis, Lebanon hosted Pembroke and won every match by a final score of 9 to 0. The Raiders are now 8 and 0 and haven't dropped more than a single match in each contest this season.

Good evening, it's Thursday, May 12th.

Well it was a scene straight out of *The Fast and the Furious* Tuesday night as a New York man gave NH State Troopers a run for their money during a high speed chase on I-89. NH State

Police say that 25-year old William Cole of Kattskill Bay, NY was clocked by troopers going 120 mph on Interstate 89 on Tuesday night in New London. Trooper Ryan St. Cyr attempted to pull over Cole, but he refused to obey and initiated a high speed chase. A trooper further down in Warner deployed a deflation device to try and puncture the car's tires, and it caused Cole to pull over a few miles further down the highway where he was apprehended. He was transported to Concord Hospital because it was determined that Cole was under the influence of drugs and was brought there as a safety precaution. He was subsequently charged with Disobeying a Police Officer, Reckless Driving, Reckless Conduct, and Driving Under the Influence of Drugs. Bail has not yet been set for Cole and a brief investigation is being conducted by authorities. Both Sutton and New London assisted NH State Police in the chase and arrest.

In other crime news tonight, across the river in Westminster, Vermont, police are actively investigating an assault incident that took place on Tuesday, leaving one person with non-life threatening injuries. According to Vermont State Police, troopers from the Rockingham Barracks responded to a report of an assault outside of a residence in Westminster in the early morning. At the scene, the 29-year old victim told police that the unidentified suspect had asked the victim to come outside of their residence and once outside, the suspect began striking the victim in the head area multiple times. The suspect is confirmed to be a known associate of the victim, as the two are both involved in the sale of illegal narcotics. Even though the suspect is known to the victim, there was not enough information for officers to positively identify the accused. The victim was transported to Springfield Hospital, was treated for non-life threatening injuries to the victim's head area, and was released later that morning. Based on the circumstances of this aggravated assault incident, authorities have determined that this was an isolated case and that there is no perceived threat to the general public. The investigation into the suspect's identity is ongoing tonight and if you know anything, please contact VSP at the Rockingham Barracks at (802) 875-2112.

Anyone with hopes of moving into an apartment in downtown Lebanon certainly has a handful of options, however, a proposed apartment complex right next to the Green will no longer be on the list of available options. The Lebanon Housing Authority announced earlier this week during the city's Planning Board meeting that they have withdrawn their application for a four-story apartment building, saying that opposition from residents and board members made it clear that there isn't much support for the project. According to *The Valley News*, the LHA was hoping to build a 30-unit apartment on the existing site of Roy's Auto Service, complete with an administrative office and first floor commercial space. The Housing Authority owns the Rogers House, which is adjacent to the proposed build site, offering housing options for senior citizens. The two main concerns against the project? The sheer size of the building and concerns over parking availability were both cited by residents and officials as main factors in opposing the plan. Additionally, the city council was surprised when they found out last month that the LHA was going to submit a site plan without receiving input first. The Housing Authority rents public housing at four main locations around town, including Romano Circle.

Following the last story, this week appears to be the week of cities voting down proposed projects in town, as this time, Claremont, has voted against a project that would affect the downtown. At last night's City Council meeting, after much deliberation over the months, the Council voted down a proposed idea for a sculpture in Claremont's bullpen in the middle of the downtown rotary. The vote against the idea did not stand to oppose artist Ernest Montenegro's artistic visions, but instead, was the result of consideration from public opposition and outcry. *The Eagle Times* reports that the vote racked in at 8-0 against the project, which would have

seen a sculpture fountain constructed in the bullpen, which many residents say isn't the spot for a fountain. Residents expressed that they are not opposed to a sculpture project in town, and in fact, support it, but only if it was in any other location than the bullpen. A public hearing had been held on May 3rd where Montenegro proposed his latest design, which had large arches that would stand up to 18 feet tall and extend over the bullpen with trees and greenery. City officials are continuing to consider artwork and similar projects in town while also listening to the voices of residents.

After the break on YCN News, on the market for some antiques or a firearm? We'll take a look at a local store that opened recently and could help you out when we come back.

Two weeks ago, we brought you a piece on a restaurant in Plainfield, New Hampshire, called the Olde Village Haunt. Right across the street to the Haunt is another local business that plays off of the rich history of our area, offering up antiques, firearms, and collectibles that truly offers something for everybody. The Collector's Armory opened up late last year and now, with the weather warming up, business is really starting to boom for the store, which is housed in the Plainfield General Store building. We caught up with co-owner, Paul Yates, who runs the shop with his wife Erin, to tell us more about what's on display for collectors and customers.

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The Collector's Armory is open 10-5 Wednesday through Saturday and owners Paul and Erin would be more than happy to help you out, whether you're looking for that certain firearm, antique, or collector's item.

After the break on YCN News, we'll join sports reporter Andrew Zurheide for a look at some local sports action, plus your weather and community calendar. We'll be right back.

Welcome back to YCN News, I'm Andrew Zurheide.

Well today has been the nicest day of the year so far with sunny skies and temps reaching into the low 80s! Even higher than originally expected. But with all this warm weather comes an increased risk for dangerous fire conditions so be smart and be careful. Now let's take a look at our forecast for the next couple of days.

Tonight the skies will be MOSTLY CLEAR with temperatures falling to as low as 49 degrees with a south wind around 5 miles per hour that will become calm in the later morning hours. Tomorrow, in the afternoon, clouds will roll in and SHOWERS are likely after 1pm but the warm daytime temperatures will continue as we will see highs around 72. Tomorrow night, showers will still be lingering but only until around 10pm with lows dropping to around 51 degrees. Saturday looks very nice as MOSTLY SUNNY skies and temperatures in the low 70s (71) are expected but Saturday night there is a 50% chance of showers and temps will fall to as low as 44 degrees.

It's time for your daily community calendar, brought to you by MJ Harrington and Company, where we take a look at some events happening tomorrow.

Join the Feathered Fridays group from 7 to 9am in Thetford, Vermont at the Thetford Center Union Village Dam Park off of route 113. This club focuses on watching the arriving Spring migrants with a special focus on the parks "Mystery Trail" area. This is of course free and will be open to the public. You can call 603-795-4167 for more details.

Do you remember when yo-yo's were incredibly popular? Well if you miss those days or simply want to learn how to yo-yo, the Windsor Public Library in Windsor, Vermont on 43 State St. is hosting a yo-yo club at 2:45pm, a perfect after school activity for all age groups. Come learn how to use a yo-yo or build on your skills. Classes will be taught by Library director Christine Porter, who used to be an international yo-yo performer. The club will cost absolutely nothing and you can contact 802-674-2556 to find out more.

Our Savior Lutheran Church on 5 summer st. in Hanover is hosting a community dinner beginning at 5pm and running until 6pm. The meal will be served by Dartmouth students fighting hunger. Come enjoy a free delicious and nutritious community supper. If you would like to know more you can call 603-643-3703.

Last Friday the Kearsarge Cougars boys tennis team hosted the Profile Patriots for a very competitive matchup. Let's check out some of the results.

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Since that match Kearsarge has won three straight sitting at 9 and 2 while Profile has gone 2 and 1 with a current record of 7 and 3, both are ranked in the top five for division III.

Now let's take a look at the YCN Scoreboard to check out some local results from yesterday.

<u>First up baseball</u>, Kearsarge hosted Mascoma Valley for a thrilling extra inning game. Tied at 2-2 in the 8th, Jake Vierzen got the eventual game winning RBI putting the Cougars up by two runs. Bo Underhill got his first start on the mound for Kearsarge pitching 6 innings and giving up only 2 earned runs. Kearsarge would win 4 to 2 and improve to a record of 7 and 4. Lebanon traveled to Milford and was able to pull out a close victory 6 to 5. Stevens took on nearby Newport for a doubleheader and won 9 to 4 in the first game and 11 to 4 in the second. Now to softball, Kearsarge took on Mascoma Valley and easily came out on top winning 8 to 1. Souhegan was able to swing the bats well while blanking Hanover 13 to 0. Stevens and Newport faced off for another doubleheader just like the boys but this time Newport was able to sweep Stevens winning a close first game 9 to 8 and then a more lopsided victory 12 to 3 for the second game.

<u>Turning now to girls lacrosse</u>, Kearsarge traveled to take on Lebanon and was able to score 14 runs while allowing just 5 from the Raiders. Leslie Angus scored five goals while goalie Anya Nowicki recorded 10 saves for the Cougars. Hanover hosted division one team Exeter and was able to take down the out of division opponent 13 to 11. Molly Seibel led the way for the Marauders with three goals and four assists.

And finally to girls tennis, Hanover hosted Bishop Brady for what turned out to be Hanover's closest match so far winning 6 to 3. Hanover won its third through sixth singles matches to set the table for the win. Littleton hosted Kearsarge and was able to win 8 to 1. Felicia McSweeney got the only win for the Cougars with a score of 9-7 at number 6 singles.

Good evening, it's Friday, May 13th.

We begin tonight with crime news, some teenagers were up to no good as Lebanon police investigated a report of vandalism at the Storrs Hill Ski Area on Wednesday evening. At around 8:00, officers responded to the ski area after a report of 4-5 males kicking doors and breaking windows at various buildings on the grounds. Officers located five suspects and arrested two on unrelated charges, issued a court summons to a third, and released the other two without being charged. 19-year old Jordan Whiting of Enfield and a 16 year old male juvenile were arrested and charged with Unlawful Possession of Alcohol. 24-year old James Lussier of Enfield was issued a summons to appear in court on the charge of having an Open Container of Alcohol. All three were released and will appear in court on June 27th in the 2nd Circuit Court, Lebanon District Division. Three of the buildings, including the ski jump judging tower, were damaged and the cost of the damage is not yet known at this time. Curiously enough, logging operations are currently underway at the ski area, which has made the vandalized buildings more visible and in plain sight, which could have acted as a deterrent. The investigation is ongoing and anyone with information is asked to contact the Lebanon Police Department at 603-448-1212.

For years now, residents from all over our region in Vermont and New Hampshire have been calling for safety upgrades to the notorious Quechee Gorge Bridge after eight suicides since 2008. Now, those safety improvements will finally come to fruition as a recent bill passed by Vermont's House and Senate merely awaits Governor Shumlin's signature to enact the measures. On Friday, the House and Senate passed this year's transportation funding bill, which affects the bridge by enacting a study of possible barriers or emergency communications on the span. The bill was introduced and drafted by Representative Teo Zagar from Barnard, calling for an inspection and analysis of possible safety measures, and *The Valley News* reports that the discussion for safety on the bridge truly began in 2011 when a 21-year old Hartland student jumped to his death. If approved, the bill would mandate that the measures be installed by July 1st, which would not only attempt to reduce or eliminate the number of future suicides, but would subsequently increase the safety of emergency responders and tourists. Both legislative and community input has stressed the need to focus on mental health, as it is believed to be a main factor in the eight suicides at the Quechee Gorge since 2008.

If you're driving through West Lebanon on Route 12A and your gas gauge hits red, you better hope you can make it to the only gas station, that being the Sunoco right near the exit off I-91. Chances are, you'll make it, but having only one option for gas means that on busy days, you may have to wait a little longer before you can actually get your turn at the pump. However, a national chain big box store that has a location in West Leb is looking to open their own gas station on the former site of Friendly's Restaurant. BJ's Wholesale Club, which is located right behind Friendly's and Wendy's, has had their plan for a gas station approved by the Lebanon Planning Board, which will join around 130 other gas stations that the store has on the East Coast. *The Valley News* reports that the store would demolish the existing restaurant building, build six new pumps, a kiosk, plant 24 trees, and remove a large patch of pavement to create green space. Friendly's closed last year and the owners had hoped to lease out the building, but the cost of renovation was a deterrent. The Board this week unanimously approved the project, which will allow another option for drivers and shoppers to fill up their tank in what might be a more convenient location for some drivers.

What may have been some serious delays for some drivers in downtown Windsor, Vermont is finally paying off in the form of smoother re-paved roads, but some local businesses aren't too

happy with the work being done. The major road improvement project that has taken place over the past few weeks by Pike Industries saw the main street through town being cold-planed and re-paved and caused delays and parking problems for drivers throughout the project. Some local businesses have voiced their concerns to the town's Selectboard that business and profit has gone down as much as 30-40% during the construction. In light of this, according to *The Eagle Times*, the board has offered that two of their members attend future meetings with a local merchants group and town officials to increase communication. Concerned business owners tried to seek compromise that would change the schedule of the road work so that it would impact the businesses less, such as having the crews work at night or on days that certain stores are closed, but no definitive solution had been reached yet. The construction work, overseen by the Vermont Agency of Transportation, should be completed in the next coming weeks, as crews move to the three other towns that are part of a massive infrastructure project.

After the break on YCN News, we'll stop in at Pleasant Street's newest store to see what they offer in terms of local goods.

A new store right here in Claremont recently opened its doors to the public offering fresh local produce from different states within a 100 miles radius. The 100 Mile Market which is family owned and run, gives shoppers a new option while also supporting local farmers and fisherman.

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The 100 Mile Market looks like a great place to purchase some quality meat, dairy, or other delicious local products. Eventually down the road the store is planning to hold a variety of classes centered around fresh whole food cooking and possibly canning to learn how to preserve your food after a harvest so be on the lookout.

After the break on YCN News, we'll join sports reporter Andrew Zurheide for a look at some local sports action, plus your weather and community calendar. We'll be right back.

Welcome back to YCN News, I'm Andrew Zurheide.

Well today hasn't been as nice as the last few days as we've seen a good amount rain with cloudy skies but it has been warm with temperatures reaching 70 degrees. Now let's take a look at our forecast for the next couple of days.

Tonight the RAIN will continue mainly before 10pm with temps falling into the low 50s (51). Total new precipitation amounts could be between a quarter and a half inch. Saturday morning and midday looks nice with SUNNY skies and highs in the 70s (72) but after 6pm, there is a 30% chance of showers that will continue until around midnight. Lows will fall to around 45. Sunday there is a 50% CHANCE OF RAIN with mostly cloudy skies and highs only climbing to around 51 and to wrap up our weekend on Sunday night, there is a 30% chance of rain with lows falling to a very cold 37 degrees.

It's time for your daily community calendar, brought to you by MJ Harrington and Company, where we take a look at some events happening tomorrow.

Looking for some fresh food that's locally grown? The Norwich farmers market is open from 9am to 1pm at the Summer Norwich Farmers Market Grounds off of Route 5 South next to Fogg's True Value Hardware. There will be over 50 vendors who will be there rain or shine and they will offer fresh food, prepared food and arts and crafts. Admission is free of course and you can call 802-384-7447 for more details.

Well here's a fun family event, come play some tennis at the USTA tennis clinic called Family Tennis Play Day in Hartford at the Maxfield Outdoor Sports Complex in White River Junction. This event runs from 10 to 12pm and no experience is necessary. This clinic is designed to introduce or reintroduce your family to tennis with an emphasis on fun. Equipment will be provided or you can bring your own. If you would like to know more you can contact 802-295-5036.

From 11am to 2pm, bring your family and drive on up to the Hampshire Cooperative Nursery School in Hanover to partake in Cow Pie Bingo! For just 25 dollars a family, you and your family can enjoy a day full of outdoor fun. You'll get lots of goodies including entertainment, lunch, games, crafts, ice cream, a bingo square and a chance to win 500 bucks! All money raised goes toward the school's scholarship fund and preschool. Please call 603-643-4640 to find out more.

Yesterday the Stevens Cardinals girls tennis team hosted the Sanborn Indians during a very hot afternoon. Let's see who came out on top.

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Nice job getting the win Sanborn and good luck against Kearsarge on Monday.

Now let's take a look at the YCN Scoreboard to check out some local results from yesterday.

<u>First up softball</u>, the Sunapee Lakers hosted the Nute Rams. The Lakers were able to score 12 runs while allowing none from the Rams. Sunapee is now 11 and 0 and sits on top of the division four rankings. Newport traveled to take on the Mascenic Vikings and would come up short, losing 4 to 8. Mascenic improves to 8 and 1.

Now to baseball, the male Sunapee Lakers also took on Nute and just like the girls, they blanked the Rams while scoring 11 runs. Sunapee has won 10 straight and is now 10 and 1. The male Mascenic Vikings also took on Newport and were able to win just like the girls by a final score of 9 to 0.

<u>Now to boys lacrosse</u>, the Hanover Marauders traveled to face off against a tough Salem opponent. Salem would score four goals but would end up falling short as Hanover scored six. The Marauders are now 6 and 5 while Salem falls to 3 and 9.

And finally to boys tennis, a very strong undefeated Lebanon team took on Trinity and won all nine matches. The Raiders are now 10 and 0 and have won every match during each contest 8 out of 10 times and the other two times, they've won 8 to 1. Lebanon is tied with Oyster River for the number one seed in division two tennis. Hanover hosted Spaulding and also won all 9 matches. Hanover improves to 7 and 2 and is currently ranked fifth in division one.

Good evening, it's Monday, May 16th.

We begin tonight with an update in a development that occurred last week, as an escaped sex offender, who was on furlough from prison in Springfield, has been captured. Officials say that 28-year old Dale Adams Jr was picked up on Connecticut River Road in White River Junction, Vermont on Saturday, after slightly more than a week of being on the run. On Friday, May 7th, Adams escaped while on furlough and was reported missing when he failed to show up at his registered residence after a group support meeting. On Monday, he was placed under the status of "escaped from furlough" and later that week, Vermont State Police issued a warrant for his arrest. His current offenses include violating abuse prevention order and lewd and lascivious behavior with a child, and additional charges are now pending, after a week on the run from authorities. During that time, officials warned that the risk he would commit another sex offense crime was very high and police had notified residents of his physical traits, to report any sightings. After being apprehended on Saturday, he was eventually returned to the Southern State Correctional Facility and appeared in court today to answer to the new charges.

Continuing with crime news, Lebanon police have chalked up yet another drug bust. Police say that 20-year old David Hayward, of Bradford, VT, was arrested for possession of over half a pound of marijuana and evidence that he was engaged in the sale of the drug. Late last week, a Lebanon officer spotted a silver Ford Focus travelling on I-89 between 90 and 100 MPH and they pulled over the vehicle near Exit 20. The officer smelled marijuana and conducted a brief investigation on the vehicle, seizing the sizeable quantity of the drug and the evidence of sales. Hayward was arrested on the scene and charged with Possession of Marijuana with Intent to Sell, which is a Class B Felony, along with Transportation of a Controlled Drug, a Class A Misdemeanor. He also faces violation level offenses include Minor in Possession of Alcohol and Operating After Suspension. Hayward was later released on \$2,500 personal recognizance bail and is scheduled to be arraigned in the Lebanon District Division, New Hampshire Second Circuit Court on July 11th, at 8:00 AM.

A development now in a story we brought you over a week ago, as a proposed merger between Rockingham and Bellows Falls is moving forward, despite allegations that it can't, including a violation of a state statute. The merger between the town and the incorporated village received a second set of public hearings this past Saturday and one resident raised a concern that the vote planned for tomorrow, May 17th, actually violates Vermont state law, in regards to the timing of the public hearings and the vote. According to *The Eagle Times*, Bellows Falls resident Deborah Wright, for the second time mentioned specific state wording that says the last merger hearings should take place "no less than five days" before the actual voting date. With only three days in between Saturday's hearing and Tuesday's vote, the vote is no longer legitimate, but Rockingham Selectboard could not change the date or cancel it, considering a warning was already posted. To be valid, the last public would have needed to take place earlier than last Thursday. Residents continue to both oppose and support the merger and town officials have expressed hope that residents will turn out to vote tomorrow, even though it is void, to at least garner concrete input on the plan.

On a similar note, it's not uncommon to see residents and townspeople grouping together to publicly oppose a development of any sort, and successfully stopping it in its tracks. Take the Mount Sunapee West Bowl Expansion, the proposed Windsor solar farm, or Claremont's bullpen statue as examples. Now, residents of Hanover, in a certain neighborhood near the Dartmouth campus, are teaming up to speak out against a proposed massive sports complex that would be built in their backyards. *The Valley News* reports that the neighborhood of Tyler Road has launched a website, passed out flyers, and filed an appeal with the Hanover Zoning

Board of Adjustment to oppose the 70,000 square foot athletic building. The group of residents is calling for the building to be built elsewhere than their neighborhood, as the building, which is larger than a football field, would be much larger than any of the homes in the area and would not fit aesthetically. Dartmouth has applied for a site plan review and one of the Planning Board members who is also a Tyler Road resident who opposes the project, has recused herself from the process. The Zoning Board will hear public input once again on May 26th.

After the break on YCN News, we'll join the Lake Sunapee Region VNA and Hospice as we take another look into the world of health. We will be right back.

Let's now join the Lake Sunapee Region VNA and Hospice to take a look at low Vitamin D associated with faster decline in cognitive function.

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Thanks for that, we'll tune back in at the same time next week for more medical information.

After the break on YCN News, we'll join sports reporter Andrew Zurheide for a look at some local sports action, plus your weather and community calendar. We'll be right back.

Welcome back to YCN News, I'm Andrew Zurheide.

Well it's been cool and cloudy today as temperatures have only reached into the mid 50s. It's also been very windy with gusts as high as 40 miles per hour at times which could cause some isolated power outages across the state according to the national weather service. Now let's take a look at our forecast for the next couple of days.

Tonight looks to be PARTLY CLOUDY and cold with lows around 40 degrees. The winds will calm down a bit but we still expect gusts as high as 25 miles per hour. Tomorrow will be MOSTLY SUNNY and warm with highs in the mid 60s (66) and it will continue to be breezy. Tomorrow night will be partly cloudy and still cold with temps falling to below 40 degrees (39) but the winds will have finally calmed with northwest gusts around 5 miles per hour. Wednesday the temps will creep into the 60s (63) along with MOSTLY SUNNY skies and Wednesday night expects to be partly cloudy with lows still cold, around 42 degrees.

It's time for your daily community calendar, brought to you by MJ Harrington and Company, where we take a look at some events happening tomorrow.

Do you or someone you know speak Spanish? Or would like to learn to speak spanish? Then head on over to Umpleby's Bakery in Hanover from 9:30 to 10:30am to speak spanish with the Buena Gente Social Club. All ages and proficiency levels are welcome. Please call 802-649-5151 for more details about this free event.

Do your kids enjoy being creative? And do they like playing with legos? Then head on over to the Norwich Public Library in Norwich, Vermont for an hour of free lego play! This event will run

from 3:30pm to 4:30pm. Children under 8 must be accompanied by an adult. Please call 802-649-1184 to make sure you have a spot.

Bingo! The Enfield firefighters association is hosting another bingo night at the Enfield Community Center starting at 6:30pm. For 12 cards it will cost you 20 bucks or for 18 to 36 cards or all-night play it will cost 25 bucks. Refreshments will be available and you can call 603-632-5438 for more information.

Well since last Friday's wet and rainy weather postponed many local high school games, today we bring you another episode of signature hole that originally aired last Summer. For this installment, YCN will be taking a look at Lake Sunapee Country Club's par 4 5th hole in New London.

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The Lake Sunapee Country Club golf course looks beautiful as always. Be sure to take a couple swings there this Summer.

Now let's take a look at the YCN Scoreboard to check out some local results from last Friday and Saturday.

Nearly every game scheduled on Friday was postponed due to wet rainy conditions but we do have a couple scores for you.

<u>The Kearsarge Cougars softball</u> team traveled to take on a tough Conant opponent. Kearsarge would allow a run in the first inning and Conant never looked back winning by an eventual score of 5 to 0. Conant improves to 8 and 2 while Kearsarge drops to 3 and 8.

Now to boys lacrosse, Lebanon hosted a strong Monadnock opponent and the Raiders weren't able keep up with the Huskies. Lebanon would lost 15 to 2. Aaron Damren and Jeremy Corbin provided Lebanon's goals.

Now let's turn to Saturday's games, Kearsarge's boys lacrosse team won 16 to 1 against Belmont as the Cougars improve to 8 and 2. Kearsarge is now ranked #4 in division three. Back to softball, Hollis Brookline was able to run all over a struggling Hanover Marauders team winning 15 to 0.

Now to baseball, Hanover traveled to face off against Hollis-Brookline for a very close game. Hollis-Brookline would come out on top winning 1 to 0. Hanover falls to 3 and 7. Sunapee hosted Hinsdale and the Lakers went on to win scoring 17 runs while allowing just 1 hit from Hinsdale. Sunapee has won 11 straight games and improves to 11 and 1.

And finally girls lacrosse, Lebanon traveled to Durham to take on Oyster River and came up short losing 12 to 8. Elle Brine scored four goals and an assist for the Raiders. Lebanon is now 5 and 4. Portsmouth hosted Hanover for a very competitive match up as Hanover went on to win by one goal, 11 to 10. Molly Siebel led the Marauders offense with four goals and two assists. And last but not least, Kearsarge took on a softer Belmont team and was able to win easily 15 to 4. Leslie Angus led the Cougars with 4 goals and 3 assists. Kearsarge improves to 9 and 2 and is ranked second in division three.

Good evening, it's Tuesday, May 17th.

We begin tonight with an update in what was our biggest story in April as the child responsible for accidentally starting a fire that destroyed the Yankee Village Motel will not be charged with

arson. The unidentified 8-year old boy, because of his age, will not face charges, as Vermont criminal law dictates that any child under 10 is deemed to not be intellectually capable to form malicious intent to commit a crime. The fire on April 25th that destroyed the motel in Ascutney was started accidentally by the child when he was playing with a lighter behind the building, which started a brush fire that spread to the 19-room motel. Crews from all over responded to the blaze, which moved from room to room until nearly all of the building was engulfed. It was finally knocked down hours later and the child had approached investigators on his own accord and admitted to accidentally starting the fire. Questions have been raised regarding who was supervising the child and why he was not in school at the time of the blaze, which was around 11 AM. The building was deemed a complete loss and the Patel family, who owns the building, are still trying to recover and consider their options, including rebuilding.

Over at Dartmouth College, some turmoil has arisen recently over fliers posted on a billboard, with two student groups clashing over what was displayed. On Thursday, the group Dartmouth College Republicans arranged a bulletin board exhibit in the Collis Center that honors police officers that have fallen in the line of duty, under the tagline "Blue Lives Matter". However, the next morning, students united under Black Lives Matter removed the existing fliers and replaced them with their own, with messages that their efforts are being undermined. The board was then taken down and the College Republicans reposted what they had put up originally, with a note that the board is reserved for their use. Since then, Black Lives Matter has taken full credit for defacing the original fliers and has reserved poster spaces of their own, adjacent to the board. College President Phil Hanlon sent out an email on Sunday morning, saying that the removal of the Blue Lives Matter fliers is an "unacceptable violation of freedom of expression on our campus." This isn't the first incident involving Black Lives Matter, as allegations of physical assault arose last fall after a protest in Baker Berry Library.

In update now in a story we brought you last month as the City of Claremont will finally be moving ahead on cleaning up a deteriorated property on Chestnut Street. *The Eagle Times* reports that a land court judge has ruled that the city now has permission to clean up the property at 25 Chestnut Street and charge the clean up costs to the owner. The property owner, who lives in Massachusetts and no longer occupies the home, has not complied to any of the land-use citations that have been filed, and the city will now take corrective action to clean up the 2-story building that is surrounded by garbage and is falling apart in some areas. Residents of neighboring properties have expressed their concern of the property, as it is a health hazard, and an unnamed source told YCN News that in the four years he has lived near the property, he hasn't seen anyone there and that it seems to be affecting property values in the general area. During the summer of last year, city officials had tried to have the owner appear in a New Hampshire court through a summons but it was to no avail. The property owner has until June 1st to act on the citations before the cleanup cost lien takes effect, which will be approved by the court first.

Of the many ways to travel from Point A to Point B nowadays, the train has always been a staple of American history. Next month, residents of Claremont will be able to experience this history first hand as a unique museum train will be coming down the tracks. It's called the Amtrak Exhibit Train and it hopes to teach visitors the history of Amtrak and trains through a self-guided complimentary tour. The exhibit was built in honor of Amtrak's 40th anniversary in 2011 and it will be stopping by on June 18th. Mayor Charlene Lovett spoke about the exhibit's significance in this Friday's edition of Mayor's Minutes.

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If you'd like to hear more about this topic and other topics in Claremont, tune in to YCN News on Friday for Mayor's Minutes to hear firsthand from Mayor Charlene Lovett herself.

After the break on YCN News,

This past Saturday night in New London was definitely an evening to get out of the house with the fine spring weather and the inaugural Dancing with the Lake Sunapee Stars at the Sawyer Theater on the campus of Colby-Sawyer College. The Center for the Arts packaged up a whale of a good time for the community as they presented the unsuspected dance talent of lawyers, a teacher, and a Chamber of Commerce executive and was put on display to the joy of all in attendance. We caught up with Jean Connolly from the Center for her thoughts about the evening fundraiser.

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Congratulations to the dancers for a great performance. In the spirit of full disclosure, I have to tell you that YCN was one of the many sponsors and would like to thank the Emcees Robert Jensen and Megan Mavor, the judges David Cleveland, Anna Miner, and Dan O'Halloran and the dance pros Laura Kiefer, Gary Stanhope, Stever Patten, and Fred Heineman. If you were not there this year, YCN will be running a Dancing with the Lake Sunapee Stars TV Special on Monday, June 20th at 7:30pm. But it won't be anywhere as fun as being there yourself so make sure you get tickets for the 2nd annual event.

After the break on YCN News, we'll join sports reporter Andrew Zurheide for a look at some local sports action, plus your weather and community calendar. We'll be right back.

Welcome back to YCN News, I'm Andrew Zurheide.

Well today has been warm and comfortable with temperatures in the high 60s. Not a ton of sun but at least it's not cold. We do however have an elevated risk for fires as low humidity levels and wind gust as high as 20 miles per hour could create dangerous fire conditions. Now let's take a look at our forecast for the next couple of days.

The late hours will continue to be chilly as tonight we expect the temps to fall to as low as 39 degrees with MOSTLY CLOUDY skies. Tomorrow looks like another comfortable day with MOSTLY SUNNY skies and temperatures reaching as high as 66. Tomorrow night looks like similar conditions but yet again it will be cold with lows falling to around 41 degrees. Thursday again look beautiful with highs in the mid to upper 60s (67) and MOSTLY SUNNY skies while Thursday night will be partly cloudy with lows becoming a bit warmer but still in the mid 40s (44).

It's time for your daily community calendar, brought to you by MJ Harrington and Company, where we take a look at some events happening tomorrow.

Well early tomorrow morning from 7 to 9am drive up to West Lebanon for the weekly "Warbler Wednesday's" and take a walk around Boston Lot Lake, which is home to a wide variety of bird

species including song birds, waterfowl and waders. You can call 603-795-4167 for more information about this free walk.

The weekly Fiber Arts Group is meeting in Newport tomorrow at the Library Arts Center on 15 Main Street from 10 to 12:00pm. Bring sewing, embroidery, felting, knitting, spinning, quilting or whatever it may be for fiber based arts and crafts. This group will cost you a small fee of four dollars and you can call 603-863-3040 for more details.

Come join local hikers for a nature walk in Etna from 3 to 4pm. Meet at the Etna Library on 130 Etna Road. Gail McPeek, of the Hanover Conservancy leads a stroll through the Hayes Farm fields and King Bird Sanctuary to look for signs of Spring in the the conserved area. If you need more information you can call 603-643-3116.

Yesterday the Hartford High school Hurricanes softball team hosted the Bellows Falls Terriers. Let's see how the game played out.

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Congrats on the win Hartford. To me, it looks like the Hurricanes will go far in the division two Vermont playoffs.

Now let's take a look at the YCN Scoreboard to check out some local results from yesterday.

First up softball, Fall Mountain traveled to take on Hillsboro-Deering and won easily 13 to 1. The Wildcats improved to 5 and 7. A very strong Sunapee team hosted Derryfield for one of the closer games of the year for Sunapee. The Lakers would go on to win 2 to 0 behind an RBI double by Lexie Hamilton and a home run by Faith Larpenter. Sunapee has outscored opponents 124 to 20 in 12 games this season. Pembroke hosted Lebanon and won 14 to 0. Morganne Young has Lebanon's only hit. Kearsarge traveled to take on Stevens and would come up short losing 4 to 6. Stevens is now 5 and 6 while Kearsarge falls to 4 and 9. Now to baseball, the Fall Mountain boys traveled to face off against Hillsboro-Deering and would win just like the girls by a score of 12 to 2. John Stark was able to defeat Hanover 8 to 1. Lebanon traveled to Pembroke where the Raiders would pull out a close one 5 to 4. Nate Perkins won his second straight start for Lebanon. Kearsarge played Stevens on the Cardinals home turf and would come up short losing 5 to 4. Stevens won the game on a walk-off RBI single from Ryan Napsey in the bottom of the seventh. The Cardinals improve to 6 and 4. Now let's turn to girls lacrosse, Hanover took on Merrimack Valley and was able to win 16 to 1. Johanna Copeland had seven points to lead the Marauders in this blowout victory. And now to boys tennis, Hanover defeated Bishop Guertin 9 to 0. The Marauders are now 8 and 2 and are ranked 5th in division one.

Good evening, it's Tuesday, May 17th.

We begin tonight with what will seem like an awfully familiar story as a home on Claremont's Maple Avenue has been struck by a vehicle. This morning, around 11:30 AM, a driver in a red pickup truck was travelling West when he traveled off of Maple Avenue and hit a home. Police say that the driver was identified as William Parent and that he was transferred to Valley Regional Hospital after hitting the home at 126 Maple Ave. During the crash, the truck had hit a

small tree, which spun it around and propelled the rear end of the vehicle into the home. The truck impacted the home right next to the front door, damaging the siding and pushing in a section of the wall. The cost of the damage to both the home and the vehicle are unknown at this time and authorities are continuing to investigate the incident. The status of Parent and his injuries are also unknown. Late last year, 18-year old Louis Gratacos crashed his vehicle into a home at 79 Maple Avenue, damaging the wall near the front dear. In both accidents, Golden Cross Ambulance responded to the scene.

And in a similar story tonight, there was a second vehicular accident in our area, but this time involving a much larger vehicle. Shortly after noon today, an 18-wheeler truck carrying canisters of gas for Airgas was traveling West on Route 11 in Georges Mills, near Sunapee Cove Assisted Living, when it rolled over onto its side. The Sunapee Fire Chief told YCN News that it appeared that the driver got too far to the right and dropped onto the soft shoulder of the road and lost control. The fire department's first concern was that the contents of the trailer might put the area in danger, but it was determined that the truck was not transporting flammable content. Once the scene was analyzed and the threat nullified, traffic was re-opened to one lane. Around 2 PM, the towing company waited for removal of the canisters before the truck could be righted. The Sunapee Fire Department took precautions to make sure that any liquid from the truck itself was contained and did not spread to the nearby lake. There no were no other vehicles involved and the driver was not injured in the accident. Tractor trailers are particularly vulnerable to rollovers because of their high centers of gravity and frequently unstable loads. Because of these two factors, trucks of this type are prone to rollovers when travelling around corners due to the centrifugal force encountered on a curve.

In Windsor now, the town's selectboard chairman has pleaded not guilty to charges of physical assault against his fiancee earlier this month. Justin Ciccarelli will be in court tomorrow after pleading not guilty earlier this month to charges of felonious first degree aggravated domestic assault and misdemeanor domestic assault. Court documents from Windsor Superior Court say that Ciccarelli allegedly picked up his fiancee, Lee Fotion, by the throat and slammed her down on her feet as well as grabbing her and pushing her backwards into a dresser. He was released by the judge on conditions that he have no contact with Fotion, however on Monday, he utilized his attorney to file a motion that amends this specific condition, hoping to allow him to contact Fotion. An affidavit written by the Windsor Police Department says that officers on May 4th had responded to the couple's house on Old Mill Pond road to look into an assault claim and found the two had been arguing over parenting and that Fotion feared for her life. If convicted of the felony and misdemeanor charges, Ciccarelli could spend up to 16 years in prison and fines.

Staying in Vermont, onto a different topic, and one that is certainly controversial, a committee within the Windsor Southeast Supervisory Union will be presenting their Act 46 plan in about six weeks. The Act 46 study committee, made up of four individuals from each of the four towns, with at least one school board member from each, has been meeting since last year, and hired an educational consultant, who came to assist in January. The committee has been meeting throughout this year, and is working on their final plan that they will present to the state under Act 46, which is a state initiative to consolidate and group together school districts, offering tax incentives to those who come up with their own plan, instead of a state-created one. If approved and the district accepts the plan, it could go in front of voters in November. However, the Act is highly contentious as not every town in the district has school choice, with Windsor operating a high school and the three other towns being tuition towns. Options discussed include the merging of the three choice towns or merging two of them and the third with Windsor.

Committees and subcommittees will continue to meet to formulate a final plan for presentation to the state.

After the break on YCN News, a career fair is being held this Friday for Claremont students. We'll take a look at what to expect.

Ever wonder what you want to be when you grow up? If you're already an adult, maybe you've figured that out already, but if you're still a kid, it's time to find out. The Career Fair is in Claremont once again as is usual this time of year. The Career Fair is this Friday, May 20th at the Sugar River Valley Technical Center. Set-up starts at 11:30 and students tour the various exhibits from 12:00- 1:30 pm. There will be outdoorsy-type exhibitors like Golden Cross Ambulance service and Lambert's Auto behind the Tech Center building along with other emergency vehicles from local fire and police. YCN visited last year's event and we bring you this look at the festivities so that you can get a sense of what to expect this year.

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The fair will be rain or shine and they're counting on shine! We hope all Claremont Students at this event find the job perfectly suited for them. Again, that's this Friday, 12pm at the Sugar River Valley Tech Center in Claremont.

After the break on YCN News, we'll join sports reporter Andrew Zurheide for a look at some local sports action, plus your weather and community calendar. We'll be right back.

Welcome back to YCN News, I'm Andrew Zurheide.

Well today has been beautiful as we've seen mostly sunny skies and temperatures reaching as high as 67. Lows last night did dip into the 30s but as the week rolls on, low nightly temps should be increasing to at least the 50s by the weekend. Now let's take a look at our forecast for the next couple of days.

Tonight looks relatively normal with PARTLY CLOUDY skies with lows still cold around 43 degrees. Tomorrow looks cloudy and it could be wet as there is a 40% CHANCE OF SHOWERS after 11am. High temps will climb into the high 60s (68). Tomorrow night there is a 30% chance of showers before 11pm and lows will become a bit warmer but still only in the mid 40s (45). Friday looks like the pick of the week as we will see MOSTLY SUNNY skies and temperatures in the mid 70s! (74) and finally Friday night we expect partly cloudy skies with lows falling to around 47.

It's time for your daily community calendar, brought to you by MJ Harrington and Company, where we take a look at some events happening tomorrow.

Well who doesn't like to play bingo, especially when it's free! Richards Free Library will be hosting a bingo for books event in Newport at 3:15pm. Come play bingo and win books! This is a free event and call 603-863-3430 for more information.

The Summer Farmers Market in Lebanon will be open from 4 to 7pm at Colburn Park on North Park Street. The market will include fresh produce, plants, prepared food, baked goods and handmade crafts. Live music will also be performed each week by folk traditional musicians from around New England. You can call 603-448-5121 for more details.

Interested in meeting new people and dining with the community? Come up to White River Junction, Vermont from 5 to 6pm at the River Point Plaza Community Dining Hall for a free community dinner. You can call 603-448-4553 to find out more.

Yesterday a struggling Windsor Yellow Jackets baseball team hosted the Bellows Falls Terriers. Let's take a look at how the game played out.

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Congrats on the win Bellows Falls and good luck against otter valley on Friday.

Now let's take a look at the YCN Scoreboard to check out some local results from last yesterday.

We will start with girls lacrosse, Kearsarge faced off against Conval and the Cougars were able to score 15 goals while allowing just 4. Kaileigh Davis scored five goals for Kearsarge as they improve to 10 and 2. Lebanon playing short handed for their third straight game fell just short losing to Hopkinton 13 to 12. Kendra MacDonald led the Raiders offense with five goals and an assist.

<u>Turning now to softball</u>, Hanover and Lebanon took on one another for another rivalry match up and Lebanon was able to come out on top winning 12 to 8. Kristen Anderson pitched a complete game for the Raiders and Daisy Haley had an RBI double to lead Lebanon offense. The undefeated Sunapee Lakers traveled to take on Hinsdale and won 9 to 0. Faith Larpenter took the mound for Sunapee and got the win while striking out eight opposing batters. Sunapee is now 13 and 0.

Not to boys lacrosse, Kearsarge hosted ConVal and came out on top winning 12 to 5. Justin Norris sled the Cougars attack scoring five goals. Kearsarge is now 9 and 3 while ConVal falls to 7 and 3. Lebanon traveled to take on a tough number 2 ranked Trinity and lost 2 to 8. Nate Damren scored for the Raiders. Hanover lost a close one to Dover 9 to 6. Reed Winter, Graham Penfield and Jake Acker all scored for the Marauders.

Now to girls tennis, Hanover hosted Windham and literally did not drop a single game winning 8 to 0 for all 9 contests. The Marauders are now 10 and 0 will visit Coe-Brown today.

And last but not least boys tennis, the undefeated Lebanon Raiders traveled to Windham and won all nine matches. Noah Ryder won the closest match of the day 8-5 at number six singles. Hanover took on Winnacunnet in Hampton and lost 5 to 4. Hanover had won four straight matches but the Warriors were able to snap the streak improving to 9 and 3 while Hanover falls to 8 and 3.

Good evening, it's Thursday, May 19th.

We begin tonight with hard crime news as police have arrested a fifth individual in what was called "Operation Quicksand", in an effort to crack down on drug use in Windsor, Vermont. Authorities say that 27-year old Michael Place was arrested for Distribution of Heroin in Springfield, Massachusetts. Late last month, on April 28th, Windsor Police arrested 50-year old James Morse for heroin, 42-year old Steven Gross for heroin, 37-year old David Moodie for cocaine, and 31-year old Stephanie Hewitt for heroin. After those arrests, police immediately sought Place, who was identified as a fifth suspect in the investigation of heroin and cocaine distribution in Windsor. Police say that Place's arrest in Massachusetts stands to represent how the long arm of the law will apprehend those that attempt to flee in an attempt to avoid the consequences for their actions. Operation Quicksand was the latest effort into combating the plague of drug violence and opiate addiction in New England and police say that these arrests are just the beginning of their ongoing efforts. The Windsor Police Department has partnered with other local departments as well state police in both twin states, Massachusetts, and the State Attorney David Cahill's Office.

Secondly tonight, in other crime news, an investigation by local and state authorities has paid off, resulting in the arrest of a Claremont man for a theft that involved tying up an elderly woman. Police say that 41-year old Jeffrey Buzzell of Claremont was arrested yesterday on one count of Receiving Stolen Property, although additional charges are pending. Buzzell was involved in a home invasion on May 3rd of last year where he and another suspect broke into a home on 437 River Road in Charlestown and tied up the 60-year old homeowner while they stole around \$25,000 in coins and personal property. A contractor doing work on the home found the woman tied up in her basement 9 hours later and police began an investigation into the incident, where it was determined that the men had stolen several items of jewelry as well as gold and silver coins and bars. Over a year later, NH Probation and Parole officers arrested Buzzell without incident. He's being held without bail and will be arraigned at a future date in the Newport District Court. Anyone with information pertaining to the investigation should call Detective Sergeant Shawn Skahan at Troop C at 603-358-3333.

In Hartford, Vermont now on a bit of a different note, officials of the town's Conservation Committee have been working to map out the town's various resources and assigning values and ranks to certain areas. *The Valley News* reports that the Committee has been working under the radar, meticulously mapping out all sorts of natural resources within the town's borders, which include even vernal pools or clumps of trees. All this in an effort to protect the community's natural resources and shift priorities to areas that need attention or move priority away from areas that simply aren't as important as they originally appeared to be. Members of the committee explained that the data could provide useful to landowners, such as if a home had a vernal pool on their land, the landowner would benefit from knowing that what they do on their land would impact that certain natural resource. The mapping process is not a new idea but has only recently been launched when it was realized that the Upper Valley Land Trust would likely involve themselves more with high-ranking properties. The Committee meets again on June 6th and a database summary of the map may be available by then.

Yesterday at Colby-Sawyer College, local women and and organizations were recognized for their exceptional commitment to the community. The Lake Sunapee Region VNA & Hospice celebrated its 17th annual "Women Who Make A Difference" luncheon" where guest speaker and author of NY Times Best-Selling book "The Gift of Failure, Jessica Lahey, informed and inspired the audience of more than 220 people. The highlight of the event was the annual awards, where MJ Harrington and Co. Jewelers in Newport won the "Above & Beyond Business"

Award", noting their years of support of local organizations and events. In addition to receiving this award, Dave Lance, owner of MJ Harrington, won the luncheon raffle and immediately turned his share of the over \$2000 back to the good works of the Pediatric Program. Callan Rees, a Junior at Mount Royal Academy in Sunapee, was honored with the "High School Student Who Makes A Difference Award" for her work in her community, school and church. In addition, Charen Urban of Newport was named the prestigious 2016 "Woman Who Makes A Difference" citing her years of service from her home area to worldwide causes. Cathy Raymond, the VNA's development director, told YCN News that this was the largest gathering in its 17 years being held, which raises funds every year for the agency's Pediatric Program.

After the break on YCN News, the Claremont Cycle Depot is offering up more than just bikes, including trail rides and competitions. Details when we come back.

Of the many outdoor sports in our region, and this I can attest to, mountain biking is certainly one of the most popular. With so many great trails in our area and a handful of wonderful bike shops to outfit you with whatever you need, the options are plenty. One local shop, the Claremont Cycle Depot, isn't just your regular bike shop that merely sells and repairs bikes; they also offer group rides and events to take part in, hoping to unite community members on two wheels. We caught up with Rob Walker, the manager of the Claremont Cycle Depot, to tell us more.

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Rob also explained that in honor of Moody Park's 100th Anniversary in June, he will be hosting a trail ride every Wednesday at 5:45 at the Moody Park trailhead. No matter your skill level, this is certainly a great opportunity to grab your two-wheeled ride and join others who share the same passion.

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Welcome back to YCN News, I'm Andrew Zurheide.

Well today has been cloudy but relatively warm with temps reaching into the mid 60s. But we've seen showers and even some scattered thunderstorms that could produce small hail across parts of the state so be careful when on the road. Now let's take a look at our forecast for the next couple of days.

Tonight there is a 30% CHANCE OF SHOWERS AND THUNDERSTORMS before 10pm and there still could be some hail mixed in with the rain. Temperatures will fall to the low 40s (42). Tomorrow looks gorgeous as you can expect MOSTLY SUNNY skies with temperatures in the mid 70s (75) so be sure to get outside and enjoy the fresh air. Tomorrow night will be mostly clear and low temperatures will stay in the 40s, around 46 degrees. Saturday looks just as nice as Friday as the MOSTLY SUNNY skies will continue with highs again in the mid 70s (75) and Saturday night some clouds will roll in and the lows will be a bit warmer, just barely reaching the low 50s (50).

It's time for your daily community calendar, brought to you by MJ Harrington and Company, where we take a look at some events happening tomorrow.

Join the Feathered Fridays group from 7 to 9am in Thetford, Vermont at the Thetford Center Union Village Dam Park off of route 113. This club focuses on watching the arriving Spring migrants with a special focus on the parks "Mystery Trail" area. This is of course free and will be open to the public. You can call 603-795-4167 for more details.

From 5 to 7pm, the Chandler Music Hall in Randolph, Vermont is hosting a locally grown arts and eats event to promote central Vermont Resturants, farms, specialty food producers, bakers, chefs and other recipes and samples for tasting. Admission is by donation and to find out more you can call 802-431-0204.

The Spark! Community Center on 75 Bank St. in Lebanon, is having another Friday Fun Night and Community Dinner from 6 to 9pm. This week's event is Zumba and the dinner will have something to do with salads. There is a five dollar suggested donation and the event is open to the public and all ages are welcome. You can call 603-678-8619 to find out more.

Yesterday the Kearsarge Cougars baseball team hosted the Bow Falcons as the baseball season is quickly coming to an end. Let's see who was able to pull out the victory.

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Nice win Bow and way to not give up Kearsarge. Keep playing hard and I'm sure you'll be able to sneak into the playoffs.

Now let's take a look at the YCN Scoreboard to check out some local results from yesterday.

Baseball is first, Stevens traveled to Hopkinton and lost 11 to 2. The Cardinals scored two early but Hopkinton then was able to score 11 unanswered runs. Stevens visits Conant tomorrow. Lebanon hosted John Stark and the Raiders came up just short, losing 9 to 7. John Stark trailed 7 to 4 in the final inning but was then able to rally with two outs to take the lead. Lebanon falls to 4 and 9.

Turning now to girls lacrosse, Windham hosted Hanover for a great matchup. At halftime the score was tied but in the second half, Hanover outscored the Jaguars 10 to 5 to eventually take the win 15 to 10. Molly Seibel scored her 200th career point for Hanover as they improve to 9 and 3.

Now to boys lacrosse, Lebanon faced off against Hopkinton and lost 13 to 5. Michael Fleury had two goals and one assist for the Raiders as the fell to 4 and 7.

Now let's focus on softball, Stevens lost a lose one to Hopkinton 4 to 3. Hopkinton's Alexis Blanchette pitched seven strong innings striking out 11 while allowing just 2 hits. Stevens falls to 5 and 7. John Stark beat up on Lebanon winning by the mercy rule in the 5th inning, 13 to 0. Lebanon falls to 2 and 10. Kearsarge hosted Bow and won easily 10 to 0. Ashley Thompson pitched a complete game not allowing a single run. Kearsarge improves to 5 and 9. Hanover took on a strong Manchester West team and lost 16 to 4.

And last but not least boys tennis, Kearsarge was able to beat Berlin 7 to 2. The Cougars improve to 10 and 2 and currently are ranked third in division three. Undefeated Lebanon

traveled to take on Goffstown and the Raiders were once again able to sweep all nine matches improving to 12 and 0. Lebanon finishes its regular season tomorrow against Plymouth.

Good evening, it's Friday, May 20th.

We begin tonight with an update on yesterday's second story as a Claremont man arrested for a home invasion over a year ago, stood in court yesterday and faced charges of receiving stolen property. What's more is that authorities have recovered some of the stolen property, in the form of gold coins, which were taken from a 60-year old Charlestown woman's home. The robbery took place on May 3rd of last year where 41-year old Jeffery Buzzell and another unidentified male entered the home and tied up the homeowner, leaving her in the basement, where she was found 9 hours later by a contractor doing work on the house. Buzzell and the other suspect stole jewelry, coins, and valuables, but police were able to deduce the location of a stash through phone calls that Buzzell made from prison to his wife. Buzzell was in prison for an unrelated charge, and had given his wife exact directions on how to find the stash. The information from the calls led police to a dirt road in Newport, where they dug up some of the items, including gold coins. He has not been charged with home invasion as of yet and his bail was set at \$250,000.

Another update tonight in a story that we brought you earlier this week as a judge has denied the motion of the Windsor selectboard chair in his release conditions. Justin Ciccarelli was charged earlier this month with aggravated assault against his former fiancee in their residence and stood in court again yesterday, hoping to hear the judge's decision on his appeal that would allow him to see his former fiancee. Court records say that during his arraignment on May 6th, the presiding judge ordered that Cicarrelli not make contact with her or go near her. The victim, who was allegedly strangled and assaulted by Cicarrelli earlier this month, was in favor of the motion, as she wanted to see if their relationship could continue. However, the court denied the motion, based on the serious allegations against him in this case and that the restrictions are to protect the public. According to *The Eagle Times*, Cicarrelli is still the standing Windsor selectboard chair but could face up to 15 years in prison and thousands of dollars in fines if convicted. His next hearing date is set for June 21st at Windsor Superior Court.

Up in Lebanon, New Hampshire, the city will be under new management in the form of a new city manager, after the previous official was suspended after a poor performance review. The Lebanon City Council announced this week that Paula Maville is taking office today as the city's interim city manager, replacing Dennis Luttrell, who was hired on September 1st of last year. In late March, he was suspended with pay and benefits after a performance review, although city officials have not expressly stated what the reasons for moving to fire him were. Maville is no stranger to the Lebanon city government, or even the position for that matter, as she has been an employee of the city for 30 years as the Deputy City Manager for three of those years and previously served as Interim City Manager following the retirement of Greg Lewis. In a press release, city officials have expressed that Maville has the knowledge and experience to successfully move along the process of a constructing a fiscally responsible budget. At this time, the City Council is still considering the time frame and search for a permanent city manager.

I'm sure we all remember some point during our years in school where we had to memorize and recite a speech. Whether it be the Day of Infamy, I Have a Dream, or the Gettysburg Address, memorizing a long string of words that aren't your own is no easy task, especially for young students. But that didn't stop students from the Sunapee Middle School and Sunapee High

School as they participated in the 74th Bartlett's Prize Speaking Contest at the Sunapee Middle High School Wednesday. Three middle school students and seven high school students memorized a speech or story and presented it before three judges. This years winners for the middle school were Josephine Furlong in third, Jackson Sheele in second, and Tobas Dezotelle taking the top prize. High school winners were third place Suzanne Rickard, second place Jessica Berio and first place Rachel Malanga. John Henry Bartlett, who was born in Sunapee and was the governor of New Hampshire from 1919 - 1921, started the prize speaking contest in 1941 when he had an open air theatre built behind what is now the Sunapee Central Elementary School. When Bartlett died in 1952, he left a trust fund to the school to provide prize money for the oratory contest. Congratulations to the winners.

After the break on YCN News, we'll check out a local museum that certainly has a unique variety of things on display. We'll have that for you when we come back.

Well if you're a fan of antique cars, toys, steam whistles, padlocks, washing machines, and much much more, you need to check out The Ice House Museum in New London. Bill Kidder's special antique collection of "stuff" will take you on a trip back in time to the early days of New London and New England where Yankee engineuity is everywhere. Bill's son Dave Kidder gave YCN a special tour of the historic museum.

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Sounds like an interesting display of unique items, we'll make sure to head down there at some point this weekend or in the near future.

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Welcome back to YCN News, I'm Andrew Zurheide.

Well today's weather has been absolutely gorgeous with sunny clear skies and temperatures in the mid 70s. Now let's take a look at our forecast for the next couple of days.

Tonight the temps will drop down to the mid 40s (45) and we expect MOSTLY CLEAR skies for the majority of the night. Tomorrow, Saturday, will be similar to today with warm temps climbing as high as 74 degrees with PARTLY SUNNY skies and calm winds becoming southwest around five miles per hour during the afternoon. Saturday night there is a 30% chance of showers after 10pm with lows falling to around 49 degrees. No real accumulation is expected. Sunday, there is a 60% CHANCE OF RAIN before 2pm and highs will climb into the mid 60s (65) while sunday night there is a 30% chance of rain before 8pm with mostly cloudy skies and temperatures will fall to the upper 40s (49).

It's time for your daily community calendar, brought to you by MJ Harrington and Company, where we take a look at some events happening tomorrow.

Looking for some fresh food that's locally grown? The Norwich farmers market is open from 9am to 1pm at the Summer Norwich Farmers Market Grounds off of Route 5 South next to Fogg's True Value Hardware. There will be over 50 vendors who will be there rain or shine and they will offer fresh food, prepared food and arts and crafts. Admission is free of course and you can call 802-384-7447 for more details.

The 9th annual police K-9 awareness day will be held tomorrow at West Lebanon's Feed and Supply located at 12 Railroad Avenue from 10am to 2pm. Come meet and greet the Lebanon police department's K-9 unit and other K-9 teams from throughout the twin state region. They will be performing live demonstrations and the Lebanon city clerk's office will be naming the annual Top Dog from the eligible doggy contestants. This fun family event is free as always and is open to the public.

You can freshen up on your French in Enfield tomorrow at 10 AM at the Community Lutheran Church on 96 Main Street. Being held is a French Conversation Club where you can practice your French in a social setting. All abilities are welcome and you can call 603-306-6606 for more details.

On Wednesday, the Kearsarge Cougars softball team hosted the Bow Falcons. Let's take a look at who came out on top.

PKG

Amazing job on the mound Ashley and congrats on the win Kearsarge.

Now let's take a look at the YCN Scoreboard to check out some local results from yesterday.

<u>Baseball is first</u>, Lebanon hosted Goffstown as the Raiders struggled swinging the bat managing only three total hits. Goffstown won the contest 7 to 0. The Raiders face off against rival Hanover today as they'll be hoping to avenge a loss against the Marauders from April. <u>Now let's turn to softball</u>, the lady Lebanon Raiders also hosted Goffstown but just like the boys were unable to get any significant offense rolling as Goffstown would win 12 to 1 in the fifth as the game was called due to thunder and hail. Abbey Brann drove in Lebanon's only run. <u>Now to girls lacrosse</u>, Bow traveled to take on Lebanon and would go on to beat the Raiders 14 to 10. Kendra McDonald was able to score four goals for Lebanon as they have now lost four in a row.

And finally let's turn to tennis, the male Lebanon Raiders were able to beat up on Bishop Brady 6 to 0 to extend their undefeated season to 13 and 0. The match was cut short due to dangerous weather conditions. Lebanon will host Plymouth today for a chance to finish the regular season undefeated.

<u>The lady</u> Hanover Marauders faced off against ConVal for a doubleheader. Hanover had no problems winning 9 to 0 after the first match and 8 to 1 for the second. Hanover finished their regular season undefeated at 13 and 0 and will be ranked at least number two for the upcoming NHIAA division two tournament.

Good evening, it's Monday, May 23rd.

We begin tonight with news of an ongoing investigation into a fatal offroad vehicle accident that killed one person. Vermont State Police say that around 8:00 last night, troopers responded to a single motor vehicle collision on Milkway Road in Westminster, Vermont. 24-year old Andrew lelpi of Wesminster was operating a John Deere 825i Utility Terrain Vehicle at a high speed on Milkway Road when he hit a large mound that covered a culvert. This caused him to lose control of the UTV and it travelled off the road. A 23-year old passenger from Putney, Vermont was ejected from the vehicle and hit a tree, causing them to lose consciousness. When authorities reached the scene, the passenger was transported to the Bellows Falls Police Department where the passenger was pronounced dead. Iepli suffered a broken hand and was processed for DUI, as police are considering alcohol to be a factor in the crash. The investigation is ongoing on the name of the deceased Putney resident will be released once the family has been notified.

An update now in the court case of a Claremont man arrested and charged with enabling production of meth here in town. 54-year old Bradley Ames was in court on Friday in Sullivan County Superior Court, answering to the felony charge of conspiracy to commit manufacture of methamphetamine. He pleaded guilty to the charge on April 14th, after having been arrested in late March after an incident where he drove to Valley Regional Hospital and nearly hitting a pedestrian in the parking lot. When approached, he became enraged when asked if he was using meth and police later executed a search warrant on his 29 School Street Home, discovering evidence of meth manufacture. Court records say that Ames was given one year in jail with drug treatment, three years probation upon release, and a \$500 fine, all part of a plea deal. Without the plea deal, Ames would have faced up to 30 years in prison with a half million dollar fine. The presiding judge was also given an invoice of around \$9300 for cleanup costs of the property, including chemical cleanup, all of which are not yet complete.

Anyone thinking of being a teacher in New Hampshire can now expect a lengthier and more in depth background check system with new state legislature, following an incident in the Claremont schools. Governor Maggie Hassan signed off on Senate Bill 152 late last week, which was sponsored and supported by the Claremont lawmakers, following a conviction in 2014 of a Stevens High School math teacher who was found guilty of sexually assaulting a 14-year old female student. After he committed the crimes, teachers then found out that he had a previous criminal record for similar charges. Governor Hassan says that "ensuring public safety, especially for our schools and our young people, is state government's most important responsibility." She went on to say that this bill will better protect students and help school administrators identify patterns of malicious behavior. *The Valley News* reports that LeBlanc's victim testified in support of the Senate Bill and the girl's mother said that she had made repeated trips down to Concord to see that the bill was moved through. The bill enforces background checks for not only teachers, but school employees and designated volunteers.

On a different note now, it may only be late May, but many towns in our area are gearing up for July 4th festivities, which can often be the most exciting day of the year, complete with parades and fireworks. Speaking of fireworks, Brattleboro now has a hefty sum in their pockets going towards a fundraiser for a display this year. Through a radiothon held recently by WTSA-FM, organizers of Brattleboro's 4th of July festivities have raised more than half of their \$5000 goal. The Brattleboro Reformer reports that the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks covered all the costs of the parade, which inspired the group "By the People, Brattleboro Goes Fourth" to raise money of their own to sponsor fireworks and other free activities on the holiday. The newspaper itself and C&S Wholesale Grocers have both offered major contributions towards the

fundraising goal and other community donations have brought the town about \$2000 away from being able to put on a great display. If you live in town or are heading there for July 4th, think about contributing yourself, which you can do by visiting their Facbook page at www.Facebook.com/BrattleboroGoesFourth.

After the break on YCN News, we'll join the Lake Sunapee Region VNA and Hospice as we take another look into the world of health. We will be right back.

Let's now join the Lake Sunapee Region VNA and Hospice to take a look at Combination Drug Treatment for Patients with Alzheimer's Disease.

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Thanks for that, we'll tune back in at the same time next week for more medical information.

After the break on YCN News, we'll join sports reporter Andrew Zurheide for a look at some local sports action, plus your weather and community calendar. We'll be right back.

Welcome back to YCN News, I'm Andrew Zurheide.

Well yesterday was overcast and in some areas rainy but today has been the warmest day of the Spring so far with temperatures climbing into the 80s with mostly sunny to clear skies. Now let's take a look at our forecast for the next couple of days.

Well it looks like a rather calm evening tonight with MOSTLY CLOUDY skies and temps falling to the mid 50s as it appears nightly lows have finally started to become seasonal. Tomorrow however is a different story as there is a 50% CHANCE OF SHOWERS throughout the day with high temps a bit cooler but still comfortable at around 68 degrees. Tomorrow night the CHANCE OF SHOWERS (40%) continues before 2am and temperatures will fall to as low as 51 degrees. Wednesday the warmth is back with temps climbing into the low 80s (80) but around 1pm there is a 40% CHANCE OF SHOWERS with west winds up to 10 miles per hour and Wednesday night the precipitation will have moved on and we expect partly cloudy skies with comfortable lows around 55 degrees.

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If you enjoy hiking, come partake in a community hike beginning at 8am in Lebanon on Old Pine Tree Cemetery Road. The hike will focus on the Boston Lot Trails. If you would like more information you can call 802-333-4340.

If you have kids who are interested in science and popsicles, send them over to the Richards Free Library in Newport on 58 North Main Street starting at 3:15pm. The kids will form teams and will use the potential energy in bent popsicles sticks to send them into the air. You can call 603-863-3430 to find out more.

The Enfield firefighters association is hosting another bingo night at the Enfield Community Center starting at 6:30pm. For 12 cards it will cost you 20 bucks or for 18 to 36 cards or all-night play it will cost 25 bucks. Refreshments will be available and you can call 603-632-5438 for more information.

Last Friday the Hanover Marauders baseball team hosted the Lebanon Raiders for another exciting rivalry matchup. Earlier in the season Hanover was able to beat Lebanon on the Raiders home turf so Leb was out for revenge. Let's see if Hanover was able to defend itself at home.

PKG

Congrats on the win Lebanon. Hopefully we see your team going far the playoffs.

Now let's take a look at the YCN Scoreboard to check out some local results from last Friday.

<u>First up girls lacrosse</u>, Lebanon hosted Campbell and would go on to score 16 runs while allowing just 3 from Campbell. The Raiders win improves their record to .500 at 6 and 6. Kearsarge hosted Oyster River in what turned out to be a very close game. The Cougars would pull out the victory by just 1 goal winning 7 to 6. Kearsarge improves to 11 and 2 and currently is ranked number 2 in division three.

Now let's check out the boys, Hopkinton beat up on Stevens as the cardinals were not able to stop Hopkinton's impressive offense. Hopkinton won by a final score of 21 to 1. Kearsarge traveled to Monadnock as the cougars were barely able to squeak by with a win 5 to 3 as both teams defense stepped up their intensity. Kearsarge improves to 10 and 2 and sits in the third ranked spot for division three.

Now to Softball, Stevens traveled to take on Conant and would end up losing 9 to 1. Stevens now holds a record of 5 and 9. Newport hosted Pelham and honored eight seniors prior the game for senior night. Newport was able to swing the bats well and would score 13 times while only allowing 3 runs from Pelham. Steph Carl pitched a complete game for the Tigers as they improve to 8 and 5.

Now to baseball, Stevens hosted Conant and would score four runs but it wasn't enough to counter Conant's 9 runs. Stevens falls to 6 and 7 after the weekend and will take on Hillsboro-Deering at home tomorrow.

And now to tennis, first are the girls, Stevens was able to barely pull out a victory against Wilton-Lyndeborough to wrap up their season. Stevens ends the year with a record of 3 and 10 but will looks forward to improve next year.

Now to the boys. Concord took down a tough Hanover opponent winning 7 to 2. Concord finishes the year 13 and 1 while Hanover falls to 10 and 4. Concord is expected to be the number two seed in division one while Hanover expects to be number five. A strong Kearsarge team was able to sweep White Mountains 9 to 0. The Cougars improve to 11 and 2 and should be the third seed for division three. Undefeated Lebanon traveled to take on Plymouth and won easily 8 to 1. Lebanon sits on top of the division two rankings with a record of 14 and 0. The Raiders haven't lost more than one match during all 14 contests.

Good evening, it's Tuesday, May 24th.

We begin tonight with an update in yesterday's top story as authorities have identified the person killed in an offroad vehicle crash on Sunday in Vermont. Police say that the victim is 23-year old Angelique "Angel" Frost who resided in Putney, Vermont. At around 8:00 Sunday night, troopers responded to a single motor vehicle collision on Milkway Road in Westminster, Vermont. 24-year old Andrew lelpi of Wesminster was operating a John Deere 825i Utility Terrain Vehicle at a high speed on Milkway Road when he hit a large mound that covered a culvert. He lost control of the UTV and it travelled off the road, ejecting Frost from the vehicle and slamming her into a tree. She lost consciousness and when authorities reached the scene, she was transported to the Bellows Falls Police Department where she pronounced dead. Ielpi suffered a broken hand and was processed for DUI, as police are considering alcohol to be a factor in the crash. Meanwhile, no charges have been filed at this point and the case remains under investigation, which is active and ongoing. Once the investigation is completed the case will be forwarded to Windham County State's Attorney's Office for review.

In other crime news out of Vermont tonight, a Springfield woman has pleaded not guilty to the felony charge of interfering with officers. Court records say that 35-year old Nina Clark was in Windsor County Superior Court yesterday, answering to the single felony count and additional misdemeanor charges of resisting arrest, simple assault of a police officer, disorderly conduct, and violating a court-ordered condition of pretrial release. All these charges stem from an incident on May 14th when officers from the Springfield Police Department responded to the Daniels residence in town after a caller reported a loud argument. According to a multiple affidavits of officers who responded, they found a distraught 19-year old girl holding a picture frame who charged them with a shard of glass. As she was being handcuffed, Clark charged in and engaged in a physical struggle with officers. She continued to resist arrest until finally subdued. She then complained of a broken knee and was brought to Springfield Hospital. When her handcuffs were removed for X-rays, she stood up on the bed and charged at the officer. She was subdued once more and ultimately calmed down. Clark is due back in court at a later date.

Continuing with crime news tonight, another Vermont woman stood in court this week, answering to a felony charge of her own, this time for burglary. Vermont State Police say that 54-year old Donna Ditchkus of Brattleboro pleaded guilty yesterday in Windham County Superior Court to three counts of burglary and one felony count of possession of stolen property. These charges stem from a string of burglaries and thefts in the Windham County area that started in the spring of 2012 and police had launched an investigation to find those responsible. The investigation led them to Rebecaa Harkness, who pleaded guilty in November of last year and is currently in prison. Clues eventually led authorities to Ditchkus and during the investigation into her involvement, found over 200 pieces of stolen property, which added up to a value of more than \$40,000. These items were taken from multiple locations, including antique stores. Vermont State Police, Brattleboro Police, Wilmington Police, Dover Police, and the Windham County Sheriff's Department all assisted in the investigation that found the two women responsible.

An update of sorts now in a story we brought you earlier this year in January as a historic church in Grafton, New Hampshire that was damaged by a fire, will indeed be restored. According to *The Valley News*, town officials and members of the Peaceful Assembly Church on 860 Main Street (Route 4), have settled a tax dispute and the town will now abate the full amount of taxes owed on the church. This will allow board members to complete repairs by winter time, including restoring the fire damage and making it weather tight. All exterior work, including windows and roofing, is slated to be completed by the winter of 2019. In January of

this year, a fire severely damaged the building, which was built in 1798, and it killed the church's founder, 57-year old John Connell. For years, the town had refused to recognize the church's application for a property tax exemption because it was not affiliated to a certain religion. The church, to date, had owed around \$14,000 in taxes and fees, but the town has agreed to abate this amount if repairs are completed by the deadlines. Both church members and town officials see the building as a historic landmark in Grafton.

After the break on YCN News, we'll take a look at a local museum that offers a unique look into our region's native American history.

25 years ago, a very unique and unpredictable presence came to Warner, New Hampshire. In this next segment, we will focus on the heritage of native Americans as it came into play at the foot of Mount Kearsarge. We join the director of the Indian Museum to tell us about its history and their mission to make us more aware of native American culture.

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Definitely looks like an interesting place and so full of the beautiful handiwork of the peoples that were here well before Western explorers arrived. If you're looking for an interesting afternoon or day, especially on this upcoming Memorial Day weekend, take a look at their website for information on upcoming events.

After the break on YCN News, we'll join sports reporter Andrew Zurheide for a look at some local sports action, plus your weather and community calendar. We'll be right back. ***

Welcome back to YCN News, I'm Andrew Zurheide.

Well today we've seen lots of rain, more than was originally predicted and there is a chance of thunderstorms across most of the state. Now let's take a look at our forecast for the next couple of days.

Tonight the RAIN will continue until around midnight then patchy fog will roll in and temperatures will fall into the low 50s (50). Winds should be light and the chance of rain is about 40%. Tomorrow looks much drier than today with MOSTLY SUNNY skies and highs in the upper 70s (79) with west winds around 10 miles per hour. There is a slight possibility of a small thunderstorm late in the afternoon. Tomorrow night will be partly cloudy with lows falling to around 53 degrees. Thursday looks very warm with temperatures reaching as high as 82 degrees! And with MOSTLY SUNNY skies. Thursday night however will become cloudy and there is a 50% chance of showers as temps will fall to the mid 50s (55).

It's time for your daily community calendar, brought to you by MJ Harrington and Company, where we take a look at some events happening tomorrow.

Well as I stated a moment ago, tomorrow morning looks dry and comfortable so you should get out of bed and drive up to West Lebanon for the weekly "Warbler Wednesday's" from 7 to 9am. Take a walk around Boston Lot Lake, which is home to a wide variety of bird species including

song birds, waterfowl and waders. You can call 603-795-4167 for more information about this free walk.

The weekly Fiber Arts Group is meeting in Newport tomorrow at the Library Arts Center on 15 Main Street from 10 to 12:00pm. Bring sewing, embroidery, felting, knitting, spinning, quilting or whatever it may be for fiber based arts and crafts. This group will cost you a small fee of four dollars and you can call 603-863-3040 for more details.

If you would like to unwind after work tomorrow, head over to the Canaan United Methodist Church in Canaan off of route 4 from 6:15 to 7:15pm for a yoga class that will work on postures, breathing and relaxation techniques. All levels of experience are welcome and it will cost 10 to 12 dollars per class. Please call 603-523-7253 for more details.

Today we bring you another episode of signature hole that originally aired last Summer. For this installment, YCN will be taking a look at Newport Golf Club's par 3 4th hole in Newport.

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The Newport Golf Club looks beautiful so be sure to get out there and take some swings this summer.

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Now let's take a look at the YCN Scoreboard to check out some local results from yesterday.

<u>First up, girls lacrosse</u>, Kearsarge hosted Bishop Brady and won easily 19 to 1. Eleanor Angus and Anna Stowell combined to score 11 goals for the Cougars whose team now improves to 12 and 2. Hanover hosted Londonderry for an out of division matchup as the Marauders were barely able pull out the win 12 to 11. Johanna Copeland had six goals for the Marauders who improve to 10 and 4.

Now to baseball, Fall Mountain faced off against Conant but came up short losing 5 to 1. Fall Mountain falls to 7 and 6 and will play against Stevens tomorrow. Newport traveled to Mascoma Valley and fell 10 to 2. Will Morrison drove in four runs for Mascoma, three of which came from a home run in the third inning.

Now let's turn to softball, Fall Mountain hosted Conant and fell 5 to 0. Conant improves to 11 and 3 while Fall Mountain falls to 6 and 8. Newport was able to absolutely dismantle Mascoma winning 22 to 0 after five innings due to the mercy rule. The Tigers has 24 hits and improve to 9 and 5. Trinity blew past Lebanon 18 to 0 as the game was called after six innings also due to the mercy rule. The Raiders conclude their regular season with a double-header today against ConVal. Otter Valley and Hartford faced off for a nine inning game. Otter Valley was eventually able to come out on top winning 7 to 3. Brooke Hurd pitched well for Hartford striking out 8 and allowing just four hits. Hartford falls to 7 and 8.

<u>Finally now to boys lacrosse</u>, Stevens traveled to take on a tough Pelham opponent and would end up losing 18 to 6. Donovan Putnam led Stevens with two goals as the Cardinals drop to 1 and 11. Lebanon took on Campbell and came out on the short end losing 12 to 5. Michael Fleury led Lebanon's offense with three goals. The Raiders are now 4 and 8 and will visit Laconia this afternoon. Hanover attempted to take down Nashua North but came up just short losing 9 to 8. Hanover falls to 6 and 10 with will travel to take on Manchester Central tomorrow.

Good evening, it's Wednesday, May 25th.

We begin tonight with the usual, as there is, unfortunately, no shortage of crime news here in the twin states. Troopers from the Chester Vermont Police Department have arrested a Hinsdale, NH man who allegedly stabbed a man in Keene yesterday morning. Keene Police say that a man arrived at the hospital with multiple stab wounds and police were dispatched to Elm and North Street to investigate a possible stabbing incident. Police deduced that the suspect was 30-year old Osvaldo Dejesus and an alert was issued in both states. Chester police located Dejesus later that afternoon and he tried to flee and disarm an officer, but he was taken into custody and found with 15 grams of heroin on his person. Chester police have charged him with being a Fugitive from Justice, Trafficking Heroin, Transportation of Heroin in Vermont, Attempted Grand Larceny Attempted Disarming a Police Officer, and Resisting Arrest. He is currently being held at the Southern State Correctional Facility on \$100,000 bail, as he is not only facing the above charges, but a Class A Felony Assault from Keene. If you have any information in this investigation, call Keene Police at 603-357-9820.

In other police news, but on a different note, an officer within the Claremont Police Department is looking to elevate his career by running for the county sheriff's office. Andrew O'Hearne, a senior officer within the Claremont PD is planning to retire shortly and is now focusing his efforts on his announcement that he is running for Sullivan County Sheriff. *The Valley News* reports that O'Hearne has been with the department for 30 years and after he retires at the end of this year, his goal is to begin 2017 as the county sheriff, continuing his passion for law enforcement. In addition to experience within the local department, the 48-year old is also serving as the Sullivan County District 3 state representative, representing Claremont's Ward 1. The run for the position may pit him against another Claremont man, that being Republican incumbent John Simonds. Simonds himself has stated that he is delighted there is now a race for the position, as it serves voters better when there are options. The Sullivan County Sheriff is responsible for prisoner transport, court security, evictions, working with the New Hampshire Drug Task Force, and more.

The rain we've had recently has boded well for finally putting a lid on the brush fire season that kept fire departments busy throughout this spring. Now, two departments in our region in Vermont will be better prepared for fires, regardless of what type, be it brush fires or structure fires. As part of a \$700,000 grant provided by three Assistant to Firefighters federal grants, Bellows Falls, Springfield, and Pittsford will receive roughly \$680,000 for breathing apparatuses, hoses, and other pieces of equipment. Officials from Vermont State, including Governor Shumlin, announced the funding yesterday, which will replace dated equipment in both Bellows Falls and Springfield, some of which dates back to the 1960s. According to *The Eagle Times*, the funding will be a part of this year's budget in Springfield and that the new equipment may be in place by October. In addition, in other parts of the state, in Pittsford, a firefighting training simulator will be installed at the Vermont Firefighting Academy. The goal of the Assistance to Firefighters Grants is to improve the the safety of firefighters and members of the public by providing funds to purchase new equipment and to better train firefighters before they are called into action.

This next story is one we've been following loosely for quite a while now, over a year in fact, as Vermont towns are continuing to scramble to organize under Act 46 school consolidation. What makes Act 46 so prevalent in our region is that four towns within the same supervisory union, instead of merging together seamlessly, are at odds and uneven terms on how to move forward under the new state initiative. The Windsor Southeast Supervisory Union, comprising of

Windsor, West Windsor, Weathersfield, and Hartland, are continuing to face the dilemma of school choice and the new state directive is giving a major headache to the four towns with how and if they will merge. Windsor is the only town out of the four with a high school, whilst the other three all promote and foster school choice. Some residents have expressed that they moved to those areas specifically so that they could choose their child's high school. If the four merged, school choice could potentially be eliminated, with all students needing to attend Windsor High School. With this in mind, the study committee put together to analyze the options, have stated that they would like to seek an exemption from the state law. A public forum is being held on June 2nd at 6:30 PM at the West Windsor Town Hall.

After the break on YCN News, we'll hear from faculty and staff at Colby-Sawyer College about the outgoing president and his time at the school. We'll be right back.

It has been a decade of dedication, that's what many staff, faculty, and friends have said about outgoing Colby Sawyer President, Tom C. Galligan, Jr.'s tenure at the college. He announced last September he would step down after his second five year term ended was known for leading the college through the toughest economic times the country has faced since the Great Depression. He never wavered in his belief that Colby-Sawyer would not only survive, but would thrive as a college that integrates strong liberal arts curriculum with professional preparation. According to Tom Csatari, chair of the Board of Trustees, President Galligan's legacy is a college that is better prepared for its future than it has been in many decades.

PKG

A search committee chaired by trustee Pete Volanakis and composed of board members, faculty, staff, a community member, and a student worked with the firm AGB Search to identify candidates and manage the process of appointing the college's ninth president. The committee voted unanimously to approve Susan D. Stuebner, as the ninth president. She will assume the duties of the office on July 1. Meanwhile, President Thomas C. Galligan Jr. has accepted the position of dean of Louisiana State University's Paul M. Hebert Law Center. His role there begins July 1 as well.

After the break on YCN News, we'll join sports reporter Andrew Zurheide for a look at some local sports action, plus your weather and community calendar. We'll be right back.

Welcome back to YCN News, I'm Andrew Zurheide.

Well today's weather has been perfect with partly sunny skies and temperatures reaching as high as 82 degrees, it's beginning to feel like Summer. Now let's take a look at our forecast for the next couple of days.

Tonight the skies will remain calm with PARTLY CLOUDY skies and temps falling into the mid 50s (56). Tomorrow looks just as nice as today maybe even a bit warmer as SUNNY skies are expected along with highs reaching into the mid 80s (84). Thursday night will again be calm with partly cloudy skies and temps in the high 50s (57). Friday there will be some scattered showers throughout the day but it should be MOSTLY SUNNY with high temperatures still in the mid 80s

(85) while friday night we expect MOSTLY CLOUDY skies with temperatures falling to just the low 60s (62).

It's time for your daily community calendar, brought to you by MJ Harrington and Company, where we take a look at some events happening tomorrow.

From 11am to 12:30pm come to 14 Green St. in Lebanon for guided meditation followed by a discussion that will help you unwind and relax. This is a Valley Insight Meditation event and donations will be accepted. Please call 603-448-1706 if you plan on attending for the first time.

The Summer Farmers Market in Lebanon will be open from 4 to 7pm at Colburn Park on North Park Street. The market will include fresh produce, plants, prepared food, baked goods and handmade crafts. Live music will also be performed each week by folk traditional musicians from around New England. You can call 603-448-5121 for more details.

The Richards Free Library in Newport is hosting another poetry night at 7:00pm. Come meet local poets who will read and discuss their poetry and you are also welcome to bring a poem to read to the audience. This is a free event and refreshments will be served. If you would like more information please call 603-863-3430.

The third seeded Kearsarge boys tennis team faced off against the sixth seeded Portsmouth Christian Academy for the quarter-finals of the division three NHIAA boys state tennis tournament on Colby-Sawyer College's Kelsey Tennis Courts. Let's see who was able to move on to the semi-finals.

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Congrats on the win Kearsarge and also congrats to Portsmouth Christian Academy on making the playoffs for the first time and competing at a very high playoff level.

Now let's take a look at the YCN Scoreboard to check out some more local results from yesterday.

Let's start with baseball, Lebanon hosted ConVal as the Raiders were able to win 4 to 3. Derek Griffin threw a complete game six hitter for Lebanon as they were able to win their regular season finale. They await their division two playoff ranking on Monday. Kearsarge traveled to take on Conant and was able to win 5 to 1. Jake Vierzen pitched a complete game for the cougars allowing just 1 run while striking out six. Kearsarge now sits at 8 and 7 and will wrap up their regular season tomorrow against Newport.

Now let's turn to softball, Lebanon and ConVal faced off for a doubleheader. Unfortunately for the Raiders, they lost both games by scores of 18 to 2 and a closer 21 to 9. Lebanon finishes the year with a record of 2 and 14 and will hope to improve come next season.

Next is boys lacrosse, Stevens hosted a tough Plymouth opponent as the Cardinals fell 15 to 1. Chris Lafont scored Stevens lone goal as his team falls to a disappointing 1 and 12. Kearsarge was able to dismantle Bishop Brady by a score of 17 to 1. Kearsarge improves to an impressive 11 and 2 and will face off against Stevens on Friday to wrap up their regular season. Lebanon traveled to face off against undefeated Laconia and came out on the short end losing 16 to 3. Nate Damren lead the Raiders offense with two goals. Lebanon falls to 4 and 9 and will take on Bishop Brady on Friday.

Now to the girls, Lebanon hosted a very strong Laconia team and ended up losing 15 to 7. Lebanon falls to 6 and 7 and will hope to win their last game on Friday against Bishop Brady to secure a playoff spot.

And now let's check out the NHIAA boys tennis playoffs. In division 1, Derryfield the number 3 seed was able to defeat Hanover the number 6 seed, 8 to 1. Derryfield will take on Concord on their home courts in the semi-finals tomorrow at 4pm. Lebanon the number 2 seed, was able sweep past the seventh seed Plymouth 9 to 0. The Raiders will take on the winner of the Portsmouth Goffstown matchup tomorrow for the semi-finals.

Good evening, it's Thursday, May 26th.

We begin tonight with tragic news out of the Upper Valley as a Rhode Island woman was killed last night when a drunk driver hit her car head on while traveling the wrong way on Interstate 89. Police say that 38-year old Daniel Cowdrey of Hartland, VT was driving a green Subaru northbound in the southbound lane of I-89 just south of Exit 20 in Lebanon when he collided head on with an oncoming Nissan. The driver of the Nissan, 34-year old Ellynn Koelsch of Rhode Island died at the scene and a 4-year old boy who was in the car with her was transported to Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center with serious injuries. Cowdrey suffered minor injuries and was transported to the same hospital, where he was arrested on charges of driving under the influence. Police have deduced that both alcohol and drugs are primary factors in this crash, as well as the fact that he was traveling the wrong direction on the highway. Cowdrey is facing a felony charge for drunken driving and the investigation remains ongoing tonight. If you know anything about this crash or may have witnessed it, you are urged to contact Trooper Thomas Conlon at 603-223-8614.

An update in a story we've followed since its beginning, as a Newport guidance counselor has been found guilty of multiple counts of indecent exposure, but won't serve jail time. Court records say that 44-year old Thomas Mauzy was found guilty on seven counts of indecent exposure during his one-day bench trial in Newport district court on Tuesday. Given his lack of a criminal record and his attorney arguing that his career has been ruined, the presiding judge sentenced Mauzy to seven years in jail, one 12-month sentence for each charge, but he won't have to actually serve them. Instead, the sentences were suspended provided he remain on good behavior for the next two years as part of a probation period. Mauzy turned himself in to authorities in January when an arrest warrant was placed on him after his neighbor reportedly saw him saw him naked in his bedroom multiple times as she got into her car to go to work. At the time of his arrest, he was released on \$10,000 personal recognize bail and he was placed on administrative leave from the Newport School District, pending the court case results. School officials have said that his future employment is dependent on his state certification and what the school board decides.

Another update tonight in another story we've had since it broke: a Claremont man is beginning to serve his prison sentence after being found responsible for drug sales and two stabbing incidents. 42-year old Willie Taylor of Claremont has begun his prison term as part of a plea deal on charges of selling crack cocaine, after being arrested in January for sale of a controlled substance and a connection to two stabbing incidents on Trinity Street. *The Eagle Times* reports that Taylor was back in court late last week and he changed his plea to guilty as part of the plea deal, leaving him with a sentence of 1-3 years in prison on one of the drug sales charges and two years to six months five years on the second charge. However, the second charge was suspended and he faces a \$500 fine along with drug counseling while he serves his time. Taylor

and another man, 34-year old Rahman Brown, of New York, were both arrested in January for the stabbing incidents and Brown is still being held behind bars before a pretrial hearing in mid-June. He faces charges of first-degree assault.

What's your favorite local gem? Is it a museum, a hiking trail, a park, or something else? For many in our region, especially Claremont, Moody Park has a special place in their heart and next month will mark a rather large landmark for the community park. June marks the 100th Anniversary of the 325 acre public park, established in 1916 when William Moody, a Claremont businessman, donated the land to the city. The landscape of the park has certainly changed over time, most notably with a selective timber harvest in 2013-2014, but has always played host to a wide variety of trails for hiking, biking, running, or cross-country skiing. In celebration, the city and groups throughout town are hosting a variety of events to appreciate the park. They start next Wednesday, on the first of the month for June, most notably with a self-guided story walk on the Shady Pines Loop that places a children's story along a trail. In addition, the Claremont Cycle Depot will begin doing group mountain bike rides every Wednesday at 6:00 PM, starting next week. I've only mentioned two of the events taking place, but if you'd like the full comprehensive list with exact details, you can visit www.ClaremontParks.com for the full lowdown.

After the break on YCN News, we'll check out a local filmographer and environmental activist who is producing a film to raise awareness of the future of skiing. We'll be right back.

For many skiers in our area, this past winter was rather disappointing. Was this winter just a strange outlier or a sign of things to come? What will the future of skiing look like if we continue to pollute our planet? One local filmographer and environmental conservation activist is asking that very question and hopes to answer it through an upcoming film he is producing, promising breathtaking visuals while spreading an important message. We caught up with Micah Berman, the film's producer, out in his element: the wilderness.

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If you would like to view the trailer in its original form with audio, go to Vimeo and search for "Mountain Theory Films". If you'd like a direct link, we've posted it on our website, yonnow.com

After the break on YCN News, we'll join sports reporter Andrew Zurheide for a look at some local sports action, plus your weather and community calendar. We'll be right back.

Welcome back to YCN News, I'm Andrew Zurheide.

Well today's weather has been beautiful as we've seen mostly sunny skies and temperatures reaching as high as 86! Let's take a look at our forecast for the next couple of days.

Tonight there is a 40% CHANCE OF SHOWERS after 10pm. Temperatures will fall into the low 60s (60) and there is the possibility for some late night thunderstorms. Tomorrow, Friday, the CHANCE OF SHOWERS (40%) continues along with a chance for thunderstorms for the majority of the day but temps will be very warm as high as 87 degrees. Friday night there

continues to be a chance of thunderstorms before 9pm and lows will remain warm as they will only fall to around 63 degrees. Saturday you can expect SCATTERED THUNDERSTORMS after 11am with highs reaching into the low 90s! Yes, the first 90 degree day of the year. And finally Saturday night the thunderstorms will have moved on but there is still a 40% chance of showers for the majority of the night as temps will fall only as low as 64 degrees.

It's time for your daily community calendar, brought to you by MJ Harrington and Company, where we take a look at some events happening tomorrow.

Join the Feathered Fridays group from 7 to 9am in Thetford, Vermont at the Thetford Center Union Village Dam Park off of route 113. This club focuses on watching the arriving Spring migrants with a special focus on the parks "Mystery Trail" area. This is of course free and will be open to the public. You can call 603-795-4167 for more details.

The Chelsea Farmers Market in Chelsea, Vermont will be going on tomorrow from 3 to 6pm in the heart of downtown Chelsea. This market offers fresh produce, local crafts, and prepared foods. There is an average of 20 vendors a week and it is a great place to purchase local products, meet up with friends, and enjoy live music with free children's activities. If you would like more information you can call 802-685-3174.

Tomorrow night you can head over to the Spark Community Center in Lebanon from 6 to 9pm for Around the World: China Night! Come work on Chinese art projects and eat some Chinese cuisine including soup, egg rolls, fried rice, sweet and sour chicken and fortune cookies of course. There is a five dollar suggested donation and you can call 603-678-8619 for more details.

Well since the days are finally warm, we bring you another episode of the Trail Ride Review that aired last summer. Our own Kurt Wehde tests out the mountain biking trails around the region and today Kurt will be tackling the Cornish Town Forest trails.

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Thanks a lot Kurt. It looks like the Cornish Town Forest trails offer some beautiful views. I can't wait to get out there myself.

Now let's take a look at the YCN Scoreboard to check out some local results from last yesterday.

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<u>First up baseball</u>, Sunapee hosted Epping and was able win 8 to 0. Cole Cruz tossed a three-hitter with six strikeouts as the Lakers improved to 14 and 1. Stevens traveled to take on Fall Mountain as the Cardinals were barely able to come out on top winning 6 to 5. Stevens improves to 6 and 9 as they keep their division three playoff hopes alive. Monadnock was able to blank Newport winning 18 to 0. The Tigers fall to 4 and 11 and will travel to take on Kearsarge today.

<u>Let's turn to softball</u>, Sunapee cruised by Epping winning 12 to 0. Katie Frederick threw a nohitter for the Lakers along with seven strikeouts. She also had two hits, one of which was a two-run homer. The Lakers remain undefeated at 15 and 0. Fall Mountain hosted Stevens as the Cardinals were able to come out on top, winning 4 to 2. Stevens now holds a record of 6 and 9 and will end the regular season tomorrow against Hillsboro-Deering. Newport traveled to take

on Monadnock and was able to emerge victorious 8 to 2. The Tigers are now 10 and 5 and will finish the season today at Kearsarge. Hanover traveled to Windham and fell 18 to 5. Hanover sits winless at 0 and 17 and will conclude their season tomorrow against Plymouth. Now to lacrosse, first the boys, Hanover was able to beat Manchester Central 18 to 5. Jake Acker and Reed Winter each scored five goals for the Marauders who improved to 7 and 10. Now the girls, the lady Marauders were able to pull out a win against Windham 19 to 14 to move ahead of the Jaguars into second place for division two. Johanna Copeland scored seven goals and Molly Seibel had six assists with two goals for Hanover.

Now to the girls division two state tennis tournament, the two time defending champions Hanover was able to pull out a win against Windham 7 to 2. The Marauders were able to clinch the win early by taking 5 of 6 singles matches. Hanover moves on to the semi-finals to take St. Thomas tomorrow at 4pm.

Good evening, it's Friday, May 27th.

Tonight's news begins with an update in the biggest story in the Upper Valley the past two days. as a Hartland man who killed a Rhode Island woman in I-89 in a wrong-way collision was arraigned on homicide charges. Court records say that 38-year old Daniel Cowdrey was arraigned yesterday in Lebanon Circuit Court on charges of aggravated driving while intoxicated and negligent homicide. These charges stem from an accident on Wednesday where police say that Cowdrey was driving his Subaru Legacy traveling northbound in the southbound lanes of I-89 around 9 PM. He caused one accident near Exit 19 before colliding with a Nissan near Exit 20, driven by 34-year Ellynn Koelsch of Rhode Island. State police said the crash was nearly head on and Koelsch was killed in the crash. Her 4-year old son was seriously injured and transported to DHMC, where Cowdrey was also taken with minor injuries. He was arrested on DUI charges at the hospital. In court, Cowdrey did not enter a plea and is being held on \$25,000 cash or corporate surety bail.

Further South in New London now, a fire at a local brewery has been blamed on improper disposal of cigarettes. The Flying Goose Pub suffered from a fire that broke out around 2:30 this morning, which caused minor damage to the exterior of the building. Authorities and restaurant employees say the fire started near an ashtray receptacle next to a door and may have started when a still lit butt was thrown at the ashtray but instead landed in the bark mulch surrounding the receptacle. The butt slowly heated up the mulch and a small blaze spread to the building. Fire crews from New London, Sutton, Wilmot, Sunapee, and Springfield all responded through mutual aid after a passerby called it in. The fire was deemed under control within 20 minutes and crews remained on scene for an hour afterwards to monitor the situation. New London Fire Chief Jay Lyons said that this early morning fire stresses the importance of not discarding cigarettes in bark mulch, as this is the 6th incident in the last few weeks. The Flying Goose reopened this morning at their regular start time and have begun to repair the damage by replacing damaged electrical outlets. Some siding needed to be replaced as well and there is currently an investigation into the fire.

Ever been on your computer and constantly been nagged by messages saying you need to install update after update? Well the Fiske Free Library here in Claremont is taking those messages seriously, as it needs to update its automation system which is at risk of becoming obsolete. The Eagle Times reports that on Wednesday, the city council heard a budget presentation from the library's director, who explained that the library's current Winnebago system, which was installed 20 years ago, won't work if they update their Microsoft products any

further. Winnebago was installed in in 1996 when the library used Windows 95, but has become closer and closer to no longer working, as 20 of the library's computers are running Windows 7. Now, the library is asking for \$6500 to purchase a new automation system that is more up to date, as the library's systems could potentially come to a complete stop if Microsoft is upgraded one more time. City officials have noted the importance of the library within Claremont and have said that they will try to put this through and make sure the upgrade can be completed.

And now an update out of Hanover, NH, as Dartmouth College has considered the requests of residents and has agreed to downsize a proposed athletic complex. *The Valley News* reports that the college has agreed to slightly alter their plans for a 70,000 square foot multi-purpose athletic facility near Tyler Road in the face of opposition from residents who live in the neighborhood. The Hanover Planning Board is mulling the proposal and one of the board members who is a resident that lives right near the build site has appealed a decision saying that the building meets regulations. This appeal caused college officials to alter the plans so that the building will stand 60 feet from the facade facing Tyler Road, as compared to the original 70 feet. However, neighbors are still arguing that the site be moved entirely and that the building be built somewhere else, such as the Blackman athletic fields. There is a gathering scheduled for June 7th at the Hanover Town Hall for residents to meet and voice their opinions on this highly controversial project. The project, if started, would cost around \$17-million.

After the break on YCN News, the first concert in the Arrowhead summer concert series is tomorrow. We'll take a look at how the whole idea got its start.

Well this weekend is a big weekend for Claremont, Arrowhead Recreation Area, and many residents in our area, as the first concert in Arrowhead's summer concert series is kicking off tomorrow. In light of this, we will now revisit a piece we did with Michael Charest, a member of the Claremont Citizens Group, on how the idea for the concert series began.

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As a reminder, the first event is tomorrow and is a Battle of the Bands, taking place from 11 AM to 9 PM so head on over to Arrowhead at any point during the day to catch a taste of the live tunes!

After the break on YCN News, we'll join sports reporter Andrew Zurheide for a look at some local sports action, plus your weather and community calendar. We'll be right back.

Welcome back to YCN News, I'm Andrew Zurheide.

Well today's weather has been warm, sunny and a bit muggy as temperatures have reached as high as 87 degrees. Now let's take a look at our forecast for the next couple of days.

Tonight looks calm and warm with lows falling to just 63 degrees. PARTLY CLOUDY skies are expected with a five mile an hour south wind. Saturday you can expect MOSTLY SUNNY skies with extremely warm temperatures soaring as high as 92 degrees! Wow. Saturday night some clouds will roll in but it will stay warm with temps only falling to around 64 degrees. Sunday there is a 50% CHANCE OF SHOWERS AND THUNDERSTORMS with highs still very warm, in the

mid 80s (84) and then Sunday night there continues to be a strong chance for rain and thunderstorms with lows around 61. It looks like the storms could bring very heavy rain so be cautious when driving as there is the potential for localized flooding.

It's time for your daily community calendar, brought to you by MJ Harrington and Company, where we take a look at some events happening tomorrow.

Well if you are interested in slimming down just before Summer arrives, you should join the hour long Summer Slim Down class in Lebanon at Colburn Park off of North Park Street. The outdoor workout group will run from 8 to 9am and is led by a local health coach. Both men and women of all experience levels are welcome to attend. Please call 978-335-1934 to find out more about this free healthy class.

Looking for some fresh food that's locally grown? The Norwich farmers market is open from 9am to 1pm at the Summer Norwich Farmers Market Grounds off of Route 5 South next to Fogg's True Value Hardware. There will be over 50 vendors who will be there rain or shine and they will offer fresh food, prepared food and arts and crafts. Admission is free of course and you can call 802-384-7447 for more details.

If the outdoor exercise class is too early for you, a public hike and picnic will be held in Windsor, Vermont at Mount Ascutney from 11am to 2pm on 1826 Back Mountain Road. Come hike any of the trails to the summit and you will receive a free lunch. This event is sponsored by the Ascutney Trails Association. For more details you can call 802-674-2326.

Yesterday the Kearsarge Cougars boys tennis team faced off against the Inter-Lakes Lakers for the semi-finals of the division three state tennis tournament.

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Good luck in the finals Inter-Lakes and nice job staying positive after the loss Kearsarge. Your program has a very bright future.

Now let's take a look at the YCN Scoreboard to check out some local results from yesterday.

<u>First up softball</u>, Kearsarge fell to newport 12 to 0. Ashley Thompson pitched six innings for Kearsarge and she also added a base-hit. Newport improves to 11 and 5 and Kearsarge falls to 5 and 11. Sunapee hosted Hinsdale for senior day as the Lakers were able to win easily 16 to 2. Rachel Malanga went 2 for 4 with a grand slam. Sunapee finishes the regular season undefeated at 16 and 0.

Turning now to baseball, Kearsarge hosted Newport as the cougars were able to pull out a win 4 to 2. Kearsarge pitcher Brad Underhill was able to get the win as he pitched seven innings with just two earned runs. The Cougars finish the regular season 9 and 7 and await their playoff seeding. Sunapee hosted Hinsdale as the Lakers went on to win 11 to 5. Kade Robinson went 2 for 3 with 2 RBI's for the Lakers. Sunapee finishes the season 15 and 1 and will hold the number two seed going into the playoffs.

Now let's check out girls lacrosse, Kearsarge traveled to take on St. Thomas Aquinas as the cougars came up on the losing end 12 to 6. Kearsarge finishes its regular season with a record of 12 and 3 and currently sits in the number four seed for division three. Division two Hanover

hosted division one Pinkerton Academy as the Marauders came up short losing 13 to 5. Molly Seibel scored twice for Hanover as they fall to 11 and 5 and will end their regular season today against Goffstown.

Now to the boys. Kearsarge hosted Stevens and was able to put up 14 goals while allowing none from Stevens. Lucas Muzzey tallied 3 goals and 2 assists for Kearsarge as seven different players scored goals. The Cougars improve to 12 and 2 while Stevens falls to 1 and 13. Hanover traveled to Londonderry as the Marauders weren't able to score a single goal while allowing 16 from Londonderry. Hanover will miss the playoffs for literally the first time since Lacrosse became sanctioned by the NHIAA in 1994.

Now let's check out the division two boys state tennis tournament, undefeated Lebanon was able to beat Portsmouth by decision 5 to 2 for the state semi-finals. The Raiders move on to face also undefeated Oyster River in the finals this Tuesday at 4pm at Bedford High School.

Good evening, it's Tuesday, May 31st.

We begin tonight with the biggest news out of the Warner region this weekend as on Sunday night a plane trying to return to the Concord, New Hampshire airport went down in the Chandler Woods near Stewart peak in Warner. Deb Moore, a resident in the vicinity said she heard a plane circle around 7pm then go silent. At about 8:30pm, 911 received a call from the plane's occupants. David Ralph and a woman companion had survived the crash but took an hour to find a cell phone in the wreckage. It took 50 to 70 emergency responders hacking and chainsawing their way in the dark through the woods and up a steep, rocky incline to reach the crash site almost a mile from emergency vehicles. Neither of the survivors sustained life threatening injuries but were injured slightly and carried out on stretchers. They were then taken to Concord Hospital. Debris from the crash was scattered throughout the area with one of the plane's wings remaining 30 feet up in a tree and the battered fuselage lying on its side. Responders from Grafton, Sutton, Contoocook, Webster, Salisbury, Henniker, Hillsboro, Bradford and Concord assisted. We caught up with New London fire chief Jay Lyons on the importance of mutual aid responses to accidents like these.

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States and towns all over the United States employ a similar manner of mutual aid responses.

Despite yesterday being a holiday that brought beautiful weather, one resident in Bellows Falls is still reeling from a fire that destroyed their home in the early hours of the morning. At around 6:00 AM, firefighters responded to a call from a neighbor of the property, who reported seeing the entire roof of 38 Green St. covered in smoke. Upon crew's arrival, it was deemed a three alarm fire due to the multiple family home sitting just 5 to 6 feet away from the building. Despite understaffing within the Bellows Falls fire department, the fire was extinguished within an hour of the firefighter's arrival, and damage was mainly contained to one room of the second floor. The home's resident was not inside at the time of the fire, having gone away to stay with family due to medical reasons. According to Bellows Falls Fire Department Captain Tom Fredriksen, this fire had no relation to a string of arsons that have occurred over the past couple of months and is not being considered suspicious at this time. Crews from surrounding towns responded through mutual aid, including Brattleboro, Grafton, Putney, Springfield, Saxtons River, and others. Firefighters from across the river in New Hampshire were also called to assist.

In crime news, two men were arrested on Sunday and yesterday in two separate incidents in New Hampshire and Vermont. First, a man from Malden, Massachusetts was arrested on Sunday around 6:30 PM when he was clocked going 117 MPH on I-89 in Sunapee. New Hampshire state troopers from Keene charged 30-year old Sachin Rajan with Reckless Operation and his arraignment is scheduled for July 12th in Newport District Court. Across the river in Vermont, yesterday morning at 2:45 AM, Vermont State Police conducted a traffic stop on I-91 in Rockingham for speeding. Police say that during the traffic stop, troopers learned that Christopher Henry of Bradford, NH was intoxicated while operating the vehicle. He submitted to a breath sample test and it was revealed that his BAC was 0.143%. He was arrested and charged with DUI and then transported to the Rockingham State Police barracks. Henry was processed for the law violation and was issued a citation to appear in Windham County Superior Court on June 14th. Memorial Day weekend has notoriously been known for drunk driving and dangerous driving incidents.

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As far as weather goes, this past Memorial Day weekend was beautiful, with sun on Saturday and Monday, and some nice cooler temperatures on Sunday. The weather spelled perfect conditions for hiking or other outdoor activities, and one local mountain, in the fact the biggest mountain in our immediate area, celebrated 50 years of hiking up its slopes. Both hikers and members of the Ascutney Trail Association hiked up Mt. Ascutney on Saturday for stunning views of the surrounding area and to enjoy a picnic to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the annual Ascutney Day Hike. The ATA was formed originally in 1904 under the moniker the Ascutney Mountain Club, which was revived in 1967 and became what it is today. The group is home to 300-500 members and the directors supplied plunch for all hikers who climbed to the Stone Hut site on Saturday. The ATA maintains three trails on the mountain, including the Weathersfield Trail, of which you're seeing video of, the Windsor Trail, and the Brownsville Trail. A fourth, the Futures Trail, is overseen by Ascutney State Park. Stay tuned for Thursday to see a feature on the Weathersfield Trail.

After the break on YCN News, we'll join the Lake Sunapee Region VNA and Hospice as we take another look into the world of health. We will be right back.

Let's now join the Lake Sunapee Region VNA and Hospice to take a look at injectable medication as an alternative treatment for diabetic eyes.

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Thanks for that, we'll tune back in at the same time next week for more medical information.

After the break on YCN News, we'll join sports reporter Andrew Zurheide for a look at some local sports action, plus your weather and community calendar. We'll be right back.

Welcome back to YCN News, I'm Andrew Zurheide.

Well our memorial day was wet in the morning but it turned out to be a great day with a very beautiful sunset, hopefully you were able to enjoy it. Now let's take a look at our forecast for the next couple of days.

Tonight looks like a rather calm evening with MOSTLY CLEAR skies and temperatures falling into the low 50s (52). A 5 mile an hour northwest wind will become calm in the evening Tomorrow looks like a nice comfortable day with SUNNY skies and temps peaking in the mid 70s (76) while tomorrow night a few clouds will roll in but it will stay dry as temps will fall to around 52 degrees. Thursday again looks like a nice day with MOSTLY SUNNY skies and highs near 71 degrees. At times there will be a Southeast wind with gusts around 5 to 10 miles per hour. And then Thursday night there will be mostly cloudy skies with low temps in the mid 50s (55) until 5am when there is a 30% chance of showers that will continue into Friday morning.

It's time for your daily community calendar, brought to you by MJ Harrington and Company, where we take a look at some events happening tomorrow.

The weekly Fiber Arts Group is meeting in Newport tomorrow at the Library Arts Center on 15 Main Street from 10 to 12:00pm. Bring sewing, embroidery, felting, knitting, spinning, quilting or whatever it may be for fiber based arts and crafts. This group will cost you a small fee of four dollars and you can call 603-863-3040 for more details.

From 3:30 to 5:30pm, Black Moon Games in Lebanon is hosting its free Pokemon league where you can learn to play or play against new equally skilled opponents. All ages are welcome and you can call 603-632-5820 for more details.

If you would like to unwind after work tomorrow, head over to the Canaan United Methodist Church in Canaan off of route 4 from 6:15 to 7:15pm for a yoga class that will work on postures, breathing and relaxation techniques. All levels of experience are welcome and it will cost 10 to 12 dollars per class. Please call 603-523-7253 for more details.

Last Saturday, the division three high school track and field championships took place at Newfound Regional High School in Bristol. Let's see who came out on top.

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Kearsarge has now won two track and field championships in the last three years, congrats to the cougars.

Now let's take a look at the YCN Scoreboard to check out some local results from last Friday.

<u>First up baseball</u>, Fall Mountain hosted Mascenic and came up short losing 9 to 5. Fall Mountain concludes their regular season as they fall to 7 and 9. They now hold the 19th ranking in the division three playoffs. Stevens hosted Hillsboro-Deering and would come out on top winning 11 to 1. The Cardinals finished the regular season with a record of 8 and 7 and will face off against Fall Mountain tonight for the first round of the division three tournament. Hanover hosted Plymouth and would end up losing 7 to 4. This loss eliminated Hanover from tournament play. Now to softball, Fall Mountain took on Mascenic and just like the boys, came up short losing 12 to 7. Stevens took on Hillsboro-Deering and would easily win 16 to 4. The Cardinals improve to 7 and 9 and will face off against Raymond for the first round of the division three playoffs tonight. Hanover attempted to bring down a tough Plymouth team but was overmatched as they would go on to lose 17 to 0.

<u>Let's now look at boys lacrosse</u>, Lebanon hosted Bishop Brady for an overtime thriller. The Raiders would end up losing 7 to 6. Bishop Brady's Bryce Johnson netted three goals. The Raiders fall to 4 and 10. A strong Kearsarge took on Stevens as the cougars were able to win easily 14 to 0. Kearsarge improves to 12 and 2 and will face off against Plymouth on Friday for the first round of the division three tournament.

Now let's check out the girls, Lebanon was able to defeat Bishop Brady 18 to 7 as the Raiders end their season 7 and 7 and were barely able to squeak into the state tournament with the last seed so they will take on a tough number 1 seed Laconia on Thursday. Hanover traveled to take on Goffstown as the Marauders were able to pull out a victory 12 to 8. Hanover finishes with a record of 12 and 5. Hanover and Goffstown will immediately meet again for the first round of the division two playoffs tomorrow.

And now to the girls tennis division two tournament, Hanover was able to beat St. Thomas Aquinas 7 to 2 for the semi-finals. Hanover moves on to take on Portsmouth in the finals tomorrow in Bedford at 4pm.

Good evening, it's Wednesday, June 1st.

We begin tonight with political news in Campaign 2016, but not the presidential race. The elections and campaigns of US senators and representatives can be overlooked by the presidential race when they take place in the same year, but one senator from New Hampshire was in Newport today to remind people that she needs their vote. Republican senator Kelly Ayotte stopped in at Village Pizza on Main Street this morning, a location that has seen former presidential candidates, including NJ Governor Chris Christie and Kentucky Senator Rand Paul. We were there and got some quick words with the Senator herself.

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Ayotte is currently running against Jim Rubens, a former state senator and who we've had on Capital Connections, with a handful of other candidates yet to declare their campaign. For the Democrats, NH Governor Maggie Hassan is the only one to declare so far.

The court case continues for a man that has been arrested in connection with a home invasion in May of 2015, as he has been indicted by a grand jury. 41-year old Jeffrey Buzzell of Claremont was indicted recently in Sullivan County Superior Court by a grand jury, facing charges that include receiving stolen property over \$1500 in value and falsifying physical evidence. Buzzell was involved with another male suspect last year in a home invasion in nearby Charlestown when the two broke in, tied up the 63-year old woman living there, and stole over \$25,000 in jewelry, coins, gold & silver, and other personal items. Buzzell was spending time in prison earlier this year for an unrelated charge when he made calls to his wife directing her how to find the stash of stolen items. Police were tipped off from the information from these calls and found the items in Newport, which then led them to arrest Buzzell. During the home invasion, Buzzell and the other suspect had tied up the homeowner and left her in the basement, where she was found 9 hours later. Prior to his indictment, Buzzell was held on \$250,000 bail and additional charges may still be pending.

In other court news now, the chair of the Windsor Selectboard has been persuaded to resign from his position by town officials, including the town manager. The Windsor, Vermont Selectboard has announced that Justin Ciccarelli, voluntarily resigned from his position on the board last week on Monday, May 23rd. According to Windsor on Air, no vote was held in

regards to the resignation during the scheduled Selectboard meeting the following day. Ciccarelli was slated to hold the chairman position until March 2018 and the board is currently seeking a new chair to fill the vacant seat. His resignation came after he pleaded not guilty to charges of domestic assault after his former fiancee alleged that he picked her up by the throat and made threatening moves against her at the beginning of this month. Ciccarelli had filed a motion in Windsor Superior Court that would amend his conditions so that he could see his former fiancee, who also supported the motion, but it was recently denied by a judge. In the meantime, the board hopes to fill the empty seat, and a successful candidate would fill it until March of next year, 2017, when town meeting takes place.

Now I'm sure I'm not the only one who remembers teachers and parents telling us that three meals a day is the healthiest way to go, with a balanced breakfast, lunch, and dinner. However, many kids and families in our region aren't in a financial situation that allows for these three meals a day. Coming up next month, kids in Claremont will soon have a free lunch program that they can take advantage of to give them the boost that kids need. According to *The Eagle Times*, a new pilot program is slated to launch on June 20th that makes all children under the age of 18 eligible for free lunches at four different locations in the city. This initiative is the product of a collaboration of multiple entities, including the Claremont School District, the Claremont Soup Kitchen, and the New Hampshire Food Bank. The program is ultimately being sponsored by the NH Food Bank, who receives funding from the USDA's Summer Food Service Program. For kids who are interested and may benefit from this new program, lunch will be served Monday through Friday all summer when school is not in session. Locations include the Maple Avenue School and the Claremont Soup Kitchen and lunch times vary based on location.

After the break on YCN News,

Over the past few years, there has been new interest in eating healthly and eating locally, that according to Windham Farm and Food Hub Manager, Alex McCullough. He's running a mission-driven fresh-food delivery service providing one-stop online ordering, simplified billing, and educational and marketing support for Southern Vermont and New Hampshire. Unlike traditional distributors, they provide source-identified buying at the point of purchase and ensure freshness with same-day pickup and delivery from over 30 vendors within a 30-mile radius. They have a network of farmers who collaborate to produce a reliable and affordable inventory with convenient ordering. Farms post their products and WFF delivers direct. Let's learn more.

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After recent successful years as an LLC, Windham Farm and Food has partnered with Food Connects and is now part of their educational programs on local food education and sustainability. For more information visit www.foodconnects.org.

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Welcome back to YCN News, I'm Andrew Zurheide.

Well today we've seen mostly sunny skies and temperatures reaching into the low 80's across most of the state. Let's take a look at our forecast for the next couple of days.

Tonight looks like a calm evening as PARTLY CLOUDY skies are expected with temperatures falling to as low 53 degrees. There will be southeast gusts around 5 to 10 miles per hour. Tomorrow looks nice, at least during the day, as we will see MOSTLY SUNNY skies and temps in the mid 70s (75) while tomorrow night there is a 40% chance of showers and thunderstorms after 1am and temps will fall to the mid 50s (56). Friday the CHANCE OF THUNDERSTORMS (50%) continues until 3pm and then some isolated showers are expected after 6pm. Temperatures will reach as high as 74 degrees. And Friday night there will still be a slight chance of showers for the majority of the later and early morning hours while temps will fall to around 58 degrees.

It's time for your daily community calendar, brought to you by MJ Harrington and Company, where we take a look at some events happening tomorrow.

Do you like to meditate? Come on over to the Shambhala Center in White River Junction beginning at noon. Sitting and/or walking meditation with instruction will be available for free. Please call 802-484-7235 for more information.

If you have little ones who enjoy stories, you should bring them to the Converse Free Library in Lyme, New Hampshire on 38 Union Street for an hour of story time from 1 to 2pm. The stories will focus on a theme and will include two to three books, rhymes, songs and a simple craft. This event is free and the recommended age range is 3 to 6. If you would like to learn more you can call 603-795-4622.

The Summer Farmers Market in Lebanon will be open from 4 to 7pm at Colburn Park on North Park Street. The market will include fresh produce, plants, prepared food, baked goods and handmade crafts. Live music will also be performed each week by folk traditional musicians from around New England. You can call 603-448-5121 for more details.

The division three NHIAA softball tournament kicked off yesterday as the Stevens Cardinals hosted the Raymond Rams. Let's see who's moving on to the next round.

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Congratulations to the Raymond Rams on getting the win and good luck tomorrow against White Mountains.

Now let's take a look at the YCN Scoreboard to check out some local state tournament results from yesterday.

<u>Starting with softball</u>, Kearsarge traveled to take on Gilford as the Golden Eagles were able to easily win the game 14 to 2. Gilford hit a big three run homer in the fourth inning to put the game out of reach. Samantha Dow and Caroline Beaton were able to score the Cougars only runs. Gilford will face fourth ranked Mascenic in the next round.

Now to baseball, Stevens hosted Fall Mountain for the first round of the division three tournament. Cardinals pitcher Zach O'Brien took the mound as he was able to shut down the opposing Wildcats only allowing just two hits and three walks while striking out five. Fall

Mountain's pitcher Matt Raymond also pitched very well but his team wasn't able to score runs. Final score, Stevens 2, Fall Mountain 0. The Cardinals will travel to face off against third ranked Belmont tomorrow.

And now to the division two boys tennis finals. Lebanon and Oyster River faced off in Bedford for the championship game as Lebanon hoped to finish the season with a perfect record. The Bobcats quickly gained a 2 to 0 lead in singles play but the Raiders were able to erase the deficit after getting wins from the second, third, fifth and sixth singles positions so going into doubles Lebanon held a 4-2 cushion, meaning they had to win just one of three doubles matches to secure the championship. Noah Ryder and Noah Didehbani from Lebanon were able to win 8 to 1 for the third doubles match which clinched the victory and perfect 17 and 0 championship season for the Raiders. This is the first boys tennis championship in Lebanon's history. Congratulations to the Lebanon Raiders on a perfect season.

Good evening, it's Thursday, June 2nd.

We begin tonight with tragic news out of Westminster County, Vermont, as a one person is dead following a single-vehicle motorcycle crash last night. Police say that 29-year old Jordan Peduzzi of Vernon was travelling south on US Route 5 in Vernon last night around 10:00 PM when he failed to make a turn and he hit a guardrail. He was ejected from the vehicle and when authorities arrived on scene, Peduzzi was pronounced dead. His Yamaha motorcycle continued down the road for another 250 feet. He will be transported to the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner in Burlington for an autopsy to determine the exact cause of death. The weather last night during the time of the crash was clear and the road was dry in the area where the crash occurred, near the Guilford town line. The accident is still under investigation tonight and anyone with information is asked to contact Deputy First Class Ian Tuttle at 802-254-6962. It is unknown whether Peduzzi was wearing a helmet or not. In addition, the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration says that wearing a helmet may prevent 37% of motorcycle deaths.

An update tonight in the court case of a Newport guidance counselor found guilty of multiple counts of indecent exposure, as he is now seeking a new trial. 44-year old Thomas Mauzy was found guilty last week during a one-day trial on seven counts of indecent exposure and lewdness, all misdemeanor charges. Immediately after being convicted, Mauzy appealed the conviction through his attorney and sought the input of the 12-member jury, hoping to hear the thoughts of individual citizens rather than just the district judge. The conviction stems from charges filed earlier this year in January that Mauzy exposed himself in his bedroom to his neighbor as she was getting into her car to head to work. The neighbor had taken video as evidence and Mauzy turned himself in to authorities. Last week, he was sentenced to jail, but won't be serving actual time and will instead remain on a two-year probation period. School officials within Newport have said that his future employment is dependent on his state certification and what the school board decides. The case has been transferred to Superior Court from Sullivan County Court. Mauzy is scheduled to appear there on July 13th.

The story continues for the historic Vilas Bridge between Walpole and Bellows Falls across the Connecticut River. Now, federal assistance may be sought by town officials in order to help repair the bridge, which has been deemed vital. Despite no longer carrying traffic across the span, which was built in 1930, it does carry the a large sewer line that transports sewage from Walpole to Bellows Falls for treatment there. Officials on both sides of the river are seeking a resolution to repair the span, but New Hampshire state has essentially left the project alone. Now, according to *The Eagle Times*, a tri-board group with officials from Walpole, Rockingham,

and Bellows Falls, are considering writing a letter to a federal judge to receive the funds and assistance they need to keep the bridge in good shape so that the sewage agreement can remain intact. The bridge – which is jointly owned by both states – was closed back in March of 2009 by the New Hampshire Department of Transportation after a semi-annual inspection deemed the structure unsafe due to deteriorating concrete.

With the Brattleboro Police Department moving into a new home on Black Mountain Road, another police organization is moving into a new barracks. Vermont State Police are just about ready to call a new building in Westminster home, but authorities are still waiting on the resolution of a stormwater issue. The new building for VSP, built on Westminster Heights Road near Exit 5 of I-91, is essentially ready for troopers to move in, but town officials are saying that the site was originally designed to have a stormwater retention permit, meaning stormwater would be kept on site and soak into the ground. *The Brattleboro Reformer* reports that contention arose when the Department of Environmental Conservation named the new barracks in a violation notice when stormwater was found to be running off the site and onto adjacent land owned by the town. Buildings and General Services authorities are considering building a storm detention pond, instead of retention, to prevent runoff onto adjacent land. The new building cost \$6.2 million and VSP hope to move in by July, pending the approval of the final necessary permits.

After the break on YCN News, we'll take a look at a local hiking trail that leads to the top of Mount Ascutney in a new segment. We'll be right back.

Now for one of our new segments on YCN, as we review some local hiking trails that you yourself can try out this summer. It's called Trail Hikers Guide to the Upper Valley and today, in light of Mt. Ascutney recently celebrating 50 years of hiking the mountain, we ascended the Weathersfield Trail from the trailhead to the top. Let's take a look on what to expect.

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Stay tuned for future episodes of Trail Hikers Guide to the Upper Valley and if you have a suggestion of a trail for us to check out, head to the Contact Us tab on our website YCNNow.com and send us a message!

After the break on YCN News, we'll join sports reporter Andrew Zurheide for a look at some local sports action, plus your weather and community calendar. We'll be right back.

Welcome back to YCN News, I'm Andrew Zurheide.

Well so far today it's been normal in terms of weather as we've seen mostly sunny skies and temperatures in the high 70s. There has been a noticeable southeast wind with gusts as high as 10 miles per hour. Now let's take a look at our forecast for the next couple of days.

During the late hours of the night there is a 30% CHANCE OF SHOWERS after 2am. Temps will fall to as low as 56 degrees. Tomorrow the wet late night weather will have moved on and MOSTLY CLOUDY skies will roll in. High temps will reach into the mid 70s (77) and there will be

a slight southwest wind around 5 miles per hour. Tomorrow night will be partly cloudy with lows falling to a very comfortable 59 degrees. Saturday looks gorgeous as MOSTLY SUNNY skies are expected with highs in the low 80s (81) and Saturday night night will be calm with mostly cloudy skies and lows again around 59.

It's time for your daily community calendar, brought to you by MJ Harrington and Company, where we take a look at some events happening tomorrow.

The Chelsea Farmers Market in Chelsea, Vermont will be going on tomorrow from 3 to 6pm in the heart of downtown Chelsea. This market offers fresh produce, local crafts, and prepared foods. There is an average of 20 vendors a week and it is a great place to purchase local products, meet up with friends, and enjoy live music with free children's activities. If you would like more information you can call 802-685-3174.

The Enfield Methodist Church in Enfield, New Hampshire off of route 4, is hosting a chicken, biscuits and gravy dinner from 5 to 6:30pm. The menu includes chicken, biscuits and gravy of course but also features veggies, cranberry sauce beverages and homemade pies, yum. Adults are required to pay nine dollars, kids ages 5 to 10 will cost \$4.50 and little ones under five are free. Take out is available and you can call 603-632-5030 to find out more.

Tomorrow night you can head over to the Spark Community Center in Lebanon from 6 to 9pm for movie and pizza dinner night. The movie shown will be "Half Dollar Life". There is a five dollar suggested donation and you can call 603-678-8619 for more details.

Yesterday the Hanover Marauders hosted the Goffstown Grizzlies for the quarter-finals of the NHIAA girls lacrosse state tournament. Let's see who's moving on to the semis.

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Congratulations on the win Hanover and good luck in the semis against Windham.

Now let's take a look at the YCN Scoreboard to check out some local NHIAA tournament results from yesterday.

<u>First up is the division two girls tennis final</u>, Hanover and Portsmouth who both have gone undefeated all season traveled to take on each other in Bedford. The Marauders were able to win four of six singles matches and two of three doubles matches to win the championship 6 to 3. The Marauders have now won 3 straight division two championships and have also gone three straight seasons without losing, literally going 50 and 0 over the last three years. Hanover girls tennis will move to division one next year.

Now let's look at the division four softball tournament, the top ranked undefeated Sunapee Lakers hosted Groveton yesterday afternoon. The Lakers were able to score 12 runs while allowing none from their opponent. Katie Frederick took the mound for Sunapee as she was able to strikeout 10 while allowing 3 walks and no hits, that's right, she pitched a no-hitter, wow. Meagan Curry swung the bat well as she was able to record 3 hits and one RBI. Sunapee will host Woodsville on Saturday.

Good evening, it's Friday, June 3rd.

Crime news is up first tonight, as it is most nights. Police in Springfield, Vermont announced yesterday that they have arrested and charged a local man with burglary and damage at Springfield Hospital. Police say that on May 10th, 34-year old Andrew Fagans was arrested for burglary and unlawful mischief at around 4 AM. Police had received a report that said a male had broken into the Springfield Hospital Meeting House. A press release says that officer Coriander Santagate, who responded to the report, found extensive damage to the building. Inside the building, wires, computers, photographs, and white boards had all been ripped away from walls and items were scattered all over the kitchen and bathroom. The total cost of the damage was estimated at \$1,000 and Fagans was arrested in direct connection with the damage. He appeared in Windsor County Superior Court and was held on \$5,000 bail at the Southern State Correctional Facility. No court date has been set for Fagans as of yet and he is currently receiving mental health treatment in Brattleboro.

It's June, which means many things, like the first day of summer later in the month, but also, Claremont's Moody Park is celebrating it's 100th birthday. Now, it may be receiving a rather nice birthday gift in the form of an additional 143 acres for visitors to enjoy. *The Eagle Times* reports that next week, the city council is expected to vote on the suggestion of incorporating 143-acres of city-owned land into the park, situated near the western border of the park and the Amtrak line. If it is approved, that land will immediately be under the park's protection and would be immune to any sort of future development. The exact details of this land transfer will be discussed next Wednesday night, followed by the vote. The park was donated by a wealthy Claremont businessman, William Moody, in 1916 and since been developed by selective cutting and hiking/biking trails. There are roughly seven miles of these trails, which do overlap onto the piece of city land that is in discussion. Pending approval next week, these sections of the trails will formally be part of the park. As part of the park's 100th anniversary, many events are taking place all month long. For full details, you can visit www.ClaremontParks.com.

Onto a story now that we've mentioned on previous newscasts, as Lebanon, New Hampshire city officials have presented the results of community surveys for improvements to the downtown. Last night at the Lebanon Opera House, community members and city officials met to discuss the new vision for the downtown, scheduled to take place over the next 15-20 years. The Valley News reports that there will be multiple improvements as the result of community surveys over the past few weeks, including a proposed parking garage behind city hall, a new rotary on the corner of the green where School Street feeds in, and the restoration of the rail tunnel for pedestrians and bikes. In addition, traffic may become two-way on West, South, and East Park Streets, which, coupled with new rotaries, will allow motorists to turn around without having to travel around the entire green. All of the information and feedback that has been gathered so far for the plans will be put into a final report to move the city forward. A private developer from Massachusetts would take the reigns on the projects, if all approved.

Looking for something to do this weekend? Have a passion for the arts? Then you may want to check out the Sunapee Landing Trading Company on Route 103, which currently has an interesting exhibit on display. Christine Corey, the owner, tells us more.

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The Sunapee Landing Trading Company is open this weekend Saturday 10-5 and Sunday 1-4. The event is free and open to the public so feel free to head on over to check it out!

After the break on YCN News,

The Lake Sunapee Young Professionals Network had their monthly event last week at the Flying Goose restaurant brew pub. The first part of the event was a meet and greet and then the young professionals were lucky enough to take a tour of the brewery with The Flying Goose's own brewmaster Rik Marley. Let's take a peek.

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If you haven't yet attended a Lake Sunapee Young Professionals event, you can check out their Facebook page by simply searching Lake Sunapee Young Professionals Network. Their events are always fun while at the same time professional as you can meet new people and expand your network. We suggest you check them out if you live in the Lake Sunapee region and are a young professional yourself.

After the break on YCN News, we'll join sports reporter Andrew Zurheide for a look at some local sports action, plus your weather and community calendar. We'll be right back.

Welcome back to YCN News, I'm Andrew Zurheide.

Well today's weathers been warm and partly sunny, but there is currently a 30% chance for showers and thunderstorms with southeast winds around 5 miles per hour. Now let's take a look at our forecast for the next couple of days.

Tonight the CHANCE OF SHOWERS AND THUNDERSTORMS (30%) continues until 9pm. Then the night will become calm and lows will fall to around 59 degrees. Tomorrow we will see a calm day with MOSTLY SUNNY skies and highs near 84. Tomorrow night will be partly cloudy with lows falling to around 57. Sunday is a different story as rain and thunderstorms are likely and at times these storms could produce heavy rain. Highs will only be in the low 70s (71) while Sunday night the rain and thunderstorms will continue throughout most of the night, into the early morning hours on Monday. The low will fall to around 60 degrees.

It's time for your daily community calendar, brought to you by MJ Harrington and Company, where we take a look at some events happening tomorrow.

Looking for some fresh food that's locally grown? The Norwich farmers market is open from 9am to 1pm at the Summer Norwich Farmers Market Grounds off of Route 5 South next to Fogg's True Value Hardware. There will be over 50 vendors who will be there rain or shine and they will offer fresh food, prepared food and arts and crafts. Admission is free of course and you can call 802-384-7447 for more details.

Come join the fun as Storrs Pond in Hanover on 59 Oak Hill Drive opens for the season beginning at 10am and running until 2pm. This event includes tennis games, swimming games, disc golf demonstration, sand castles contests, field games, a scavenger hunt, a one mile family run, live music, jugglers, food and much much more. The use of all Storrs Pond facilities and admission to the event are free. If you would like to know more you can call 603-643-2134.

The Cornish United Church in Cornish, New Hampshire on Center Road is hosting a pot roast dinner from 5 to 7pm. The meal will be all you can eat which includes, potatoes, gravy, red cabbage, rolls and dessert. Preschoolers are free but everyone else will cost 6 to 12 dollars. You can call 603-542-8546 to find out more.

The 12th annual Black Fly Blitz 5k run in Wilmot took place last Monday on Memorial day. It's a fun family friendly local event that the community looks forward to every year. Let's check out some of the fun.

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The Black Fly Blitz looks like a great time, whether you're participating in the race or simply hanging out with the community. Be sure to register before next year's race.

Now let's take a look at the YCN Scoreboard to check out some local state playoff results from yesterday.

<u>Let's begin with division 2 baseball</u>, 12th ranked Lebanon traveled to take on 5th seeded John Stark in the first round. The Raiders were able to pull off the upset victory 6 to 5 behind Lebanon's starting pitcher Derek Griffin's complete game. Matt Sullivan lead the Raiders offense with three hits and two RBIs. Lebanon will face off against 4th seeded Windham tomorrow.

Now to the division 3 playoffs, 14th ranked Stevens took on third ranked Belmont as the cardinals fell 11 to 7. Stevens held multiple leads throughout the game but Belmont's bats exploded in the bottom of the sixth as Caleb Drouin crushed a 3-2 pitch for a game winning grand slam. Belmont will face 6th ranked Bow in the guarterfinals.

10th seeded Kearsarge traveled to 7th seeded Bishop Brady. The Cougars would end up falling 5 to 1. Kearsarge held a 1 nothing lead but in the sixth inning the cougars let up a couple of hits with the bases loaded to give Bishop Brady the lead. The Giants will face off against 18th seeded Hopkinton tomorrow.

Now to division four, the second seeded Sunapee Lakers took on 15th seeded Lisbon as the Lakers were able to win and blank their opponent 7 to 0. Lakers starting pitcher struck out 13 opposing batter en route to the win. Sunapee will host 7th ranked Wilton-Lyndeborough tomorrow.

Lets now turn to the division three girls lacrosse quarter-finals, number one seed Laconia hosted 8th seeded Lebanon. Laconia was able to easily win 18 to 3. Lebanon seniors Brenna Peterson, Kendra MacDonald and Elle Brine all scored in their final high school game. Laconia will face off against Derryfield for the semis.

Third ranked Kearsarge hosted 6th ranked Pelham. The Cougars were also able to easily win 19 to 5. Kearsarge will take on St. Thomas Aquinas tomorrow at Bedford High School. And last but not least division three softball, the 8th seeded Belmont Red Raiders were able to walk off with a victory against the 9th seeded Newport tigers during the second round. Belmont scored three runs in the bottom of the 7th to win the game 4 to 3 as they had been down 3 to 1 going into the inning. Newport finishes the year with an overall record of 11 and 6. Belmont will face the number 1 seed White Mountains on Monday.

Good evening, it's Monday, June 6th.

Crime news is up first on this Monday evening, as Lebanon police have arrested yet another man for attempting to solicit prostitution from undercover officers. Lebanon police say that 35-year old Joshua Underhill of Christian Street in White River Junction was arrested for multiple charges, stemming from an incident last Thursday where he was involved in a prostitution sting and then led officers on a high speed chase. At around 7:15 PM, after an undercover investigation into online prostitution, officers found Underhill in a parking lot on Plainfield Road, the spot where he had scheduled to meet a female for sexual activities. When they moved in to investigate, he speed off at a high speed and was able to evade officers in traffic. He was later seen on Maple Street and was pulled over and arrested. He faces charges of Reckless Conduct, which is a felony, Solicitation of Prostitution, Resisting Detention, Disobeying a Police Officer, and Reckless Operation. He was held on \$5,000 bail at the Grafton County House of Corrections and was arraigned today.

Continuing with crime news, this time over in Vermont, Springfield police have arrested a man who violated his conditions of release not even 24 hours later. Court records say that 26-year old James Douglas pleaded innocent last week to charges of simple assault and violation of an abuse prevention order in Windsor Superior Court. The initial charges came when Douglas got into a scuffle with three men who were changing the locks on his ex-girlfriend's apartment door so that he could not enter. An affidavit in the case says that Corporal Gilderdale responded to the apartment on Commonwealth Avenue and found Douglas with a thousand-year stare, gaping mouth, and bags under his eyes. He told Gilderdale that the three men had broken into his apartment, but the three men later said that they were called there by the ex-girlfriend to change the locks. Two of the men had visible signs of being injured by Douglas, including bite marks and abrasions, where he had hit them with a tree branch. Douglas was arrested and released that Thursday and was found within 300 feet of Commonwealth Avenue Friday morning, thus violating a restraining order placed on him. He spent the three-day Memorial Day Weekend in jail and pleaded innocent late last week.

Last year, the Lebanon Housing Authority sought a grant for renovations their Rogers House, a senior living building off of Colburn Park in downtown Lebanon. Having not succeeded then, the group is now trying once again to receive the funds they need to complete necessary repairs. The Valley New reports that the authority is asking for around \$70,000 from the New Hampshire Land and Community Heritage Investment Program to complete repairs on the four columns out front, the upper porch, the balcony, and cornices. In addition, a matching \$70,000 will be provided by the capital fund program belonging to the Lebanon Housing Authority. The group also plans to add solar panels, which will be installed so they won't be seen from the street, and to renovate the lighting inside the lobby. Residents can also expect to have a new side ramp and improvements to the stairs in the front. The Rogers House is home to low-income seniors and people who are disabled over the age of 55. Although the City Council stands in support of this project by the Lebanon Housing Authority, the council recently turned down a proposed apartment building project by LHA, in light of community opposition.

Bringing the news right here to Claremont now, the City Council is currently at odds over the city's budget in regards to the amount allotted for the Parks and Recreation Department. Parks and Recreation Director Mark Brislin had submitted a budget request of around \$470,000 for regular maintenance and events, but the budget proposed by City Manager Guy Santagate, at around \$300,000, has some concerned that it's not enough for yearly events, like the 4th of July fireworks show. *The Valley News* is reporting that although the budget won't be approved until later this month and will kick in on July 1st, city officials are arguing that some of the Parks

and Rec money should be kept in. The 4th of July fireworks show from Monadnock Park is a staple of Independence Day in Claremont and councilors are arguing that even though the show will be held this year, if the original budget request is not kept, there may not be a show next year. Meanwhile, Santagate's budget proposal, of around \$17 million, remains an attractive option for some, considering that it would slightly lower tax rates for Claremont residents. The Council will continue their discussion on the budget allotment, and will vote later this month.

After the break on YCN News, we'll join the Lake Sunapee Region VNA and Hospice as we take another look into the world of health. We will be right back.

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Let's now join the Lake Sunapee Region VNA and Hospice to take a look at low vitamin d and its effects on alzheimer's patients.

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Thanks for that, we'll tune back in at the same time next week for more medical information.

After the break on YCN News, we'll join sports reporter Andrew Zurheide for a look at some local sports action, plus your weather and community calendar. We'll be right back.

Welcome back to YCN News, I'm Andrew Zurheide.

Well yesterday was a wet one but so far today it's been beautiful with sunny skies and temperatures reaching as high as 82 degrees. Now let's take a look at our forecast for the next couple of days.

Tonight there will be PATCHY FOG after 2am. Otherwise, we will see increasing clouds with lows falling to around 59. A southwest 5 mile an hour wind will become calm in the later hours. Tomorrow there is a 50% CHANCE OF SHOWERS after 7am. The skies will be partly sunny with highs near 77. We could see as much as a quarter of an inch in precipitation. Tomorrow night the chance of showers continue but around 8pm, there will also be a chance for thunderstorms that will last throughout the night. Lows will fall to around 54 degrees. Wednesday there is a 40% CHANCE OF SHOWERS with partly sunny skies and highs in the mid 60s (66) with a west wind around 10 miles per hour. And Wednesday night continues to be a slight chance for showers with lows around 48 degrees.

It's time for your daily community calendar, brought to you by MJ Harrington and Company, where we take a look at some events happening tomorrow.

Que le gusta hablar español? That's spanish for do you like to speak spanish? If the answer is si, then head on over to Umpleby's Bakery in Hanover from 9:30 to 10:30am to speak spanish with the Buena Gente Social Club. All ages and proficiency levels are welcome. Please call 802-649-5151 for more details about this free event.

Do your kids enjoy being creative? And do they like playing with legos? Then head on over to the Norwich Public Library in Norwich, Vermont for an hour of free lego play! This event will run

from 3:30pm to 4:30pm. Children under 8 must be accompanied by an adult. Please call 802-649-1184 to make sure you have a spot.

Bingo! The Enfield firefighters association is hosting another bingo night at the Enfield Community Center starting at 6:30pm. For 12 cards it will cost you 20 bucks or for 18 to 36 cards or all-night play it will cost 25 bucks. Refreshments will be available and you can call 603-632-5438 for more information.

Last Friday the Kearsarge boys lacrosse team faced off against Plymouth for the state division three quarter-finals. Let's take a look at some of the action.

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Congrats on the win Plymouth and good luck against Pelham.

Now let's take a look at the YCN Scoreboard to check out some local state playoff results from the weekend.

<u>Let's start with baseball</u>, 12th seeded Lebanon traveled to take on the 4th seed Windham for the state division two quarter-finals. Lebanon went on to lose 6 to 1. Windham quickly gained the lead, scoring three runs in the first inning. Lebanon was only able to record two hits, one from Matt Sullivan and Derek Griffin. Nate Perkins scored the Raiders only run. Windham will face off against Portsmouth on Thursday for the semi-finals.

Now to division four, second ranked Sunapee hosted 7th seeded Wilton-Lyndeborough. The Lakers were able to defeat the only team who beat them during the regular season, 8 to 5. Sunapee moves on to the semifinals against third ranked Portsmouth Christian on Wednesday. Now to division four **softball**, number one seed Sunapee hosted eighth seed Woodsville for the state quarterfinals. It would take the Lakers nine innings to beat Woodsville 6 to 5. Jessica Parsons' hard single off the glove of a Woodsville infielder scored Katie Frederick from third for the game winning run. Sunapee will face fifth ranked Portsmouth Christian on Wednesday night at Plymouth State University for the semi-finals matchup.

Now to **girls lacrosse**, second ranked Hanover took on third seeded Windham in Exeter for the division two semi-finals. Hanover was able to barely pull out the win 12 to 11. Windham has beaten Hanover in last years championship game so the Marauders were happy to take some revenge in what was a highly competitive game. Hanover will fact the number 1 seed, Portsmouth in Exeter tomorrow.

And finally division three, third ranked Kearsarge faced off against second ranked St. Thomas Aquinas for the state semi-finals. Kearsarge trailed by three goals just six minutes into the game. This would discourage some teams but not the cougars as they were able to tie the game by halftime. To start the second half, Kearsarge scored three quick goals to give them their own lead which they ended up holding onto, winning 9 to 8. Eleanor Angus tallied two goals and an assist for Kearsarge. The Cougars will go on to face top ranked Laconia on Wednesday for the division III championship game.

Good evening, it's Tuesday, June 7th.

We've got three updates for you tonight on stories we've been following for some time now. First up, the Claremont man charged in connection with a home invasion in Charlestown last year, was arraigned yesterday and pleaded not guilty. 41-year old Jeffrey Buzzell was in Sullivan

County Superior Court yesterday through a video teleconference from the Sullivan County House of Corrections, answering to charges of receiving stolen property, falsifying physical evidence, and criminal solicitation for stolen property. Court records say he pleaded not guilty to charges that stem from an incident in May of last year where he and another man broke into a 63-year old Charlestown woman's home, tied her up, and stole her personal goods, including gold, silver, and jewelry. Buzzell was spending time in prison earlier this year for an unrelated charge when he made calls to his wife directing her how to find the stash of stolen items. Police were tipped off from the information from these calls and found the items in Newport, which then led them to arrest Buzzell. His next court appearance has not been scheduled as of yet and bail remained at \$250,000.

Our second update tonight follows the Hartland man charged with killing a Rhode Island woman in a head-on collision while driving drunk on I-89 late last month. What's more is that the suspect, 38-year old Daniel Cowdrey, was involved in a similar accident in 2001 where he hit a pregnant woman's car head on, breaking several of her bones and lacerating her spleen. Court records say that he was below the legal limit for alcohol during that incident, but in regards to the accident two weeks ago, he was charged with driving while intoxicated and negligent homicide. He waived a probable cause hearing and has since posted the the \$25,000 set during his time at the Grafton County House of Corrections. Police say that on May 25th, Cowdrey was driving the wrong way on I-89 while drunk and hit 34-year old Ellynn Holesch of Rhode Island, killing her and sending her 4-year old son to Dartmouth-Hitchcock for treatment of serious injuries. Since the accident, a memorial fund has been set up online to help raise money for the husband and 4-year old son of Ellynn Koelsch, which has raised over \$46,000 so far.

Third update tonight: the proposed senior-living facility off of Claremont's Washington Street. The Zoning Board of Adjustment, during last night's meeting, approved two variances for the 492 Washington Street property that now allows the construction for a 74-unit senior-living facility. The Eagle Times reports that the variances were approved unanimously and that the main focus was safety in regards to traffic and turning onto and off of the traffic-heavy street. Wayne and Jean McCutcheon, who own the property and who have been pursuing this project for a couple months now, brought to the board plans for creating easements on both sides of the entrance and for extending the Home Depot's central turning lane to the east. The two variances approved will allow the building to be built in a rural residential 2 zone and would raise the housing density allowance. Wayne McCutcheon plans to move the project forward in two phases and board members have expressed their approval, saying it is a great use for the property and provides a valuable resource.

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Yet another update tonight in the case of a Hartland man who killed a Rhode Island woman in a wrong-way drunk driving crash on I-89 two weeks ago. Now, the state's liquor board is investigating Peking Tokyo in Lebanon where 38-year old Daniel Cowdrey of Hartland consumed alcohol before driving home to Vermont. *The Valley News* reports that the NH Liquor Commission, in cases like this, follows the trail back to where the suspect was provided alcohol to see if the restaurant or source is at fault for allowing one too many drinks and violating protocol. An affidavit states that Cowdrey told police he had "a few beers" at Peking Tokyo before driving home. Police say that on May 25th, Cowdrey was driving the wrong way on I-89 while drunk and hit 34-year old Ellynn Holesch of Rhode Island, killing her and sending her 4-year old son to Dartmouth-Hitchcock for treatment of serious injuries. Since the accident, a memorial fund has been set up online to help raise money for the husband and 4-year old son of Ellynn Koelsch, which has raised over \$46,000 so far.

Residents of Claremont who like frequenting the downtown will now have something to look forward to this summer. Are you a fan of sidewalk sales? You're in luck! The Claremont City Council has announced that they will be sponsoring three sidewalk sales at various points this summer in order to promote business and economy in the historic downtown. *The Eagle Times* reports that the sidewalk sales will take place from dawn to dusk, 9 AM to 9 PM on Pleasant Street and Opera House Square on June 17th, July 15th, and August 12th. These three sidewalk sales are all in an attempt to revitalize the downtown, which has seen a decline over the past few decades with empty storefronts on Pleasant Street becoming more commonplace. However, multiple new businesses have cropped up, including Linden's Bounce House, 100 Mile Market, and Twisted Fitness, which is set to open soon. City officials said that the idea for the sidewalk sales came from merchants themselves, as they would like to promote their businesses as well as support the city. The sales will take place without the need for special business permits or even an approval vote from the council.

There has been much talk in recent years, and especially as of late, about raising the minimum wage and allowing workers to stay above the poverty line. One local restaurant down in Bellows Falls, Vermont, has just raised the minimum wage for seven of their workers to \$15 an hour, which is considered the goal nationwide. Seven of the 20 employees at Popolo, an Italian restaurant, located right in the downtown on 36 Square, will see the wage increase reflected in their paychecks this Friday, which will be made up by a 6 percent service charge on each customer's bill. *The Brattleboro Reformer* reports that the restaurant's co-founder and general manager, Gary Smith, had mentioned the idea earlier this year in January to stakeholders and that he had spoken to the state to make sure that added the service charge is within regulation. The state told him that if the restaurant follows simple rules regarding this added charge, it won't be subject to the Options Tax, meaning that extra revenue will go right into employee's pockets.

The co-founder hopes that this raising of the minimum wage at his little restaurant will spark a conversation and motivate others to do the same.

Here's an interesting story for you, what if time just stopped? I'm sure plenty of us would like the ability to have time control, but in one specific part of Sunapee, time has come to a standstill. WNTK Radio reports that the Sunapee Select Board recently voted 4-1 in approval of around \$2000 to repair the Harbor House Livery Clock, which has stopped moving. Sunapee Riverway, which works to preserve the historic parts of Sunapee's Harbor, purchased the building for \$1.00 in September of last year while the clock was being repaired, although the conditions of the purchase stated that the clock be in working condition. Once it was fixed, it worked for a short time, but when officials tried to adjust it for daylight savings on November 6th, it stopped working. The town's highway department director recommended that it be repaired so that the conditions in the original agreement with Riverway could be fulfilled. D'Avanza Clock Repair from Goffstown, NH will be handling the repairs, which will reset it to the correct time once it is in working order.

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Do you like to meditate? Come on over to the Shambhala Center in White River Junction beginning at noon. Sitting and/or walking meditation with instruction will be available for free. Please call 802-484-7235 for more information.

The Summer Farmers Market in Lebanon will be open from 4 to 7pm at Colburn Park on North Park Street. The market will include fresh produce, plants, prepared food, baked goods and handmade crafts. Live music will also be performed each week by folk traditional musicians from around New England. You can call 603-448-5121 for more details.

The sixth annual Valley Fest will be held tomorrow on The Green in South Royalton, Vermont on 35 South Windsor St from 3 to 9pm. This is a fun family friendly festival that includes live

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Good evening, it's Thursday, June 9th.

Two stories tonight in crime news, beginning with a rather significant arrest right here in Claremont by the US Marshal's Service. Officials say that yesterday around noon in Claremont, members of the US Marshals Task Force arrested this week's "Fugitive of the Week", 46-year old Gerald "Jay" Swanson of Manchester, NH. He was being sought for a Federal Supervised Release Warrant from a conviction and sentence in 2006 for cocaine sales. Swanson was known to reside in Manchester but clues from an investigation led authorities to a residence in Claremont where he was with a family member. Both the Claremont Police Department and the New Hampshire State Police assisted in the investigation and arrest and Swanson was transported to Concord to the US District Court to stand for the outstanding arrest warrant. Other entities helped with the arrest, including the Strafford & Rockingham County Sheriff's Offices and Immigration & Customs Enforcement. "Fugitive of the Week" was created to help involve the public in tracking down wanted criminals and bringing them to justice.

Now with our second crime story this evening as Bellows Falls Police have made some arrests of their own, as they apprehended four suspects on multiple charges during a drug bust. Police say that they arrested four people yesterday as the result of an investigation into drug distribution in the Bellows Falls area. With the assistance of Walpole, NH police officers, authorities executed a search warrant for an apartment on 7 Westminster Street and K9 Caesar detected the presence of crack cocaine. 33-year old Gary A. Lescord Jr. of Bellows Falls was arrested for Violation of conditions after he was found hiding in a closet at the residence and 29-year old Tara Villeneuve of Franklin, NH was apprehended for two outstanding warrants. 36-year old Robbull Bryant of Brooklyn, NY was arrested for Possession of over 2.5 grams of Crack Cocaine and 44-year old Darlene Derby of Bellows Falls was arrested for Aiding in the Commission of a Felony. Lescord was released on conditions but the other three were all transported to the Southern State Correctional Facility for warrants and lack of bail. The investigation continues tonight and if you have any additional information, you are urged to contact BF Police at 802-463-1234.

Switching to a different note now, there's nothing quite like the smell of freshly baked bread. Now, residents of Claremont may soon have another bakery to visit to not only get a waft of that wonderful smell, but to actually buy some baked goods. *The Eagle Times* reports that the Stone

Arch Bakery, located on 39 Main Street, is hoping to lease the former Moose Lodge at 203 Broad Street and turn it into a bakery-cafe, aside from their two other locations in Claremont and Lebanon. A public hearing and presentation of the site plan application is being held next Monday at City Hall, where those interested can hear a presentation of the plans to renovate and utilize the currently unused building. 2,200 square feet will be turned into a bakery/cafe while the other 4,000 feet will be converted to office space. Parking will be provided by around 30 existing spots in the rear of the building and some new spaces out front. The Moose Lodge closed in 2014 when Moose International took the building as the result of a dispute which involved a lawsuit and taking Moose members to federal court.

If you're a resident of Sunapee, New London, or Newbury, don't be alarmed if an unknown person shows up at your door and asks for measurements of your home. Town officials from the three towns are alerting residents that under their inter municipal agreement for assessing, they have hired the Cross Country Appraisal Group to check out properties in town to gauge their value and reference it with data they have on file. The homes in question that will be visited are those that have not been visited in the past five years and officials hope that the work will be completed by the end of July this year. It should be noted that not every single house in town is on the list. The data collectors will be traveling and visiting homes in marked vehicles and will not enter your home if no one is home. They are seeking interior and exterior measurements and will only complete the interior scan if a resident over the age of 18 consents to let them enter. Both interior and exterior are needed to create an accurate value and town officials say that they are not completing a revaluation at this time and are only verifying property data.

After the break on YCN News, we'll take a look at this week's Trail Hiker's Guide to the Upper Valley as we head to Windsor Vermont's Paradise Park. We'll be right back.

Now for one of our new segments on YCN, as we review some local hiking trails that you yourself can try out this summer. It's called Trail Hikers Guide to the Upper Valley and today, we're gonna take a nice trip to Paradise. Now you won't need to go far to reach Paradise, as it's actually in Windsor, Vermont. I'm speaking of Paradise Park, which is situated in the Windsor Town Forest and circles part of Lake Runnemede. Let's take a look on what to expect.

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The Ascutney Fire Department is holding their annual June yard sale from 8am to 3pm at the Ascutney Fire Station in Ascutney, Vermont off of route 131 next to the I-91 park and ride. Come check out what interesting items might be for sale. Cocoa Shell Mulch will also be available for purchase for 7\$ a bag. For more information you are encouraged to call 802-674-6869

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Yesterday the Kearsarge Cougars girls lacrosse team faced off against Laconia for the division three state championship. Let's check out some of the high pressure action.

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Now let's take a look at the YCN Scoreboard to check out some local state playoff results from yesterday.

The second seeded Sunapee Lakers <u>baseball</u> team took on the third seed and defending champions Portsmouth Christian for the division four semifinals at Robbie Mills Park in Laconia. The Lakers were able to win the game easily 10 to 1. Sunapee was able to score five runs in the first inning, quickly taking a commanding lead. Lakers pitcher Ben Robinson threw a three hitter with six strikeouts and one walk and catcher Will Austin also, from Sunapee, crushed a two run homer in the second inning to put the game out of reach for the Eagles. Last year, Sunapee lost to the Eagles in the finals so the Lakers were happy to take some revenge. They move on the

finals against the number 1 seed Littleton on Saturday with a chance to be crowned division four champions for the fourth time in six years.

Now to softball, the same two schools, Sunapee the number 1 seed and Portsmouth Christian the fifth seed, faced off at Plymouth State University's Chase Field. Sunapee was able to remain undefeated winning the matchup 7 to 1. The Lakers weren't able to score double digit runs like they had all year, but they were still able to win by six runs. Katie Frederick pitched a strong game for the Lakers allowing just three hits while striking out five. She also homered to go along with a five RBI performance. Sunapee will face off against the number 2 seed Gorham on Saturday for the division four championships.

Good evening, it's Friday, June 10th.

We begin tonight with two tragic stories out of New Hampshire and Vermont. First, a man was found dead last night on Route 4 in Enfield, NH when two bicyclists found a dead body on the side of the road. Police say that the bikers were on their way home when they found the body of a man who appeared to be in his 50's. The cause of death death is unknown at this time and an autopsy will be conducted to determine the exact cause of death. The man was identified and police are withholding the identity until family members are notified. No foul play is expected at this time although he was known for having medical issues. Over in Vermont now, police say that one man is dead and a female is seriously injured after being hit by a vehicle last night, driven by 21-year old James Ribeiro. The incident occurred on River Street around 10:00 PM and the male was pronounced dead on scene once authorities arrived. Meanwhile, the female was transported to Springfield Hospital and then to DHMC for treatment. If you witnessed the crash or have information regarding it, you are urged to contact Springfield Police at 802-885-2113.

Now to the long saga of the Croydon, New Hampshire School District and their battle over school choice and using public money to fund private school tuition. In what was expected by some and unexpected by others, Governor Maggie Hassan vetoed House Bill 1637 yesterday, which would have allowed towns to use tax money to send students to approved private schools. In a release, Hassan calls it "unconstitutional" and says that "would undermine the state's efforts to ensure a strong and robust public education system." The bill stemmed from the Croydon School District where it was revealed that school officials were using public tuition to fund the tuition of four students attending the Newport Montessori School. The state's Attorney General's office filed temporary injunctions on behalf of the state's Board of Education, requesting that Croydon immediately cease funding the tuitions. The town's school board voted last year to allow parents of children in grades 4 and up to choose their children's school. Many state officials have expressed their disapproval of Hassan's decision, while others back it. Despite the bill being vetoed, the legal battle still continues for Croydon, using funds collected through an online campaign by town residents.

Sticking with education news with a story that developed at the same time as our last one, nearby Cornish, New Hampshire will finally be its own SAU starting in July of 2017. The state's Board of Education approved the decision in May and will go into effect in about one year and three weeks on July 1st, 2017. The withdrawal plan had been in the works for years and was approved by town voters during Town Meeting earlier this year. The withdrawal plan hopes to save the district money in light of constantly decreasing enrollment and the new district hopes to utilize services from nearby Plainfield and Windsor, Vermont. Cornish left SAU 6, which currently encompasses Unity and Claremont, and *The Valley New* reports that the district will

move forward under the moniker SAU 100. Officials estimate the town will save approximately \$18,000 dollars in its first year as a single-town district and a committee had been formed late last year to analyze the effectiveness of withdrawal. Throughout the process, town residents had offered their support for the move and town officials will now start looking to Plainfield and Windsor to hire and contract the services that were previously provided by SAU 6.

And right here in Claremont, in a quick update from a story we brought you last week, city officials have approved the addition of a sizeable portion of land to Moody Park. The City Council voted unanimously Wednesday night to approve 134-acres of city-owned land to be merged into Moody Park, a parcel which was located near the western border of the park where the Amtrak line is located. *The Eagle Times* says that city officials were largely in favor of the move, because it preserves that section of land and protects it from any sort of industrial or residential development. The 134-acre parcel already contained a handful of hiking/biking trails and the vote has formally adopted them into the existing system. The land was donated by a wealthy Claremont businessman, William Moody, in 1916 and has since been developed by selective cutting and hiking/biking trails. There are roughly seven miles of these trails and local groups, like the Claremont Cycle Depot, use them regularly for events. As part of the park's 100th anniversary this month, many events are taking place all month long. For full details, you can visit www.ClaremontParks.com.

After the break on YCN News, we'll take a look at the well-known historic estate over in Newbury, The Fells. We'll be right back.

Now for a piece on a location that we've visited multiple times here on YCN. The Fells, also known as the Hay Estate, was originally the home of John Milton Hay, a 19th century American Statesman who bought and used the property as a summer home to get away from the stress of working in Washington. Today, it is a wildlife refuge and is run and maintained by a group of volunteers as well as garden and administrative staff. The Fells landscaping director sat down with YCN to give an overview about what The Hay Estate has to offer during these beautiful summer months.

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If you would like to experience the amazing landscape and natural beauty for yourself the Fells gardens and trails are open year round to the public from dawn to dusk for members and from 9am to 5pm for non-members. The Fells is located in Newbury, New Hampshire off of route 103A. Make sure you take a walk around the grounds at some point in the near future, you won't be disappointed.

After the break on YCN News, we'll join sports reporter Andrew Zurheide for a look at some local sports action, plus your weather and community calendar. We'll be right back.

Welcome back to YCN News, I'm Andrew Zurheide.

Well last night the temperatures dropped into the mid 40s but it's warmed up a bit today as highs have been in mid 60s with mostly cloudy but dry skies. Now let's take a look at our forecast for the next couple of days.

Tonight there will be some PATCHY FOG after 2am but otherwise it will be mostly clear with lows falling to the mid 40s (45) again. Tomorrow, Saturday, looks like a nice day as we will see PARTLY SUNNY skies with highs near 73 degrees. The strong gusts we've seen the last couple days will have calmed down with a southwest five mile an hour wind. Tomorrow night could be wet at times as there is a 40% chance for showers with lows in the mid 50s (55) and a southwest wind around 5 miles an hour. By Sunday the showers will have passed and we will see PARTLY SUNNY skies with highs in the upper 60s (69). It looks like the gusts will be back as there is expected to be a 10 to 15 mile an hour northwest wind with speeds at times as high as 25 miles an hour. And Sunday night will be calm with mostly cloudy skies and lows again will be chilly, around 48 degrees.

It's time for your daily community calendar, brought to you by MJ Harrington and Company, where we take a look at some events happening tomorrow.

Well if you are interested in slimming down just before Summer arrives, you should join the hour long Summer Slim Down class in Lebanon at Colburn Park off of North Park Street. The outdoor workout group will run from 8 to 9am and is led by a local health coach. Both men and women of all experience levels are welcome to attend. Please call 978-335-1934 to find out more about this free healthy class.

Looking for some fresh food that's locally grown? The Norwich farmers market is open from 9am to 1pm at the Summer Norwich Farmers Market Grounds off of Route 5 South next to Fogg's True Value Hardware. There will be over 50 vendors who will be there rain or shine and they will offer fresh food, prepared food and arts and crafts. Admission is free of course and you can call 802-384-7447 for more details.

The Upper Valley Crafters annual Spring festival will be held tomorrow in Lebanon at Colburn Park from 9am to 3pm. Handmade items for sale include ceramics, knit and crocheted items, American girls dolls clothes, jewelry, pencil drawings and porcelain dolls. A portion of the proceeds go toward benefiting David's House and area elementary school art programs. If you would like more information feel free to call 603-448-1409.

Well now that we are toward the end of Spring and the beginning of Summer, we'll take a look at a local frisbee golf course over at Mt. Sunapee as apart of their adventure park in a piece that originally aired on YCN last summer.

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Looks like a blast. Mt. Sunapee's adventure park looks like a beautiful place to play some friendly or competitive frisbee golf. I can't wait to bring a friend out there myself.

Well there weren't any local sports scores from yesterday but there are a number of state playoff games today we will preview for you for today's YCN scoreboard.

First up Vermont baseball, 6th seeded Bellows Falls will face off against 8th seed Mt. Abraham for the division two state championship. The game will be played on Centennial Field in Burlington, Vermont beginning at 4pm tomorrow. 5th seeded Windsor will take on third seed

Randolph for the division three state championship. The game will also be played on Centennial field but play will begin at 1pm.

Now to the NHIAA division four baseball and softball finals, the top seeded female Lakers will face off against the second seed Gorham tomorrow at 2pm on Chase Field at Plymouth State University. Sunapee looks to win their second straight division four championship. The male Lakers coming in with the second seed will attempt to take down the number 1 seed Littleton on Tuesday at 5pm at Northeast Delta Dental Stadium in Manchester, where the Fisher Cats play. Sunapee hopes to be crowned champions the fourth time in six years.

Good evening, it's Monday, June 13th.

You know what's up first: crime news. This week, we begin with a call for assistance from the Lebanon Police Department in ID'ing two individuals that were involved in two shoplifting incidents. Lebanon Police say that on June 1st, they received a report of two shoplifting incidents at the West Lebanon Wal-Mart that appeared to be related. The first incident had taken place on May 28th where two unidentified people were seen filling a shopping cart and leaving the store without paying. The two were accompanied by a juvenile female. Then, on June 1st, a second incident occurred where the same people entered the store, placed around \$650.00 worth of merchandise in their cart, and left without paying. The male was stopped and asked to show a receipt but he walked away and entered a dark colored Nissan Altima. The suspect is described as a white male, medium build with tattoos on both of his shoulders. The left shoulder appears to be a Fox Racing tattoo. The female is white with shoulder length blonde hair and has a medium build. If you know the people in the photographs or have any information that could help identify the suspects, you are urged to call the Lebanon Police Department at 603-448-1212.

In Unity, New Hampshire now, local and federal authorities are investigating the recent death of an inmate at the Sullivan County Department of Corrections. The Sullivan County Sheriff's Office and New Hampshire State Police are looking into the manner and cause of death of 50-year old Edward Hawkins of Claremont while in protective custody. Officials say that Hawkins was taken into protective custody by Claremont Police and was brought to the Sullivan County Department of Corrections at around 3:00 PM on Friday. He was placed in a single observation cell and monitored regularly during the following hour. During one of the regular observations, Hawkins was found unconscious and unresponsive. Department of Corrections staff used CPR and called an ambulance. They continued to administer CPR until Golden Cross Ambulance and the Unity Fire Department arrived. However, Hawkins was pronounced dead by officials about an hour later. Both an autopsy and toxicology test will be conducted to determine the exact cause of the death and not much more is known at this time until the results are released.

An update now, on a brighter note, as fire crews in the Rockingham area will now be able to fight fires better with two new fire trucks. After much discussion over several Selectboard meetings, including the most recent one last week, the board has approved the purchase of two new trucks. *The Brattleboro Reformer* reports that Saxtons River will have up to \$250,000 to purchase a new truck while the Volunteer Rockingham Fire Department will have up to \$295,000 to purchase one of their own. The Selectboard has been weighing the options on which vendors to use for the purchases and received bids, which were noted to have come in lower than the approved prices. The discussion around the purchases mentioned that town voters had approved \$500,000 for the new trucks at Town Meeting, but the two purchases would be going over that amount, but the town's surplus would be able to cover the remainder.

Besides trucks, other equipment was discussed based on firefighters' needs, including a Jaws of Life hydraulic tool. Ultimately, the Saxtons River department is set to receive a new thermal imaging camera following the approval of the \$12,000 purchase from the board.

If you attended a local high school this year, chances are, you graduated this weekend. High schools all over our region held commencement ceremonies this past weekend despite the chillier temperatures. Schools including Windsor, Hanover, Woodstock, and Kearsarge, to name a few. YCN was at Kearsarge's commencement on Saturday, where 133 seniors were handed their diplomas and received kind words from family, friends, and school staff. Valedictorians Devon Fortier and Aiden Terhune, spoke to the crowd, with Fortier telling her inspiring story of beating cancer and fighting diabetes while also maintaining a 4.0 GPA. Principal Robert Bennett announced that the class would beat the rain, as cloudy skies loomed overhead. Fortunately, that's exactly what they did, as rain drops began to fall shortly after the ceremony wrapped up and as students and families hugged one another, a drizzle blanketed them. Graduates and attendees also received a musical treat from a special chorus made up of students from the school district from the Class of 2028, in the form of *God Bless America*. To view the full ceremony, with original sound and no cuts, be sure to check out the Kearsarge 2016 Graduation Special on YCN, airing right after tonight's news on WYCU.

After the break on YCN News, we'll join the Lake Sunapee Region VNA and Hospice as we take another look into the world of health. We will be right back.

Let's now join the Lake Sunapee Region VNA and Hospice to take a look at the increase of diabetes in the united states.

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Thanks for that, we'll tune back in at the same time next week for more medical information.

After the break on YCN News, we'll join sports reporter Andrew Zurheide for a look at some local sports action, plus your weather and community calendar. We'll be right back.

Welcome back to YCN News, I'm Andrew Zurheide.

Well the weekend was chilly, cloudy and windy. Today has been more of the same as we've seen overcast skies, highs in the mid 60s and wind speeds around 15 miles an hour. There is the potential for wind speeds to reach as high as 35 miles an hour at times today and tonight which could lead to isolated power outages across parts of the state so be sure to prepare for the worst. Now let's take a look at our forecast for the next couple of days.

Tonight will continue to be MOSTLY CLOUDY with temps falling into the low 50s (51) and as stated a moment ago, wind speeds will be high and there is the possibility for isolated power outages. Tomorrow looks like a much nicer day with SUNNY skies and temps climbing into the mid 70s (73). It will remain gusty however with northwest wind speeds 10 to 15 miles an hour. Tomorrow night will be mostly clear with lows falling just below 50 degrees (49). Wednesday looks like a beautiful day with SUNNY clear skies and highs barely breaking into the 80s (80).

There will continue to be a 5 to 10 miles an hour northwest wind. And Wednesday night will be mostly clear with lows hovering in the mid 50s (54).

It's time for your daily community calendar, brought to you by MJ Harrington and Company, where we take a look at some events happening tomorrow.

Well if you enjoy speaking Spanish but are rarely ever able to use it, then head on over to Umpleby's Bakery in Hanover from 9:30 to 10:30am to speak spanish with the Buena Gente Social Club. All ages and proficiency levels are welcome. Please call 802-649-5151 for more details about this free event.

The Quechee Library kicks off its summer series for kids ages 5 to 12 this week at the Quechee Library in Quechee, Vermont. The first event is titled "Teamwork with Siberian Huskies" The kids will get a visit from Braeburn Siberian huskies. The kids will also make doggie treats from scratch to give their four legged friends. If you would like more information you can call 802-295-1232 for this furry free event.

Bingo! The Enfield firefighters association is hosting another bingo night at the Enfield Community Center starting at 6:30pm. For 12 cards it will cost you 20 bucks or for 18 to 36 cards or all-night play it will cost 25 bucks. Refreshments will be available and you can call 603-632-5438 for more information.

The Sunapee Lakers softball team faced off against the Gorham Huskies for the division four state championship two days ago on Saturday at Plymouth State University's Chase Field. Let's see who was able to come out on top.

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Congratulations to the Sunapee Lakers on an amazing undefeated championship year. Stay tuned for tomorrow as we will feature interviews with the coaches and players from this exciting championship game.

Now let's take a look at the YCN Scoreboard to check out another local state championship from Saturday.

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Moving from softball to baseball, the fifth ranked Windsor yellow jackets took on the third ranked Randolph Galloping Ghosts for the VPA division three state championship final at Centennial Field in Burlington, Vermont. Windsor would go on to defeat Randolph by seven runs by a final score of 10 to 3. Senior Nick Kapuscincki took the mound for the yellow jackets pitching three plus innings allowing just one run. Sophomore Seth Balch took over pitching duties in the fourth as he would pitch the rest of the game for Windsor, allowing just one hit and one walk. Randolph was able to take a quick 1-0 lead after the first inning but the YellowJackets were able to respond with a run in the second and third to take a one run lead. They never looked back as their bats exploded in the fourth to score six times. This victory gave Windsor their first baseball championship in 41 years. congratulations Windsor and go Yellow Jackets.

Good evening, it's Tuesday, June 14th.

Crime news is up first tonight, as a nurse from Springfield, Vermont has been charged with sexual exploitation of an inmate at the correctional facility in town. According to Vermont State Police, 39-year old Rebecca Parker had been involved in a sexual relationship with a 31-year old inmate, whose identity is withheld because of the nature of sexual exploitation cases. Vermont State Police were contacted by the State Department of Corrections on February 9th of this year, reporting sexual misconduct between a staff member and an inmate. Authorities launched an investigation and VSP were able to collect a large number of emails and recorded phone calls exchanged between Parker and the unidentified inmate. From the investigation, police deduced that Parker was the responsible suspect from the report in February and on June 1st, she was issued a citation and ordered to abide by conditions of release. Parker will appear in Windsor Superior Court on Tuesday, July 12th to answer to the charge.

Sticking with crime news out of Springfield, Vermont, a man has been ordered held without bail after allegedly choking a pregnant woman to the edge of unconsciousness. 24-year old Joshua VanHise pleaded innocent this week to a felony charge of first degree aggravated domestic assault. Police say that VanHise admitted to grabbing a woman by the throat and tossing her cellphone into the toilet to prevent her from calling authorities to help. When police arrived, the woman explained that they had become engaged in an argument over VanHise's reckless driving and a physical altercation erupted from the verbal argument. An affidavit says that he knocked her over, sat on her chest, and used both his hands to choke her. The woman was described as being 12 weeks pregnant and may have lost consciousness. Both VanHise and the woman showed signs of a struggle on their bodies, with scratch marks, bruises, and bite marks. In Windsor Superior Court this week, VanHise was ordered held without bail as the presiding judge viewed him as a threat to both the public and to the woman. As the charges stand, VanHise faces a maximum sentence of up to 16 years in prison.

The region's many covered bridges are certainly interesting landmarks that define the rich history here, but they also seem to be the unintentional target of damage by vehicles. One certain bridge in Cornish has been hit a second time this year and police are looking for those responsible. According to Cornish Police, the Dingleton Hill Covered Bridge on Townhouse Road was damaged by a vehicle once again yesterday morning in the same exact spot that had been repaired recently from an accident earlier this year. The accident was reported yesterday at around 9:15 AM and since then, no one has come forward to say they were responsible. In February of this year, a school bus carrying the Otter Valley Union High School girls basketball team damaged the bridge as it exceeded both the height and weight limits. The driver was charged \$700 altogether for conduct after an accident, having left the scene not knowing he hit the bridge, and for driving the overweight vehicle on the historic span. If you witnessed yesterday's incident or have any information, you are asked to contact the Cornish Police Department at 603-543-0535.

An update from a story last week as officials on Claremont's Planning Board voted in favor last night of the site plan for the renovation of a vacant building on Broad Street. *The Eagle Times* reports that the Planning Board voted 7-1 in support of the former Moose Lodge at 209 Broad Street to be renovated as a bakery/cafe with office space. The site plan lays out that 2,200 square feet would be turned into a cafe/bakery that would be leased out to the Stone Arch Bakery, which has locations in Lebanon and on Claremont's Main Street. The one vote against the site plan and renovation was Mayor Charlene Lovett, who said that the added parking lot in front of the building would be out of place. Parking would be supplied by a new lot out front and around 30 existing spaces in the rear. In a letter to the board, the owner of Stone Arch Bakery

explained that the position on a high-traffic street and location near the schools would help promote business. If all goes according to plan, including a full renovation, the project could be completed in time for an opening in September of this year.

After the break on YCN News, we'll check in with the progress of the new Newport Health Center.

With the sight of the Newport Health Center looking more and more like it will as the contractor completes the exterior, YCN caught up with the President and CEO of New London Hospital, Bruce King. We asked him if it looks like they will meet their targeted goal for finishing the project for this fall.

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With the mild winter we had, it looks like there should be a grand opening this fall as hoped for. If you are interested in learning more about the project or would like to donate to their fund raising campaign go to NewLondonHospital.org and click on "Ways to Support." Next week, we'll talk to Bruce King about how medical care has changed and the ways that it is becoming much more effective and efficient.

After the break on YCN News, we'll join sports reporter Andrew Zurheide for a look at some local sports action, plus your weather and community calendar. We'll be right back.

Welcome back to YCN News, I'm Andrew Zurheide.

Well today has been clear and sunny with highs comfortably in the mid 70s. Now let's take a look at our forecast for the next couple of days.

Tonight looks like a calm evening as we will see MOSTLY CLEAR skies with lows around 53 degrees. The winds will have calmed to just a five mile an hour northwest wind. Tomorrow looks even nicer than today as we expect SUNNY skies with highs in the upper 70s (79). The winds will have picked back up a bit with northwest 5 to 10 mile an hour gusts. Tomorrow night will be mostly clear with lows falling into the low 50s (52). Thursday looks almost identical to Wednesday as MOSTLY SUNNY skies and highs barely breaking into the 80s (81) are expected. And Thursday night will be partly cloudy with lows in the mid 50s (55).

It's time for your daily community calendar, brought to you by MJ Harrington and Company, where we take a look at some events happening tomorrow.

If you're looking for some bargains I suggest you head on up to the Lyme Congregational Church on 1 Dorchester Road for another bargain Barn sale. Used clothes, household items, linens, jewelry and toys will be available for purchase at a very reasonable price. The bargains will be going on from 1:30pm to 4:30pm and you can call 603-795-2850 for more information.

The weekly Fiber Arts Group is meeting in Newport tomorrow at the Library Arts Center on 15 Main Street from 10 to 12:00pm. Bring sewing, embroidery, felting, knitting, spinning, quilting or

whatever it may be for fiber based arts and crafts. This group will cost you a small fee of four dollars and you can call 603-863-3040 for more details.

The Hartland Public Library in Hartland, Vermont will be screening a TED talk by futurist Juan Enriquez about how humans have upended natural selection through hybridizing plants, breeding animals, altering the environment and even purposefully evolving ourselves. He provides five guidelines for a future where this ability to program life rapidly accelerates. A discussion will take place after the screening. The TED talk will begin at 6:30pm and if you would like more information you can call 802-436-2473.

Well yesterday we showed you footage of the Sunapee Lakers defeating the Gorham Huskies for the division four softball state championship. Today we'll show you interviews from the players and head coach to give their opinions on the win, their nerves, and what happened during the rainy championship game.

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Congratulations to the undefeated two time champion Sunapee Lakers, wow what a season.

Now let's take a look at the YCN Scoreboard to check out some local baseball results from Yesterday.

Top-seeded Bedford was able to crush 15th seed Bishop Guertin 22 to 4 in the division 1 state championship game. Bedford scored four runs in the first and two in the second to take a quick lead. This was Bedford's third trip to a championship game but the program's first title.

Second ranked Souhegan was able to pull out a division two championship victory over top-seeded Portsmouth, 2 to 1. Second baseman Thomas Bennett had three hits and scored both Souhegan runs while starting pitcher Noah Hodges pitched a complete game allowing just 2 hits during the win.

Good evening, it's Wednesday, June 15th.

Two crime stories up first tonight, beginning in Lebanon, NH, where police have nabbed yet another suspect for drug possession. According to police, 25-year old Shane Phillips of Fairlee, Vermont, was arrested yesterday for possession of heroin. At around 7:30 last night, Lebanon Police received a call about a suspicious motor vehicle on Maple Street with two male occupants inside. When police arrived on scene, they determined that the male passenger had overdosed on heroin and was unconscious. The Lebanon Fire Department treated him with NARCAN, an opiate antidote, and transported him to Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical center. The driver was identified as Phillips and he was found with 13 bags of heroin. He was subsequently arrested and it was discovered that he was also in contempt of court through an active Electronic Bench Warrant. His bail was set at \$20,000, which he was unable to post, and he was transported to the Grafton County House of Corrections. He was scheduled to be arraigned earlier today.

An update in a story we brought you late last week as authorities have charged the driver responsible for hitting two pedestrians last Thursday in Springfield, killing one. Police say they responded to River Street around 10 PM on Thursday night to a report of a woman lying on the

road. When they arrived, they found that a motor vehicle had struck and injured the woman and fatally wounded a man who was with her. The alleged driver, 21-year old James Ribeiro, was charged with leaving the scene of a fatal accident and authorities pronounced the male victim dead on the scene. The female was transported to Springfield Hospital and later Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center with what was described as serious injuries. Both of the victims' families have been notified but Springfield Police are not planning to issue their identities to the public. Ribeiro was arrested and cited in Windsor Superior Court on Friday to answer the charge. He's currently being held at the Southern State Correctional Facility in Springfield on \$25,000 cash or surety bail. The accident is still under investigation and anyone who witnessed it or has any information, you are urged to contact Springfield Police at 802-885-2113.

Next week will be a big week for Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center in Lebanon as groundbreaking for their new palliative care center is set to take place. Next Wednesday, June 22nd, will mark the groundbreaking for the Jack Byrne Center for Palliative and Hospice Care. Plans for the \$20-million dollar facility were originally announced by Dartmouth-Hitchcock officials back in 2014 after having received a \$10-million dollar gift. The Lebanon Planning Board easily approved the plans in March of this year. The 28,000-plus square foot facility was initially going to be constructed on land owned by Dartmouth College, but after several adaptations, officials have since settled on hospital-owned land to be accessed off Hitchcock Loop Road. The 12-bed facility is meant for patients with serious diseases needing curative treatments, but unlike hospice, are not considered by doctors to have fewer than six months to live. Dartmouth-Hitchcock plans to construct 44 parking spaces for the new facility, which is 22 fewer than the amount required by city zoning laws. The facility's anticipated opening is in 2017, with original estimates putting a slightly more than a million dollar price tag on the project.

Things aren't looking too good for a closed restaurant here in Claremont that had hopes of reopening. The owner of BJ Brickers at 214 Washington Street, Sandra Holl, was hoping to reopen the restaurant after it closed in August of 2013 after Holl and her brother inherited the business in 2008 and could not find common ground on how to run the business. However, *The Eagle Times* reports that the Planning Board voted 7-0 against continuing the public hearing for the site plan waiver request. Holl had requested that the board continue to hearings, of which there have been three so far, so that she could hold a Donald Trump campaign event at the restaurant. The board's reasoning behind voting the site plan down was merely because of parking and Holl needing to provide a professional engineer's design to prove the existence of nearly 30 parking spots. The current site plan is over 20 years old and parking in the area, which is near the Claremont Plaza, has since changed. The hearings for the restaurant reopening may continue if Holl is able to prove that there are at least 25 parking spaces specific to the restaurant and not the nearby plaza.

After the break on YCN News, we'll take a look at a historic village in Vermont that is a great idea for a day trip this summer. We'll be right back.

Welcome back to YCN News, it's Wednesday June 15th. I'm Kurt Wehde.

With the start of the summer traveling season just around the corner, YCN took a trip to nearby Plymouth, Vermont to look at one of Vermont's most scenic villages and newly remodeled visitors centers. Located along scenic Routes 100 & 100A, Plymouth is comprised of two small villages, Plymouth and Plymouth Notch, the boyhood home home of President Calvin Coolidge. Historic Plymouth Notch is carefully preserved as this small hill town remains virtually

unchanged since 1923. It was in his old family homestead when Calvin Coolidge was sworn in as the 30th President of the United States.

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Plymouth Notch served as the 1924 Summer White House and the village church, general store, cheese factory, and community dance hall offer travelers a glimpse back in time and in American History. A great place to visit this summer.

After the break on YCN News, we'll join sports reporter Andrew Zurheide for a look at some local sports action, plus your weather and community calendar. We'll be right back.

Welcome back to YCN News, I'm Andrew Zurheide.

Well today's weather has been very nice as we've seen sunny skies and highs around 82 degrees with a northwesterly wind around 10 miles an hour. Now let's take a look at our forecast for the next couple of days.

Tonight will be cool with temps dropping into the low 50s (51). After 4am there will be some PATCHY FOG with increasing clouds. A northwest wind around 5 miles an hour will become calm in the evening. Tomorrow the patchy fog will continue before 8am. After the morning hours, the skies will become SUNNY and highs will climb to around 83. Tomorrow night lows will be chilly, falling to around 51 with a north wind around 5 miles an hour. Friday will be MOSTLY SUNNY with highs in the upper 70s (78). A calm wind will pick up a bit around five miles an hour in the afternoon. Friday night will be mostly clear with lows again around 51 degrees.

It's time for your daily community calendar, brought to you by MJ Harrington and Company, where we take a look at some events happening tomorrow.

If you need to relax and unwind toward the end of a stressful week, a guided meditation session followed by a discussion will be going on from 11am to 12:30pm in Lebanon at "The Barn" on 14 Green St. This is a free Valley Insight Meditation event but donations are encouraged. Please call 603-448-1706 if you plan on attending for the first time.

The Summer Farmers Market in Lebanon will be open from 4 to 7pm at Colburn Park on North Park Street. The market will include fresh produce, plants, prepared food, baked goods and handmade crafts. Live music will also be performed each week by folk traditional musicians from around New England. You can call 603-448-5121 for more details.

If you would like to enjoy some free live music, the South Royalton Town Band will be performing their second concert of the year at the Richard W. Ellis band stand on The Green in South Windsor, Vermont. The music will start at 7pm and will run until around 8:30pm. If you would like more information you are welcome to call 802-763-8410.

Yesterday the Sunapee Lakers faced off against the Littleton Crusaders for the NHIAA division four baseball championship at Northeast Delta Dental Stadium in Manchester. Let's see who came out victorious during this heart pounding final.

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What a game and what a season for Littleton. Congratulations to the 2016 undefeated champion Crusaders. And don't hang your heads, Sunapee. I know it was a heartbreaking loss but making it to the championship game with a record of 18 and 1 is nothing to scoff at. Congrats the Sunapee Lakers on another very successful season.

Now let's take a look at the YCN Scoreboard to check out which local girls were selected to this year's lacrosse all-state teams.

Let's start with division two as the Hanover Marauders were featured heavily. The first team attack selections include Marauders Molly Seibel. The midfielders include Maddie Lyons and Johanna Copeland also from Hanover, and the defense features Mahler Meyrrose again from Hanover. And then the second team features one more Marauder on defense, Annika Cole. The These girls lead their team to a division two championship.

Now to division three, the first team attack selections include Anna Stowell and the midfielders include Eleanor Angus, both from Kearsarge. These two lead their team to the championship game. And the second team includes midfielders Elle Brine and Kendra MacDonald, both from Lebanon.

Good evening, it's Thursday, June 16th.

A court update tonight as a man accused of having incestual sex with his underage autistic step daughter has been found not guilty by a jury. *The Eagle TImes* says that 48-year old Timothy Godkin was in Sullivan County Superior Court on Tuesday as part of a two-day trial stemming from the crime that occurred between January of 2009 and February of 2010. The jury announced the verdict after two hours of deliberating, deeming Godkin not guilty. The paper reports evidence in the trial included testimony from police, the alleged victim and her mother, and a video recording of a police interview with Godkin. As the defendant, he cited memory loss and not remembering the crimes he committed six years ago. Godkin's attorney argued that the evidence worked against the testimony from witnesses and expressed that he was satisfied with the jury's decision in this somewhat complicated case. Under state law, Godkin had been charged with incest, which includes stepchildren. He's currently employed by the town of Sunapee as a vehicle maintenance worker and remained on the town's payroll during the indictment.

This next story may seem awfully familiar, as the West Lebanon Walmart has been struck once again by shoplifters and police need your help identifying the suspect. According to Lebanon Police, on Tuesday, they received a call from a male shoplifter at Walmart at 285 North Plainfield Road. The unidentified male suspect was spotted by a Walmart employee as he was hiding \$500 worth of merchandise underneath his jacket. When he was approached by store Asset Protection, he fled on foot toward the nearby Denny's Restaurant. Not too long ago, another incident took place on May 28th where two unidentified people were seen filling a shopping cart and leaving the same Walmart without paying. The two were accompanied by a juvenile female. Then, on June 1st, the same people entered the store, placed around \$650.00 worth of merchandise in their cart, and left without paying again. The male was stopped and asked to show a receipt but he walked away and entered a dark colored Nissan Altima. Police are actively looking for all three of these suspects and anyone with information into either of these cases is asked to call Lebanon Police at 603-448-1212.

Staying in Claremont, this time regarding a bank based here in town, the Claremont Savings Bank has named their new CEO. The bank has announced that Reginald Greene Jr., an Upper Valley banker, has been named as a the new president and chief executive officer, filling a vacancy. Greene takes the place of David Birkins, who the bank had hired last year to fill the outgoing president's spot, but Birkins left the bank before he was scheduled to take over in April. The outgoing president, Sherwood Moody, expressed that they wanted to hire someone from the Upper Valley and who knew the area. Greene, also known as "Reggie" and now 57-years old, joined Ledyard Bank in 2012 after having worked in Burlington at People's United Bank. *The Valley News* reports that Greene will be taking the reins at a time when many community banks are becoming regional banks and the rise of online banking is posing an alternative for customers to use. Claremont Savings Bank, which has five locations, employs 110 workers and its assets equal roughly \$385 million.

Here's one for all you animal lovers. Plenty of animals are cute when they're young, like puppies or kittens. How about bear cub? They sure are adorable too and the New London Police Department is proud to have saved an abandoned bear cub this past weekend. Around 10:00 AM, police began receiving calls about a bear cub emerging from the woods on Seamans Road. When police arrived, the bear had gone back into the forest but would occasionally come back out over the next few hours. Eventually, they were able to capture it used a dog pole, which is a long pole with a noose at the end used for catching stray dogs. The cub was observed to be underweight and appeared to have been without its mother for a few days. The bear was brought to the police station and then to a licensed rehabilitation center in Lyme owned by wildlife biologist Ben Kilham. New London Police told YCN that when they got the bear to the refuge, it managed to escape and it took about an hour to chase it down. The bear cub will remain at Kilham's home for 18 months before being released into the wild once again.

After the break on YCN News, we'll take a look at this week's Trail Hiker's Guide to the Upper Valley as we head to St. Gaudens in Cornish. We'll be right back.

Now for one of our new segments on YCN, as we review some local hiking trails that you yourself can try out this summer. It's called Trail Hikers Guide to the Upper Valley and today, we're gonna take a trip to a National Park right over in Cornish, New Hampshire. Any viewer of YCN or resident of the area knows that I'm speaking of St. Gaudens National Historic Site. The site offers historic buildings, artwork, exhibits, and hiking trails. Let's take a look on what to expect.

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Stay tuned for future episodes of Trail Hikers Guide to the Upper Valley and if you have a suggestion of a trail for us to check out, head to the Contact Us tab on our website YCNNow.com and send us a message!

After the break on YCN News, we'll join sports reporter Andrew Zurheide for a look at some local sports action, plus your weather and community calendar. We'll be right back.

Welcome back to YCN News, I'm Andrew Zurheide.

Well today has been another beautiful one as we've seen mostly sunny skies and highs around 83 degrees with a north wind around 5 miles an hour. Now let's take a look at our forecast for the next couple of days.

Tonight looks like an uneventful evening as we expect PARTLY CLOUDY skies with lows falling to around 51 degrees. The north wind from earlier will shift a bit toward the east but gusts will still be relatively calm, around 5 miles an hour. Tomorrow MOSTLY SUNNY are expected with slightly cooler temps but still very comfortable, in the mid 70s (76). The easterly wind from the night before will shift toward the north in the afternoon. Tomorrow night will be mostly clear with lows dipping just below 50 degrees (49). Saturday looks gorgeous as highs will be in the mid 80s (84) and there won't be a cloud in sight (SUNNY). The winds will calm to a very nice comfortable breeze. And Saturday night will continue to be clear with lows falling into the mid 50s (54).

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If you're looking for some bargains I suggest you head on up to the Lyme Congregational Church on 1 Dorchester Road for another bargain Barn sale. Used clothes, household items, linens, jewelry and toys will be available for purchase at a very reasonable price. The bargains will be going on from 1:30pm to 4:30pm and you can call 603-795-2850 for more information.

The Chelsea Farmers Market in Chelsea, Vermont will be going on tomorrow from 3 to 6pm in the heart of downtown Chelsea. This market offers fresh produce, local crafts, and prepared foods. There is an average of 20 vendors a week and it is a great place to purchase local products, meet up with friends, and enjoy live music with free children's activities. If you would like more information you can call 802-685-3174.

The Spark! Community Center on 75 Bank St. in Lebanon, is having another Friday Fun Night and Community Dinner from 5:30 to 9pm. This week they'll be celebrating the Spark Community Centers second birthday! At 6pm there will be a barbecue, at 7pm there will be a magic show, at 7:30pm there will be a community art project and then from 8 to 9pm there will be music and dancing. Sno cones will also be available for purchase! There is a five dollar suggested donation and the event is open to the public and all ages are welcome. You can call 603-678-8619 to find out more.

Yesterday we showed you the Littleton Crusaders beating the Sunapee Lakers during the division four state championship game. Today we will show you interviews with the coaches and players to get their takes on this very dramatic victory.

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Again, congratulations to the Littleton Crusaders on an amazing come from behind championship victory. This goes without saying but what amazing coaches and players there are on this Littleton team to dedicate this win to their beloved teacher Mrs. Platt.

Now let's take a look at the YCN Scoreboard to check out which local girls were selected to this year's softball all-state teams.

Let's start with division three, the first team features Samantha McNeel from Newport and Maddie Folcik from Kearsarge. The honorable mentions include Stephanie Carl and Emma Carroll, both from Newport.

Now to division four, the player of the year award goes to dominant Sunapee pitcher, Katie Frederick. The coach of the year award goes to Sunapee coach Bonnie Cruz. Now to the first team selections, Katie Frederick was the lone local representative while Faith Larpenter, Lexie Hamilton and Meghan Frederick all made the second selections for Sunapee. Cruz, Larpenter, Hamilton and the Frederick sisters led their team to a second straight division four championship.

Good evening, it's Friday, June 17th.

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We begin tonight with big news out of New London as the New London Hospital's Board of Trustees has voted to close the William P. Clough Extended Care Center. This closing comes after a two year review of both the current operations and future operating scenarios. In light of this news, we caught up with Lori Underwood this afternoon to fill us in on the decision as well as patient and employee placement.

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The Clough Center has been in operation since 1971 and has 58 beds for both long-term care and skilled nursing. It will remain open through September 30th of this year but no new patients will be accepted past that point.

Remaining in New London tonight, the fate of the town's historic 1941 Building still hangs in the balance, following an even vote on whether to demolish it or not. At last night's school board meeting, WNTK Radio reports that the vote on the demolition came out at 4-4, leaving no definitive solution. The building is part of the Kearsarge School District and the issue was raised that if the building was sold, an entity not related to the school would be part of the campus. If the town was to lease the building instead, SAU 65 would still control the building and the school district hopes to come to an agreement with the town, who wants to use it as a wellness center. The 1941 Building Ad Hoc Committee had been formed to help guide residents and officials toward a definitive solution for the building's ultimate use. However, lack of money for repairs and safety concerns have hindered the restoration of the building. The School Board has received public input from residents on their vision for the building, including a forum on November 12th of last year. Tentative plans late last year included re roofing the cafeteria and two of the classrooms.

Drivers wanting to pick up a renewed driver's license or wanting to take their actual driving test at the DMV may now have to drive a little further, or closer, depending on where you live. Claremont's Department of Motor Vehicles office will be moving to nearby Newport, citing the difficult parking situation on Water Street as a reason to move to a more accessible location. The state announced yesterday that they will be moving the office after having received multiple complaints about the parking at the Claremont location. The DMV even placed an advertisement to search for a new location last year and the one response came from Sugar River Savings Bank, who owns the building at 20 North Main Street. The DMV acted on the response and agreed to move into the 3000 square foot property. An office in Lebanon closed in 2011, forcing Upper Valley residents to travel south to Claremont. Now, they will instead have to

travel down I-89 to Newport, which promises a better parking situation. Tentative plans so far detail that the move may be completed later this year, after October.

The cause of a fire on Wednesday in White River Junction has been determined to have been a discarded cigarette butt. Vermont State Fire Marshal Mike Bedard announced yesterday that the fire at Crystal Place began in a pail full of paper on the front porch and that it was accidental. He said that building owner Mike Magnus had told officials that he had disposed of the cigarette butt in the pail about an hour and a half prior to noticing that the front porch was on fire. Mutual aid firefighters from the area responded to the scene and were able to finally knock it down after two hours. The building suffered heavy damage and burnt two cars that were in the driveway. Two firefighters suffered from smoke inhalation but have since been released from the hospital after being treated. One of the building's tenants was injured as well in the two-alarm fire, which was deemed under control by 5 PM. Crystal Place is located off of Route 5, south of Hartford High School, and Magnus has owned the two-unit apartment since 1986.

After the break on YCN News, it's New London Barn Playhouse season! We'll check in to see what's currently being performed. We'll be right back.

It's summer, well almost, in 3 days. Besides warm weather, it means that the New London Barn Playhouse will be putting on a variety of shows for you to check out this summer. Let's check in with Producing Artistic Director Keith Coughlin to hear about what's lined up for this season.

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Sounds like a fun time that you can check out this weekend. Every two weeks, we'll have more from the New London Barn Playhouse, chronicling their current show. Stay tuned for that!

After the break on YCN News, we'll join sports reporter Andrew Zurheide for a look at some local sports action, plus your weather and community calendar. We'll be right back.

Welcome back to YCN News, I'm Andrew Zurheide.

Well today has been another warm clear day as we've seen sunny skies and temps just reaching into the low 80s. And the wind has been calm, with just some north gusts around five miles an hour. Now let's take a look at our forecast for the next couple of days.

Tonight looks normal as MOSTLY CLEAR skies and lows around 49 degrees are expected. To start off the weekend tomorrow, SUNNY skies are very likely with temps reaching as high as 83 degrees. The winds will remain calm. Tomorrow night the clear skies will continue and lows will fall to a cool 52 degrees. The winds will pick up a bit around midnight, increasing to just five mile an hour south gusts. Sunday looks like the warmest day we've seen in a couple weeks as temps will climb into the high 80s (88) and the skies will stay clear and SUNNY. And to wrap up the weekend, Sunday night mostly clear skies are expected and lows will fall to a very comfortable 57 degrees.

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Well if you are interested in slimming down just before Summer arrives, you should join the hour long Summer Slim Down class in Lebanon at Colburn Park off of North Park Street. The outdoor workout group will run from 8 to 9am and is led by a local health coach. Both men and women of all experience levels are welcome to attend. Please call 978-335-1934 to find out more about this free healthy class.

Are you interested in exercising your high school or college french skills? Or are you currently enrolled in a french language course? Then the "Club Petit Dejeuner", (DAY JU NAY) which translates to simply breakfast club, is the place for you! Meet up with other community members interested in speaking French. The group will meet at 10am at the Community Lutheran Church in Enfield. All proficiency levels are welcome and this is a free event. You can call 603-306-6606 for more information.

The 14th annual musical fundraiser, June Jam, will be going on tomorrow again at Musterfield Farm in North Sutton, New Hampshire. The gates will open at 3:30pm and the music starts at 4pm. The local bands will feature a variety of musical genres that include folk, blues, rock and jazz. Burgers, hot dogs, snacks and beverages will be available for purchase or you are welcome to bring your own food and drink. Tickets cost 15 dollars a person but children ages 14 and under are free.

Well the girls lacrosse all-state line-ups have been released so today we'll be showing you highlight clips from the girls who were selected to the division two first team.

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Hanover's Annika Cole was also recognized. She made the second team for defense.

Now let's take a look at the YCN Scoreboard to check out some local sports results from yesterday.

The Upper Valley Nighthawks baseball team traveled to take on the Winnipesaukee Muskrats. Cordes Baker took the mound for the Upper Valley while Anthony Pagano took the mound for Winnipesaukee. Both pitchers pitched well until the fourth inning when Pagano let up a pair of solo homers to Grayson Padgett and James Morisano. The Nighthawks didn't look back as they were able to score two more times to take a 4 to 0 lead. The Muskrats did get a run back off of a solo home run from left fielder Anthony Godino in the bottom of the 9th but Nighthawks closer Billy Layne was able to close the inning and get the three inning save. The Nighthawks improve to 4 and 2 while the Muskrats fall to 3 and 4. The two teams will face off again on July 1st.

Good evening, it's Monday, June 20th.

We begin tonight with two crime stories from Vermont, out of Springfield specifically. First up, a man was arrested yesterday for possession of heroin and trafficking. Vermont State Police say that around 11:40 yesterday morning, troopers received a 911 call about someone operating a vehicle erratically while traveling North on Interstate 91. Troopers were able to locate the vehicle at the Springfield Irving gas station off Exit 7. The vehicle's driver, 23-year old Timothy Ksepka of Hardwick, Vermont consented to a search of his vehicle. During the search, troopers detected a void in the roofing in the front of the car and removed the dome light. They found 520 bags of

heroin hidden in the headliner and Ksepka was arrested. After being transported to the Vermont State Police barracks in Rockingham, he was processed and given a citation for Trafficking Heroin, Transporting Heroin into the State of Vermont, and Possession of Heroin. He was held at the Southern State Correctional Facility for lack of \$1,500 bail and appeared in court today.

Secondly, a Springfield, Vermont man was indicted by a Federal Grand Jury last week for two armed robberies late last year at local banks. 31-year old Matthew T. Martin stood in federal court on June 14th for his arraignment on the two-count indictment. Martin is responsible for two armed robberies on December 14th and December 21st last year where he robbed the People's United Bank in Brattleboro and the Heritage Family Credit Union in Ludlow, respectively. In both robberies, he carried a BB gun that resembled a more dangerous firearm and during the first robbery, claimed to have a bomb. He surrendered himself to authorities later in December after the US Marshals Service named him the "Fugitive of the Week". He is still being investigated for other robberies he may have committed in 2015 prior to the two in December. As per the law, Martin is innocent until proven guilty. However, if he is convicted, he faces a maximum penalty of up to twenty five years in prison for each of the two counts of armed robbery. His actual sentence upon a conviction will be advised by the federal sentencing guidelines.

Firefighters at the Claremont Fire Department will soon be able to fight fires better with the approval of funds for new equipment. The City Council voted unanimously last week to add nearly \$50,000 to the fire department budget for fiscal year 2017 to upgrade equipment for the department's firefighters. *The Eagle Times* reports that the new protective equipment will bring the department back up to standards in regards to firefighter safety and protective gear. The last time a true upgrade took place of most of the department's equipment was 12 years ago in 2004, with new pieces being added occasionally since then. There are 34 firefighters as part of the Claremont station and 15 of them have current equipment, while the remaining nineteen are out of compliance with safety standards. In years prior, the council has allotted just shy of \$10,000 to upgrade the gear loadouts, but it simply has not been enough to upgrade the entire station. The large sum of funds that was approved last week will help purchase replacement air packs and the department can also expect a new fire truck to fight fires in town and the surrounding area.

And in Claremont again tonight, a local company on Maple Avenue has begun to expand their business into a new building and will have a new parking lot, which they won't need to travel far to reach. The company? National Field Representatives. The new location? Right across the street at the former site of Gary's Claremont Tire Company and right next door at the Claremont Savings Bank building. National Field Representatives purchased the closed auto business recently and demolished the building late last week, allowing them to build a parking lot for employees in the vacant lot. Additionally, the vacant Claremont Savings Bank building next door was also purchased by NFR and may be demolished or moved. The company hopes to construct a 2-story addition, totalling around 25,000 square feet, which has the potential to host nearly 300 employees. Earlier this year, a portion of Maple Avenue, including NFR, was deemed an Economic Revitalization Zone by the city, making businesses in that zone eligible for tax credits. NFR is a mortgage servicing service that employs about 200 people here in Claremont and an additional 50 at its Florida location.

After the break on YCN News, we'll join the Lake Sunapee Region VNA and Hospice as we take another look into the world of health. We will be right back.

Let's now join the Lake Sunapee Region VNA and Hospice to take a look at mindfulness and how exercise can improve cognitive function.

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Thanks for that, we'll tune back in at the same time next week for more medical information.

After the break on YCN News, we'll join sports reporter Andrew Zurheide for a look at some local sports action, plus your weather and community calendar. We'll be right back.

Welcome back to YCN News, I'm Andrew Zurheide.

Well today is officially the first day of Summer! And fittingly, it's been very hot and sunny with temperatures reaching into the high 80s. Now let's take a look at our forecast for the next couple of days.

Well as just stated, today has been nice but tonight is a different story. After around 11pm, scattered showers and THUNDERSTORMS are expected and at times, the stronger storms could produce small amount of hail. Lows will fall to around 61 degrees. Tomorrow looks like a another very nice day with SUNNY clear skies and highs again in the 80s (80) with wind speeds around 5 to 10 miles an hour. Tuesday night looks partly cloudy with lows around 53 degrees and a west wind around five miles an hour. Wednesday will be a bit cooler but still comfortable with temps in the mid 70s (75) and MOSTLY SUNNY skies. Wednesday night expects to be partly cloudy with lows hovering just above 50 degrees (51).

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Well if you have kids who enjoy science and need something to so, the Quechee Library in Quechee, Vermont off of Quechee Main St. will be hosting a sticky science themed event from 4 to 5pm as a continuation of the libraries ready, set, go Summer series. Kids will go home with a slime sample and recipe as well as a homemade lava lamp. You can call 802-295-1232 for more details.

If you're in need of a Vermont boating certificate for the Summer, you will need to take two four hour long safety courses. The first will be held tomorrow in Fairlee, Vermont at the Fairlee fire station on 5445 Lake Morey Road from 4pm to 8pm. The second class will be this Thursday in the same place at the same time. If you would like more information about this free course you're welcome to call 802-333-4328.

The Lake Sunapee Young Professionals are having their monthly event tomorrow at Mount Sunapee Resort in Newbury, New Hampshire from 6pm to 8pm. This week the young professionals are partnering with the Lake Sunapee Region Chamber of Commerce for one big networking event around a happy hour. All ages of professionals are welcome and you can call (603) 724-3146 for more details.

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Well the girls softball all-state line-ups have been released so today we'll be showing you highlight clips from the girls who were selected to the division four first and second team.

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Congrats to the lady Lakers who were selected to this year's all-state teams. I'm sure we'll be seeing more Lakers on next year's list.

Now let's take a look at the YCN Scoreboard to check out some results from an Upper Valley Nighthawks baseball game that was played last night.

The Valley Blue Sox traveled to take on the Nighthawks as the Blue Sox sent Mark Washington to the mound and the Nighthawks countered with Bill Maier (MY ERR). Both Washington and Maier were dominant, allowing just 4 hits and zero runs each over six innings pitched. The first run of the game would be scored when Blue Sox catcher singled in an RBI in the 8th inning to give the Sox a 1 to 0 lead. They would tack on another run in the top of the 9th. Sox closer Sam Donko was able to shut down all three nighthawk batters he faced to record the save and win the game. The Blue Sox improve to 6 and 3 while the nighthawks fall to 4 and 5 and are now on a three game losing streak. They will hope to break up the losing skid when they travel to Rhode Island to take on the Keene Swamp Bats tomorrow at 6:30pm.

Good evening, it's Tuesday, June 21st.

Yesterday and today proved busy days for police departments and emergency crews on both sides of the river as they responded to accidents and crimes on both I-89 and I-91. We begin tonight with tragic news as one man is dead and three are injured after an accident on I-89 in Grantham last night. NH State Police say that they responded to the scene near Exit 14 around 6:30 PM and found that a male driver had been ejected from his GMC Sierra after it rolled over into the median. The truck had been towing a trailer with a car on the bed and had the driver had three passengers with him in the truck. The driver was pronounced dead at the scene and the three passengers were transported to Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center for treatment of non-life threatening injuries. The identities of the deceased driver and the three passengers are not being revealed at this time and the left lane of I-89 near Exit 14 was shut down for roughly two hours. The investigation into the accident is currently ongoing tonight and anyone who witnessed the crash or has information pertaining to it, you are urged to contact Trooper Janelle Smith at 603-223-8496.

ticket after he crashed his pickup truck while towing a camper on I-91. Vermont State Police say that 68-year old Jerry Schleis of Tombstone, Arizona was travelling North on I-91 around 3:20 yesterday when his 2008 Chevy pickup truck with a camper in tow traveled into the median and went airborne after driving up the U-turn embankment. Police say the vehicle traveled 130 feet while airborne before it landed north of the U-turn. The camper then separated from the pickup truck and it continued North in the median where it eventually struck some trees and came to a

Now in a similar story across the river, an Arizona man was sent to the hospital and issued a

complete stop. Schleis suffered from a head laceration and was subsequently transported to Springfield Hospital for treatment. He revealed to authorities that he may have fallen asleep, causing him to drift into the median. Police have issued him a ticket for driving off the roadway and it took officials roughly two hours to clean up the scene. The accident occurred by mile

marker 39 and the weather was cloudy with dry road conditions. The truck sustained damage to the front end and undercarriage and Schleis was wearing a seatbelt.

Continuing with news on our local highways, two different people were arrested on Interstate 91 yesterday and today for excessive speed. Firstly, 33-year old Karlyn Pierce of Montpelier, Vermont was arrested in Rockingham around 6:00 PM for going 105 miles per hour, 40 miles per hour faster than the standard highway speed limit of 65. She was found to have her child in the car with her and because of her reckless operation of the vehicle, was charged with cruelty to a child. She's scheduled to appear in Windham Superior Court Criminal Division on Tuesday, August 2nd. Secondly, a 19-year old Connecticut man was arrested today for excessive speed and negligent operation for going 107 miles per hour on I-91 in Westminster. 19-year old Scott Taylor was transported to the Vermont State Police Rockingham Barracks for processing and was released. He's scheduled to appear in court on Tuesday, August 9th, at Windham Superior Court Criminal Division.

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Moving away from the serious news, we've got some a bit more uplifting for you now. Do you like music? I know I can't go a day without it and there are plenty of local musicians who feel the same. This past Friday, one professional pianist from Sutton who has played around the world held a CD release party for his fifth album, "Phoenix" at Cedar House Studios. We caught up with the man himself, Will Ogmundson, and local artist Molly Ellison, who collaborated to develop the album artwork.

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For more on Will Ogmundson and his work, you can visit www.WilliamOgmundson.com and for more on Molly Ellison, you can visit www.MollyEllison.me to see her works.

After the break on YCN News, we'll take a look at how a local church celebrated Pentecost this past Sunday.

This past Sunday, the Holy Trinity Church in Springfield celebrated their patronal feast day in conjunction with the Christian holy day of Pentecost. YCN caught up with their pastor, Father Peter Carmichael after the celebration to tell us about this feast. He also noted that this feast is the beginning of a gathering of all the Eastern Orthodox Churches in the world on the island of Crete, which has not happened in over 1300 years.

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Father Peter told YCN that The Great Council in Crete is made possible because of the freedom brought about by the demise of Communism that had separated many of the Orthodox Churches for most of the 20th century. Locally, there are 2 welcoming communities, Holy Trinity in Springfield and Holy Resurrection in Claremont that are members of the Orthodox Church in America and celebrate all their services in English. If your church has a special day or celebration, let YCN know and we will try to cover it.

After the break on YCN News, we'll join sports reporter Andrew Zurheide for a look at some local sports action, plus your weather and community calendar. We'll be right back.

Welcome back to YCN News, I'm Andrew Zurheide.

Well last night we experienced some thunderstorms but for the most part, they weren't severe. Today we've seen sunny clear skies with highs reaching a very comfortable 79 degrees. Now let's take a look at our forecast for the next couple of days.

Tonight the skies will be MOSTLY CLEAR with lows falling to around 52 degrees. West winds around 5 miles an hour will gain speeds and become south after midnight. Gusts could be as high as 20 miles an hour. Tomorrow, SHOWERS and THUNDERSTORMS are likely between 10am and 1pm. Then showers are expected during the rest of the day. There is a slight possibility these thunderstorms could produce small hail so be careful when outside. Westerly wind speeds will be between 5 and 10 miles per hour and temps will reach into the mid 70s (74). Tomorrow night the storms will have moved on to make way for partly cloudy skies and lows falling to around 52 degrees. Thursday the precipitation is back as there is a 40% CHANCE OF SHOWERS but partly sunny skies are expected with high temps near 68 degrees. And Thursday night will be partly cloudy with lows again, around 52 degrees.

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The weekly Fiber Arts Group is having another meeting in Newport tomorrow at the Library Arts Center on 15 Main Street from 10 to 12:00pm. Bring sewing, embroidery, felting, knitting, spinning, quilting or whatever it may be for fiber based arts and crafts. This group will cost you a small fee of four dollars and you can call 603-863-3040 for more details.

Do you enjoy magic shows? What about FREE magic shows? Magician Peter Boie will be performing at the Howe Library in Hanover on 13 South Street from 10:30am to 11:30am. Peter's show is about two things, astonishing magic and having a good time. His shows are fun and family friendly. It is recommended your child is above the age of three. You can call 603-640-3254 to find out more.

If you're looking for some bargains I suggest you head on up to the Lyme Congregational Church on 1 Dorchester Road for another bargain Barn sale. Used clothes, household items, linens, jewelry and toys will be available for purchase at a very reasonable price. The bargains will be going on from 1:30pm to 4:30pm and you can call 603-795-2850 for more information.

Well the girls lacrosse all-state line-ups are out so today we'll be showing you highlight clips from the girls who were selected to the division three first team.

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Congrats on the selections Anna and Eleanor. You girls had an amazing season that will live on in Kearsarge history.

Now let's take a look at the YCN Scoreboard to check out some results from an Upper Valley Nighthawks baseball game that was played on Sunday.

The Keene Swamp Bats traveled to take on the North Adam SteepleCats at Joe Wolfe Stadium. Andrew O'Brien took the mound for the Swamp Bats while the SteepleCats countered with Braxton Wilks. Both pitchers pitched well until the 4th inning when O'Brien let up a pair of lead off singles who both eventually came around to score after three free passes made up of a walk and two hit batters. SteepleCats Dustin Shirley was able to single home a run and after an error by the center fielder, another run scored. This was O'Brien's last inning while Wilks was able to pitch five scoreless innings for the Cats. The SwampBats were held without a run until the 6th inning when Jordan Howard doubled, who was then driven in by another double this time from Ryan Costello. By the 9th inning, the Swamp Bats were down 2 to 8 but Jordan Howard was able to crush a 3 run home run to cut the lead to just 3 runs but these runs came too late in the game to overcome the deficit as the SteepleCats went on to win 8 to 5. North Adams improves to 6 and 4 while Keene falls to 7 and 2, but they're still sitting on top of the northern division.

Good evening, it's Wednesday, June 22nd.

We begin tonight with crime news that hits close to home as a historic mill building on Claremont's Mulberry Street was vandalized and robbed just recently. The historic building houses the Time-Out Americana Grill, owned by Claremont council member Nicholas Koloski, which had six patio seat cushions stolen by the vandals, who also smashed a large glass window. There were two incidents, reported on Sunday and Monday, which are being regarded as suspicious activity, criminal mischief, and theft. According to *The Eagle Times*, Koloski was sitting outside on Saturday when two men approached him and tried to take the patio seating out from under him. When confronted, they began trying to enter the building from the rear but eventually left. On Monday morning, Koloski found that six patio cushions, totalling around \$230, had been stolen, presumably by the same group. Police are investigating the Topstone Mill robbery and vandalism as well as other crimes reported recently on Durham Avenue, Little Lane, and West Pleasant Street. If you know anything in any of these cases, please contact Claremont Police at 603-542-9538.

An update now in yesterday's story regarding a fatal crash on Monday on I-89 in Enfield, NH. Police have released the identities of the deceased driver and the passengers who were in a 2008 GMC Sierra towing a trailer when it flipped over in the median. New Hampshire State Police say the driver was identified as 36-year old Kenneth Stone Jr. of Duxbury, Vermont. He was thrown from the vehicle and was later pronounced dead at Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center. Stone's three other passengers were identified as a 27-year old Colin William, 36-year old Jessica Wright, both from Duxbury, and a 14-year old year old female. The passengers were all transported to DHMC with non-life-threatening injuries. Following the accident around 7 PM, the left lane of I-89 near Exit 14 was shut down for roughly two hours. The investigation into the accident is still ongoing and anyone who witnessed the crash or has information pertaining to it, you are urged to contact Trooper Janelle Smith at 603-223-8496.

This story is going to sound awfully familiar to two that we had yesterday, as yet another person was arrested for going a bit too fast on I-91 in Vermont. Perhaps people are celebrating the first day of summer by going over 100 miles per hour on the highway, but Vermont State Police are continuing to make sure that all drivers are safe on the roads. Police say that 46-year old Scottie Gagnon of Charlestown, NH was arrested for negligent operation yesterday around 4 PM in Rockingham for going 102 miles per hour on the highway. He was initially spotted traveling at a high rate of speed near the Putney/Westminster line and another motorist had called in with a complaint about his fast driving. Police were able to catch up to Gagnon, who was clocked

going 102 near Exit 6 in Rockingham. He was arrested, processed, and released from the Vermont State Police Rockingham barracks. He is scheduled to appear in court on August 9th. In the past two days, VSP arrested a 33-year old Montpelier woman for traveling 105 and a 19-year old Connecticut man for speeding at 107 mph.

It's been a tough time over the past year or so for the Junior Sports League building in Claremont, which is still without a permanent owner. The council voted in April of 2015 to put the JSL building up for sale, as well as the former Goodwin Community Center building on Broad Street. It has now been relisted for sale for a third time, according to *The Eagle Times*, with an estimated value of roughly \$703,000. The building has been in the hands of the city since 1996 and could be used for small-scale commercial activity or for residential use. The JSL has been vacant since the end of 2014, and needs numerous structural improvements before being deemed safe for public use. The City Council voted in January to allot \$8,000 to heat the building during the late winter months, even though that money was not allotted in last year's budget, as the city had hoped to sell it by winter. Several interested parties have expressed interest throughout the two previous listings but to date, there have been no formal bids. The current sale period goes until August 5th of this year.

After the break on YCN News, we'll take a look at what to expect from the Brattleboro Farmers Market. We'll have that for you when we come back.

Every Saturday morning during the summer and fall in Brattleboro is the Brattleboro Farmers Market. Located just west of the covered bridge on Route 9, the market is a cluster of vendors loaded with ice cream, meat, cheese, vegetables, seedlings, and more. Several of the nearly 60 vendors who set up in the wooden kiosks each week have been coming to the market for more than 30 years and it's generally considered the best farmers market most people have ever been to. This is credited to both the atmosphere and the diversity of vendors. Let's take a quick look at what to expect.

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The Brattleboro Area Farmers' Market is Southern Vermont's oldest farmers' market and comes complete with agricultural products, crafts, live music, and ethnic foods from around the world. It truly is a great place to head with family and stay for the day!

After the break on YCN News, we'll join sports reporter Andrew Zurheide for a look at some local sports action, plus your weather and community calendar. We'll be right back.

Welcome back to YCN News, I'm Andrew Zurheide.

Well today has been cooler and wet, as we've seen thunderstorms and showers for most of the early afternoon with temps in the low 70s. Now let's take a look at our forecast for the next couple of days.

Tonight PARTLY CLOUDY skies are expected and lows will fall to a very cool 50 degrees. The 10 mile an hour winds from earlier in the day will have calmed to make for a very quiet night. Tomorrow there is a 40% CHANCE OF SHOWERS for most of the day but it will be partly sunny

at times. Highs will remain cooler, reaching just into the low 70s (70). Tomorrow night will be dry with partly cloudy skies and lows will fall to around 51 degrees. Friday looks like the beginning to a beautiful weekend as SUNNY skies are expected with highs climbing to around 81 degrees. And Friday night will continue to be clear and lows will fall into the mid 50s (54).

It's time for your daily community calendar, brought to you by MJ Harrington and Company, where we take a look at some events happening tomorrow.

The Summer Farmers Market in Lebanon will be open from 4 to 7pm at Colburn Park on North Park Street. The market will include fresh produce, plants, prepared food, baked goods and handmade crafts. Live music will also be performed each week by folk traditional musicians from around New England. You can call 603-448-5121 for more details.

Interested in meeting new people and dining with the community? Come up to White River Junction, Vermont from 5 to 6pm at the River Point Plaza Community Dining Hall on 42 Maple St. for a free community dinner. You can call 603-448-4553 to find out more information.

If you enjoy the outdoors but aren't very tech savvy, we have a class for you. The Norwich Public Library in Norwich, Vermont on 368 Main St. is hosting a tech talk event that will teach you about phone apps that could enhance your outdoor experiences. Apps related to hiking, biking, botany, photography and more. The class will run from 7pm to 8pm and is free to the public. If you would like more information you're welcome to call 802-649-1184.

The all-state boys lacrosse line-ups have been announced so today we'll be showing you highlights of the local players selected from the division three first and second teams.

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Some other local second team selections included Lebanon defensemen Benjamin Gerow and attackman Nate Damren. Congrats to this year's division 3 all-state players.

Now let's take a look at the YCN Scoreboard to check out some results from an Upper Valley Nighthawks baseball game that was played last night.

The Nighthawks coming in at 4 and 5 traveled to take on the Keene Swamp Bats who currently sit on top of the northern division with a record of 7 and 2. Houston Mabray got the start for the Upper Valley while Zach Hart started for Keene. The Nighthawks got off to a quick offensive start with an RBI double from second basemen Brian Mims and another RBI double from designated hitter Grayson Padgett. This two to zero lead would be the only scoring until the 4th when the nighthawks were again able to get to Hart, scoring three times off of four hits in the inning including another double from Padgett. Keene was then able to score six runs over the next four innings but the Nighthawks scored four in the 6th to put the game out of reach with a final score of 10 to 7. Keene falls to 7 and 3 while the Nighthawks improve to 5 and 5.

Good evening, it's Thursday, June 23rd.

We begin tonight with a court update as a Charlestown man has pleaded not guilty to theft charges related to his previous pool and spa business. Doug Ring, of Charlestown, was indicted in June of this year on two felony charges stemming from allegations that he accepted money

from two different couples for pool and spa installation, but never delivered the items. He pleaded not guilty in Cheshire County's court in Keene, NH on Tuesday this week for a contested bail hearing. Ring's case is being heard in Cheshire County because of a personal conflict with Sullivan County Judge Brian Tucker. He not only waived his formal arraignment last week, but entered not-guilty pleas for the theft charges. However, he did in fact plead guilty to two charges of unlawful business practice, which both stem from the same cases of accepting payment then failing to deliver services. Ring will be allowed to access his firearms during the process, as he has no previous criminal record. Court records say that he was released on \$10,000 personal recognizance bail and his next court date has yet to be scheduled.

On a lighter note now, the town of Hartford, Vermont will be voting in November on some changes to the town's charter. Two changes are slated to be voted on come Election Day later this year, one regarding a local options tax and the other moves failed budget votes to a second all-day ballot vote. Both of these changes were discussed at Tuesday's Selectboard meeting, and *The Valley News* reports that the changes were approved by town voters in March during Town Meeting, but the state Legislature has not officially approved them, due to errors by the town in presenting the changes to voters. One primary error is cited as the town not providing full text of the proposed changes prior to Town Meeting Day, even though they did provide summaries to voters. The options tax, which would impose a 1% fee on alcohol, food, and rooms, was supported by residents as it did not affect them very much, and instead would allow the town to reap additional revenue from tourists and travelers. The town's Selectboard will hold two public hearings this summer to further refine and receive input on the approved changes prior to Election Day on November 8th.

A new health report out of Dartmouth and UCLA Law School has shed some light on opiate laws and how effective they are, or not effective, in this case. A new study released recently from researchers at Dartmouth's Institute of Health Policy and Clinical Practice and UCLA Law School has shown that states with laws that try to prevent prescription opioid abuse have not been very effective when it comes to country's disabled population. According to the report, between 2006 and 2012, many states in the US collectively enacted 81 laws that restricted the prescription and dispensing of prescription opioids by doctors. However, researchers analyzed the effects of these laws on opioid abuse in regards to the national population of 2.2 million disabled MEdicare beneficiaries ages 21 to 64. The results found that there was no significant relationship or association between the state laws and the prescription of hazardous opioids. Such laws have in fact been strengthened since 2012 and Dartmouth researchers hope to reanalyze the current statistics.

It seems like local banks have been making the news recently and now, Mascoma Savings Bank, has made news of their own. The bank has announced that they have named a new CEO. Longtime area resident and business executive Clay Adams has been named as the new CEO, to succeed Stephen Christy, who was in charge of the bank for 27 years. Adams is a graduate of Dartmouth College and its Tuck School of Business and serves as the chief executive of glassware producer Simon Pearce, with locations in Quechee, Hanover, and Windsor. There were over 100 initial candidates for the spot, but it was narrowed down to 30, and ultimately, Adams was chosen to lead the bank into the future. This news from Mascoma Savings Bank comes in light of two other local banks also making recent announcements: Lake Sunapee Bank merging with a Maine bank and trust group and Claremont Savings Bank naming a new CEO of their own. Mascoma Savings Bank hires 347 employees locally.

After the break on YCN News, we'll take a look at what New London's Center for the Arts is offering up this weekend for exhibits and events. We'll be right back.

This weekend looks like a good weekend to be in New London if you're a patron of the arts or just a fan of art in all its forms. The Center for the Arts has a slew of exhibits and events coming up this weekend that you and the family can check out. To tell us more, let's check in with the Center for the Arts' Visual Arts Coordinator.

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For more information, feel free to check out www.CenterForTheArtsNH.org.

After the break on YCN News, we'll join sports reporter Andrew Zurheide for a look at some local sports action, plus your weather and community calendar. We'll be right back.

Welcome back to YCN News, I'm Andrew Zurheide.

Well today, showers were predicted but so far it's been relatively nice with partly sunny skies and highs reaching to around 80 degrees. Now let's take a look at our forecast for the next couple of days.

Tonight, PATCHY FOG is expected after midnight. Otherwise it will be mostly clear with lows falling to around 51 degrees. A five mile an hour north wind will become calm after 1am. Tomorrow, Friday, the PATCHY FOG will continue until around 8am. But then the skies will become clear and the sun will be out all day long to make for a very nice beginning to our weekend with temps reaching as high as 79 degrees. Tomorrow night will be mostly clear with lows falling to around 53 degrees. Saturday looks SUNNY and very warm as temps will soar into the 80s (86) and there will be a calm wind for most of the day. And finally Saturday night will be mostly clear with lows in the mid 50s (56).

It's time for your daily community calendar, brought to you by MJ Harrington and Company, where we take a look at some events happening tomorrow.

The Chelsea Farmers Market in Chelsea, Vermont will be going on tomorrow from 3 to 6pm in the heart of downtown Chelsea. This market offers fresh produce, local crafts, and prepared foods. There is an average of 20 vendors a week and it is a great place to purchase local products, meet up with friends, and enjoy live music with free children's activities. If you would like more information you can call 802-685-3174.

The Spark! Community Center on 75 Bank St. in Lebanon, is having another Friday Fun Night and Community Dinner from 6 to 9pm. This week's event is focused on science. Come spend a night learning all about aquaponics. The dinner will include a salad bar, drinks and snacks. There is a five dollar suggested donation and the event is open to the public and all ages are welcome. You can call 603-678-8619 to find out more.

The Westmoreland Town Band will be performing at the Charlestown Senior Center in Charlestown, New Hampshire on 223 Old Springfield Road from 6:30 to 8pm. The show is free

and It is recommended you bring lawn chairs and some snacks but refreshments will be available for purchase. If you would like more details you are welcome to call 603-826-5987.

The all-state baseball lineups have been announced so today we'll be showing you highlights from the local players selected to represent their schools for division two.

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Congrats on the selections guys. As a senior, Will Smith graduated and will be moving on to college but Broughton and Perkins will return for their final year as seniors for the Raiders. Can't wait to see how Lebanon does in 2017.

Now let's take a look at the YCN Scoreboard to check out some results from an Upper Valley Nighthawks baseball game that was played last night.

The hawks with a record of 5 and 5, traveled to Rhode Island to take on the Newport Gulls who held a record of 7 and 4. Cordes Baker got the start for the Upper Valley while Kris Bubic took the mound for Newport. The Nighthawks got off to a quick 2 to 0 lead in the top of the second but then the Gulls answered with three runs in the bottom of the second. But, the Nighthawks immediately regained the lead with 4 runs in the 3rd, 1 in the 4th, 3 in the 5th, 2 in the 6th and 1 in the 7th to take a commanding 9 run lead. Bubic only lasted 2 and 2 thirds innings while allowing 7 hits and 6 earned runs as his season ERA ballooned to just under 7. Baker on the other hand had a much better start, pitching four innings while allowing just 1 earned run. Nighthawks second basemen Brian Mims went 3 for 4 with a double and a home run. He also finished with 4 RBI. The nighthawks would finish the game only allowing a total of seven hits as they went on to win 13 to 4, improving their record to 6 and 5 while Newport falls to 7 and 5. The Nighthawks have now won two in a row and will face off against the Valley Blue Sox on Friday.

Good evening, it's Friday, June 24th.

Tonight's news is headlined by an update in the story of a Hanover elementary school principal who resigned under pressure and was caught paying for sexual acts. Former Bernice A. Ray school principal Matthew Laramie pleaded not guilty recently to paying \$50 to an undercover police officer in Canaan in exchange for sexual acts. He was among three men who were arrested in April during a prostitution sting which also included 55-year old Peter Bloomfield of Enfield, and 49-year old Alan Lane of Sharon, VT. They were all slated to appear in court on July 11th and released on \$7,5000 personal recognizance bail but besides entering a not guilty plea, he also waived the formal arraignment on the misdemeanor count. Matt Laramie had resigned from the Bernice A. Ray school in February after allegations arose that he was using his assigned school credit card for unauthorized purchases and a recently released audit report shows that he spent over \$34,000 on various trips. An audit reveals exactly what he used the school card for, which included food, gas, and hotel rooms.

In Claremont now, the City Council has approved the operating budget for the city in fiscal year 2017. The budget tallies in at a total of roughly \$17 million and will support many utilities within town, including new fire department gear, new computer software for the library to upgrade their system, and fireworks for the July 4th celebration at Moody Park. *The Eagle Times* says that the budget was finally agreed upon after four hours of discussion and fine tuning, passing with a 6-2 vote in favor. Ultimately, the approved budget had been cut down by \$50,000 as part of a final

amendment proposal, but City Manager Guy Santagate has the final say into approve the cuts or not. Santagate had proposed a budget of his own earlier this year that would have cut taxes by 1%, but would have cut nearly \$750,000 from the Public Works Department. The approved budget includes money to upgrade 19 sets of firefighter gear, that has become outdated and fallen below safety compliance standards. Additionally, there will be around \$13,000 for fireworks for Independence Day celebrations here in town, which should delight many residents. The budget will be enacted on July 1st at the start of the fiscal year.

This next story may be very close to home for many of our viewers, as cancer, in all its forms, has affected so many people across our world, nation, and region. However, as devastating as a disease it may be, the fight continues every day to help support those currently fighting it and to ultimately find a cure. Lake Sunapee and Kearsarge Region residents got together last Saturday for the national event put on by the American Cancer Society, known as Relay for Life. YCN's Noah Braun brings us this look at the event and what it means.

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Since the event, the American Cancer Society has announced that area residents have raised just shy of \$13,000 from 106 different participants across 11 teams. To find an upcoming event near you, visit Relay.ACSEvents.org.

Now bringing the news right here to Claremont, in fact, in the next room over from the YCN Studios, one local theater group has been rehearsing their latest play all this week. We caught up with Shelly Hudson of Amplified Arts to tell us about the upcoming performance.

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If you're interested in catching the production this weekend, although the first performance was tonight, there will be three additional shows Saturday and Sunday. You can get tickets by going to the Amplified Arts Facebook page and clicking on "The Importance of being Earnest" to purchase tix.

After the break on YCN News, we'll check out the monthly meeting of the Lake Sunapee Young Professionals' Network as they convened at Mount Sunapee Resort in Newbury.

Now to check in with a local group that we've been following for some time now on YCN. The Lake Sunapee Young Professionals Network had their monthly event last Tuesday at the Mount Sunapee lodge. This month, the group partnered with the Lake Sunapee Region Chamber of Commerce for an evening of networking surrounded by food and drink. Let's hear from a few of those of who were there, including a sponsor and one of the group's co-founders.

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If you haven't attended a Lake Sunapee Young Professionals event, I suggest you look into coming. Their next event is on July 19th from 6 to 8pm and it will feature a cruise around Lake Sunapee on the Lake Sunapee tour boat. You won't want to miss it.

After the break on YCN News, we'll join sports reporter Andrew Zurheide for a look at some local sports action, plus your weather and community calendar. We'll be right back.

Welcome back to YCN News, I'm Andrew Zurheide.

Well today has been gorgeous as we've seen sunny skies and high temps climbing to around 83 degrees. Now let's take a look at our forecast for the next couple of days.

Tonight there will be some PATCHY FOG after 1am. Otherwise, it will be mostly clear with lows falling into the mid 50s (54). A calm wind will turn southeast and pick up a bit, around 5 miles per hour. Tomorrow the patchy fog will continue until 8am but then SUNNY skies will make for a beautiful Saturday. And it will be very warm with temps climbing into high 80s (87). Saturday night looks mostly clear with very warm lows, in the mid 50 (56). Sunday also looks very nice as SUNNY skies are expected and temps will again be in the high 80s (88). And to wrap up our weekend on Sunday night, partly cloudy skies are predicted with low temps again very warm, falling to only around 59 degrees.

It's time for your daily community calendar, brought to you by MJ Harrington and Company, where we take a look at some events happening tomorrow.

If you have some electronics you would like to recycle, I suggest you head over the E-Waste recycle and pet food drive day in Claremont at the new Runnings store on Washington Street. Old electronic as well as used ink cartridges will be accepted but be aware that small fees do apply for some items. The event will run from 9am to noon and all proceeds will benefit the Sullivan County Humane Society. You are also asked to bring pet food donations for the society's pet food bank. If you would have questions you are welcome to call 603-930-6655.

Looking for some fresh food that's locally grown? The Norwich farmers market is open from 9am to 1pm at the Summer Norwich Farmers Market Grounds off of Route 5 South next to Fogg's True Value Hardware. There will be over 50 vendors who will be there rain or shine and they will offer fresh food, prepared food and arts and crafts. Admission is free of course and you can call 802-384-7447 for more details.

Here's a fun event that has been a tradition for over 60 years, the strawberry festival supper at the Union Church on 133 Old Church Road in Claremont, will be held again tomorrow beginning at 5pm. The dinner features homemade Norwegian meatballs from the church's secret recipe, and for dessert, fresh strawberry shortcake made with real NH strawberries will be served, yum. The meal also includes homemade mashed potatoes, gravy, rolls, beets and coleslaw. Coffee, tea, milk and other beverages are also available. There are three seating times, 5, 5:45, and 6:30pm. Adults will cost 10 dollar and kids 12 and under cost 5 dollars while preschoolers are free. Tickets are available at the door but pre-registering is suggested as the event was sold out last year. Please call 802-738-0678 to reserve your spot or for more information.

The all-state baseball lineups have been announced so today we'll be showing you highlights from the local players selected to represent their schools for division three.

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Congrats on the selections guys. Jake Vierzen has graduated but Cody, Noah and Brad will be returning next year. Can't wait to see how they do in 2017.

Now let's take a look at the YCN Scoreboard to check out some results from a Keene Swamp Bats baseball game that was played Wednesday night.

The Swamp Bats with a record 7 and 4, hosted the Vermont Mountaineers who held a record of 2 and 9. Ryan Avidano (AVEE DAY NO) took the mound for Keene while Michael Fairchild got the start for Vermont. The Mountaineers immediately took the lead off of a lead off home run from center fielder Joe Tietjen (TEA JEN). This 1 run lead wouldn't hold up for long as the Swamp Bats were able to tie the game in the bottom of the 3rd. During the next inning, Keene was able to score two runs off of a two run homer from left fielder Jamal Wade. We turn now to the 8th when Vermont scored 2 runs in the top of the inning and Keene then got one back in the bottom of the inning. Swamp Bats closer Michael LaBeau then took over pitching duties in the 9th with the score now at 5 to 3 Keene. He would shut the door to record the save and seal the win for the Swamp Bats who improve their record to 8 and 4 while the Mountaineers fall to 2 and 10. Keene will face off against the Winnipesaukee Muskrats tonight.

Good evening, it's Monday, June 27th.

We begin tonight with a developing story that is causing quite a discussion in the Upper Valley region. Witnesses allege that an off-duty police officer from the Hartford Police Department shot and killed someone's dog that assaulted his own dog at a local dog park. Hartford Police say that on Saturday afternoon around 4:30 PM, they responded to the Watson Upper Valley Dog Park and discovered that off-duty Officer Logan Scelza had shot and killed a pitbull that had reportedly bitten his dog in the throat. Scelza is a four year veteran of the Hartford force and Vermont State Police are being asked to help aid in the investigation of what happened. Hartford Police posted a video to their Facebook page of a personal address by Police Chief Phillip Kasten in regards to the incident.

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Scelza has since been placed on administrative leave. For the full video of Chief Kasten's address, you can visit the Hartford Police Department's Facebook page. The investigation by Vermont State Police and local authorities is ongoing tonight and anyone who may have witnessed the incident or has any information, please contact Detective Trooper Mike Notte of the Vermont State Police Bureau of Criminal Investigation.

Fire crews acted quickly on Saturday in Andover, New Hampshire as a fire burned through a building part that was part of Proctor Academy. Authorities are now investigating the 3rd alarm blaze which destroyed Proctor Academy's Thoreau House during the early evening on Saturday. The fire was initially reported around 3 PM as a 1st alarm, but the heat and intensity of the fire elevated it to a 2nd then 3rd alarm, bringing in mutual aid from Salisbury, Wilmot, Danbury, New London, Boscawen, and others. Andover Emergency Services say that no one was home during the blaze but one family pet was killed in flames. The fire started in the rear of the building, a dormitory, and spread to the entire house, deeming it a total loss by early evening. The remains of the building were torn down by Andrews Construction and Andover has expressed their thanks to mutual aid crews in their

assistance responding to the scene. Andover Emergency Services has also thanked the townspeople who reported the fire and to Jake's Market and Pizza Chef for keeping the firefighters hydrated and fed. The fire is not being considered suspicious at this time.

Continuing with another serious story tonight, this time with another arrest out of Lebanon, New Hampshire. Lebanon Police say that they arrested 18-year old Brenden Harriman last week, a resident of the city, after investigating thefts from parked vehicles overnight. Police say the thefts occurred in the east section of the city in the areas of Mascoma, Hanover, Bank, School, Park Streets, and Route 120. Police had received multiple reports from residents who said that items were missing from their vehicles in the morning along the above listed areas in town. The signs from the investigation led to Harriman who was charged with receiving stolen property as well as possession of controlled/narcotic drugs. Additionally, officials found that he had an active arrest warrant from Claremont, NH for robbery. He was arraigned in the 5th Circuit Court for Sullivan County and was held on \$5,000 bail. Police found more items than what could have been stolen only from the reported robberies and they believe there are other victims. If you think you've been robbed in this case, please contact Senior Officer Brett Quillia at the Lebanon Police Department. 603-448-1212

And now, before you think that today's news is all going to be somber and serious, we've got something a bit more uplifting for you now. This past Saturday, area residents who appreciate good music packed Colby-Sawyer College's Fine Arts building to listen to the Boston Civic Orchestra play for a little less than two hours. The well-known group is Boston's second oldest orchestra, founded in 1927, and was hosted in New London by Summer Music Associates, a volunteer-run non-profit that strives to bring musicians to the Lake Sunapee Region for residents to enjoy. Saturday night's show featured a 16-year old solo violinist named Austin Kwoun who is currently a sophomore at Belmont Hill School in Massachusetts. Audience members were so impressed with his solo performance that they gave him a standing ovation. He rewarded them with an encore performance. Altogether, the orchestra played three numbers as part of the orchestra's 92nd year of performing. The group is made up of exceptionally talented students and amateur musicians who perform a wide variety of music from all musical genres YCN is putting together a special presentation of the entire show and will be on air within the next two weeks and also online, so if you're interested, do stay posted.

After the break on YCN News, we'll join the Lake Sunapee Region VNA and Hospice as we take another look into the world of health. We will be right back.

Let's now join the Lake Sunapee Region VNA and Hospice to take a look at therapy decreases posttraumatic stress disorder symptoms.

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Thanks for that, we'll tune back in at the same time next week for more medical information.

After the break on YCN News, we'll join sports reporter Andrew Zurheide for a look at some local sports action, plus your weather and community calendar. We'll be right back.

Welcome back to YCN News, I'm Andrew Zurheide.

Well the weekend was absolutely gorgeous with sunny skies and 80 degree temperatures. Today started off with more nice weather but this will soon change as we take a look at our forecast for the next couple of days.

Tonight there is a small chance for SHOWERS and thunderstorms. Otherwise it will be mostly cloudy with lows around 60 degrees. A south wind will pick up speed a bit, from 5 to 10 miles per hour. Tomorrow SHOWERS AND THUNDERSTORMS are likely (70%) after 1pm and the south wind will continue with wind speeds around 5 to 10 miles an hour. Highs will reach into the low 80s (80). Tomorrow night the showers and thunderstorms will continue until until around 1am with lows staying very warm, around 64 degrees. Wednesday the thunderstorms will have moved on but there still is a 40% CHANCE FOR SHOWERS in the morning but by the afternoon we will be seeing mostly cloudy skies with highs in the upper 70s (78). And Wednesday night, the precipitation will be long gone and partly cloudy skies with lows in the upper 50s (57) are expected.

It's time for your daily community calendar, brought to you by MJ Harrington and Company, where we take a look at some events happening tomorrow.

Do you know Spanish or want to speak spanish but are rarely able to use your language skills in actual conversation? Then head on over to Umpleby's Bakery in Hanover from 9:30 to 10:30am to speak spanish with the Buena Gente Social Club. All ages and proficiency levels are welcome. Please call 802-649-5151 for more details about this free event.

If you have kids who enjoy having fun and making crafts, you should bring them to the kids game day in Enfield from 10 to 12:30pm at Huse Park and on Main Street. Group games and crafts will be available for kids of all ages to partake in. You can call 603-632-7145 for more information and to register as it is required.

If you have kids or teens between the ages of 12 and 16 who enjoy being outside, I suggest you bring them to Teen Tuesday's at Lebanon's Memorial Pool on 67 pumping station road. This fun safe event will include music, pizza, raffles, contests and of course swimming. If you would like more details you are welcome to call the Lebanon rec and parks department at 603-448-5121.

The all-state baseball lineups have been announced so today we'll be showing you highlights from the local players selected to represent their schools for division four.

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Also, Kier Lucas from Sunapee was selected to the third team for division four. Congrats to this year's state players.

Now let's take a look at the YCN Scoreboard to check out some results from an Upper Valley Nighthawks baseball game that was played last night.

The Nighthawks with a record of 7 and 7 traveled to take on the Danbury Westerners who held a record of 7 and 9. Dylan Verdonk got the start for the Upper Valley while Ryan Testani took the mound for Danbury. Both pitchers pitched well until the bottom of the 3rd when Danbury's Kolby Follis was able to drive a ball far enough to score a sacrifice fly off of Verdonk to put the

Westerners on top 1 to nothing. Over the course of the next five innings, Danbury was able to score four more times while only allowing 1 run from the Nighthawks as the Westerners went on to win 5 to 1. Testani pitched a total of 7 innings for Danbury, not allowing a single earned run, en route to the win. The Nighthawks now fall to just below .500 at 7 and 8 and the Westerners improve to 8 and 9. The Hawks will face off against the Sanford Mainers later today.

Good evening, it's Tuesday, June 28th.

Crime news is up first tonight as two men were arrested in White River Junction for possession of heroin. Police say that last week, Hartford, Vermont police officers searched two rooms at the Pleasant View Motel on Woodstock Road as part of an investigation into drug trafficking. From both of the rooms combined, officers seized 1,711 bags of heroin and hypodermic needles. In the drug bust, police arrested 31-year old Marc Lapointe of White River Junction, who was charged with Heroin Trafficking and being a Fugitive from Justice out of New Hampshire, as well as other charges. His six year old son, who was in the room with him, was placed under care of a relative while Vermont's DCF looks into the matter. Additionally, 51-year old Rodney Gosselin of WRJ was arrested for violating furlough and other heroin-related charges that Lapointe faces as well. Both men were brought to the Southern State Correctional Facility, with Lapointe being held on \$75,000 bail.

Over in Hanover now, a certain fraternity on Dartmouth College's campus is continuing its fight with college officials in regards to its status. The Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity, located on North College, is no longer formally recognized by the college but is fighting the ruling that the building can't be used a student residence. *The Valley News* says that Sigma Alpha Epsilon is arguing that the building was grandfathered in to town zoning ordinances because it has been active since before the code was enacted, but college officials have found new evidence that SAE has always worked together with the school. Sigma Alpha Epsilon received national attention in 2012 when *Rolling Stone* magazine published an article on the fraternity's hazing practices, before new allegations last fall led to the chapter's suspension. Sigma Alpha Epsilon – which owns its \$1.3 million-dollar house on North College Street – will now be the second fraternity at Dartmouth to be de-recognized in the last two years, as Alpha Delta lost its active status last spring after allegations members had burned brands into their skin. No decision was made during last week's zoning board meeting on the subject.

Anybody looking for housing in West Lebanon, New Hampshire will soon have more options with the approval of a new apartment building. Following a vote by Planning Board members last night, the Twin Pines Housing Trust is moving forward their plan to construct a 31-unit apartment building on Main Street where the Mascoma Savings Bank parking lot is currently located. According to *The Valley News*, the executive director of Twin Pines praised the location for being convenient, near Kilton Library for example, and that it would provide affordable housing in an area where rental properties are in demand. The building would be composed of single, double, and triple bedroom units, with only three of them being rented at standard rates. A combination of the remaining units will be rented to families or individuals who make certain percentages of the median income in the Upper Valley. The only primary concern of the new complex was parking, which Twin Pines hopes to alleviate by purchasing two parcels behind the building and clearing space for a 58-car lot. The next step in the process will include a site plan review which should be expected in the near future.

Last Friday, it was a great day in New London for those who like fresh fruits, most notably strawberries. The town, in conjunction with Spring Ledge Farm, held their annual Strawberry Festival, which brings in all sorts of vendors. Call it a large farmer's' market if you'd like, with its main focus on strawberries, but that doesn't mean there wasn't a wide assortment of other goods. YCN's Noah Braun tells us more.

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Sure looks like a great time and make sure to head to your local farm to pick your own fresh strawberries.

After the break on YCN News, we'll check in with again with the progress of the Newport Health Center and how its helping out other local health centers. Details when we come back.

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A few weeks ago, YCN talked to Jim Culhane, the President and CEO of the Lake Sunapee Region VNA, about their partnering with Connecticut Valley Home Care. Last week we talked to President and CEO of New London Hospital Bruce King about providing facilities and services to Valley Regional Hospital physicians in the new Newport Health Center. We asked Bruce if there is a pattern now in health care of providers working more collaboratively.

PKG

It looks like the health care business is responding to the need to keep cost down but continue to provide top quality care. In this day and age it is great that providers are really working together to become more efficient.

After the break on YCN News, we'll join sports reporter Andrew Zurheide for a look at some local sports action, plus your weather and community calendar. We'll be right back.

Welcome back to YCN News, I'm Andrew Zurheide.

Well today has been cloudy and rainy at times but still very warm and humid with temps reaching as high as 81 degrees. Now let's take a look at our forecast for the next couple of days.

Tonight SHOWERS and possibly a thunderstorm are likely before 1am. Some of the storms could produce gusty winds with heavy rain. Lows will stay very warm, around 62 degrees. New rainfall amounts could be between a quarter and a half inch. Tomorrow, Wednesday, there is a 30% CHANCE OF SHOWERS with mostly cloudy skies. Highs will climb to around 81 degrees. A south wind will turn southwest and will have gust speeds around 5 miles per hour. Wednesday night will be partly cloudy with lows a bit cooler, falling to around 57 with calm winds. Thursday looks nice as SUNNY skies are expected with temps in the low 80s (81) and Thursday night looks calm with mostly clear skies and lows staying around 58 degrees.

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If you have kids ages 10 or up, who like to have fun, I suggest you bring them to kids game day at the Hartland Vermont Public Library from 10am to 12pm. Board games, computer games, and Wii games will be provided, but attendees are welcome to bring their own. If you would like more information please call 802-436-2473.

The Hanover area farmer's market will be open tomorrow from 3 to 6pm in Hanover on the Dartmouth Green. Come peruse the vendors who will be selling locally grown produce, prepared foods and artisanal products. Attending is of course free and you can call 603-643-3115 for more details.

If you would like to unwind after work tomorrow, head over to the Canaan United Methodist Church in Canaan off of route 4 from 6:15 to 7:15pm for a yoga class that will work on postures, breathing and relaxation techniques. All levels of experience are welcome and it will cost 10 to 12 dollars per class. Please call 603-523-7253 for more details.

Today we'll be featuring some of the players selected to this year's division four baseball all-state team from the D four champion Littleton Crusaders.

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1st basemen Cy Kezerian from Littleton also made the second team. Congrats to the all-state players and of course congrats to Littleton on a perfect season

Now let's take a look at the YCN Scoreboard to check out some results from an Upper Valley Nighthawks baseball game that was played last night. ***

The Hawks coming in with a record of 7 and 8, traveled to take on the Sanford Mainers who also held a record of 7 and 8. The Mainers got off to a quick start, taking a 3 to nothing lead after the first two innings. But the Nighthawks quickly answered scoring a run in the 3rd and in the 4th to cut the lead to just 1. The Mainers would keep this narrow lead until the top of the 8th when Nighthawks catcher AJ Walden was able to hit a double that drove in third basemen Zach Canada to tie the game at 3-3. Neither team was able to score in the 9th so this game would go into extra innings. Now to the top of the 13th inning! Nighthawks first basemen chose a perfect time to get his first hit of the day with a home run to put the Hawks up 4 to 3. In the bottom of the inning, the Mainers were able to get the lead on base but were unable to move him past second base as the Houston Mabray was able to get the next three outs in a row to record the win for the Upper Valley. The Nighthawks improve to 8 and 8 while the Mainers fall to 7 and 9.

Good evening, it's Wednesday, June 29th.

We begin tonight with a developing story out of Bellows Falls, Vermont as police and investigative authorities are looking into the discovery of a body last night. Vermont State Police say that a body was found next to the train tracks under the Arch Bridge in Bellows Falls, near the intersection of the Arch Bridge and Rockingham Street. The identity of the deceased is being withheld at this time, pending notification of next of kin but police believe that foul play is not suspected. However, the case remains under investigation by both VSP

and the Bellows Falls Police Department. If you have any information regarding this incident and or may know someone who does, you're urged to contact Detective Trooper Matthew Sweitzer at 802-234-9933.

In Lebanon now, the city's police department has released news of a significant group of arrests all related to prostitution. Police say that 14 people were arrested as the result of an investigation that took place from May 9th up until June 23rd. Of the 14 people, only one was from West Lebanon, while the others were from Manchester and Claremont in New Hampshire and many location sin Vermont including South Royalton, Randolph, Hartford, and Killington. Five of the individuals, all female, were arrested for prostitution while the remaining male suspects were charged with solicitation of prostitution or similar charges. Other charges were also present across the multiple suspects, including possession of marijuana and other drugs. Lebanon Police say that these crimes have been committed in area hotels, city parks, and in vehicles in residential neighborhoods and business parking lots. The police department has been publicizing these recent arrests over the past two months in order to deter future offenders of these crimes. They say that these 14 arrests are proof of the success of their investigative efforts. All of the suspects have been released on bail and are awaiting court dates at the Lebanon District Division, New Hampshire Second Circuit Court.

Switching gears now to news of the Claremont Speedway, as the racetrack's management is continuing to push for a seasonal use campground. *The Eagle Times* reports that Claremont Speedway LLC has submitted an application for a zoning variance that would allow them to build a seasonal campground. This plan has been in the works for more than a year now as the company even withdraw an earlier plan last year when neighbors of the proposed site spoke against it. Because the site on 282 Thrasher Road is within a Rural Residential district, the variance would permit the vacant land to be used for a private campground with utilities such as a swimming pool and bathrooms. Both city planners and Speedway officials have met recently to discuss a new site plan that would be more appealing to neighbors. The campsite will be rented on a seasonal basis, summer or winter, and short term rentals will not be accepted. The Planning Board will need to approve the site plan before any further development is achieved. A public hearing is being held July 7th in the council chambers.

And now a big update from the NH Executive Council chamber earlier today as the state has voted to restore funding for Planned Parenthood of Northern New England. The Council voted three to two in favor of the restoration of the funding, with Councilor Christopher Sununu being the swing vote. The Republican was joined by Democrats Colin Van Ostern and Chris Pappas, while GOP councilors Joe Kenney and David Wheeler voted against it. Last summer, the vote for more than half a million dollars for funding of Planned Parenthood was rejected in another close vote where Sununu was the swing vote, where he had voted no. Our region is home to two Planned Parenthood clinics, in White River Junction, Vermont and in Claremont, with the latter being affected by today's vote. The Claremont clinic has been the subject of much discussion and attention over the past year as it was vandalized twice last fall. The first incident saw graffiti painted on the outside of the building and the second, about a week later, involved a juvenile breaking in and destroying much of the interior with a hatchet. The clinic reopened in November of last year and became fully operational once again in December.

After the break on YCN News, we'll take a look at something a bit different for you today, glass blowing. Details when we come back.

Here's an idea for the Summer Season - take a short ride to Bellows Falls, Vermont to Sherwin Art Glass to watch the process of blowing glass artwork. For more than 15 years, Chris Sherwin has been a Vermont glassblower and his work is best described as 'Painting with Glass" at temperatures above twenty-one hundred degrees. Once started, a glass-blown piece demands concentration and attention to detail through to the end and the glass pieces vary in length of time to create, from ten minutes to almost three hours. Here you'll see creative and technical aspects of torchwork design together with the elegance of hand-shaped forms that produce collectible pieces of glass art.

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The studio is open by chance or by appointment and usually open Saturdays 10am-4pm, and 6-8pm on the third Friday of each month for the 3rd Friday Gallery Walk in Bellows Falls, Vermont.

After the break on YCN News, we'll join sports reporter Andrew Zurheide for a look at some local sports action, plus your weather and community calendar. We'll be right back.

Welcome back to YCN News, I'm Andrew Zurheide.

Well late last night we did experience some heavy rain and thunderstorms. Today has been more of the same but it hasn't been as rainy as originally predicted, as we've mostly just seen overcast skies and temps in the high 70s. Now let's take a look at our forecast for the next couple of days.

Tonight PATCHY FOG is expected after 1am, otherwise it will be partly cloudy with lows around 58 degrees. A 5 mile an hour westerly wind will turn northwest and become calm. Tomorrow, Thursday, looks like a beautiful day as SUNNY skies and temps reaching into the mid 80s (84) are expected. The calm northwest wind will turn more toward the west and will pick up a bit but not by much, around 5 miles per hour. Tomorrow night will be mostly clear with lows in mid 50s (56). Friday there is a 30% CHANCE OF SHOWERS AND THUNDERSTORMS after noon. The skies however are expected to be mostly cloudy with highs again in the mid 80s (84). And Friday night the chance of showers and thunderstorms increases slightly to 40% and we will see mostly cloudy skies with lows around 60 degrees.

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Here's a fun event, join the community in Newbury, New Hampshire at the Newbury Public Library for the Great Egg Drop from 1pm to 3pm. Build a container that can keep an egg from breaking when dropped from high heights. Materials will be provided or you can bring your own supplies to get started. But the age requirement is 11 to 14 so be sure to bring your kids. You can call 603-763-5803 to sign up as it is recommended.

The Montshire Museum of Science in Norwich Vermont is inviting you to join them for some mirror activity fun from 3 to 3:30pm. Come use mirrors to investigate reflection and symmetry. Learn how to turn simple shapes into complex and fascinating patterns. The activities are free with admission which will cost 13 to 16 dollars. Please call 802-649-2200 for more information.

Interested in meeting new people and dining with the community? Then come up to White River Junction, Vermont from 5 to 6pm at the River Point Plaza Community Dining Hall on 42 Maple St. for a free community dinner. The doors will open at 4pm and you can call 603-448-4553 to find out more.

Today we'll be showing you the YCN top five baseball plays from this past Spring. Let's see who made the cut.

PKG

Wow, what outstanding plays. Especially that catch in foul territory by Lebanon's Matt Sullivan.

Now let's take a look at the YCN Scoreboard to check out some results from a Keene Swamp Bats baseball game that was played last night.

The Swamp Bats with a record of 10 and 5, hosted the Newport Gulls who held a record of 7 and 9. Keene sent Tommy Doyle to the mound while Newport countered with Jake Cousins. Both starters pitched extremely well, as Doyle and Cousins were able to pitch 7 innings allowing just 1 earned run each. In the bottom of the 6th, Swamp Bats second basemen Dom Iero blasted a leadoff homer to score the game's first run. Keene would hold this 1 nothing lead until the top of the 8th when Newport's shortstop hit an RBI single to tie the game which would ultimately lead to extra innings. Now to the bottom of the 11th, Keene was able to load the bases with no outs when left fielder Parker Sniatynski was able to get a base hit to drive in the winning walk off run. Swamp Bats starting pitcher Doyle only allowed 1 hit and two walks during his stellar 7 and two third innings of work. Newport falls to 7 and 10 while Keene improves to an impressive 11 and 5. The Swamp Bats will travel to take on the Vermont Mountaineers tonight.

Good evening, it's Thursday, June 30th.

Drivers in Sunapee this morning who use Elm Street had to make a minor detour following a motor vehicle accident. Around 10:30 AM, a car parked in the Sunapee Post Office parking lot rolled down a grassy hill and across Elm Street. It came to a rest after hitting the corner of a garage owned by Gary Summerton. The Summertons did not appear to be home at the time of the incident. Both Sunapee and Police responded to the incident and a AAA flatbed truck arrived to remove the damaged vehicle from the scene, which was a red Subaru Forester. Damage to car appeared to be minor, with the left rear wheel being knocked out of alignment and the front fender taking some damage as well. Damage to the Summerton's garage appeared minimal as well, with the corner of the building losing some siding, leaving the insulation hanging out. At the time of the crash, the car was occupied by an elderly couple and both were transported by ambulance to New London Hospital. Elm Street was reopened to traffic at around 11:10 AM.

In Vermont now, the former chair of the Windsor Selectboard has pleaded guilty to assault charges against his former fiancee and the board has filled his spot. 41-year old Justin Ciccarelli pleaded guilty earlier this month to a misdemeanor assault charge as part of a plea agreement in Windsor Superior Court. He had previously been the chair of the Windsor Selectboard but voluntarily resigned late last month after the court case developed following a domestic dispute between him and his fiancee at the time where he allegedly strangled her. He originally faced two charges involving domestic assault and aggravated assault, but the felony charge was dropped. Now, under a plea agreement, he will undertake anger management and face a 6 to 18 month suspended sentence. Both Ciccarelli and the fiancee had tried to amend the release conditions so that they could continue to see each other but the motion was rejected. Meanwhile, the Selectboard has named Michael McNaughton to the board chair position, according to video of this week's meeting on Tuesday. Chosen among five candidates, he was voted in unanimously and will be sworn in at the next meeting.

In Sunapee, New Hampshire now, the town's police department has had two recent developments that are significant. Firstly, Police Chief David Cahill received a Commendation from Director Donald L. Vittum of the New Hampshire Police Standards and Training Council. The award recognizes Cahill's service as an active Council Member, past president of the NH Association of Chiefs, and as an adjunct Police Standards and Training Council instructor. His role in all of these positions has assisted the Council in securing necessary equipment, funding, and program support needed for the Council to continue to provide the best possible training for law enforcement all across the Granite State. And secondly, the Sunapee force is welcoming a new officer to their ranks. His name is Peter Brigham and he was sworn in yesterday as a part-time officer in the Town of Sunapee. He will be attending the Part-Time Police Academy in August of this year and he has previously served as an officer for ten years during the 1990s. Additionally, he's also currently the Youth Services Director for the Town of Hillsborough. Congratulations to both men of Sunapee's finest.

For one particular administrator within the Kearsarge Regional School District, today is a big day, as it is her last day with SAU 65. Assistant Superintendent Pam Stiles will be starting her new job tomorrow as the Superintendent of the Alton School District and she has been receiving wishes and farewells from friends and peers alike. From her two years with the SAU, she has no doubt left an impact, including some words at this year's graduation ceremony. A farewell notice was posted on Facebook. Many people have wished Stiles well in her future endeavors. Ben Cushing, who was named as the Lake Sunapee Region Chamber's "Person of the Year", writes "Pam thank you so much for everything. Kearsarge is losing an amazing person. I wish you all the best." Anastasia Glavas writes "Best wishes to you! It was great to have you in our district even if it was for a short time. We'll miss your voice on snow days, delay days, and blizzard bag announcements." And Andrew Pinard writes, "It has been a great pleasure working with you. You have brought a lot of great energy to our district and I wish you all the best." From us here at YCN, congratulations Pam!

After the break on YCN News, we'll bring you a hiking review of a local mountain: Arrowhead Recreation Area.

It's Thursday which means we'll take a look at a local hiking trail that you can check out. Today's focus is on the local ski mountain that is currently hosting a summer concert series. If you're a resident of Claremont, you don't have to travel far to reach this one.

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Stay tuned for future hike reviews and if you'd like to recommend one to us, drop us a line on the Contact Us tab on YCNNow.com.

After the break on YCN News, we'll join sports reporter Andrew Zurheide for a look at some local sports action, plus your weather and community calendar. We'll be right back.

Welcome back to YCN News, I'm Andrew Zurheide.

Well today's been very nice as we've seen clear sunny skies and temperatures reaching as high as 82 degrees. Now let's take a look at our forecast for the next couple of days.

Tonight will continue to be CLEAR with low temps falling into the mid 50s (56). A five mile an hour west wind we become calm in the later hours. Tomorrow, Friday, will start off mostly sunny but then there is a 30% CHANCE OF SHOWERS and THUNDERSTORMS after 1pm as we will see increasing clouds throughout the afternoon. A south wind should remain relatively calm, around five miles an hour. Tomorrow night, thunderstorms are likely as the chance for precipitation increases to 70%. Otherwise it will be mostly cloudy with lows in the upper 50s (59). Saturday morning there is a 30% chance of showers before 8am but then the rest of the day should be nice as MOSTLY SUNNY skies are expected with highs in the mid 70s (75). And Saturday night looks calm and quiet with partly cloudy skies and lows in the mid 50s (54).

It's time for your daily community calendar, brought to you by MJ Harrington and Company, where we take a look at some events happening tomorrow.

Well since it's the beginning of Summer, we are in strawberry season which means local strawberry festivals are back. Tomorrow, the Bradford, Vermont strawberry fest will be going on from 11am to 8pm on 172 N. Main St at the Bradford Academy. The festival will feature strawberry shortcakes, sundaes and of course strawberries. The event will cost 4 to 6 dollars and you're welcome to call 802-222-4014 for more details.

The Chelsea Farmers Market in Chelsea, Vermont will be going on again tomorrow from 3 to 6pm in the heart of downtown Chelsea. This market offers fresh produce, local crafts, and prepared foods. There is an average of 20 vendors a week and it is a great place to purchase local products, meet up with friends, and enjoy some live music. If you would like more information you can call 802-685-3174.

Looking ahead now, The Berean Baptist Church in Newport, New Hampshire off of the (928 John Stark Highway) John Stark Highway, is inviting you to bring your kids to their vacation bible school beginning on July 11th and ending on July 15th. Grades K through 6th are welcome to attend as the week will include bible stories, arts and crafts, games and refreshments. If you would like more information you are welcome to call Pastor George at 603-938-2330.

Today we'll be showing you the YCN top five softball plays from this past Spring. Let's see which plays made the cut.

PKG

Wow, what amazing plays and what a clutch home run there from Lexie that would ultimately win Sunapee the championship.

Now let's take a look at the YCN Scoreboard to check out some results from an Upper Valley Nighthawks baseball game that was played last night.

The Hawks with a record of 8 and 9, traveled to take on the Mystic Schooners who held a record a 9 and 7. The Schooners sent Joseph Rivera to the mound while the Nighthawks countered with Cordes Baker. In the top of the first, the Schooners were able to take an early 1 nothing lead after an RBI double from third basemen Chase Lunceford. This lead would hold up until the bottom of the third when Nighthawks first basemen Charlie Concannon doubled to lead off the inning. He would eventually come around to score after a number of walks, singles and errors from the Schooners. By the final inning of the game, the Hawks held a 10 to 2 lead, then Lunceford hit a solo home run to cut the lead to 7 which ultimately would prove to be too much to overcome as the hawks went on to win 10 to 3. The Schooners fall to 9 and 8 while the Nighthawks improve to 9 and 9. The Upper Valley will travel to take on the Winnipesaukee Muskrats tomorrow night.