

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

Hooksett Girl Scouts begin cookie sales

HOOKSETT — Hooksett Girl Scouts enjoyed a morning of creativity recently as they kicked off this year's Girl Scout cookie sale.

This year's theme is how every girl can "Be Brilliant" in all they do.

Hooksett troops crafted "castles" out of various ingredients, including Girl Scout cookies. The masterpieces will be on display at the Hooksett Library during the month of January.

This year, Girl Scouts are offering all your favorite varieties of Girl Scout cookies, including Thin Mints, Trefoils, Samoas, Tagalongs and Do-Si-Dos. Newer varieties available this year are All Abouts and Lemon Coolers, in addition to the newest cookie, Cafe Cookies.

All cookies are \$3.50 per box, and will be delivered in mid-March. Proceeds benefit the girls individually, their troop and the local activities sponsored by Swift Water Council. Orders will be taken now through Jan. 29.

Be sure to visit the "brilliant creations" at the library, and plan to order your favorite cookies with a Girl Scout friend



BRILLIANT MINDS AT WORK — Busy crafting their architectural design are members of Hooksett Brownie Girl Scout Troop 85 at Hooksett's annual Girl Scout cookie kickoff event. From left are Sydney Bradley, Amelia Wettengel, Mackenzie Webster, Tammy Bairam and Brianna McGrevey. (Francois Ledoux Photo)

in your neighborhood. In lieu of a box for your own kitchen, consider donating a box to the "Gift of Caring" recipients cho-

sen by your Girl Scout friend's troop.

To locate a troop in Hooksett, call Robin Boyd at 623-3941.

For more information and contacts elsewhere, call the Swift Water Council at 627-4158, ext. 137.

LOCAL NEWSBRIEF

Candia man runs for executive council

CANDIA — Bob Bruce of Candia announced his campaign for the Executive Council on Thursday, Jan. 14.

Bruce was joined by family, supporters and representatives from various organizations from District 4.

At the campaign kick-off, Bruce highlighted his plans to bring ethical reform to Concord as well as provide better representation to the constituents of District 4.

In the weeks following the kick-off Bruce will launch a comprehensive tour of District 4, meeting with citizens and representatives of the area towns.

More information is available at www.bobbruce.org.



Bob Bruce



Library Notes

CANDIA — SMYTH PUBLIC LIBRARY

• **Library programs** — Judi Lindsey will give a slide show on turtle tagging in Costa Rica on Saturday, Jan. 21, at 7 p.m.; John James will give an Audubon living history performance on Sunday, Feb. 18, at noon; and folk singer John Perrault will perform on Saturday, March 25, at 7:30 p.m.

• **Reading Club** — Smyth Library's Reading Group will discuss Isabel Allende's "House of Spirits," on Thursday, Jan. 26, at 7:30 p.m., at the library. Extra copies are available and new members are welcome.

• **Sunday hours** — The Smyth Public Library will be open Sundays from 1 to 4 p.m. through March 26.

PEMBROKE TOWN LIBRARY

• **Story hour** — Story hour is for children 3 to 6 years old, and meets every Tuesday at 10:30 a.m. Children hear stories then do a theme related craft. Themes for January are: Jan. 17 — A really good snowman; Jan. 24 — Fun in the wintertime!; and Jan. 31 — Groundhogs on parade.

• **Book discussion** — The book discussion for January will be Wednesday, Jan. 18, at 7 p.m. The group will discuss "Empire Falls," by Richard Russo. Books are available now.

HOOKSETT PUBLIC LIBRARY

• **Snow closings** — Library closings due to inclement weather are reported on WMUR-TV and at www.themurchannel.com/closings/, and when possible on the library's Web page, www.hooksett.lib.nh.us. All meetings using library facilities are canceled if the library closes.

• **Discussion group** — The library has started a new book discussion group. Join the group at the library the second Wednesday of each month. Meetings will begin at 6:30 p.m.

ALLENSTOWN PUBLIC LIBRARY

• **Hours** — Library hours are Monday, 1 to 5 p.m.; Tuesday, 10 a.m. to noon and 1 to 5 p.m.; Wednesday, closed; Thursday, 10 a.m. to noon and 1 to 5 p.m.; and Friday, noon to 8 p.m.

EPSOM TOWN LIBRARY

• **Hours** — The Epsom Public Library is open 40 hours a week, Monday through Thursday, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m., and Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Stop by and check out the plans for the new library, due to start construction in the spring of 2005.

Fundraising champions



Third-grader Kali LaCourse, Sixth-grade teacher Mrs. McLean, fourth-grader Cameron Downing, and kindergartener Jared Lindfors prepare for a limousine ride to Pizza Hut as a reward for being top-sellers in a fundraiser at Candia Moore School. (Judi Lindsey Photo)

Award-winning journalists teach classes at Loeb School

MANCHESTER — Veteran and award-winning journalists from the Associated Press, the *New Hampshire Union Leader* and WMUR-TV begin a six-week educational assignment teaching at the Nacey S. Loeb School of Communications on Feb. 1.

Classes include advanced writing and reporting, broadcast journalism and sports writing, and are offered free through the educational legacy of the late Nacey Loeb.

Teaching staff includes Jeff Bartlett, WMUR-TV president and general manager, and other

Channel 9 professionals including Jim Breen, director of news operations, reporter Andy Hershberger and producer Alisha McDevitt. Associated Press reporter and broadcast editor David Tirrell-Wysocki, who also serves as Loeb School curriculum coordinator, and Joe Sullivan, former teacher and Christa McAuliffe fellow and a *Union Leader* sportswriter and columnist for more than three decades, will also offer their experience to NSL School students this season.

All winter session classes are scheduled for Wednesdays, Feb.

1 to March 8 and will take place at 749 E. Industrial Park Drive.

The Writing and Reporting class meets from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. in the newly outfitted computer classroom, with attendance limited to 15 students.

Both Broadcast Journalism and Sports writing classes will take place from 6:30 to 8 p.m.

Online registration and course summaries are available at www.loeb.school.org along with a calendar for all 2006 classes and workshops.

Besides educational opportunities, the Nacey S. Loeb School organizes an annual First

Amendment awards event, honoring exemplary New Hampshire efforts to guard freedom of speech and the press, and a statewide First Amendment Forum.

For more information, call 627-0005.

Law allows ill students to maintain insurance

CONCORD — The New Hampshire House of Representatives recently passed "Michelle's Law."

The legislation, HB 37, ensures that seriously ill college students can continue to receive health care insurance through their family's health insurance policy, even if they are unable to maintain their full-time student status.

"College students should not lose their health insurance just when they need it the most. Michelle's Law will provide an important protection for New Hampshire families," Gov. John Lynch said.

Michelle Morse was a student at a Plymouth State University when she was diagnosed with colon cancer. She disregarded her doctor's advice and main-

tained a full course schedule in order to keep her health insurance coverage. Michelle Morse died in November.

Gov. Lynch praised Michelle Morse and her family, particularly her mother, Ann Marie, for

their efforts to pass this legislation.

"Michelle Morse and her family showed tremendous courage by leading a charge to make things better for others," Gov. Lynch said.

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If you are covered by Medicare insurance, you need to be aware of the cap on rehabilitation services that was implemented as of January 2006. Hospital based practices are exempt from this cap, therefore patients who receive rehab at any of the Rehabilitation Services of Concord Hospital sites will not be subject to this limitation.

Our other locations near you include:

- Concord Hospital** 250 Pleasant Street • Concord
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