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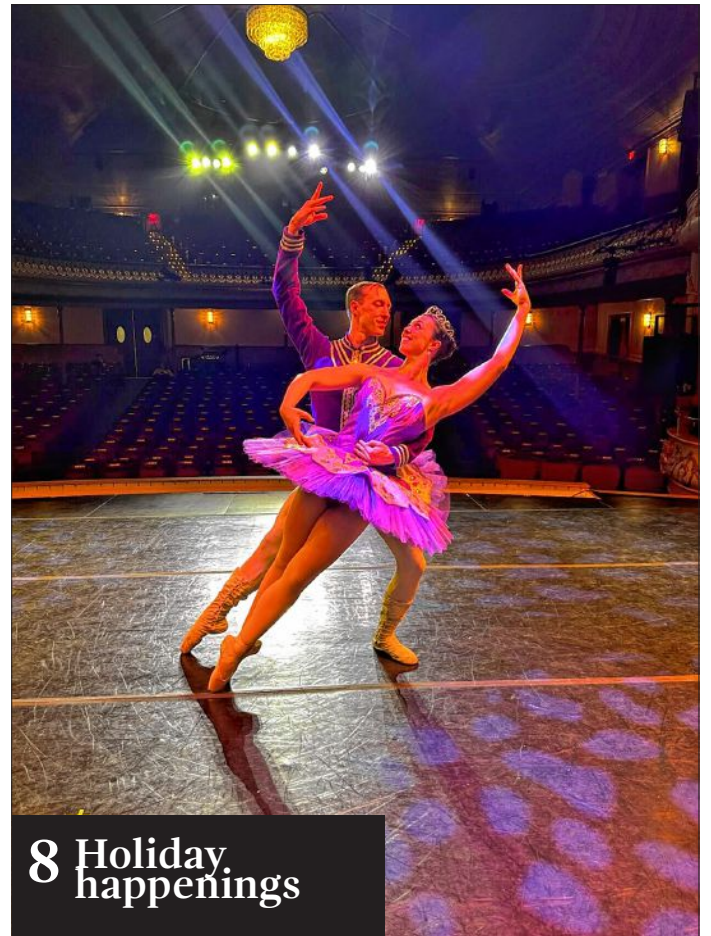
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What: Zach Nugent's Dead Set
When: Friday, December



29 at 8 p.m. Doors open at 7.
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the community it thinks readers would enjoy getting to know better, and this month it will highlight all five members of the CYPN Ambassador Committee. These local volunteers ensure that everyone is welcomed at CYPN events,

new community members are introduced to new friends, and each CYPN event has a welcoming and inclusive atmosphere.

Glenda Leon

Where do you currently work? I am Director of Emergency Housing at Friends Program, Concord, NH.

What’s your favorite part of your work day? To see families and kids have smiles on their face, adults feeling like they are being supported and appreciated — that is why I do this work — to remind all of them that they are not alone in this.

What’s your favorite place to go in Concord? Dos Amigos — best burritos and bowls ever, their aura is amazing and they are so welcoming to all.

Tell us a few interesting facts about yourself. I came to this country when I was nine years old from Cuba. I



COURTESY
CYPN Ambassadors, from left to right: Jessica Landry, Felipe Salas-Ogilvie, Glenda Leon, Drew Caudill.

am fluent in both Spanish and English. I have been homeless when I was a youth and have suffered many trials through my experience of being an immigrant in this country. I hope that my story inspires all Latinx individuals out there, or anyone for that matter, to continue working hard for that dream. I am living proof that it can

happen as long as you set your mind to it.

Heather Luby

Where do you currently work? I wear many hats: Founder and Executive Director of Healing on Manes, Firefighter/Advanced EMT in Chichester, teaching at New England EMS Institute, and nannying for the best

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family.

What do you like to do for fun? I practice yoga and cherish moments with my family — my significant other and our two pups. In my free time, you can find me at the barn.

How did you find out about CYPN and how has it benefitted your business or you personally? CYPN has been pivotal for my professional growth, connecting me with local business people and fostering personal development. I found CYPN through social media outlets!

Tell us a few interesting facts about yourself. I graduated high school at 16 and got my first college degree at 18. I have struggled with mental health challenges for years, which is what molded me into the person I am now, and the entire reason behind my founding of Healing on Manes. I am an avid reader and book collector!

Drew Caudill

Where do you currently work? RE/MAX Synergy.
What's your favorite part

of your work day? Meeting and building relationships with new people.

What do you like to do for fun? Build/renovate homes, golf, music, hike, walk.

What's your favorite place to go in Concord? Brothers Cortado!

What is one of your life goals? To retire knowing I made a difference during my career.

What has been your favorite CYPN event so far? The sunflower event!

Tell us a few interesting facts about yourself. I've been involved in multiple music projects. I'm a certified strength and mobility coach. Nobody can beat me in Spongebob trivia.

Jessica Landry

What's your favorite part of your work day? Showing homes and interacting with my clients. Being a real estate agent allows you to be a key player in one of the most significant milestones in people's lives — achieving their dreams of homeownership.

What's your favorite

place to go in Concord? My go-to spot for a cup of coffee is Brothers Cortado, a bite for lunch is Barley House, and my go-to place for a delicious farm-to-table dinner is Revival. Apple picking? Carter Hill farm. Shopping for fresh produce and pastries? Diamond Hill Farm. The list goes on and on!

What has been your favorite CYPN event so far? My favorite CYPN event was at the Colby Hill Inn and Grazing Room. It was such a beautiful and welcoming environment for young professionals to get to know one another. The CYPN Ambassadors did a wonderful job engaging in conversation with first-time event attendees and created an inclusive atmosphere. This event is what drove me to apply to become an Ambassador!

Felipe Salas-Ogilvie

How did you find out about CYPN and how has it benefitted your business or you personally? I found out about CYPN through my partner, Logan who owns hasoptimization.com. As a

CYPN Ambassador, one of my favorite things is helping newcomers meet and get acquainted with people that might help them grow as a business.

What organizations are you involved with? I am part of Success Champions Network (SCN), New Hampshire Businesses for Social Responsibility (NHBSR), President of Medicine Games (an nonprofit with the goal of trying to get games in the hands of indigenous youth), and Photographer/Owner of Wanderlust Imaging.

What has been your favorite CYPN event so far?

All of our events we hold are outstanding but Sunfox was my first event as an Ambassador, and I met the wonderful people running Sunfox Farm itself.

Tell us a few interesting facts about yourself. I picked up my camera in the first year of our plague. I am trying to build out a network of artists and other photographers. I do not believe in a scarcity mentality, there is room for everyone to succeed and I want to help others do so.

Learn more and sign up for all CYPN events at concordnhchamber.com.

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city newsletter

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the City's calendar). Upcoming meetings include:

Planning Board:
Wednesday, December 20, 7 p.m.

Visit <https://concordnh.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx> for City Council and Planning Board agendas, which are posted prior to the meetings. View the City calendar for more meetings and events.

Winter Moratorium on Engineering Permits

Engineering Services Division permits, including Excavation, Driveway, Encumbrance and Utility Connection permits, ceased being issued for the winter as of Dec. 1, 2023. After that date only permits for emergency repairs will be issued, subject to approval by the City Engineer.

NHSaves Button Up Workshop

The NHSaves Button Up

Workshop is a presentation about how to improve the energy efficiency of your home that you can watch on the City of Concord's Youtube page. NH residents wishing to use energy more efficiently, conserve energy and save money on their heating and cooling bills, will find this workshop presentation very helpful. This presentation was held on Nov. 29 at Concord Public Library. Learn more: nhsaves.com. Thank you to ConcordTV for recording this workshop.

Indoor Golf Lessons

Looking to get your game in order for the 2024 golf season? We are offering indoor lessons Monday through Thursday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Please email Phil or Josh to reserve your lesson at pdavis@concordnh.gov or jlacasse@concordnh.gov.

Ice Season at the Everett Arena

Ice season continues at the Douglas N. Everett Arena through March 14, 2024.

There will be no public skate on December 24, 25, or 31 due to the holidays.

Public ice skating hours are Monday through Saturday, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., and Sundays from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Admission is \$6 (free for ages 3 and under). Skate rentals are available for \$6 and skate sharpening is available for \$7 at the arena's pro shop. Ice skating lessons are offered by Concord Parks & Recreation.

Adult stick practice (ages 14 and up) hours are on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 10 to 11:15 a.m. through March 13. Admission is \$15 (free for goalies). A helmet and gloves are required, although full equipment is recommended.

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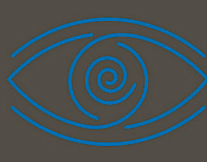
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In addition to the Lit Kits, the partnership with Northeast Deaf and Hard of Hearing Services has been responsible for the library's popular Signing Storytime, which has been held on Wednesday morning five times annually for the last two years. Increasing ASL-literacy and awareness are goals of both organizations, and this program helps young patrons and their caregivers learn to read a book by signing it. The program is interpreted for both



—City of Concord

Bulk Leaf Collection will continue as weather allows.

the Deaf and Hearing. Join us for the next Signing Storytime, which will be held Feb. 28, 2024, at 9:30 a.m. in the library's Blanchard Room. Be sure to register online at concordpubliclibrary.net/librarycalendar.

Fall Leaf Collection

It's week six of Bulk Leaf Collection. Crews are busy raking, blowing, pulling, and pushing leaves from the curb into windrows, scooping them up with

loaders and backhoes, unloading them into dump trucks, and hauling them away for drop-off. This is quite a process and takes some time to complete, but crews are continuing to progress through Penacook and the south end. Crews will continue Bulk Leaf Collection as long as weather permits.

The goal is to complete areas within the City's drainage system once before winter requires crews and

equipment to be fully dedicated to winter operations. View the Fall Leaf Collection Map to see where crews have completed collection and how they continue to progress. This map is updated by the end of each business day. Zoom in to see collection dates and to get an idea of where crews are collecting.

Bagged Leaf Collection is now over. Thank you to the residents who participated in this 3-week program that provided an alternative opportunity for guaranteed collection. Additional methods for leaf disposal include mulching leaves into the lawn, disposing of them in a wooded area on your property, or bringing them to a local accepting farm. Gelinas Excavation & Earth Materials Recycling Center has closed for the season

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holiday events

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Awards and 11 East Coast Music Awards and been nominated for a Grammy. Donnell is the former music leader of the internationally acclaimed family group Leahy, winners of three JUNO Awards. Widely recognized as one of the best fiddlers in the world, his high-energy playing style makes him a highly popular performer. Join Natalie, Donnell, and their seven MacMaster-Leahy kids as they take to the stage for A Celtic Family

Christmas, their beloved show where they share their favorite holiday music and traditions with audiences. Show is at 7 p.m. at the Capitol Center for the Arts. Info and tickets at ccanh.com.

Dec. 16

Mr. Aaron Holiday

Mr. Aaron is a multi-instrumentalist performer and composer making music and videos for kids and their grown-ups, ages 0-10. He's a proud father of three amazing girls, and a

longtime professional musician with a career playing in bands, musical theatre, and more. He'll perform a kid-friendly holiday concert at 11 a.m. at the Bank of N.H. Stage in Concord. Info and tickets at ccanh.com.

'The Nutcracker'

Safe Haven Ballet is thrilled to bring our spirited, full-length ballet of The Nutcracker to The Capital Center for the Arts! This dynamic performance includes all of your favorite characters including a

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Dec. 17

'The Nutcracker'

NH School of Ballet presents "The Nutcracker." With a cast of more than 50, come watch the falling snow, the growing Christmas tree, and the wonderful dancers of NHSB dance this holiday tradition. Performance begins at 2 p.m. at the Audi (2 Prince St., Concord). Tickets available at the studio, and at the door. For more information, call 668-5330.

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The story of a lonely creature who tries to cancel Christmas by stealing the gifts and decorations from the homes of the nearby town of Whoville on Christmas Eve. This ballet is full of laughter, romance, and an important lesson about the true meaning of the holiday season. The Grinch is a unique interactive experience for audience members of all ages and learning opportunity that transforms our ballet stage into a vibrant classroom! The performance is set to both classical music and contemporary holiday music and includes narration so each audience member has a clear understanding of the story and can fully appreciate the artistry of the professional dancers. Show is at 4:30 p.m. at the Capitol Center for the Arts. Info and tickets at ccanh.com.

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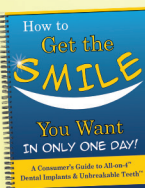
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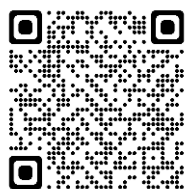
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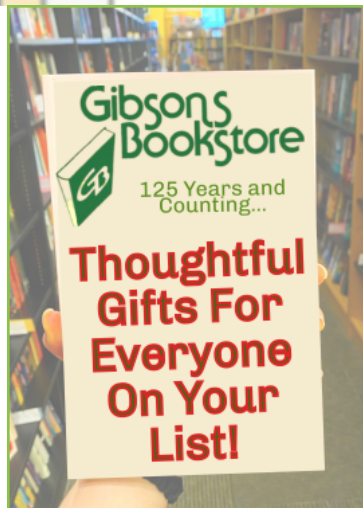
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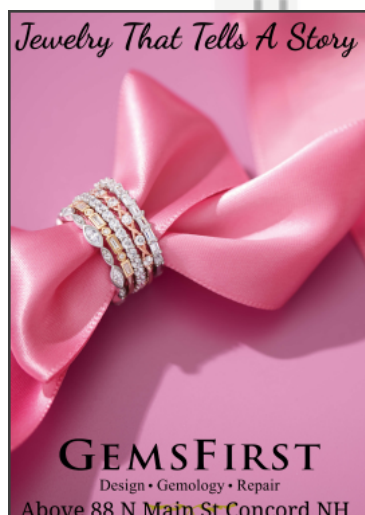
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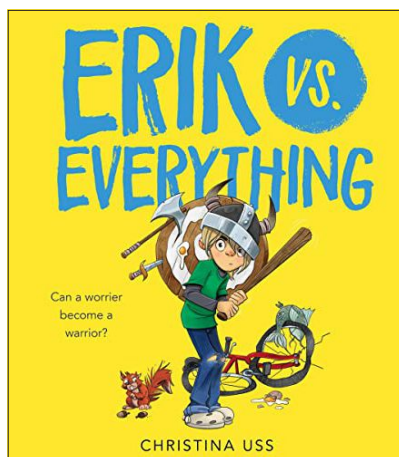
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(2021, 282 pages, Juvenile Fiction)

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■ **Chair Yoga:** 11 to 11:45 a.m. Yoga can help your mind, body and spirit and enhance your quality of life. Free. GoodLife Programs & Activities, 254 N. State St, Unit L, Concord. 603-228-6630. kgagnon@goodlifenh.org.

■ **Game On!:** 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. Concord Public Library, 45 Green

St., Concord. jsalemy@concordnh.gov.

■ **Sewing Class:** 6 to 8 p.m. \$35. DIY Craft and Thrift, 46 N. Main St, Concord. 603-661-1845. Cinthia@joynow.biz.

■ **Stretch & Strengthen:** 1 to 1:45 p.m. Stretch, increase coordination, confidence and flexibility with gentle exercise and stretching. (No class Dec. 25) Free. GoodLife Programs & Activities, 254 N. State St, Unit L, Concord. 603-228-6630. kgagnon@goodlifenh.org.

■ **Winterfox Art Market:** 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Free. DIY Craft and Thrift, 46 N. Main St., Concord. charthibault@gmail.com.

■ **"Wonka:"** 3:45 p.m. Red River Theatres, 11 S. Main St, Concord.

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Dec. 15

■ **"A Christmas Carol:"** 7:30 to 9:15 p.m. "Dickens' A Christmas Carol" returns to Hatbox, Dec. 1 to 17. Performances are 7:30 p.m. Friday to Saturday; 2 p.m. on Sunday. Tickets: \$19 - \$25. For info: www.hatboxnh.com. \$19 - \$25. Hatbox Theatre, 270 Loudon Rd., Concord. 603-715-2315. andrew@hatboxnh.com.

■ **CCMS Student Recital:** 7 to 8 p.m. Join us for a free student Recital in our historic Recital Hall. Free. Concord Community Music School, 23 Wall St., Concord. lsabean@ccmusicschool.org.

■ **Concord Community Blood Drive:** Noon to 5:30 p.m. Concord Red Cross Office, 2 Maitland

St., Concord. 1-800-RED CROSS. megan.nantel@redcross.org.

■ **Scotty Austin Tour 2023 w/13South:** 7:30 p.m. Bank of New Hampshire Stage, 16 S. Main St, Concord.

■ **Technology One on One:** 9 a.m. to noon. 30 minute 1 on 1 session where participant can ask questions on any device. \$10. GoodLife Programs & Activities, 254 N. State St, Unit L, Concord. 603-228-6630. kgagnon@goodlifenh.org.

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■ **"Wonka:"** 1 p.m. Red River Theatres, 11 S Main St., Concord. (603) 224-4600.

Dec. 16

■ **"A Christmas Carol:"** 7:30 to 9:15 p.m. "Dickens' A Christmas Carol." For info: www.hatboxnh.com. \$19 - \$25. Hatbox Theatre, 270 Loudon Rd., Concord. 603-715-2315. andrew@hatboxnh.com.

■ **Concord contra dance:** 6 to 8:50 p.m. Christmas contra dance with Dudley Laufman. City-Wide Community Center. concordnhcontra.wordpress.com or 603-225-4917. \$10. ages 15-25 \$5, under age 15 free. City-Wide Community Center, 14 Canterbury Rd., Concord. 603-225-4917. concordnhcontra@gmail.com.

■ **Dungeons and Dragons:** 2 to 3 p.m. Free. Concord Public Library, 45 Green St., Concord. jsalemy@concordnh.gov.

■ **Hockey Game:** 7:30 to 9:20 p.m. Douglas N. Everett Arena, 15 Loudon Rd., Concord.

■ **Sewing Class:** 10 a.m. to noon. \$35. DIY Craft and Thrift, 46 N. Main St., Concord. 603-661-1845. Cinthia@joynow.biz.

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■ **A Christmas Carol:** 2 to 4:15 p.m. "Dickens' A Christmas Carol." Tickets: \$19 - \$25. For info: www.hatboxnh.com. Hatbox Theatre, 270 Loudon Rd., Concord. 603-715-2315. andrew@hatboxnh.com.

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Dec. 18

■ **Peace & Justice Conversations: Lobbying for Peace in 2024 with FCNL:** 7 to 8 p.m. Free. General Admission. Online via Zoom, Concord. (603) 228-0559. doreen@nhpeaceaction.org.

■ **Stretch & Strengthen:** 1 to 1:45 p.m. Stretch, increase coordination, confidence and flexibility with gentle exercise and

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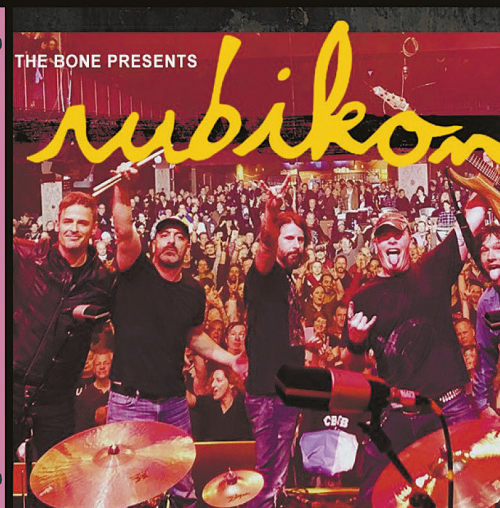
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history

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Dec. 14, 1999: For the first time in more than a decade, the Concord teachers union authorizes its leadership to call for a strike vote if a settlement on a new three-year contract is not reached within the week.

Dec. 14, 1774: A crowd of 400, led by Thomas Pickering, a sea captain, and John Langdon, a merchant, gathers in downtown Portsmouth in response to British strong-arm tactics, including a ban on the importation of guns and powder. The crowd ignores the royal governor's efforts to disperse it and marches on Fort William and Mary, where the garrison of six British soldiers wisely surrenders. The crowd hauls down the British colors and carries off 100 barrels of gun powder, some of which

will be used in the Battle of Bunker Hill.

Dec. 15, 2001: Regularly scheduled Amtrak service from Portland to Boston, with three stops in New Hampshire, begins, marking the return of passenger trains after a 36-year absence.

Dec. 16, 1773: On the day of the Boston Tea Party, Portsmouth holds a town meeting and passes a resolve designed to prevent the landing of any tea.

Dec. 16, 1965: A new state report shows public libraries in New Hampshire spend an average of \$2.32 per resident. Concord tops the list at \$4.06 per resident. Book readership is also up statewide, to 6.71 books per resident per year.

Dec. 17, 1979: New Hampshire's multi-million dollar ski industry, already plagued by high fuel prices, is getting nervous about the winter. With just five days until the start of Christmas vacation, only six of the state's 35 ski areas are

open. Not only has there been a shortage of natural snow, but warm weather has hindered artificial snowmaking operations. Ski area operators are praying for a heavy snowfall before Christmas to bail them out of a potential financial disaster, the Associated Press reports.

Dec. 17, 1997: The New Hampshire Supreme Court rules that the state's method of paying for public schools with local property taxes is unconstitutional.

Dec. 17, 1808: Three years after a state prison is proposed in Concord, the Legislature authorizes a committee of three to accept bids for building one. It will be nearly four years before the prison opens on North States Street at Tremont Street. It will be a three-story, 36-cell structure surrounded by granite walls three feet thick and 14 feet high. The cost: \$37,000.

Dec. 18, 1805: Russell Freeman, a former speaker

of the New Hampshire House, is murdered while serving in a debtor's jail in Haverhill. His murderer will be defended by Daniel Webster but eventually hanged.

Dec. 18, 1978: Gov. Mel Thomson, longtime supporter of the Taiwan government, orders state flags lowered to half staff to protest President Carter's decision to recognize mainland China.

Dec. 19, 1979: At a campaign stop in Concord, Senate Minority Leader Howard Baker says a get-tough policy is needed to protect American embassies and suggests the creation of a special 50,000-member military unit to accomplish that. "As dangerous as the situation is in Iran, the real danger to this country is the

growing impression throughout the world that you can push on Uncle Sam and nothing ever happens in return," he says.

Dec. 19, 1774: The British frigate Scarborough arrives at Portsmouth Harbor, the second of two ships whose presence quells an insurrection. In two raids during the week, dissident colonists have taken light cannons, muskets and gunpowder from Fort William and Mary. The presence of the British ships is credited with keeping the dissidents from returning to seize the fort's 45 heavy cannons.

Dec. 19, 1895: Schoolteachers Robert Frost and Elinor White marry. They will honeymoon the following summer in Allentown.

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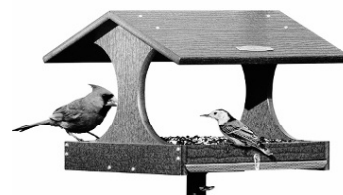
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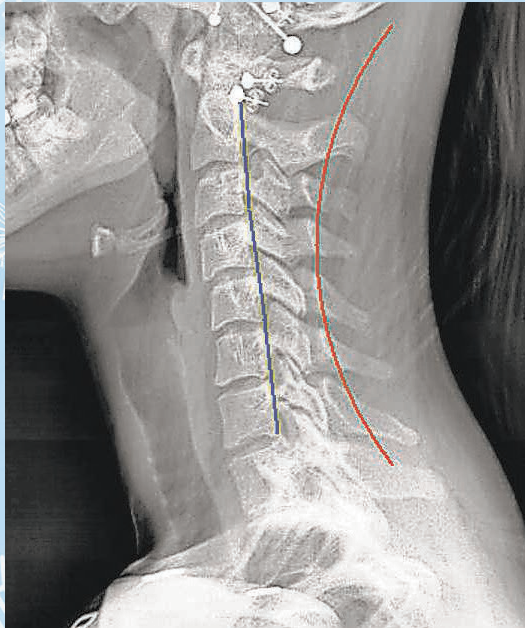
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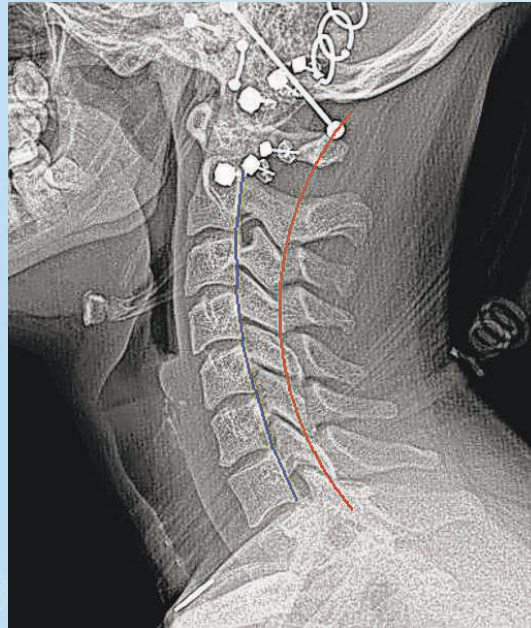
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