

# Andover's Yankee Trader

**Golf Club Set:** Full set of quality irons: 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, wedge, sand wedge, putter. Metal woods: driver, 3-wood, and 5-wood. New grips this year. \$150 obo. 455-6595.

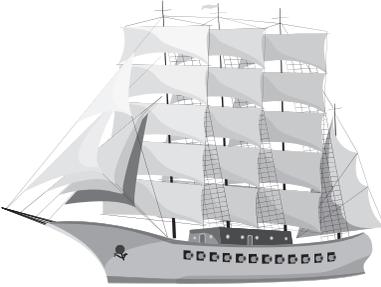
**Flat-screen TVs:** Polaroid 20", \$50. Samsung 22", \$60. Narumi china, 82 pieces "Shasta Pine" design (pine branch with needles and cones), \$75. 735-5217.

**Black Hawk hand transfer pump:** \$55. Over 100 records, 78 RPM, great condition, real old: \$5.50 each obo. 526-2262.

**Two Lazy Susans** for decorating cakes, \$5 each. Three box fans, \$10 each. Two bandsaws, one floor mounted, one table mounted, \$20 each. stonearch@tds.net

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**Sears Craftsman Table Saw:** Good condition. \$30 or best offer. 735-5255.

**Antique Singer Sewing Machine:** \$100 obo. Two pitchforks: \$15 ea. Gould water pump - old, but runs great: \$65 obo. Hand hay rake: \$35. Antique bean thrasher: \$40 obo. 526-2262.

**Williamson Temp-o-matic oil furnace:** great heat! 180,000 BTUs. \$150 or best offer. 735-5960.

**Aerobic cycle:** Free. 735-5587.

**Baldwin spinet piano with bench:** Oak veneer, about 30 years old. Good condition, \$750. 735-5200.

## Mario Ratzki Reports from Concord

Some bills pass, some bills fail

By Mario Ratzki, NH Representative

The pace has picked up tremendously in Concord, with the State of the State by our Governor, Maggie Hassan, and the announcement of a possible agreement on Medicaid Expansion with a New Hampshire label. The bill is being drafted, and we will vote on it before recess.

There have been a slew of defeated bills: GMO labeling, HB 660, was killed by an alliance of the Republican party and the House Democratic leadership concerned about labeling costs and the role of Federal law. The 162 reps who voted for it just wanted to know what was in our food.

The wind farm moratorium, HB 580, was struck down by a similar alliance.

Background checks, HB 1589, was slain by an alliance of Republicans mindful of their second amendment rights constituents, allied this time with approximately two dozen Democrats in purple districts. The idea was to close loopholes in gun purchases to ensure that fewer weapons would fall into the hands of the criminal, the criminally insane, felons, and domestic abusers.

Opponents were suspicious of the slippery slope towards a registry of weapon owners in the hands of the Federal government. In view of the recent NSA domestic spying scandal, who can blame them? The fact remains that 89% of the population of New Hampshire favored this bill, in-

cluding supporters of the second amendment who understood that denying felons, criminals, and domestic abusers the right to bear arms is common sense.

Bills passed: HB 569, which would favor energy projects that buried transmission lines in New Hampshire, a not-too-subtle shot at Northern Pass, went 171 to 139.

HB 485, allowing Keno to be played wherever alcohol is served. This gambling bill passed 202 to 141; yours truly was one of the 141. I just could not see kids exposed to this in restaurants.

Still to come: death penalty repeal; a couple of casino bills; medicaid expansion, of course; minimum wage (which I support); and a four-cent rise in the gas tax introduced by Senator Rausch, a Republican senator. This bill may pass this year, giving the DOT approximately \$28 million per year, which is less than one third of what the DOT needs.

I have been remiss in answering some e-mails, and I apologize. It has been a hectic schedule in the last month. That's my excuse, and I am sticking to it.

Last but not least, the Affordable Care Act (ACA) signing period has a Monday, March 31 deadline. Many have signed and are happy with the results. So here again are the contacts for people who can help you sign up: Donna Toomey at 934-1464 and Melanie Young at 228-6625. They are navigators for the ACA. Their services are free and confidential.

I am always available at 735-5440 and at MarioRatzki@gmail.com.

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#### Cryans Endorsed by the Burtons

I like to check out Web sites and learn about opposing candidates. Going to KenneyForNH.com, I learned that Joe Kenny has an A+ rating from the New Hampshire Liberty Alliance and an A from the NRA.

While some might find this the reason to vote for him, the connections of the New Hampshire Liberty Alliance to the Free Stater movement are disturb-

ing to me. The New Hampshire Liberty Alliance is listed as one of the top 101 reasons for Free Staters to move to New Hampshire. See FreeStateProject.org and NHliberty.org for more information.

New Hampshire has won many top honors in livability, best place to raise a child, safety, education, and well-managed government. These honors are due to the hard work and decades of thoughtful decisions by Democrats and old-time Republicans. I believe that the replacement for Executive Councilor Ray Burton (a great old-time Republican) should be someone who shares his values, and that person is Mike Cryans (MikeCryans.org).

According to the February 2 Union Leader, Mike Cryans has been endorsed by Ray Burton's brother and two sisters as the best candidate and one who will take care of District 1 constituents. I think he has proved that by coming to Andover twice already to listen to what is important to Andover residents.

For most of the time that Ray Burton was an Executive Councilor, he was also the county commissioner for Grafton County. Mike Cryans was the deputy commissioner, working with Ray for more than 10 years. Executive Councilor is an important position. Please be sure to vote.

Mary Anne Broshek

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