

Who shot police officer charged to psych unit

charged with shooting and killing two New Hampshire officers pleaded not guilty by insanity and will serve five state psychiatric unit. MacPherson previously pleaded guilty to a robbery, but his plea was rejected. MacPherson is charged with the shooting of a police officer in May. He tried to question him during an armed robbery. He was shot in the face and leg. He was treated for a wound to the leg. Both officers returned to work. MacPherson was sentenced to 10 years in the state prison psychiatric unit.



MacPherson

Associated Press

Powerball ticket to get hearing

A hearing has been scheduled for a Hampshire woman who won a Powerball ticket that has a \$7 million jackpot and she wants to grant her request for an anonymous. The woman, identified as Jane, filed a complaint in Hillsborough Superior Court in Nashua. She signed the back of the winning ticket on Jan. 6 drawing. Under Hampshire law, a lottery winner's name, town and prize amount are public information. But the woman contacted a lawyer and learned she could've kept her identity by instead using a name of a trust. The woman hasn't turned in her ticket. Lottery officials have said they must follow the law and the ticket like any other. The hearing has been scheduled for Thursday at the court.

Associated Press

Deaths in N.H. up this season

New Hampshire health officials say the number of deaths from flu or flu-related complications this season is up from last season's report. All of the deaths were in children, and there were 45 flu deaths in the state, and flu season started in mid-February. Epidemiologist Dr. Benjamin said so far, New Hampshire doctors have treated 2,100 people who were hospitalized with flu-like symptoms.

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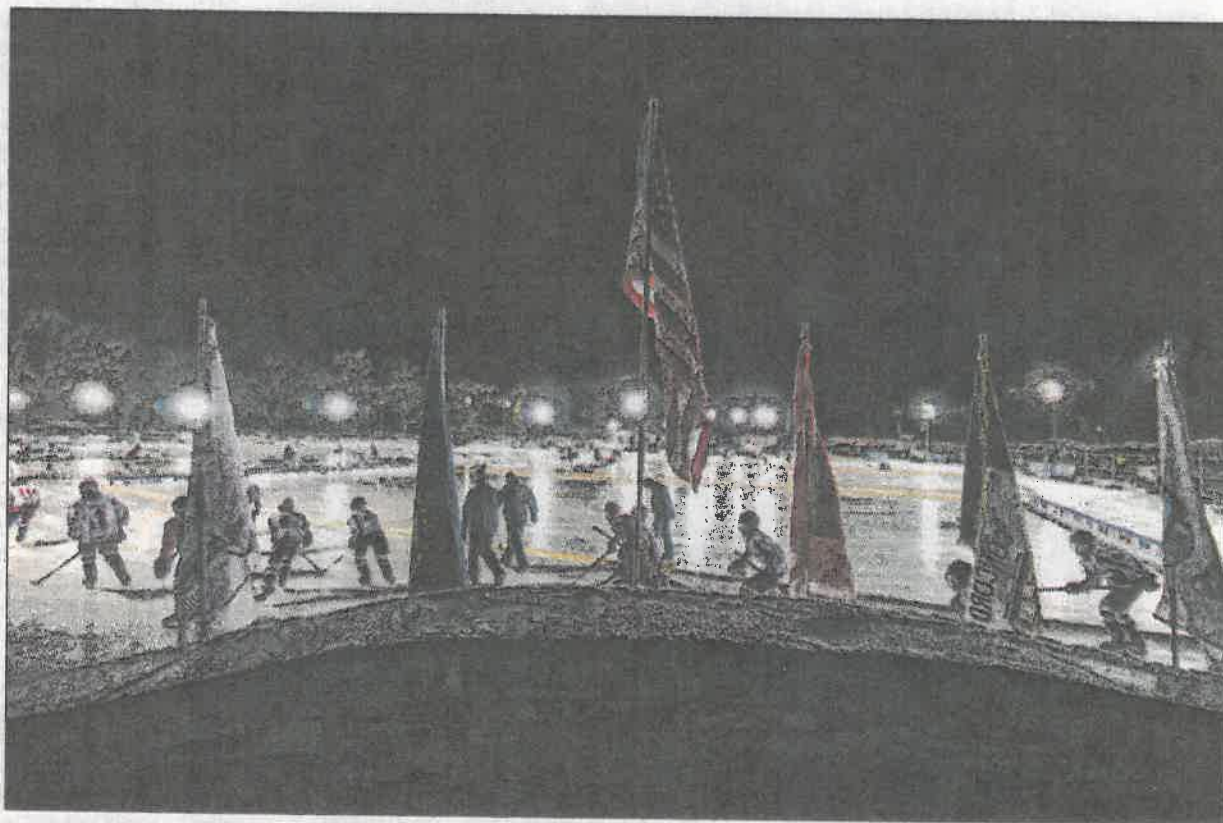
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Demands answers after Vermont Pass rejection
Medicaid, lead poisoning, sex offenders and lives in the State House

ACTION

Reduced operating budget for school district is \$3,328 less than last year's budget. A story in the Monitor contained inaccuracies.

Puck drops for Black Ice



Youth hockey participants enter the ice for the opening of the Black Ice Pond Hockey tournament at White Park on Thursday night. The tournament runs through Sunday afternoon.



Abram Martel, 12, celebrates as the Concord Capitals scores a goal during the youth hockey kickoff event Thursday night.

The Black Ice Pond Hockey tournament kicked off at White Park on Thursday night with youth hockey teams taking the ice. The open-air event will continue with adult teams through Sunday, though warm weather and rain in the forecast are expected to put a damper on some games.

GEOFF FORESTER
Monitor staff

The Martel family - sisters Aubry and Addisen and father Rob - watch as Abram plays with the Capitals Pee Wee 3 team as youth hockey teams take the ice to start the Black Ice Pond Hockey tournament.



Auction offers optimism for New England electricity

No evidence of rising prices indicates industry confidence it can handle power burden

By DAVID BROOKS
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Despite concerns about bottlenecks of natural gas making it hard for New England power plants to produce enough electricity in future winters, a regional power auction looking three years down the road found

no evidence of rising prices.

The sale, known as the forward capacity auction, is run by ISO-New England, which oversees the six-state power grid. It asks power plants to say how much extra money they need to be paid to guarantee that they will produce certain amounts of electricity during 2021-22.

The average price, announced Thursday, was \$4.63 per kilowatt-month - about one-seventh lower than the price that systems de-

manded in the same auction last year.

The price drop indicates that the growing number of dual-fuel power plants, which can burn either natural gas or oil depending on which is cheaper, make the industry confident it can meet New England's electricity demands during an extended polar vortex. That's despite the looming closure of major plants including Pilgrim Station nuclear and the large

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Sexual assault activist returns

Chessy Prout, survivor of crime at St. Paul's School, to sign books at Gibson's

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Sexual assault survivor Chessy Prout will be at Gibson's Bookstore in Concord next month following the release of her memoir.

Prout will be joined by co-author, Jenn Abelson, a member of the Boston Globe's Spotlight team, and U.S. congresswoman Annie Kuster, who will provide the opening remarks. The event on March 18 is free and open to the public and will begin at 2 p.m.

In her memoir, titled *I Have the Right To: A High School Survivor's Story of Sexual Assault, Justice, and Hope*, Prout chronicles her time at St. Paul's School in Concord, where she was sexually assaulted at age 15 by then-senior Owen Labrie as part of a sexual conquest game known as the "Senior Salute."

"If my story helps even one survivor of sexual assault realize they are not alone, or better, prevents a crime from happening in the first place, then writing this book will have been worth it," Prout said previously. "The perpetrators in crimes like these are not just the attackers, but also the institutions that allow these horrific crimes to happen under their nose. When an institution puts more value in its reputation than it does the lives of their students, rape culture thrives."

Since going public with her story on NBC's *Today* show in

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