

CITY OF PORTSMOUTH



UPDATE from the City Manager for Sunday, January 10, 2021

Deaths to date from COVID-19: US: 381,440. NH: 846. Rockingham County: 156. Cumulative cases: US: 22.2 million. NH: 50,152. Rockingham County: 12,424. Portsmouth: 769. Current NH: 6,811. Rockingham County: 1,371. (Positivity 9.9%). Portsmouth: 95.

For Sergeant Ray Goulet* with Best Birthday Wishes

“That road to V-E day was hard and long, and travelled by weary and valiant men. And history will always record where that road began. It began here, with the first footprints of the beaches of Normandy.”
– President George W. Bush

Please know
I am so sorry
that so many distresses
have saddened
the dawning of your
ninety-eighth year.
Forgive us.

Please know
you are not forgotten.
Nor are your sacrifices.
The freedoms we’ve enjoyed
because of you
are not and never will be
forgotten.

Please know
we will not let
democracy die.
We will fight on.
We will do better.
Accept our absolute assurance
America will not forsake you.

We are Anti-fascist
forever.

-- Tammi J Truax

Portsmouth Poet Laureate 2019-2021/Maine Beat
Poet Laureate 2018-2020

Click here for the entire Advisory collection of poems
by Portsmouth Poet Laureate Tammi Truax.

*<https://www.cityofportsmouth.com/city-manager/portsmouth-poet-laureate>

Portsmouth Poet Laureate Program “A Bridge to Japan: A Poetry Broadside Contest.”

Winning entries will be awarded cash prizes and the broadsides will be gifted to Portsmouth’s sister city, Nichinan, Japan. Deadline: midnight Jan. 31, 2021. For full details and rules, click here.

https://www.cityofportsmouth.com/sites/default/files/2020-11/Broadside_contest.pdf

STATEDWIDE MASK MANDATE.

Governor extends Emergency Order to January 22, 2021.

<https://www.governor.nh.gov/sites/g/files/ehbemt336/files/documents/2020-25.pdf>

Portsmouth Mask Ordinance in effect through June 30, 2021.

NH information from the Department of Health & Human Services, [click here.](#)

* For a 2017 profile of Portsmouth resident, Mr. Goulet, [click here:](#)

<https://www.seacoastonline.com/news/20170927/veteran-with-d-day-wallet-honored-by-portsmouth-police>