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FARMINGTON HIGH SCHOOL DEDICATION AUGUST 25, 1996

This date was the culmination of just over two years of eager anticipation beginning July 18, 1994.

It was on that date that James and Beulah Thayer proposed their generous donation to a very surprised School Board.

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To the Editors:

I was so sad to hear that the brand new, beautiful gazebo in Fernald Park had already been the victim of vandalism. All those who worked their hearts out there, making sure the town had such a wonderful place to gather, must have been so discouraged to think that a few uncaring and malicious souls could just go there and do damage for no good reason other than to show how inconsiderate they are of beauty and charm.

Anyone with any information about this senseless act of violence is encouraged to contact the Farmington Police Department. If we don't pull together as a community and help take care of this charming little gazebo, it surely won't be there for long and that, my friends, would be a tragedy.

Mary Barron

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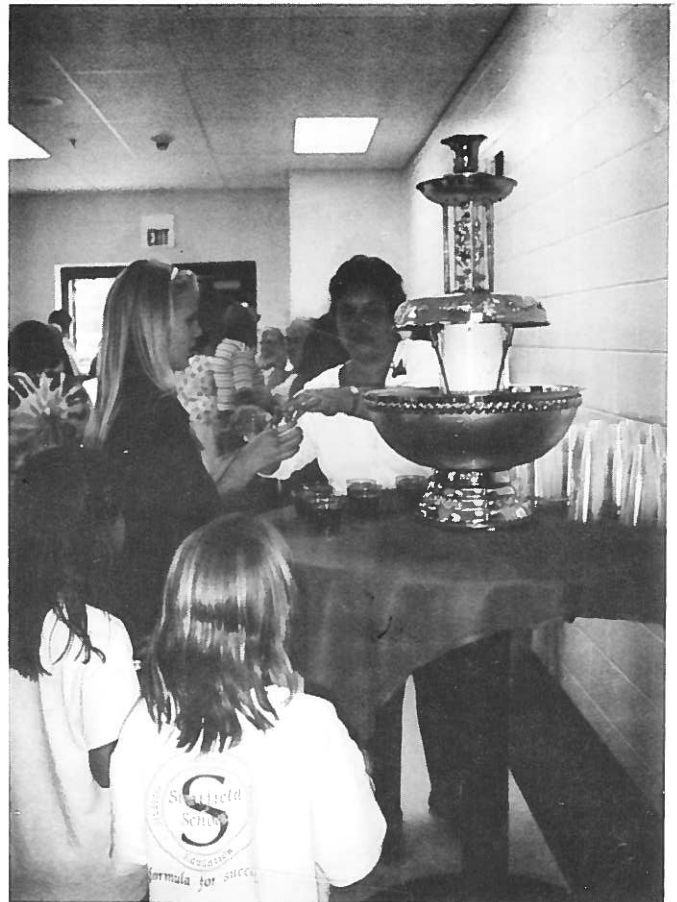
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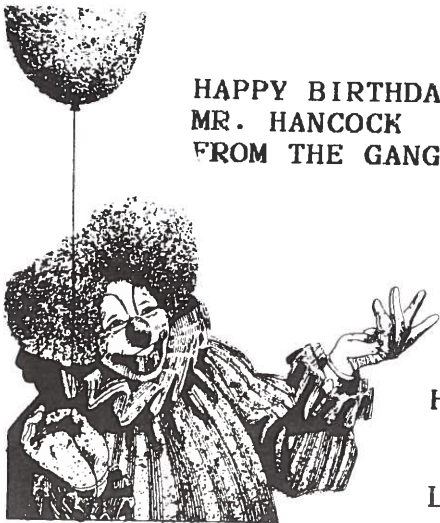
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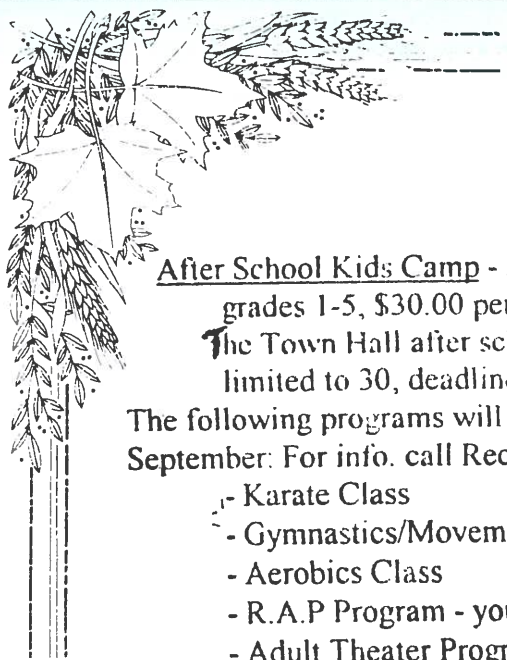
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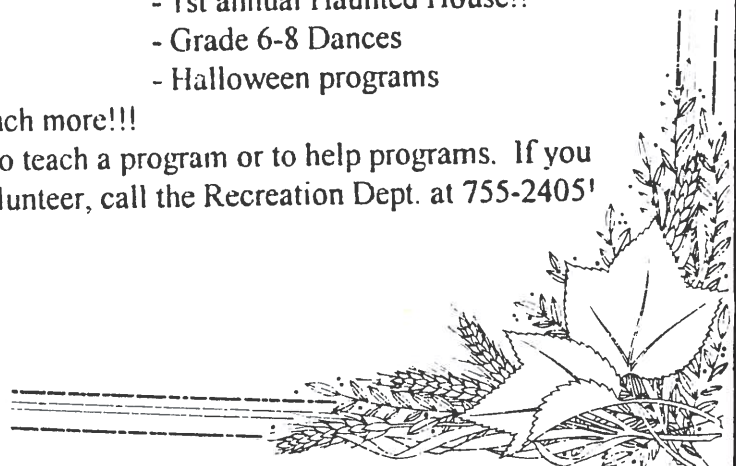
Fall Programs:

After School Kids Camp - 5 days a week, 2:30-5pm (late pick-up available) grades 1-5, \$30.00 per month. We will pickup participants & walk with them to The Town Hall after school. Sept. 23-2nd week in June 1997. Registration limited to 30, deadline to register Friday, Sept. 13th call for details.

The following programs will be described in the Fall program due out 2nd week in September: For info. call Recreation Dept.:

- Karate Class
- Gymnastics/Movement Class
- Aerobics Class
- R.A.P Program - youth ages 13-18 (2 times a week sports & activities)
- Adult Theater Program
- Kids Konnection Program
- Mini Basketball Camp
- Circus (10/5/96)
- Ice Skating Rink Committee
- Open gym & Saturdays and much more!!!
- Seniors Foliage Trip
- Coed Volleyball League
- Men's Basketball League
- Women's Basketball Night
- Nute Ridge Half Marathon (10/20)
- 1st annual Haunted House!!
- Grade 6-8 Dances
- Halloween programs

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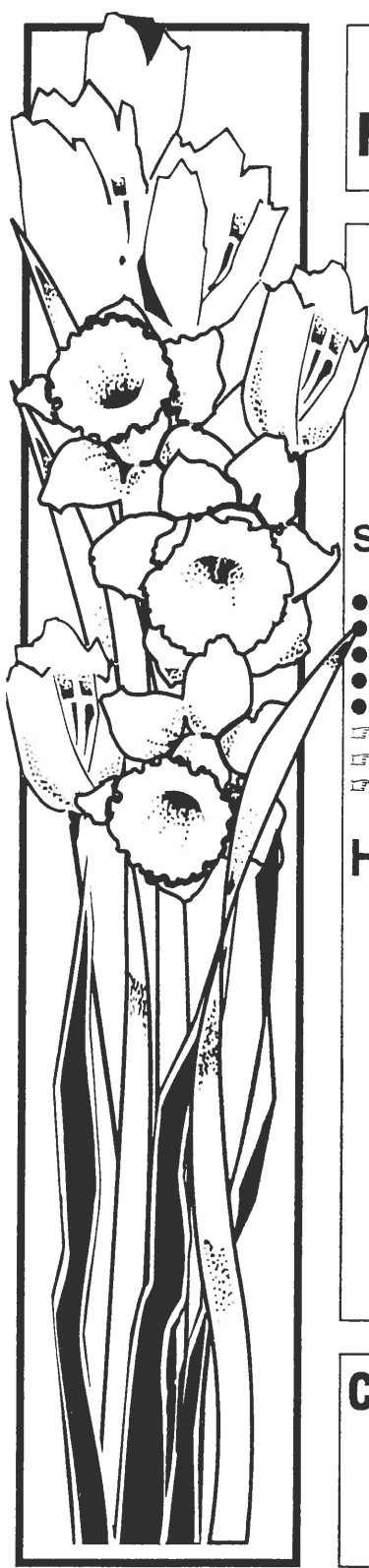
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- Mondays and Thursdays from 9:30 a.m. to 7 p.m.
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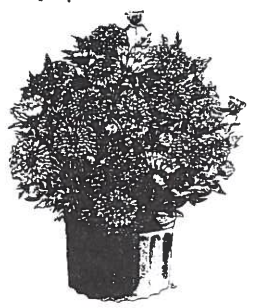
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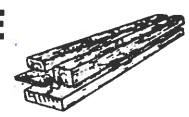
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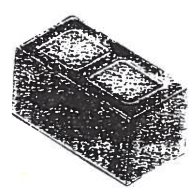
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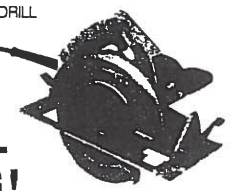
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by Deputy Fire Chief Joel Plante **Fire Sprinklers...Protection In Your Home**

10 Tips to Make the Right Call in an Emergency

If you have young children, you already know how quickly emergencies can arise. But do you know how to contact your emergency medical service (EMS)? Do your children know how to get help in an emergency?

Officials of the **Make the Right Call** campaign offer the following tips you need to know to access EMS properly:

1. Teach young children how and when to get help from EMS by calling 911 or the local emergency number. Make sure they know calling EMS is serious -- not a game.
2. Teach children their address and phone number as soon as they are able. Keep it posted by all phones in case they are unsure.
3. Tell children to answer all of the emergency dispatcher's questions and stay on the phone until they are told to hang up.
4. Make sure everyone in the car is buckled up before the car starts moving.
5. Prevent injuries by teaching children to wear helmets when bike riding and to wear pads when skateboarding or rollerblading.
6. Make sure kids know the sound of the smoke detector and what to do if it goes off. Plan escape routes in case of fire and designate a family meeting place outside the home. Teach your kids to stop, drop and roll if their clothing catches on fire.
7. Keep matches, lighters, household chemicals, guns, knives and other dangerous articles locked up or out of reach.
8. Provide supervision for young children at all times. Do not leave them alone even for short periods of time. Make sure babysitters know how to access EMS correctly.
9. Post your house number where it is easily visible from the street.
10. Arrange a field trip to the local fire or EMS department or ask a fire professional to make a presentation to your child's class. Fire departments also will send speakers to parents' groups, churches and neighborhood groups.

FIRE SAFETY IS EVERYBODY'S BUSINESS!!!

The vast majority of people who die in fires in the United States are children and the elderly, both of whom are often unable to escape on their own. Now, fire sprinkler systems installed in the home can protect not only those people who need assistance escaping a fire, but the entire family. The (name of fire department or agency) says that by installing a home fire sprinkler system, you are providing a type of 24-hour, automatic fire protection.

A fire may smolder for hours, but once the first flame appears, it may take only 2 minutes for the fire to spread to the contents, walls and ceiling of an entire room. However, in a room protected by a fire sprinkler system you are providing a type of 24-hour, automatic fire protection.

Statistics show that sprinkler systems save lives and reduce fire damages by over 80 percent in some cases. Sprinklers have been used in commercial buildings for many years. The combined new technology of a quick-response sprinkler head, the reduced cost of installation, the use of plastic pipe and the ability to blend the sprinkler into the decor of a room have all helped to increase the popularity and use of home sprinkler systems. They are being included in plans for new homes, as well as being added to existing construction. Tests of these new systems show that sprinkler heads respond to fires in as little as 35 seconds. When coupled with smoke detectors, they provide early warning and early extinguishment.

Frequent questions concerning home sprinklers include the following:

Will the sprinklers go off accidentally?

Research shows an accidental discharge due to a manufacturing defect is 1 in 16,000,000 sprinklers per year in service.

If one sprinkler head goes off, will they all activate?
Sprinkler heads are designed to react to temperatures in each room individually. Normally, only the sprinkler over the fire will activate.

If the sprinkler system activates, will my house sustain severe water damage?

Tests show that damage caused by water from a sprinkler is much less than damage caused by fire department hose streams.

Aren't sprinkler systems too expensive to install?
A 2,000 square foot (185.8 square meters) home under construction can be protected by a sprinkler system costing as little as \$US1,500 -- \$US2000.

As an added bonus, most insurance companies offer a sizable discount for coverage of homes with sprinkler systems.



WHO IS THIS WOMAN?? WHY IS SHE COVERED WITH BUTTERFLIES??
 (answer elsewhere in the Puddledock Press)

SPORTS

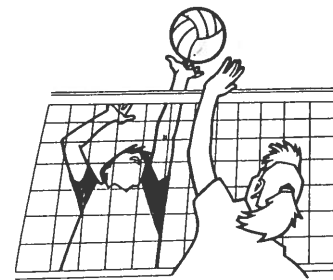
SHORTS



HISTORY IN THE MAKING AT HENRY WILSON MEMORIAL SCHOOL!!

For the first time ever, a girls' Junior High Volleyball team (coached by Tammy Cook) has been established.

Let's all get out and show these athletes our support and best wishes for a spectacular first year!!



DANCE 'N MOTION is a new dance studio located on Rt. 11 next door to Rt. 11 Auto Sales. The directors are Maureen (Mo) Chevalier and Donna Martin. Both are experienced dance teachers and members of the National Dance Association, American Alliance for health, physical education, recreation, and dance, and The NH Dance Alliance.

Classes are offered for ages 3 to adult in tap, jazz, ballet, pointe, lyrical, dance teams and step classes.

The building houses two new beautiful dance studios each with two viewing windows for parents to observe classes.

Of special interest is the "Mommy and Me" class, especially designed for moms who would love to dance with their 2 or 3 year olds.

DANCE 'N Motion has an exciting year planned with its goal being to instill a love of dance that students will carry with them for a lifetime. Call Mo or Donna at 335-4000 for more information.

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Principal High School: Michael Lee
Principal Jr. High: Clayton Lewis
Director of Athletics: Betty Brown

Jr. High Soccer

Date	Opponent	Place	Time
9/17	Epping	A	4:00
9/20	Alton	A	4:00
9/23	Somersworth	A	4:30
9/26	Raymond	A	4:00
10/1	Epping	H	4:00
10/3	Pittsfield	A	4:00
10/7	Somersworth	H	4:00
10/10	Newmarket	H	4:00
10/16	Nute	H	4:00
10/19	Newmarket	A	10:00
10/21	Pittsfield	H	4:00
10/25	Raymond	H	4:00

Varsity Soccer

Date	Opponent	Place	Time
9/16	STA	H	4:00
9/18	Pittsfield	A	4:00
9/20	CBNA	H	4:00
9/23	Pelham	H	4:30
9/26	Pittsfield	H	4:00
9/30	Newmarket	A	6:00
10/7	Pelham	A	4:30
10/9	CBNA	A	4:00
10/11	Newmarket	H	4:00
10/15	Epping	A	4:00
10/17	Winnisquam	H	4:00
10/18	Raymond	H	4:00
10/21	Somersworth	A	4:00
10/24	Nute	A	4:00

Golf

Date	Opponent
9/16	Milford, Conant at Souhegan
9/18	Newmarket, Oyster River at STA
9/20	Kearsarge, Laconia at Kingswood
9/24	Gilford, Interlakes, Kingsw. at Farmington
9/26	Hanover, Interlakes at Laconia
9/30	Gilf., Lac., Lebanon at Farmington
10/2	Interlakes, Littleton at Belmont

J.V. & Varsity Volleyball

Date	Opponent	Place	Time
9/16	STA	H	4:00
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9/20	CBNA	H	4:00
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*Time listed is designated start time for J.V. Games. Varsity to follow.

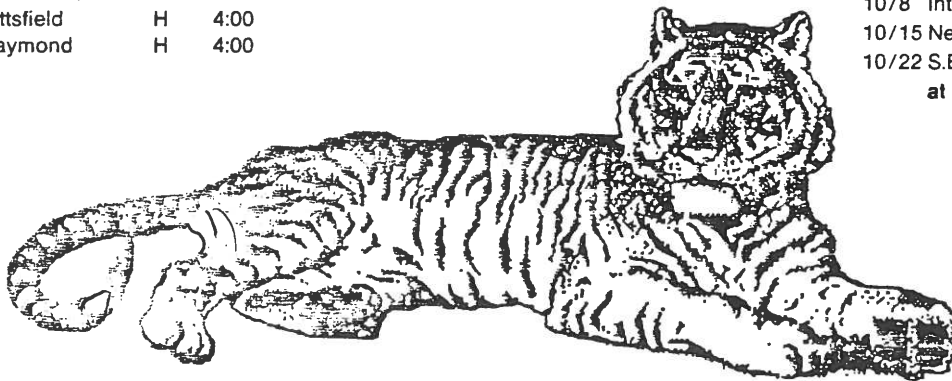
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10/21	Pittsfield	H	4:00

Cross Country

Date	Opponent	Place	Time
9/28	CBNA Inv.	A	10:00
10/2	FHS Inv.	H	4:30
10/8	Inter-Lakes	A	4:00
10/15	Newmarket	A	4:30
10/22	S.E.L. Meet	A	4:30

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RAFFLE WINNERS

The four lucky winners of the Rural District VNA Raffle were drawn at Hay Day. First place winner of \$500 was Orphia Urquhart.

Pat Pierson won a Sony VCR and Marion Colwell won the quilt.

Kathy Rowell of Barrington won the afghan.

Bette MacArthur, chairperson of the fundraising committee was pleased with the result of just over \$3,000 and credits the board members, volunteers and staff members who sold the tickets and the generous people who bought tickets.

Bette is pictured with Orphia Urquhart and Kathy Rowell.



Memories



by Alice Allen

A strain of music drifted through an open window "Little White Lies". Suddenly I was in the old ballroom at Wells Beach in the summer of 1930.

I had finished my course at MacIntosh College in Haverhill. I was spending the summer with my sister in Somersworth.



One warm July night, my sister and I, accompanied a young Chinese-American who was studying music while employed as a houseman.

His father was a silk merchant in San Francisco and we noticed that Harry went to Boston for music study every Monday when the silk shipments were due.

However, that night, business was put aside for Carl Broggi was playing at the dance hall over one of the stores. We could hear the strains of piano music before we even entered. Broggi was master of the piano and the dancers moved dreamily. We stood there enjoying every minute of it.

It's been over fifty years but I still hear the music in the night. Carl Broggi has long been gone but he still lives for those fortunate enough to have heard him.

Wells Beach has changed too. The old dance hall was torn down long ago, but no one can do away with the memories of music that soothes the soul.

P.S. The highway to Sanford, Maine is named the Carl Broggi Highway.

Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day

Saturday, October 5, 1996

8:30 AM to 12:30 PM

This collection is open to the residents of several communities including Farmington. Proof of residency will be required in the form of an auto registration or a paid property tax receipt. Call your town representative for more details on proof of residency.

This collection is sponsored by participating communities and Waste Management of NH, Inc. The collection site is the Turnkey Landfill in Rochester on Rochester Neck Road.

For more details on what is acceptable and amounts allowable, call 755-2208.



US Rep. Bill Zeliff-candidate for Governor of NH, spoke to approximately 20 people gathered in Farmington recently. A reception was hosted by Lorraine Meyer, President of Inforserve, Inc., of Farmington.



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No auditions required, just the desire to blend in harmony barbershop style. We are a delightful group of "gals" who rehearse every Tuesday evening from 7-9PM at the new FHS Music Room. Come check us out, you don't know what you're missing. Everyone is invited...as long as you're female! Sorry guys.

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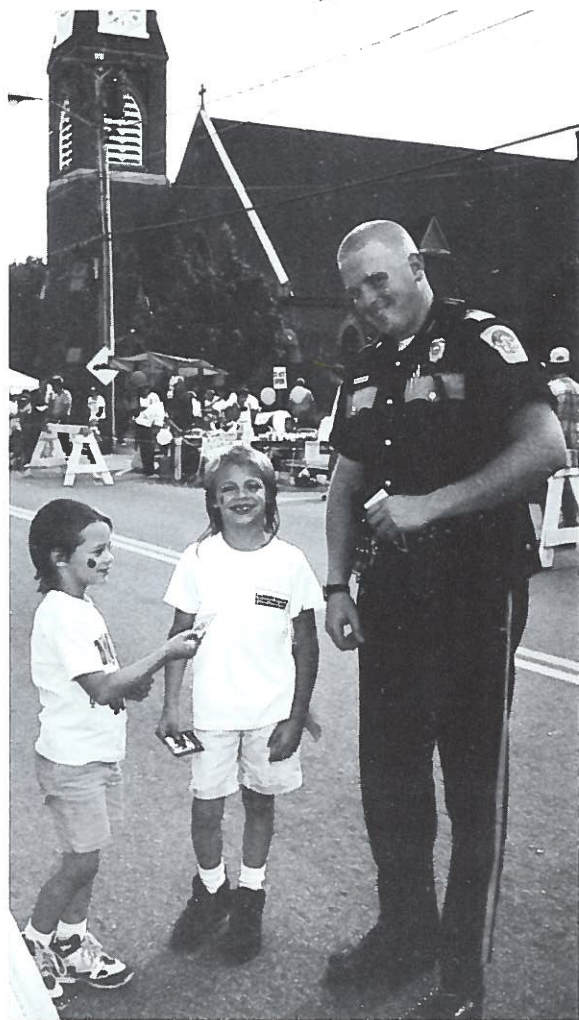
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Levi Nickerson, a 5th grader at New Durham Elementary, is shown here at KASA Camp Experience. KASA stands for Kids Aerospace Simulation Activity, and the camp is funded by a grant from NASA.

Levi is the son of Ellery and Terrie Nickerson and the grandson of George and Lorraine Meyer.



Officer Stephen Meserve conversing with a few happy Cop Card recipients during Hay Day.

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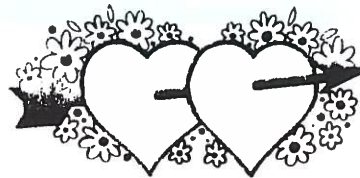



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Mr. and Mrs. Robert Greeley from West Virginia were guests of honor at the American Legion Hall in Farmington for their 50th Wedding Anniversary.

The party was given by their children, Steven of Germany, Wade, Robin and Gail of Keene and Troy, and also by Mrs. Greeley's sister, Mrs. Doris Corr of Farmington. Mr and Mrs. Greeley also have 5 grandchildren.

At the festivities, they renewed their vows with Rev. Linwood Potter. They were joined by guests from all over New Hampshire and Maine. There were refreshments including a beautiful cake made by cousin Vivian Parker.

Mr. Greeley was employed at the Troy Mill for a number of years and also in Harrisville, West Virginia where they reside today.

Mr and Mrs. Greeley both attended Farmington High School and were employed at shoe factories in Farmington and Manchester. She moved here from Littleton NH in the 40's.

The couple were married August 27, 1946 in Plaistow, NH and made their home in Farmington until moving to West Virginia in 1979.



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Farmington residents were saddened at the recent passing of Mr. Joe Thomas. He had written several Memories Columns for the Puddledock Press that were eagerly anticipated and read. His last column was printed just prior to his passing.

Our sympathies are extended to his family.
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The Joan Ellis Victim Assistance Network, continues to celebrate the first anniversary of their Saturday night Bingo Games and the fifth anniversary of the founding of the agency. VICTIMS, INC. has offered free drawings for trips to thank bingo players for their support over the past year.

Last month Robert Kerrigan won a trip for two to Foxwood. He is pictured receiving his prize from VICTIMS, INC. volunteer Donna Cochrane.

Games are held at the Donna Flanagan Building, 184 Milton Road in Rochester. Doors open at 4PM with games beginning at 6:30PM. Packages which include papers for all games are \$15. For more info, please call Pat Rainboth or Donna Cochrane at VICTIMS, INC., 335-7777.



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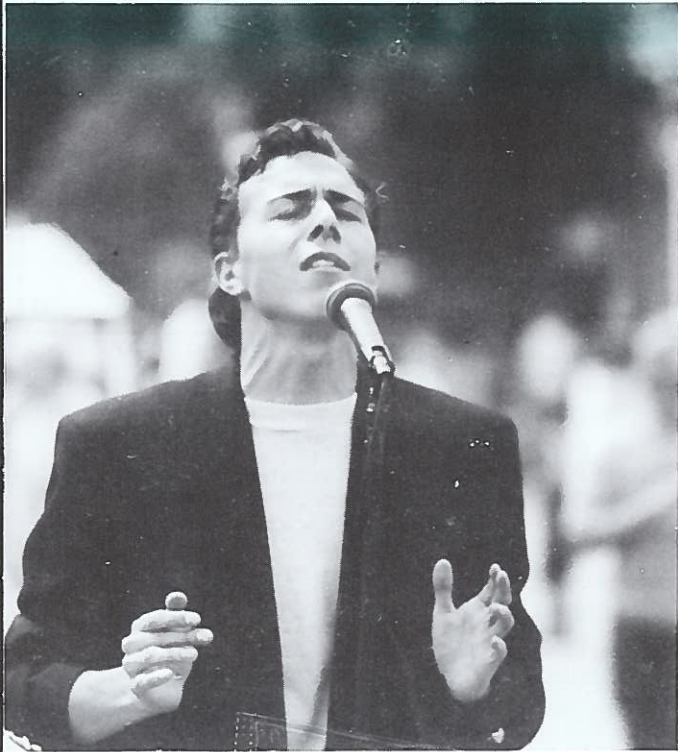
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HAY DAY 1996



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Here is a list of Hay Day Winners:

Draw Doubles Horseshoe Tourney:

- 1st place: Bob Lappierre & Bob Gilman
2nd place: Dave James Sr. & Donna Bolton
3rd place: Mike Petersen & Mark White

Diaper Derby:

- Chubbiest Cheeks: Hailey Welch
Biggest Eyes: Josheph Johnston
Most Hair: Adrianna Hurrinus
Least Hair: Kayla Libby
Uniquely Dressed: Kayla Vachon
Biggest Smile: Tabitha Sprague

Mr. & Miss Olympian:

- age 3 & 4 King: Max Thomas Runner Up: Ryan Gibbs
Age 5 & 6 King: Cody Randall
Ages 7 & 8 King: Keith Thomas Runner Up: Joshua Wilk
Queen: Breanna Huckins

Sheaf Toss: 1st place adult: Danny Wall, 2nd Dave McGuiggan
1st place youth: Matt Gerry, 2nd Jeff Weeks

Bed Race: 1st place Cameron's Sod Farm



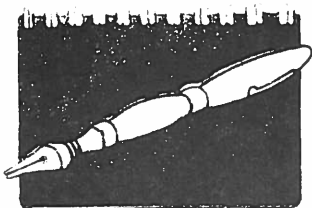
POETS PLACE

THE LINE By Fran Gay

The rhythmical dialogue

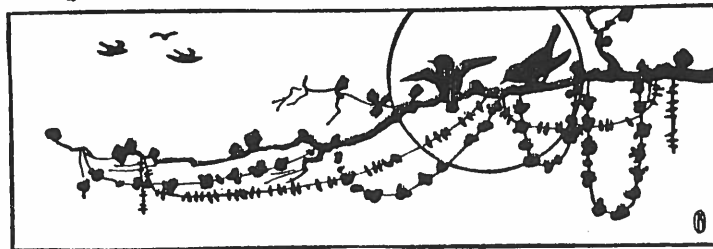
along the line
grows melodious
towards end of day
when eagerly we turn our thoughts
wherever they may go: to friend,
or home, or "Happy Hour"

FOR A LITTLE SCRAP OF LIFE



TO MY PREGNANT FRIEND
by Milli Gay

Hey.....don't worry, some time
soon he'll kick you hard
and say
Hey....lemme OUT of here! I
want to be BORN!! Enough of
this comfort and
coddling
I'm ready to go it on my OWN
Look out LIFE!!



Poem for Peggy By Robert Murphy

She was a charming child
easily my father's cherished girl
fond in sad memory whorl
when my younger sisters whirled away,

mary twinned each tiny face,

born in sunlight her hair
burnished, lit with light, talent
budding acrobatic skill and dancing,
yes, quite a winning little miss,

laughing early and often then
blossoms of boys, bouquets from men
amid marriages and baby-carriages,
summering a lass at last a maid,

O woman passing, alas too swiftly,
living is a dream,

she likes to clean
laboring her hands to the bone,
mary asks for a poem,
poem for peggy,

(if she isn't asking too much)

peggy is her boss, treats her right -
housekeeper of the week -
proud of her award
speaking thru her letter
I can hear a small voice
from a very tiny girl, a world

a life away, a face from a longago day.

The three great essentials of happiness are something to do, something to love and something to hope for.

—Anonymous

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COMMUNITY NEWS

THANKS

I would like to take this opportunity to express my sincere appreciation for having the Farmington Tigers and cheerleaders help with the great success of the Farmington Fun Fest at Fernald Park.

I was so impressed with their maturity and character. They were polite, helpful, considerate and trustworthy. I can't even begin to express how proud of them I was. I did not get the names of all that came to help but I truly hope they realize how thankful the Farmington Business Association is for their donated time.

Our students have a beautiful new high school to be proud of and our community has fine young people to be thankful for.

Sincerely,
Heidi Reilly, FBA President

A VERY SPECIAL TEACHER

Once again, I'd like to thank Mrs. Cheryl Peabody for helping my son, Chris, during Summer School. She gave him the real chance to prove himself.

His attitude and effort changed completely for the better. She gave him the confidence to show that he could change. She talked to him and listened to what he had to say. She's the only teacher to get through to him and I wish there were more teachers like her. The school system needs more teachers to give kids the one on one help. All children need the chance to be able to achieve to their full potential!

Sincerely,
Mrs. Debbie Philbrick

BUTTERFLY LADY-Bette MacArthur was one of several members at a recent Farmington Womans Club social. A contest ensued with several members winning prizes for their creations of hats based on the theme of Butterflies.



TOWN PLAYERS

The Town Players are coming back to life. The first meeting will be September 18, 1996 at 7PM at the Town Hall Gym. People interested in any aspects of the theatre are welcomed. There's more to it than actors and actresses, there's jobs for PR people, ticket sales, costumers, make-up, stage hands, program designs and printing, etc.

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Local businesses and organizations may form teams of no fewer than 10 people. If a team raises a minimum of \$500, they

receive a T- shirt with their team name. Other incentives and prizes are also offered to both teams and individuals.

For registration forms and/or more info, call Charlotte Prochnow at 742-8692.



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FARMINGTON NATIONAL BANK

REYNOLDS PROMOTED TO BANK SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT

Pamela J. Reynolds has been promoted to senior vice president of Farmington National Bank. She is responsible for operations and facilities management, branch administration, personnel training, and implementation of bank policies and uniform procedures. Her office is located at the main office on Central Street in Farmington.

Reynolds brings 25 years of banking experience at Farmington to this position. She began as a teller in 1971, advancing through positions such as internal auditor, operations manager, assistant vice president/cashier, and senior retail lender at the bank. Reynolds is a graduate of McIntosh College, Plymouth State College and Stonier Graduate School of Banking. In addition, she has successfully completed several courses with the American Institute of Banking. Reynolds is actively involved in the community through her volunteer work with the Farmington Library Association, American Red Cross, Strafford County Homemakers, Farmington Parks and Recreation, Drug Prevention Program at FHS and Dollars for Scholars.

In announcing the promotion, Richard D. Lund, Jr., president and chief executive officer of Farmington National Bank, praised Reynolds for her long history of serving the bank's customers and the community. "Pam not only knows our customers, but is very familiar with our operations, our branch offices and the people we employ. We are very fortunate to be able to draw on her broad banking experience and her knowledge of this community."

TOWN HALL TOPICS

At last the Chestnut Hill Road has been rebuilt. As one of the much used roads into town it was imperative to be a priority. We have high hopes to be able to do both the Ridge Road and Hornetown Road next year. They are equally poor quality. The frost heaves this past winter really finished them off. With residents contacting the office and trips by the individual Selectmen we would like to double up next year's project.

We realize the excessive sand /gravel on the streets when they were sealed recently. The reason was to protect your vehicles from the sealer which would spatter upward as you drove. The sealer is to protect the streets from cracking and deteriorating.

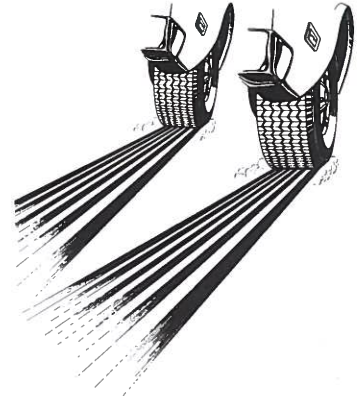
The Board has tried to save money by having the Highway Department do most of the preparation work for paving. The past couple of years doing this has interfered with quality maintenance. Next year and probably into the future we want to bid out the complete repaving projects to allow the Highway crew to concentrate on maintenance.

Our appreciation and thanks goes out again to the Parks and Recreation and Police Departments for another successful Hay Day. We cannot limit our thanks to these two departments. Success is in the hands of the many who help make this a great day.

Another "Thank You" to the Farmington Business Association for the fantastic Farmington Fun Fest. I, personally, wasn't here to enjoy it. (Was in St. Louis for the National Conference for State Legislators representing the House Education Committee) I did catch it on Channel 12. More great PR for our town.

The bandstand constructed at Fernald Park is another positive contribution. Thanks to Mark Canney for taking this on as an Eagle Scout project and to the volunteers, a big thank you.

Barbara Spear
For the Board of Selectmen



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Preparing Cars For Colder Weather

After a summer season of heavy driving, cars need some preventive maintenance to keep them humming in colder weather, auto care experts agree.

The motor oil may need changing. Autumn is a good time to switch from heavy summer-weight oil to a lighter oil that will minimize sluggish, gas-wasting startups in cold weather. Keeping a container of starting fluid handy is another way to guard against battery-draining starts.

Because car cooling systems have to work overtime both in hot and cold weather, fall also is the ideal time to flush the cooling system, refilling it with a new 50:50 solution of water and a top-quality product such as Zerex® antifreeze coolant.

In disposing of waste oil and antifreeze, it is important to follow the guidelines set forth by your local municipality. That's one way to show concern for your environment as well as for your car.

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