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Take your honey to comedy or concert

Live Music

Wednesday

- Dean Harlem at Concord Craft Brewing from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.
- Kid Pinky at Hermanos at 6:30 p.m.
- Open Mic Night to fundraise for weather-proof guitar for Kevin Clark at Area 23 at 7:30 p.m.
- Irish Music with David Levine and Roger Duhaime at Area 23 at 8:30 p.m.

Thursday

- April Cushman at Cheers from 5 to 8 p.m.
- Mike Morris at Hermanos at 6:30 p.m.
- Bach’s Lunch Lecture at Concord Community Music School at 12:10 p.m.
- Piano Battle: Andreas vs. Paul at the Capitol Center for the Arts at 7:30 p.m.
- Holy Fool at Penuche’s
- Lyrics Born with Harsh Armadillo at the Bank of N.H. Stage at 8 p.m. Bar opens at 6 p.m. Cost $15 to $27.
- Saturday Jam with Chaz Proulx at Area 23 at 2 p.m.
- Dank Sinatra at Area 23 at 6 p.m.
- Lichen at Area 23 at 9 p.m.

Sunday

- Eric Chase at Hermanos at 6:30 p.m.

Monday

- Paul Heckel at Hermanos at 6:30 p.m.

Tuesday

- Kid Pinky at Hermanos at 6:30 p.m.
- Noony Tunes Folk Jams at Concord Community Music School at noon

Next Wednesday

- Ken Budka at Concord Craft Brewing from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.
- Kid Pinky at Hermanos at 6:30 p.m.

Stage Shows

- The Community Players of Concord will present The Odd Couple: Female Version at the Concord City Auditorium on Friday and Saturday at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday at 2 p.m. (More details, page 4).
- The National Ballet Theatre of Odessa, Ukraine, will present Romeo & Juliet at the Capitol Center for the Arts on Feb. 10 at 7 p.m. This full-scale production is set to the music of Sergey Prokofiev and based on William Shakespeare’s timeless tale of tragic love. Tickets are $20 to $58.
- Daniel MacIvor’s How it Works heads into its final week at Hatbox Theatre. Show are Friday and Saturday at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday at 2 p.m. Tickets $12 to $18 at hatboxnh.com.

Movies at Red River Theatres

- Little Women (PG) 134 minutes
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Opening Valentine’s Day, the Community Players of Concord present Neil Simon’s *The Odd Couple – The Female Version*. This is Simon’s own 1985 adaptation of his fabulously popular play about two friends who really shouldn’t live together but decide to give it a try.

Here, it’s Olive Madison who is the easy going, sloppy divorcée who agrees to take in Florence Unger, her high strung, ultra fastidious friend, after Florence’s husband announces he wants a divorce. Olive and Florence regularly gather with four female friends to play Trivial Pursuit, while the amorous Spanish upstairs neighbors, the Costazuela Brothers, keep the hilarity going.

Vicky Sandin of Nashua directs a seasoned cast in this quick witted and extremely funny play. The two lead actors have played their parts before: Ursula Minich Boutwell of Gilford played the kind but ultimately exasperated-to-the-point-of-rage Olive in 2012 with the Winnipesaukee Playhouse, while Heather Jacques of Newbury played the fabulously neurotic Florence in 2019 with Sunapee Kearsarge Intercommunity Theatre.

Chris Demers of Concord and Matt McGonagle of Gilford are comedy gold as the Costazuela brothers; both remarkably tall and naturally funny, these two are well known to New Hampshire theatre audiences for their comedic timing and physicality.

Rounding out the cast as Olive and Florence’s supportive but quirky band of friends are Ellen Burger and Erin Reinhard of Concord, Nancy Rosen of Dunbarton, and Kendra West-Senor of Warner.

The Odd Couple is one of four Neil Simon shows the Community Players are presenting this season to honor America’s most celebrated playwright, who passed away in 2018.

Performances are at the Concord City Auditorium, 2 Prince St., on Friday and Saturday at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday at 2 p.m. Tickets are $20 for adults or $18 for juniors and seniors, with a $2 per ticket discount for purchases before Wednesday.

As a special offer, contact David Murdo to buy an equal number of tickets for this show and for the May 1 through 3 production of *Barefoot In The Park* and tickets cost only $15 each.

Tickets and information available at communityplayersofconcord.org or by contacting Murdo at nhdm40@comcast.net or 344-4747.
city manager’s newsletter

Lots of things happening with the library

Plus, two days of meetings and presentations for the city’s zoning code updates

The city manager’s office sent out the City Manager’s Newsletter last Friday. The full newsletter can be found by going to concordnh.gov and clicking the “Newsletter” button. Here are some highlights:

Concord NEXT zoning update public meetings

The Phase 1 Draft of the new Zoning Code will be presented in a series of public presentations and stakeholder meetings on Feb. 18 and 19. Come to a small group stakeholder session to learn about specific topics, or attend one of the evening public presentations for a general overview. All sessions and meetings will be held in Council Chambers at 37 Green St., except as noted in the schedule below.

Check the city website or the project website (concordnext.info) soon for links to the draft code and proposed zoning map.

Tuesday, Feb. 18
9-10:30 a.m. – Downtown Development
10:30-noon – Residential Neighborhoods
1:30-3 p.m. – Parking & Use Tables
3-4:30 p.m. – Buffers, Landscaping, & Zoning Map
6-7 p.m. – Penacook Village Discussion - Beaver Meadow Golf Course
7-8:30 p.m. – Public Presentation at Beaver Meadow Golf Course
8:30-9 p.m. – Penacook Village Discussion - Beaver Meadow Golf Course

Wednesday, Feb. 19th
10:30 a.m.-Noon – Mixed Use Districts
1:30-3 p.m. – Residential Neighborhoods - Small Sessions
7-8:30 p.m. – Public Presentation in Council Chambers

Library news

Beat the Librarians Trivia will be Wednesday at 7 p.m. at Lithermans Limited Brewery, 126 Hall St. Create a team with four to six players and compete against a group of librarians from Concord and Bow. Bookish trivia will appear alongside questions about science, sports, pop culture and more. Prizes for the winning team.

The Daytime Oscar Party was rescheduled to Thursday at 2 p.m. in the Concord Public Library auditorium. Wear your best red carpet attire and watch Oscar-nominated Judy.

Concord General Services’ Public Properties Division has recently installed new flooring in the Concord Room at the Concord Public Library. The carpet flooring was replaced with luxury vinyl plank that is an up-and-coming product replacing vinyl composition tile. It lasts 50% to 100% longer than vinyl composition tile since it does not need to be stripped and waxed every year and does not become brittle or crack. Library staff selected a “marble” design pattern for a more “museum” aesthetic. The carpets were in need of replacing and switching out the carpet to this new flooring will help to decrease the humidity of the room during the summer, which was motivation behind this upgrade due to concerns of library staff. Public properties first installed a commercial grade dehumidifier and then completed this new flooring to improve conditions and help preserve the integrity of books and materials in the Concord Room. The new flooring has certainly increased the look, feel, and functionality of the room.

Concord hike

The Concord Trails Committee will lead a group hike on Saturday at 10 a.m. at the Broken Ground Trails. Meet your guide Rob at the Curtisville Road parking area. During the 3 mile hike, you’ll pass cellar holes from the old Frost homestead and beaver ponds. It will take about 2 hours. Plan for wet or icy conditions; wear appropriate books with cleats or microspikes. A hiking pole is recommended.

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Governor to present at chamber forum

The Greater Concord Chamber of Commerce invites members and the public to its annual State of the State forum featuring New Hampshire Gov. Chris Sununu on Thursday from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Grappone Conference Center, 70 Constitution Ave., Concord. Sununu will share what economic challenges and opportunities are priorities for the state in 2020. Attendees will gain insight into initiatives and issues, especially as they relate to the business community. The conversation will continue during a Q&A session with Sununu. Register for State of the State at ConcordNHChamber.com (required); $25 for Chamber members, $35 for non-members (includes lunch). For more information, contact the Greater Concord Chamber of Commerce at 224-2508, email events@concordnhchamber.com or visit the Chamber’s website.

Emily Marsh

Stamp swap

The Merrimack County Stamp Collectors will hold its monthly meeting at the Bow Mills United Methodist Church, 505 South St., Bow, on Feb. 18 1 p.m. We invite all who are interested in stamp collecting to attend, share their interest, buy, sell and trade. Meet other collectors and learn more about their hobby and enjoy the fellowship of others with varied interests in Philatelic resources and issues. Gain new insight and knowledge, sharing news articles and stories about stamp collecting. For more information call Dan Day at 228-1154.

Dan Day

Memory Café

The Capital Area Memory Café for memory-impaired individuals and their family members is Feb. 19 from 2 to 4 p.m. at Granite Ledges of Concord, 151 Langley Parkway in Concord. The Memory Café is held on the third Wednesday of each month at the same time. Enjoy an opportunity to socialize and build relationships with others who have memory impairment. Family members can speak with healthcare professionals and learn more about resources while their loved ones are engaged in meaningful and supervised activity in a relaxed home-like environment. Cafes are free and no registration is required. Refreshments are provided. For more information, call 230-5673 or email Jennifer.Brechtel@cRNA.org.

Andrew Morse

UNH seeks partner

Education experts at the University of New Hampshire are looking for Merrimack Valley elementary school teachers who want to explore new ways of teaching science. Teachers can apply to participate in Schoolyard SITES, a program that brings citizen science to schools through teacher-volunteer partnerships. During the 2020-21 school year, teachers and volunteers from UNH Cooperative Extension will work together to create a schoolyard citizen science investigation with students. Participating teachers will receive support from UNH education and science experts and will gain science teaching skills, including how to contribute to national citizen science projects. Some examples of past projects include bird identification, precipitation mapping and maple sap collection. Topics focus on life and Earth science content relevant to the schoolyard and district’s curriculum requirements. UNH will host two online informational sessions on Feb. 13 and March 12 from 4 to 4:30 p.m. Register for an informational session and learn more about Schoolyard SITES, including the eligibility requirements and benefits, at extension.unh.edu/programs/schoolyard-sites.

Emma Joyce

Mardi Gras and jazz of the heart

This Sunday at 1 p.m. at Concord’s First Congregational Church, 177 N. Main St., Jazz Sanctuary will celebrate “Mardi Gras and The Jazz of Heart.” Guest musician, Brooklyn trombonist Jim Wildman will join his brother Tim on trumpet, Joey Placenti on clarinet and tenor sax, Eric Bilodeau on guitar, and Ed Raczka on drums to play New Orleans inspired jazz. Vocalist, the Rev. Emilia Halstead will make the music soar and, also, with Tim Wildman, lead the conversational time about the relationship between celebration and not losing heart in dark times. The half-hour jazz set begins at 1 p.m. with the worship experience following at 1:30. Free admission.

Tim Wildman
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She has a thirst for sustainability

Emily Sullivan

How old are you? I am 24 years old.

Where do you live? I live in Canterbury. I am originally from Hanson, Massachusetts, but knew I had to relocate for college. I miss being so close to the ocean, but I consider New Hampshire my home now!

Where do you currently work? I work for Southern New Hampshire University as an Academic Advisor for graduate STEM students.

What’s your favorite part of your workday? I enjoy first walking in every day and catching up with my teammates in the morning.

Where did you go to school? I got my undergraduate degree from Plymouth State University in Tourism Management and Policy. I am now getting my masters from SNHU in Organizational Leadership. I am interested in doing work in higher education or the non-profit sector later on in my career.

What do you like to do for fun? I am passionate about sustainable tourism and bringing (and retaining) people to live in NH. I love going to concerts, traveling, attempting to bake, listening to podcasts, and gardening/yard work.

Favorite places to be? I absolutely love Sugar Hill in northern New Hampshire and attending their Lupine Festival every June.

How did you find out about CYPN and how has it benefited your business or you personally? I learned about CYPN during my senior year of college while interning for Stay Work Play NH. CYPN has given me the opportunity to meet young professionals in my community, visit some awesome places in Concord for free and make friends!

What organizations are you involved with? I am a part of the Canterbury Community Farmers Market and I manage the marketing and publicity of the market. I wanted to meet more people in my community and I am passionate about sustainability and local food movements.

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What’s your favorite restaurant in Concord? I couldn’t decide between the two as my favorite restaurant, so I love Smoke Show BBQ and Revival Kitchen.

What’s your favorite place to go in Concord? I enjoy going to Goodwill, Chuck’s Barbershop, and Oak Hill hiking trails.

What is one of your life goals? A goal I have in life is to be able to travel often for an extended period of time. I would like to create an organization that gives young girls the opportunity to travel, go camping, hiking, and to increase their inner self-confidence.

What has been your favorite CYPN event so far? I enjoyed the CYPN networking event hosted at Mill Brook Gallery & Sculpture Garden in the summer of 2018. It was such a funky space that had beautiful gardens with art all over!

If you could visit any country, where would you go? I would visit the Czech Republic or Thailand.

Where is the best place you’ve visited? I absolutely loved Iceland.

Tell us a few interesting facts about yourself! I judge a good café by its iced coffee and breakfast sandwiches. I love going camping every summer in New Hampshire or Vermont and reading in my hammock. I am practicing photography and enjoy taking pictures while going on hikes or day trips.

About CYPN

Concord Young Professionals Network (CYPN) is a professional and personal development initiative of the Greater Concord Chamber of Commerce that promotes the growth of Capital Region professionals in their 20s, 30s and 40s. CYPN will host its complimentary monthly networking event at Concord Hospital with NH Young Veterans Network (NHYVN) on Wednesday, Feb. 19 from 5:30-7:30 p.m. All are invited to join Capital area YPs and New Hampshire’s only YP group specifically for veterans to enjoy networking, appetizers and beer or wine. CYPN’s 4th Annual Wellness Series presented in partnership with Concord Hospital for Health Promotion continues this month with Dining Out/Smart Snacks on Wednesday, March 25 from 5:30-6:30 p.m. at Center for Health Promotion in Concord. Registration is complimentary, but space is limited. Please register in advance. For more information or to RSVP for either event, visit ConcordNHChamber.com/CYPN. Email events@concordnhchamber.com to sign up for future event updates.
Steve Duprey’s newest downtown project is bringing back something old.

The Concord developer plans to begin a renovation of the former Monitor-Statesman Building at 10 Pleasant St., Extension this winter to create a new headquarters for the Londonderry civil, environmental and geotechnical firm, Wilcox & Barton, he announced at a Jan. 13 city council meeting.

The firm, which also has an office in Vermont, will bring 10 employees to the city in late summer or early fall to work in the two-story historic office that was once home to the city’s newspaper in the early 1900s.

The Monitor Statesman, now the Concord Monitor, published in the building from 1912 to 1929.

The building’s architecture was influenced by the Classical Revival style, according to a report from the city, and potentially eligible for the National Register of Historic Places.

“They love the signature piece of this building, they love that it’s part of the history of Concord,” Duprey told the City Council during their Jan. 13 meeting, of Wilcox & Barton.

However, Duprey said, the preservation comes at a cost.

“It’s much more expensive to save older buildings than it is to build new ones,” he said. “It just is very difficult to do.”

Duprey, who is the current owner of the building, is selling the property to Bill Wilcox, the president of Wilcox & Barton, who will lease the building to his firm. An agreement of the sale is that Duprey completes renovations of the building, which needs a new roof and doesn’t have an HVAC system, among other issues.

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To read the full article, visit concordmonitor.com.
Legion Auxiliary, students send support

American Legion Auxiliary, Unit 21, of Concord participated in a statewide project, Holiday Card Challenge, to provide holiday cards to active duty service members. Chairwoman Kyme Locke, a member of Unit 21, and her mother, Barbara Locke, contacted local schools to involve children in this project in memory of her cousin, George Phillip Desmarais Jr., who was a Marine who died in service to his country.

The elementary and middle school children drew pictures and messages of support to be delivered along with personal care products to members of the five branches of service.

The Auxiliary wishes to thank all those who participated, including Post 21 families, Unit 21 Juniors, Franklin Middle School, Paul Smith School, Beaver Meadow School, Abbott Downing School, Christa McAuliffe School, Rundlett Middle School, Penacook Elementary School, Merrimack Valley Middle School, Allenstown Elementary School and the Friends of Forgotten Children.

Kyme Locke places a kiss on the side of the head of World War II veteran Herb Kavash, 94, at the Post 21 in Concord on Jan. 9.

Some of the letters and drawings that were sent to service members.
The meaning of different flowers

When you express your feelings with florals, make sure you know what you’re saying

By JOYCE KIMBALL
For the Insider

With Valentine’s Day just around the corner, giving flowers often comes into mind—actually the statistics show that Valentine’s Day is the most important day of the year for florists.

Over the past several centuries books on the “language” a.k.a. “meaning” of flowers have been published, many accompanied by pastel drawings of the flowers and their perceived meanings. Today, there is a wonderful array of books available filled with either vivid photographs or beautiful drawings of flowers and their meanings, many the same as in earlier years, others more apropos for the times.

The first western language flower book or dictionary, Le Langage des Fleurs, was written in 1819 by Charlotte de Latour (a pseudonym). It was extremely popular and actually created a small industry, and in time, large numbers of illustrated floral dictionaries “sprouted up” throughout France and across Europe, eventually making their way across the ocean to the U.S.

The first American book of this type was Victoria’s Dictionary of Flowers — About Flowers. The author was Victoria Jones, a floral arranger who had apparently sought refuge in the world of flowers following a fraught life, having lived in 32 foster homes by the time she reached 18 years of age.

My review of the meanings of different flowers, comparing the earlier versions with more recent publications was quite eye-opening. Victoria’s book, for instance, as with virtually all others written on this subject, universally declare the red rose (genus rosa) to mean “love,” hence the plethora of roses dispensed by florists all over the country on Valentine’s Day and other love-expressing occasions like engagements, weddings, anniversaries and the like.

Be aware, however, that other colors of roses do not denote the same message. For example, a yellow rose signifies “infidelity” in both the old and new versions of the flower language writings. The more modern version of the yellow rose’s meaning begins its description with “jealousy, decrease of love,” adding infidelity at the end. Probably not a good choice if your intention is to profess your love to someone special.

The white rose is defined as “a heart unacquainted with love” whereas the modern version lists “purity, heavenly, I’m worthy of you.” Really?

And a dark crimson rose in the latest version gives “mourning” as its meaning. You probably ought to make sure any red roses you present to a loved one are in fact red, not dark crimson.

As for non-rose flowers. There is the beautiful snapdragon, more commonly seen in larger floral arrangements. Victoria defined the snapdragon as “presumption” whereas the Farmer’s Almanac defined it as “deception, graciousness.” How can it represent both of these one must ask. (And it is all a bit of a dichotomy don’t you think)?

The opposing definitions of lavender also brought me pause: the earlier version is “mistrust” whereas the latter version is “devotion, virtue.” Hmmmm.

Following are some “ABC’s” of interesting definitions of some of the flowers you may be familiar with. Some may surprise you, others may not:

- Anemone: “Forsaken”
- Begonia: “Beware”
- Coreopsis: “Always Cheerful”
- Daisy: “Innocence”
- Evening Primrose: “Inconsistency”
- Fern: “Sincerity”
- Geranium: “True Friendship”
- Hollyhock: “Ambition”
- Ivy: “Fidelity”
- Jonquil: “Desire”
- Kalanchoe: “Endurance and lasting affection”
- Lobelia: “Maliciousness”
- Marigold: “Grief”
- Nasturtium: “Patriotism”
- Orchid: “Refined”
- Peony: “Beauty”

According to flower eufhists, red roses mean “love,” but crimson “mourning.”

Queen Anne’s Lace: “Sanctuary”
Rosemary: “Remembrance”
Sweet Pea: “Delicate Pleasures”
Tulip (Red): “Declaration of Love”
Umbrella Plant: “Good luck”
Violet: “Modesty”
Xeranthemum/Strawflower: “Everlasting”
Yarrow: “Cure for a broken heart”
Zinnia: “I mourn your absence”

There are definitely some things here you might want to consider when selecting flowers for a person or occasion. You can always assume that your floral gifts will be graciously accepted and appreciated for the thoughtful and meaningful gestures they are. The recipients will probably never think to check out their meanings on Google.

Seriously, there is a wonderful assortment of books about flowers, their meanings, origins, etc. that you might enjoy as you await spring and the ability to see these beautiful flowers for yourself.

Special Meaning of Flowers

There is a language, little known, Lovers claim it as their own.
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Fun for your valentines

Sweetheart shuffle

GoodLife Programs and Activities will be hosting a dance on Wednesday from 2 to 3:30 p.m. In addition to dancing to music by Bill Parker, there will be goodie bags and raffles. And if you’re a wallflower, that’s fine too, just come to watch and spend time with friends. Cost $5. For more information, call 228-6630 or email info@goodlightnh.org.

Have to say “I love you” in a song

Concord Coachmen will again offer singing telegrams of Valentine’s greetings in Concord and Manchester areas. A quartet from the Concord Coachmen Chorus would love to deliver a singing valentine to your loved ones at work, home, or at any venue. The recipient will receive two songs that say “I Love You,” a rose, and a photo of the event delivered on Friday. Cost is $49 for basic delivery, $54 for a 2-4 hour window, $59 for a specific time or outside the regular region. To book your valentine, email singingvalentines@concordcoachmen.org. visit eventbrite.com/e/concord-coachmen-singing-valentines-tickets-89852249497 or call Dave Gruette (Concord area) at 608-9768 or Joe Hayden (Manchester area) 483-8295.

Fun and games

The Sweetheart Dinner will be held on Feb. 14 at noon in the dining room of Presidential Oaks Retirement Living. All the fun will begin with Couples Bingo at 11 a.m. in the Presidential Oaks’ Auditorium. Pairs of players will work together and try their luck against popular Bingo Challenge Games such as Four Corners, Picture Frame and Fill The Card. Chocolate treats will be awarded as prizes. Guests will dine on a delicious and hearty menu featuring chicken cordon bleu with supreme sauce, au gratin potato, asparagus spears and a delectable red velvet Valentine’s Day cupcake for dessert. The grand prize of two tickets to see Celtic Woman at the Capitol Center for the Arts in March will be drawn during dinner. All guests attending will have their name entered into the drawing. Reservations may be made by calling Krista Marrs at 724-6111. Tickets are $12 each or $20 per couple.

Little loves

The Concord Public Library Heights Branch will host Edible Valentine making on Thursday from 4 to 6 p.m. Decorate cookies to enjoy and share with someone special. For more information, email jsalemy@concordnh.gov.
Stand-up show ready for Valentine’s Day

The next monthly comedy showcase at Tandy’s is one they hope you’ll love. “For the Love of Laughter: A Valentine Standup Comedy Show” will be held Feb. 13 at 7:30 p.m. with doors opening at 6:30 p.m.

Laughta in New Hampsha, a project of Nodo Productions, has assembled a performance by five New England comedians hosted by Rick Gauthier. The comedians are Chad Blodgett of Claremont, Stephanie Elliot of Massachusetts, Chris Justice, Peter Pardoe of Lebanon and Tom Spohn of North Brookline.

The show may contain adult content.

Nodo Productions assembles monthly comedy shows at Tandy’s Pub in Eagle Square in Concord the second Thursday of the month featuring New England-based comedians. The monthly gatherings began a year ago, in February 2019.

Tickets are $12 if purchased by Feb. 6 or $15 afterward. They can be bought online at february13valentinecomedy.eventbrite.com or at the door.

Seating is limited. For more information, email info@nodoproductions.com.
poem

1923

It was the summer, of nineteen twenty-three,
Martin and Emily, came to be.
A touch of a hand, a walk in the dark,
a moment on the bridge, deep in the park.
A view of the fountain, a moon so bright,
that first kiss, on this special night.

James W. Spain
Voting takes place Tuesday, Feb. 11

Voting will take place from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. at the city’s ten ward locations.

**Ward One:** Immaculate Conception Church, Bonney Street, Penacook

**Ward Two:** West Congregational Church, 499 N. State St.

**Ward Three:** Beaver Meadow Golf Course, 1 Beaver Meadow St.

**Ward Four:** Boys & Girls Club of Greater Concord, 55 Bradley St.

**Ward Five:** Green Street Community Center, 39 Green St.,

**Ward Six:** Christ the King Parish, 72 S. Main St.

**Ward Seven:** West Street Ward House, 41 West St.

**Ward Eight:** Bektash Temple, 189 Pembroke Road

**Ward Nine:** Havenwood, 33 Christian Ave.

**Ward Ten:** Broken Ground School, 51 S. Curtisville Road
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Michael Bennet  Denver, Colorado
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Mosie Boyd  Fort Smith, Arkansas
Steve Bullock  Helena, Montana
Steve Burke  Heuvelton, New York
Pete Buttigieg  South Bend, Indiana
Julian Castro  San Antonio, Texas

WRITE-IN

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I hereby declare my preference for candidate for the Office of PRESIDENT of the UNITED STATES to be as follows:
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Star Locke  Harlingen, Texas
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Mary Maxwell  Concord, New Hampshire
Eric Merrill  New Boston, New Hampshire
William N. Murphy  Lyme, New Hampshire
Jude Payne  Theodore, Alabama

WRITE-IN

Note: Voters must declare a party and can only vote in one primary
Millionaire Fastlane
By M. J. DeMarco
322 pages
nonfiction

We’ve been taught to be employees, not millionaires. It’s not our fault, but DeMarco explains how we can correct the road we are on. By saying goodbye to the Slowlane, we can speed into the Fastlane where wealth is waiting for us. It’s really about having your own business, but not just any business. One that meets the commandments of Control, Entry, Need, Time, and Scale. With his step by step approach, you’ll have a blueprint you can start executing. Ever wonder why your business just feels like another job? The Millionaire Fastlane will take you out of the trading time for money cycle and set you up for a business that has the potential to make you a millionaire with lots of passive income. You won’t have to wonder if your business idea will be viable because he gives you the tools to find that out before dumping time or money into it.

The Millionaire Fastlane also has information about branding, execution, using generosity to increase wealth, and the power of focusing on one thing. I know of people who read this book, took its advice for starting their business, and are now successful millionaires. I read this book a year ago. I thought I could do this journey alone, but it was only after taking DeMarco’s advice of investing in myself to find the mentors I needed, am I finally starting a business that meets all the commandments for success.

The author, DeMarco, has an online community you can join to discuss the teachings in this book with other fellow Fastlaners. Visit the Concord Public Library online at concordpubliclibrary.net.

Amy Cornwell
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Tuesday, Feb. 11

- Chronic Pain Support Group: 1 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. Second Tuesday of every month. Share experiences, resource information. There will be also speakers. This is confidential and non-demoninational. Free. No registration needed. Accessible. Unitarian Universalist Church, 274 Pleasant St., Concord. 540-3119, usupfoundation.org.

- Grown-up Coloring: 6 p.m. - 7 p.m. Color inside or outside the lines, with our supplies and coloring pages or your own. Concord Public Library, 45 Green St., Concord. 225-8670, ext. 2.

- Noony Tunes Folk Jam: 12 p.m. Concord Community Music School, 23 Wall St, Concord.

Wednesday, Feb. 12

- AARP NH Coffee & Conversation at Revelstoke: 8 a.m. - 11 a.m. Free. Revelstoke Coffee, One Eagle Square, Concord. (866) 542-8168. nhaarp@aarp.org.

- Beat the Librarians Trivia Night: 7 p.m. - 9 p.m. Join us at Lithermans limited in Concord to test your trivia skills. Free. Lithermans Limited, 126 Hall St, Concord. 230-3682. jsalemy@concordnh.gov.

- Discovering Magic with Andrew Pinard: 7:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m. $12 - $18. $18, $15 members, seniors, students. $12 senior member. Hatbox Theatre, 270 Loudon Rd, Concord. 6037152315. kevin@hatboxnh.com.

- Bridge Your Savings & Spending Plan: 5:15 p.m. - 7:15 p.m. Free. NHFCU Center for Finance & Education, 47 N. Main St., Concord. 224-7731. alexandra.demetriou@centerfe.org.

- Monthly Forum: State of the State with Governor Chris Sununu: 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. $25 - $35. Grappone Conference Center, 70 Constitution Ave., Concord. (603) 224-2508. events@concordnhchamber.com.

- Piano Battle - Andreas von Paul: 7:30 p.m. - 9 p.m. Capitol Center for the Arts, 44 S Main St, Concord.

- Senior Health Clinic: 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. Services include foot care, blood pressure screening and more. Please call for an appointment. Suggested donation of $10. St. Paul’s Episcopal Church Outreach Center, 21 Centre Street, Concord. (603) 224-4093, ext. 5815.

Friday, Feb. 14

- Needle Felted Monet’s Water Lilies: 6 p.m. - 9 p.m. Were “painting” with wool inspired by Impressionist painter Claude Monet and his waterlily paintings! $25 - $30. Online registration required. Concord Community Music School, 23 Wall St, Concord.

- How It Works: 7:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m. $12 - $18. $18, $15 members, seniors, students. $12 senior member. Hatbox Theatre, 270 Loudon Rd, Concord. 6037152315. kevin@hatboxnh.com.

- The Odd Couple - The Male Version: 7:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m. Neil Simon’s “The Odd Couple-The Male Version.” This is Simon’s own 1985 adaptation of his fabulously popular play about two friends who really shouldn’t live together but decide to give it a try. $18 - $20 - $2 discount if bought before Feb. 12. The Concord City Auditorium, 2 Prince St, Concord. 344-4747. nhdm40@comcast.net.

Sunday, Feb. 16

- Intro to Shibusori: Indigo Dye Workshop: 1 p.m. - 4 p.m. Learn the basics of the Japanese art of resist dyeing with indigo at this introduction to Shibori workshop. No experience necessary. $35. The Place Studio & Gallery, 40 Thorrndike Street, Suite 2B, Concord. 6033694906. christa@theplacestudioandgallery.com.

- Mardi Gras and The Jazz of Heart: 1 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. New Orleans based jazz with Musical Guest, trombonist Jim Wildman joining his trumpet brother, Tim, Vocalist Emilia Halstead, and a horn band Free. First Congregational Church of Concord, 177 N. Main St., Concord. 225-5103. wildhov@comcast.net.

Monday, Feb. 17

- Gentle Yoga: 12 p.m. - 1 p.m. Mindful stretching, strengthening, and relaxation practice with chair support. $41 Bow Residents, $46 non-residents. Bow Community Center, 3 Bow Center Road, Bow Center. 223-3920. aguertin@bownh.gov.

Tuesday, Feb. 18

- Drawing Still Life in Color: 1 p.m. - 3 p.m. Peter Clive will teach you how to exaggerate the beautiful colors that we see in life. 2 weeks, register in advance. $20. 2 Week Session, Register in advance... GoodLife Programs & Activities, 254 N State St, Unit L, Concord. 6032286630. info@goodlifenh.org.

- Game Night: 6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m. Game Night - Bring yourself & favorite game. West Congregational Church, 499 N State St., Concord. 224-4142.

Wednesday, Feb. 19

- An Evening of African-American Poetry w/Kayla Lewis & Matt Gile: 5:30 p.m. - 7 p.m. Gibson’s Bookstore, 45 S. Main St., Concord.

- Capital Area Memory Cafe: 2 p.m. - 4 p.m. Family members with memory impairment and caregivers join us to learn about resources and from speaking with others. Pre-registration is not required. Free. Granite Ledges, 151 Langley Parkway, Concord. (603) 230-5673.

- CYPN and NHHVN Networking at Concord Hospital: 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. Free. Concord Hospital, 250 Pleasant St., Concord. (603) 224-2508. programs@concordnhchamber.com.

- Fly Fishing 101: 6 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. Learn basics on Fly Fishing. This is a four-part class, please plan to attend all four classes. Registration is required. Free. Concord Public Library, 45 Green St. Concord. jsalemy@concordnh.gov.

- Kids Art After School: 4:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. Join us every other Wednesday for our art class designed specifically for kids! Art mediums vary week to week. $15 - $20. $20 first child; $15 each sibling. The Place Studio & Gallery, Concord Community Arts Center, 40 Thorrndike Street, Concord. 603-369-4906. christa@theplacestudioandgallery.com.

- Legal Breakfast Series: Tools for Nonprofit Board Members: 8 a.m. - 9 a.m. Free. Orr & Reno, PA, 45 South Main Street, 4th Floor Concord, Concord. (603) 224-2508. events@concordnhchamber.com.

- Poetry Society of N.H.: Kayla Lewis & Matt Gile: 5:30 p.m. - 7 p.m. Poetry reading and open mic focusing on African-American poetry. Free. Gibson’s Bookstore, 45 S. Main St., Concord. 224-0562. gibsonsevents@gmail.com.

- Talking Transportation Listening Session/ CAP: 11 a.m. - 12 p.m. Join us for a listening session about your transportation experience. Contact Cindy Yanski, Mobility Manager at 603-225-3295 or cyanski@bmcap.org Free. GoodLife Programs & Activities, 254 N State St, Unit L, Concord. 6032286630. info@goodlifenh.org.

- Wings of Knowledge: National Engineers Week: 6 p.m. - 8 p.m. NHTI, 31 College Dr, Concord.
Feb. 11, 2000: A Massachusetts development company is considering building a large shopping center anchored by a supermarket on land in the South End, the Monitor reports. Working through a local real estate agent, the company has approached at least 10 different property owners in a triangular-shaped area between Hall and South Main streets near Exit 13 off Interstate 93.

Feb. 11, 1941: President Franklin D. Roosevelt appoints John G. Winant of Concord to succeed Joseph Kennedy as U.S. ambassador to Great Britain. Winant, a Republican, is a former governor and served earlier in FDR’s presidency as the first administrator of the Social Security Administration.

Feb. 11, 1965: The New Hampshire Senate agrees to reapportion its 24 seats, basing districts on population rather than wealth, as a 1964 U.S. Supreme Court ruling demands. The result: more seats for Democrats.

Feb. 11, 1988: Peppered by UNH students with questions over his opposition to campaign finance reform and to economic sanctions against South Africa, presidential candidate Bob Dole fires back. “Aren’t there any conservative students here?” he says. “There’s got to be one or two. I want to see the future taxpayers.” The students boo.

Feb. 12, 2002: Andover’s Kris Freeman skis into 22nd in the men’s 15-kilometer race at the Olympic games in Salt Lake City.

Feb. 12, 1967: The weather observatory atop Mount Washington simultaneously records a temperature of minus 41 degrees Fahrenheit and a wind of 110 miles per hour. The chill factor is off the charts.

Feb. 13, 1878: New Hampshire delegates convene to consider the proposed U.S. Constitution. About two-thirds oppose it, and only after cajoling by Dr. Josiah Bartlett and other supporters do the delegates agree to reconvene in Concord in four months.

Feb. 13, 1849: Fire destroys all but the blacksmith shop of the Abbey & Downing coach factory in Concord. It will be rebuilt.

Feb. 13, 1932: Wearing a knitted toque (there are no more substantial headgear), Douglas Everett skates for the United States against Canada in the Olympic ice hockey final at Lake Placid. The teams tie 2-2. Canada, undefeated in the tournament, wins the gold medal. Everett will bring a silver medal home to Concord.

Feb. 14, 2003: The Penncook tannery will receive half a million dollars from the state Land and Community Heritage Investment Program for cleanup and restoration, the program’s board of directors announces.

Feb. 14, 1916: The Boston Post publishes Carl Wilmore’s account of his trip to Frania to interview Robert Frost, who moved there the previous spring. Frost tells Wilmore: “I hear everything I write. All poetry is to me a matter of sound. I hear my words spoken.”

Feb. 14, 1942: Although the manufacture of fire-works is banned for the duration of the war, wholesalers say they have plenty of firecrackers on hand so that New Hampshire people can celebrate the Fourth of July.

Feb. 14, 1983: Students at the Webster elementary school are delighted by a visit from Gov. John Sununu. “He has a great job. He just goes around visiting schools all over the state. I would like to do that,” says fourth-grader Sam Bailey. Jason Rockwell, asked to assess Sununu’s term in office, chooses a diplomatic response: “I liked his suit.”


Feb. 15, 2002: The Diocese of Manchester releases the names of 14 priests who have been accused of sexual misconduct with children between 1963 and 1987.

Feb. 15, 2001: The Sewalls Falls bridge is closed for repairs. One of the few crossings of the Merrimack River in Concord, the bridge has been slated for reconstruction in the past. As far back as 1993, the state said a new bridge would be in place by 1998.

Feb. 15, 2000: Conservative Republican Sen. Mary Brown of Chichester is proposing an income tax to pay for public education, the Monitor reports. Frustrated with the positions of the Democratic and Republican candidates, Brown will go on to run for governor as an independent.

Feb. 15, 1965: New Hampshire Sweepstakes Director Edward Powers travels to Maine to brag about New Hampshire’s lottery, the first in the nation. Monitor columnist Leon Anderson worries about competition. “Perhaps our best way to promote the Sweepstakes is as the only gambling venture of its kind in the nation would be to tell folks in other states it is no good and let us have it all to ourselves.”

Feb. 15, 1943: As a war measure, Concord’s Mayor Charles McKee recommends that stoplights be eliminated at city intersections. Posting stop signs in their places will conserve gasoline, he says.

Feb. 16, 2003: The Concord High gymnastics team, in its first “real” season, wins the state championship, the Monitor reports. At the State Gymnastic Meet in Londonderry, the Tide puts up 141.625 points to second-place Pinkerton’s 136.675. Fifth-place Bow’s (131.950) Julia Riordan is the all-around winner.

Feb. 16, 2000: Communities with large populations are more apt to switch from traditional town meeting to ballot voting than are smaller ones, the Monitor reports. The first statewide study of Senate Bill 2, which gave towns the option to switch, finds the decision is not correlated to the local tax rate.

Feb. 16, 1943: The temperature falls to 37 below zero at 8:30 a.m., the coldest temperature ever measured in Concord. The record had been 35 below, set Jan. 8, 1878.

Feb. 17, 1874: Franklin B. Evans, killer of Josianna Lovering of Northwood, is hanged at the state prison. On his last night, Evans sold his body for $50 to a Concord doctor who planned to bring it to the Dartmouth College medical department. Evans was curious to learn if his bones would be wired together. The idea amused him. Over three years later, in a prank, students will steal his skeleton from a lecture hall and hang it on the college grounds.

Feb. 17, 1942: St. Paul’s School holds a blackout drill. A steam whistle blast announces the onset of 10 minutes of darkness for the school’s 750 students.

Feb. 17, 1900: Deep in debt, the 96-year-old Abbot & Downing coach and wagon company is taken over by creditors. Employment has dropped from 300 to 200. The families of Lewis Downing and Stephen Abbot will no longer be involved in running the company after 1901, and the new bosses will struggle to keep the enterprise afloat.

Feb. 18, 2000: New Hampshire native Laurence Craigie will be among four air and space pioneers inducted this year into the National Aviation Hall of Fame, the Monitor reports. Born in Concord, Craigie earned his Army Air Service wings in 1924 and went on to hold key positions in aircraft testing and development. He saw combat duty in World War II and retired from a NATO command in 1955 as a lieutenant general. He died in 1994.

Feb. 18, 1827: The Rev. Asa McFarland, Concord’s Congregationalist minister for 30 years, dies at the age of 58. Two portraits of McFarland exist, including one by Samuel F.B. Morse, a resident of Concord in the early 19th century.

Feb. 18, 1774: The New Hampshire Gazette reports on a meeting of the Matrons of Liberty at the house of Susanna Spindle in Portsmouth. The women question the motives of those trying to stop the importation of tea from Great Britain. Their resolution states: “That the Merchants under the pretence of guarding our Liberties, prevented the landing of the East India Company’s Tea; and at the same Time sell their own at such an extravagant Price, make it evident it is not our Interest; but their own private Gain they are pursuing.”

Feb. 18, 1988: At the short-lived Johnny Babe’s Restaurant in Eagle Square, Democrat Gary Hart tries to convince the media he really didn’t mind coming in dead last in this week’s presidential primary. “I think we’ve got to get away from the notion of win-lose all the time,” Hart tells NBC anchorman Tom Brokaw. “There are other ways to serve one’s country than just standing high in the polls or winning primaries.”
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