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# **Farmers Market Opening** Draws a Large Crowd

KATHERINE PRUDHOMME O'BRIEN **NUTFIELD NEWS** 

The opening of the Derry Homegrown Farm and Artisan Market drew a large crowd on Wednesday, June 7. John Potucek, a former state representative who now serves as a Derry Economic Development Advisory Committee Ambassador called the opening "a smashing success," and estimated the attendance to have been at least 700 people throughout the afternoon and early evening.

Some vendors were caught off guard by the large wave of interest and ran out of goods to sell before the market closed. Cheryl Hol- Market, who helped by

bert of Nomad Bakery reported that she ran out bread in only two hours. "I'll need to bring much more next week," she said.

Derry Homegrown Farmers and Artisan Market board member Terri Pastori says that she that could not be happier with how the opening day went. "It was phenomenal," she said. "The outpouring of support from the community was just a new and exciting activities dream. We originally had a goal of 10 vendors, and we had 20 on opening day with two new ones coming next

She credits the success to the support of local area businesses, Friends of the

sponsoring the market early in its development process, keeping costs low for vendors, thus allowing for more participants.

Pastori also credits a dedicated board made up of multifaceted business professionals who helped to create what she believes will be a vibrant, sustainable farmers market in our town.

Every week will bring and experiences. On June 21, Kate Tanner-Kilgus will demonstrating artistry, and a new honey vendor and farm have also volunteered to share their work. The Derry Humane Society will be visiting the

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# Sonshine Soup Kitchen **Moves Two Doors Down**

K. PRUDHOMME O'BRIEN **NUTFIELD NEWS** 

new sign outside of Derry's homelessness, unemploywhich reads, "Believe It, health services. Miracles Happen Every passersby. It's not hard to improvements this organizathree decades have been once located. nothing short of miraculous themselves.

chen is a ministry of numer- of the Sonshine Soup ous area churches, individ- Kitchen, explained the reauals, businesses, civic soning behind the move. "It organizations, and schools was hard for volunteers to that has been serving free, carry crates of food from hot meals five days a week building to building. Somesince opening in 1989. This times, they had to battle adds up to 7,280 evenings snow, ice, petulance, and

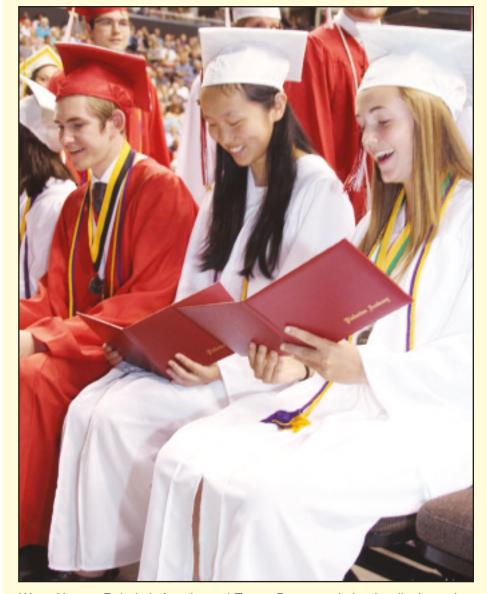
meals. In addition to providing meals, staff is available to help guests who ask for With a new home came a additional help concerning Sonshine Soup Kitchen, ment, and health and mental

The kitchen's new loca-Day," in hopes to inspire tion isn't far from its original, as it is now just two believe this message, as the buildings down from the First Baptist Church at 6 tion has made to the Greater Crystal Avenue where Ste-Derry area over the past fano's Pizzeria and Deli was cial dishwashers, and a

the new site on June 7, The Sonshine Soup Kit- Linda German, Chairperson and approximately 364,000 plague to get the job done."

The new facility is certainly impressive. German pointed out numerous improvements over the former site including a large dining hall with a picture window, numerous bathroom facilities with handicap accessibility, new front and back entrances, also handicap accessible, a walk-in refrigerator, several freezers, a large pantry area, commerclothing cupboard for guests At the ribbon cutting for in need of new clothing. German's personal favorite update is the conveyor belt that brings crates of food and supplies up from the basement pantry and refrigerators to the dining hall. Volunteers will no longer need to face unsafe conditions when retrieving supplies.

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Wyatt Hoppa, Rebekah Arruda, and Emma Bennett admire the dipolmas they had just been presented during the Pinkerton Academy graduation ceremony, held at the Southern New Hampshire University Arena in Manchester on Photo by Chris Paul Monday afternoon.

### **Pinkerton Academy Sends Off** 749 at its 197th Graduation

**NEOLLE TARDIFF NUTFIELD NEWS** 

On Monday, June 12, the Pinkerton Academy community filled the seats of the Southern New Hampshire University Arena in Manchester for the school's 197th commencement ceremony.

Led to their seats by junior class president, Matthew Newman, 749 students were prepared to graduate and take their first steps into the future. As they entered the arena, proud family members and friends stood to welcome and applaud the soon-to-be graduates.

Opening the ceremony with our National Anthem were PA chorus members Emily DeWolf, Tommy Wood, Joshua Gore, and Arianna Earnshaw. Gracefully signing alongside the singers were Teghan Gregson and Samuel Pierce.

After Reverend Dr. Morrison, of Derry, delivered the opening commencement prayer, class salutatorian Eric Reardon took the stage. A diversely talented student, Reardon was a member of the school's National Honor Society, the Foreign Language Honor

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## Boston Post Cane Presented to Pearl Harbor Survivor, James Bilotta



Derry Town Councilor Phyllis Katsakiores, at left, presented Derry's oldest resident, James Bilotta, with the Boston Post Cane on Sunday afternoon. With him are his son Rick and wife Edie. *Photos By Chris Paul* 

CHRIS PAUL NUTFIELD NEWS

Members of the community, veterans, historians, and town officials gathered at the Derry VFW hall on Sunday afternoon, June 11, to present 97-year-old veteran and Derry resident James Bilotta the Post Post Cane.

The cane, which is presented to the town's oldest member, was originally presented back in 1909 by the Boston Post newspaper to 431 of New Englands largest communities.

The very first recipient was Patrick Gillespie, who at the time, was 92-years-old.

After a presentation of colors by local Sea Cadets, T.J. Cullinane, a member of the Derry Heritage Commission and local historian, lead off the ceremony, giving a brief history of the Post

Cane and acknowledging the accomplishments of the new recipient of the cane.

Derry State Representatives David Milz and John O'Connor both read state proclamations honoring Bilotta.

Bilotta was surrounded by family members including his wife Edie and his son Rick as the cane was presented to him by Derry Town Councilor Phyllis Katsakiores.

Bilotta and his wife and family have lived in Derry since 1985. He is a World War II veteran who is also a survivor of the attack on Pearl Harbor.

After the ceremony, all those in attedance were treated to a spegeeti and meatballs dinner.



Boston Post Cane recipient, James Bilotta salutes the flag during the presentation of colors on Sunday.



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# **Emergency Management Drill Held for Tornado Scenario**

HUNTER McGEE **NUTFIELD NEWS** 

What would happen if a tornado a quarter-mile wide touched down in a residential area in Derry?

Last month, Emergency Management and Homeland Security officials conducted a drill based on the above scenario. The table top exercise lasted about three hours on May 26 and was coordinated by Homeland Security and emergency management officials.

Also participating were representatives from Town administration, the Derry Police Department, Public Works Department, the Finance Department, Derry Schools, and Pinkerton Academy.

tives from Parkland Medical Center and Eversoruce also participated, said Fire Chief Michael Gagnon during the Town Council's June 6 meeting. Gagnon is also the Emergency Management director.

In the scenario, the tornado struck down in the Derryfield Road and Michael Avenue neighborhood, Gagnon said. After touching down, the twister traveled a couple of hundred feet lifted up, traveling further east before touching down again a little south of the Fairways. At this point, it stayed on the ground traveling southeast for several miles.

It created extensive damage to all structures in its hospital or any schools, the schools to work on the For example, representatives Gagnon explained. Still, reunification between stuseveral residences were heavily damaged by the tor-

Some of the objectives officials were looking to accomplish in the drill included testing the emergency operations activation system, known as Code Red. The system immediately notified all of key players in Emergency Operations center through phone calls as well as text messages.

Officials also wanted to power up and test the Emergency Operations center, which is located in the basement of the Municipal Cen-

dents and parents as well as multiple disrupted bus routes.

He said school officials were on hand during the drill to work with the Police Department and bus officials to try to determine how to bring students home whose neighborhoods were affected.

Also during the drill, teams that included personnel from the Fire Department, Police Department, and Public Works went to different neighborhoods to complete damage assessments of residences or businesses that were affected by the tornado. There were also Gagnon said another big separate teams that dealt

In addition, representa- path, but didn't impact the objective was to work with with critical infrastructure. inconsistent information, from Eversource evaluated damage to the power grid and members from the water division were also on hand.

> Gagnon also addressed how officials handle notifying the public of an emergency. He said the use of social media and mass call systems has changed how Before the advent of the new consistent message to the public.

But, with the new systhe public

"It's easy to put out system.

and we have to make sure that we put due diligence into making sure that the same message goes out to the public," he said.

At the close of the meeting, Gagnon was asked by Council Chairman Joshua Bourdon for the link to the Code Red system.

To find it, Gagnon said information is distributed. residents can go to the town web page, click on departsystems, officials would ment's section, and then issue a press release with a click on Emergency Management page. On this page, he said a link for Code Red will appear and residents tems, officials have to be can sign up their cellular careful to ensure a consis- device, along with their tent message still reaches email address, for immediate notification through the

# **Bullet Proof Vests Approved for Derry PD Through Grant**

HUNTER McGEE

NUTFIELD NEWS

Councilors have approved the acceptance of a grant to purchase 14 bullet proof vests for the Derry Police Department.

Police were recently notified by the Bureau of Justice Assistance that the department is eligible to receive an award under the 2017 Bullet Proof Partnership Program.

The federal bulletproof vest program was enacted in 1998 by the Bureau of Justice Administration to allocate certain funding for police departments throughout the nation.

The funding assists communities with populations of less than 100,000 people and offers up to 50% of the replacement cost of vests, according to law enforce-

life expectancy of five years, and, according to the manufacturer, must be replaced to assure their ballistic capabil-

During the meeting, Derry police Capt. George Feole said police have been participating in the federal program for at least 10 years. Body armor deteriorates over time and typically has a shelf life of about five

"We anticipate this every year, so there is no effect on the budget pro or con," he said, adding, "Oure recommendation is to go forward

Councilor Phyllis Katsakiores asked Feole what the department does with old vests. Feole said police sometimes donate the old body armor to working dog programs. The old vests are

ment officials. Vests have a then used to make body anymore. In addition, the according to police. armor for police canines. While sometimes donating the vests to police canine programs, Feole said police haven't yet warmed to the idea of selling the old body armor to vendors, who can then resell the old equipment. Feole said police are concerned that the old vests could "get into the wrong hands."

> Council Chairman Joshua Bourdon asked if there is a backlog of old vests since the program has been running for approximately 10 years. Bourdon asked if some of the vests could still be in working condition and then possibly sold to other departments to help defray costs.

> But, Feole said older vests are affected by such factors as sunlight and are likely to have deteriorated and wouldn't be effective

older vests would have to be rounds into them to see if they were still effective.

The 2017 fiscal year award may be used for National Institute of Justice recent staff report. compliant armored vests, with funds available for use until August 31, 2019, Bureau of Justice Assistance

"Based on our history tested first, with police firing and current needs, we have projected that we will need to purchase fourteen bullet proof vests during this time BJA would then reimburse frame," Feole wrote in a the police department for up

> Feole went on to write that police anticipate that the

will award the police department \$5,600, or half of the cost of the estimated 14 bulletproof vests. Following the purchase of the vests, the to 50% of each vest after the purchase has been made.





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# — Editorial

# **Getting the Full Story**

How many of us find ourselves irritated or offended by comments on Facebook or other social media sites? It's important to be in the know about big traffic jams on I-93, sightings of multiple emergency vehicles, school busses stopped on the side of the road, and icy road conditions during the winter. However, this information is often followed by rumors, half-truths, and anonymous comments. Sometimes the facts are there, but the material we read is often based on opinion and speculation.

Depending where you click, you might get the story. Or, you might be treated to somebody's idea of the story, which lacks facts all together.

Although there has been talk about the internet being the death of the newspaper, we don't buy it. We know now that this will only be the case with the 'big ones' and their weeklies that only pretend to be local. Privately owned community and local weeklies will soon be the only reliable source of information.

Social media postings can catch and keep our attention by providing real-time content, but they create rumors, suspicions, and conspiracy theories, making it difficult to tell truth from fiction. This is not the case in community newspapers, though, which are based on facts, people, and places we all know. What you read in print may not be as exciting as the latest social media posting, but it's factual, and if we make a mistake, we correct it in the next edition.

The purpose of a community newspaper is to report the facts rather than to speculate or start rumors, even though we're all tempted to sometimes. While reporters are asked to investigate rumors, readers will never see stories containing information that has not been proven to be true. We do not create news. We cover what will happen and what has happened publicly.

While sites like Facebook don't have word count limitations, they cater to the short attention spans we've developed since the advent of the Internet. If you want to find out what really happened, pick up a community newspaper. You may not like what an article says, but it's based on the facts.

We also tend to forget about the personal aspect of community newspapers. Nutfield Publishing's three publications are committed to reporting and photographing what happens in their respective towns. Our reporters, photographers, and owners live in the area and are familiar faces as they attend and support community endeavors. We aren't anonymous - you know where to find us. When you support us, you support a local business.

So, go ahead and check out social media. We all do it. We even have Facebook pages for our three newspapers. But, if you want to read about what really happens in your community, you can't beat a community newspaper.

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**Climate Alliance** 

To the editor:

Governor Sununu announced that, at this time, he will not be joining the U.S. Climate Alliance which pledges to uphold the provisions of the Paris Accord. Two Republican New England Governors have already announced that they will, as well as more than a dozen other State Governors. The Governor's reasoning is that he has made cleaning up ground water a priority and

remains committed to should get his "head out of the sand" regarding this decision.

think we are all aware of the other affects. To name a few, changes resulting droughts, and the opposite, extreme floods.

The Governor was elect-"responsible environmental ed to protect and serve the stewardship." The Governor interest of all it's citizens. His decision to not include New Hampshire in the U.S. Climate Alliance indicates Scientists predict that the more of a willingness to New Hampshire coastline place political allegiance will rise between four - five first and the interests of New feet due to climate change. I Hampshire. Additionally, it demonstrates a lack of effective leadership to preserve air pollution causing health the quality of life that we issues, radical weather currently enjoy in New in Hampshire.

> Mary Eisner Derry

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Linda German and Chairperson and Board Member Marilyn Smith Olbricht cutting the ribbon at the Sonshine Soup Kitchen's grand opening on June 7 in Derry.

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In addition to generous donations from benefactors, the organization fundraised for nearly five years through the Build 2 Feed campaign for this project. They had an April Fool's Day Gala, which they plan to make an annual event, and received grants and matching funds from individual donors. A future golf tournament fundraiser is scheduled for August 17.

Derry's Episcopal Church of the Transfiguration Reverend Ray Bonin also serves as the administrative assistant and at the soup kitchen and often helps cook. About the organiza-

the new location's grand thia Dwyer, Cindy Cleary, opening as a long list of sponsors was read. The list the Greater Derry and Lonincluded Triangle Credit donderry Chamber of Com-Union, Ralph Valentine, who co-managed the building renovation and made served to anyone who enters every day "Valentine's Day," Planning Director George Sioras, Liberty Utilities of Londonderry Henry and more information about The Rose French, Lloyd Wag- Sonshine Soup Kitchen, oner, Kenyon Lawn Service, visit them online at Evan Gaythorpe, Elder Lynn www.sonshinesoupkitch-Reed, Elder Blade Bundy, en.org or call (603) 437-Thomas Bounakes, John Golec, Bill Luppert, Greg

tion, Rev. Bonin says "The Smith, Daigle Plumbing and Sonshine Soup Kitchen is Heating, Carter and Casey the best thing in Derry. The Watson, Jean Manley, Kat community really embraces Fondo, Jan and Gerry Daigle, Greg Aylaian, Greg This proved to be true at Mitchell, Richard and Cynand Christine Fudala, and

> A free, healthy dinner is the Sonshine dining room Monday through Friday from 4:30 - 5:30 p.m. For



### **Farmers Market**

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Mark Mastromarino, the Derry Museum of History curator, displayed numerous Derry's past on opening day. Let's Play Music and Make at the market. Art will be back with their providing musical entertainment throughout the summer. The Southern New Montessori Hampshire Academy will be giving away handmade, reusable students on June 21.

members recently approved community table, where three small, area breweries, Rockingham Brewery Company, From the Barrel Brewing Company, and Backyard fascinating artifacts of Brewery & Kitchen to give samples of their craft beers

Organizers recommend musical instrument display, visiting their website at www.derryhomegrown.org to view upcoming events. The market will run every Wednesday this summer until September 20 from 3 -7 p.m. at 1 West Broadway shopping bags made by their in the park in front of Benson's Hardware and Derry Derry Town Council Feed & Supply.



At left, Derry Economic Development Advisory Committee Ambassador John Potucek signals the start of the Farmers Market. Above, Derry Economic Development Advisory Committee members officially open the Derry Homegrown Farmers Market on Wednesday afternoon, June 7. Photos by Chris Paul

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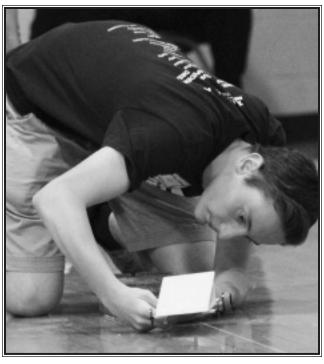
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Students of the two Derry Middle Schools had teams competing in the annual Jr. Solar Sprint on Saturday.

# Middle School Students Compete at Junior Solar Sprint

cloudy skies on Saturday morning, June 4, forced the fifth annual Junior Solar Sprint into the Gilbert H. Hood Middle School's gym-

ing their solar-powered cars.

Students from GHH and West Running Brook middle schools competed against one another in a national nasium, but that didn't program that was co-spondampen the spirits of the sored by Derry's Energy and

Committee (EEAC).

This year, 28 teams competed in the event. Each Junior Solar Sprint team was a model car no larger than 30 x 60 x 30 centimeters. The cars were designed to be powered by sunlight using a solar photovoltaic cell that converts the sun's energy into electricity, but clouds forced participants to rely on battery power to race their cars. Students began and had to consider such categories were than tallied

namic drag, rolling resistance, weight, and drive train when building.

The race was a double choice award. required to design and build elimination competition, allowing each team more L. Reno, Chair EEAC, "Stu- ary, Thomas Edward Minthan one opportunity to race. dents have an exciting non. He enjoyed providing WRBMS's A Random Car won the award for the fastest car. Other awards included best model, awarded to WRBMS's The Futurists, and best documentation, teamwork and problemwhich was given to WRBMS's He Hoy Minoy. working on the cars in April The scores from these three

which was given to He Hoy Minoy. WRBMS's The Carl crafted vehicle possible." Crew car won the people's

opportunity to apply the scientific concepts they are learning in class to a realworld challenge with Junior Solar Sprint. They develop solving abilities, investigate the Derry middle schools environmental issues, gain hands-on engineering skills, and use principles of science

A forecast for partly middle school students rac- Environmental Advisory critical factors as aerody- for the grand prize trophy, and math to get the fastest, most interesting, and best-

> The event began five years ago under the leader-According to Maureen ship of the late local visionstudents with this exciting opportunity to apply the scientific concepts to a realworld challenge. The Derry Energy & Environmental Advisory Committee and were honored to continue this tradition.

> > JSS is a national program and fund by the United States Army's Outreach and Educational Programs that was developed to provide a hands-on opportunity for students to apply science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) concepts, creativity, and problem-solving skills as they design, construct, and race solar-powered cars.

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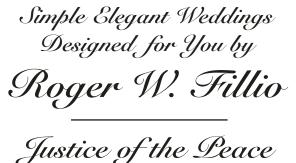
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# Granite State Arts Academy Has It's Third Graduation

KATHERINE PRUDHOMME O'BRIEN

Granite State Arts Academy, a public charter high school in Salem, held its third commencement ceremony on Saturday, June 10.

Alto saxophonist and Derry resident Jasmine Kennedy of the class of 2019 performed with the school students. school's rock band, and Kailyn Moore, also of Derry, visit www.gsaanh.org was among the 26-member class of 2017.

Julianne Gadoury, Arts Education Coordinator for the New Hampshire State Council on the Arts, was the featured commencement speaker. GSAA nurtures creative thinkers, active citizens and independent learners with a curriculum that integrates the arts and academics. It is tuition-free to all New Hampshire high

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ophone at the Granite State Arts Academy commence- Academy's class of 2017. ment ceremony on June 10.



Derry resident Jasmine Kennedy playing the alto sax- Kailyn Moore, who was part of the Granite State Arts Courtesy Photos

# **Local Girl Scouts Receive Silver Award for Their Services**



From left, Simone Labell and Shaylie Lagasse putting the finishing touches on their project at the Marion Gerrish Community Center in Derry.



NOELLE TARDIFF **NUTFIELD NEWS** 

Local homeschooled Girl Scouts Simone Labell of Londonderry and Shaylie Lagasse of Derry recently completed the requirements for the Girl Scout Silver Award, the highest award a Girl Scout Cadette can earn, and the second highest award in Girl Scouts overall.

To earn the award, Girl Scout Cadettes in grades six - eight must complete different levels of leadership and experience to make a longlasting service to the community. It takes a minimum of 50 hours of preparation,

accomplish the the Silver Award goals.

Working under Project Advisor Sarah Garvin, Executive Director of the Marion Gerrish Community Center (MGCC), Simone and Shaylie's Silver Award project included making benches and picnic tables for the MGCC in Derry. "The Marion Gerrish Community Center is grateful to be the recipient of this project: we know that the benches will be well received by community," our Garvin.

After researching the project, the girls estimated

planning, and work to the costs to be just under much about seeing a task funds by holding a bake sale at Woof Meow in Derry and from community fundraising including donations from family members and The Home Depot.

The girls' moms serve as Troop #10370, a mixed-age troop of homeschoolers from kindergarten - eighth grade. Troop leader Rebekah Labell said, "I am proud of Simone and Shaylie's commitment to them both in ways they did not expect and taught them

\$400. With some hard work, through. They have provided they were able to raise the an important town facility with sustainable furniture that will last some time."

Not only did this project teach the girls about building, sanding, and painting, but the girls achieved other skills that will serve them all their Girl Scout leaders for their life. "I learned so much about leadership and public speaking, and I used a table saw and drill which is something I never thought I would be able to do" Simone said. "We educated and inspired younger Girl this project. It stretched Scouts to act and take care of our world."



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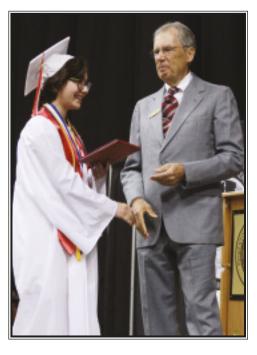


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From Left: Pinkerton Class President Patrick Linehan addresses the graduates; class valedictorian, Victoria Lonardo receives her diploma from Timothy Butterfield; Caps explode with creativity; graduates are lead into the cermony by junior Photos by Chris Paul Matthew Newman.

### **Graduation**

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Society, the Athletic Leadership Council, and the VEX Robotics team. He won awards for his work in Latin and chemistry classes, and was described by his teachers as "a well respected leader with a good sense of humor."

Kneisley said of Reardon, "Eric is all the things you would expect a salutatorian

During his speech, Reardon congratulated his peers, encouraging them to always have a plan no matter where life may take them. "Be the hero in your own novel," he said, "Be the mechanic who is known for the most honest English teacher Deborah work in town. Be the fastest drive-thru worker Dunkin' Donuts has ever seen." After reminding students to always put the extra effort into everything they do, Reardon returned to his

Following Reardon was the class valedictorian, Victoria Lonardo. English teacher Nicole Canney described Lonardo as someone who "has so much heart

and charisma that she leaves a lasting impression on everyone she meets." Lonardo was president of the Pinkerton and Little Students organization during her time at Pinkerton, as well as an Academy Mentor for freshman students. Her ability to balance work, academics, and extracurricular activities is inspiring.

Lonardo began speech by describing the transformations she has witnessed her friends and herself go through over the course of her senior year. As someone who originally held herself to a shy, meek stereotype, she saw herself blossom into who she wanted to be during her time at Pinkerton. She explained that her past experiences no longer define her, and reminded her peers that that they, too, can be anything they wish to be. Lonardo closed with her final words You are not your history."

Headmaster Billy Collins. The poem emony. described different accomsome of history's greatest before the age of 17, and set their minds to it.

Following Morse, awards and scholarships were they wore were traditional, ry Novotny, National Merit PA.' Commended Students, Rebekah Arruda, Daniel be PA," Linehan said. He Lanternier, and Victoria then invited the class to flip Lonardo, and U.S. Presidenthe tassels on their caps from tial Scholars Semifinalist, the right side to the left, David Crafts.

acknowledged for receiving to the class: "Define your- the New Hampshire State and thinkers into the world.

self with the present you. Scholars Initiative, 60 students received the Presi-Griffin dent's Educational Excel-Morse then took the stage to lence award, and over recite the poem, "To My \$11,000,000 in scholarships Favorite 17 Year Old" by was awarded during the cer-

Finally, speaking to the plishments achieved by class one last time as class president, Patrick Linehan made sure to acknowledge was meant to remind stu- all of the "rule breakers," or dents that they will not those who have never achieve anything unless they accepted the norm. He reminded his peers that although the caps and gowns awarded to hundreds of stu-the athletes, scientists, dents. Recipients included activists, and artists wearing National Merit Finalists, them were not. He then led Patrick Linehan and Grego- the class, chanting, "We are

"We are and always will sending off a new class not Over 200 students were only of Pinkerton Academy alumni, but of great leaders

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# Astro Laxmen Reach the D-I Finals Again, Fall to BG

CHRIS PANTAZIS **NUTFIELD NEWS** 

June championshipgame meetings between the Pinkerton Academy and Guertin boys' Bishop lacrosse teams have become expected occurrences. But the Astros sure wish they could fare a little bit better against a Guertin Cardinals' every single Division I title contest since 2005.

The BG crew from Nashua, which has now won nine state titles since 2005, has played Pinkerton nine times in state championship matches during that long span, including in every one of the last five years.

The Astros won only two of those match-ups against Guertin since 2005, in 2006 have won the other seven, Hampshire loss of 2017. including the most recent, at Bill Ball Stadium in Exeter last Saturday night, June 10

The top-seeded Astros led 4-3 after one quarter and 6-5 at halftime, but the sec-

ond-ranked Cardinals outscored them by a dominant, 6-0 margin in the second half, running away with their second consecutive crown and an astonishing seventh in eight tries during the present decade.

"We basically traded goals back and forth in the first half, and BG maintained that pace in the secgroup, which has played in ond half and we didn't," said O'Reilly. "We didn't get a lot of inside scoring opportunities in the second half, and that played a big part."

The D-I runner-up team received a five-point effort from sophomore star Ryan Auger (three goals, two assists), two goals from Chris Valentine, and a single tally from Chad Teresky. PA goalie Alex Sturgess contributed seven saves to the and 2015. The Cardinals effort in his squad's lone New

Pinkerton had defeated 2017 title battle against PA BG in the lone regular-season battle between the two standout squads this spring, but as O'Reilly can attest, the regular season match winds up meaning precious little when all the chips are



Young Pinkerton lacrosse standout Mason Drouin PA freshman lax standout Chad Teresky rifles a shot at checks out his options during his team's tourney victory over Bedford. Photo by Chris Pantazis

"The regular season game is pretty much a feeling-out game, and the team that has won the regular season game each of the last three years has gone on to lose the championship game. So, you can pretty

on the table in the tourney in much toss that one away," said the coach.

> The academy crew had advanced to its fifth straight Division I championship match with a bit of a nailbiter of an 8-7 semifinal win over fourth-ranked Bedford in Exeter on Wednesday, June 7.

Pinkerton appeared to have the match well in hand at the completion of three quarters, grasping a com-

the net during his team's D-I championship game loss to Bishop Guertin. Photo by Chris Paul

Bulldogs had other ideas. Bedford saw PA bump

its lead up to 8-2 on an Auger goal with 10:26 to go in the match, but the work and netted five consecutive tallies in a span of just under six minutes, and with 31.1 seconds remaining on the game clock it was a onegoal match.

manding 7-2 lead. But, the fielder Nate LaLiberte then won a big face-off against his Bedford opponent, and the locals were able to run out the remaining time.

Auger had five points in Bulldogs then got down to that match as well, with four goals and one assist. Valentine scored twice, Teresky bagged a goal and a helper, Tom Sweeney dealt out three assists, and Mason Drouin contributed one Pinkerton freshman mid- assist to the performance.

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# Astro Spikers' First NH Loss Comes in the D-I Finals

CHRIS PANTAZIS **NUTFIELD NEWS** 

first state championship was

Unfortunately for the Astros, the one entity in the The Pinkerton Academy way was a Timberlane boys' volleyball program's Regional Owls' squad which was playing in its fourth right there, one match victo- consecutive state champi-

High School North last Saturday night, June 10.

Both teams rolled into that match with matching 19-1 overall records, with top-seeded Pinkerton having gone a perfect 18-0 in New Hampshire including a 3-2 late in the regular season.

But, in the big rematch, the second-seeded and titlematch-tested Owls did the almost unthinkable in besting PA in a 3-0 shutout for the championship.

Paced by junior powerhouse Sam Hovan and his stellar spiking, Timberlane bounded to its second state crown in the last three years with the blanking of PA.

team today," said coach Colin Walker. "They have finals experience and the only player we have with that is (Player of the Year) Cobi Moore. We were confident, but they were the better team."

After a truly astounding regular season which concluded with PA having won 11 straight matches, the Astros had continued their hunt for the state title with a Derry on Tuesday, June 6.

game one by a 25-17 score get the win."

onship match at Nashua and game two by a lopsided 25-13 tally, but the visiting Vikings showed their desire and intentions to keep their season going by rebounding for a hard-fought, 25-23 win in game three.

However, Pinkerton put the match and Mascenic's match win over Timberlane season to rest by winning game four by a 25-21 score.

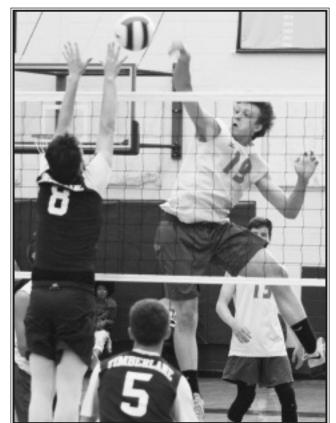
> Cobi Moore was big for the victorious locals, notching 34 assists and 16 service points with seven aces. Sean Galusha and Hunter Hazard each tallied 15 big kills, and Kunjan Patel was good for 22 digs and three assists.

The Astros' semifinal match with fourth-seeded, defending state champion Hollis-Brookline at Nashua "They were the better North two nights later started badly for the academy crew, with the Cavaliers thumping their way to a 25-13 victory in game one and showing that they were fully intent on putting forth an upset performance.

> Pinkerton rebounded for three consecutive wins in games two (25-21), three (25-19), and four (25-23) in bagging the 3-1 match victory.

'We came out flat, but 3-1 drubbing of the eighth- I'm not sure why," said seeded Mascenic Regional coach Walker. "Perhaps it Vikings from New Ipswich was the pressure of getting in quarterfinal-round play in to the finals. We had a rough start, but we were able to put The top-seeded hosts won together a few solid runs and

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Pinkerton volleyball player Austin Penland attempts to smack down a spike during his squad's championship match against Timberlane. Photo by Chris Paul

sists and eight service points with two aces to pace his crew. Hazard notched 11 kills, Galusha had seven of them, and Matt Fabrizio collected five blocks.

Hollis-Brookline did a Astros' power game at the net, but the academy side was able to overcome and move onward.

"We knew how Hollis plan, but their execution was on a level they had not shown us in our two matches this year," said Walker.

The Astros expected to advantage. face major challenges in the title battle from a Tim- and got back to within one berlane troop which only

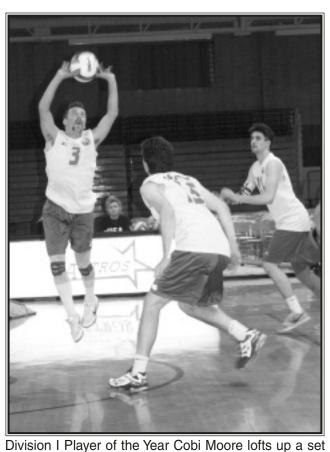
Moore notched 26 as- lost to Pinkerton during the regular season - back on May 24 in Plaistow - in tallying its 17-1 mark.

The Owls had started the regular season with 16 consecutive wins before falling to PA. They then won their fine job of minimizing the last regular season match and shut out Salem and Windham in tourney battles in reaching the finals for the fourth consecutive year.

The Astros looked pretty would attack us. We were strong at the start of game not surprised at their game one, holding early leads until after the score was knotted up at 13-13 and Timberlane put together a 4-0 run to claim a 17-13

Pinkerton fought hard

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to a teammate during the PA volleyball squad's tourney Photo by Chris Pantazis win over Mascenic.

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# **Pinkerton Honors Its Spring Sports Squads and Athletes**

CHRIS PANTAZIS NUTFIELD NEWS

While it had its disappointments, the 2017 spring sports season was also successful from a number of standpoints for the folks over at Pinkerton Academy.

The Pinkerton community gathered in its Hackler Gymnasium on Monday, June 5, to tally up and celebrate some of the reasons why the campaign had already been a success with several varsity sports teams still engaged in their drives toward potential state championships.

one state championship trophy to hoist overhead, thanks to the accomplishments of coach Carol Quarles' Astro boys' outdoor track and field crew, which obliterated the competition at the state title meet at Merrimack High recently.

The boys' lacrosse crew Brian O'Reilly and the boys' volleyball contingent led by coach Colin Walker were both still working their way toward title game battles when the sports awards night took place.

In his opening remarks during the sports night event, O'Reilly made note of the fact that well over 500 student-athletes had tried out for PA teams, with more than 400 succeeding in making teams. Pinkerton's spring sports teams won award going to 2016-17 more than 75% of their games this season.

Even more impressive from the academic standpoint was that over 90% of the school's spring athletes achieved scholar/ athlete status, with all of their grades at an 80 or above.

Along with the boys' The locals already had track championship, the academy had coach Ed Vaitones' PA girls' track and field squad take runner-up honors at the state meet in Merrimack and coach Rob Daziel's defending 2016 Division I champion girls' lacrosse squad reach the final four yet again.

"All in all, a great year of PA athletic director/coach for all of these athletes, and they are to be congratulated," said O'Reilly.

> The school's Leadership Council of Athletics then took a moment to recognize its coaches of the year as

with the Volunteer Coach of the Year honor going to boys' basketball coach Rich Parent, the Junior Varsity Coach of the Year honors going to cross-country mentor Mike Karthas, and the Varsity Coach of the Year Division I girls' hoop coach, Lani Buskey.

The academy then spotlighted the athlete of the week award winners from throughout the spring season, whose pictures and lists of accomplishments appear weekly in the Nutfield News.

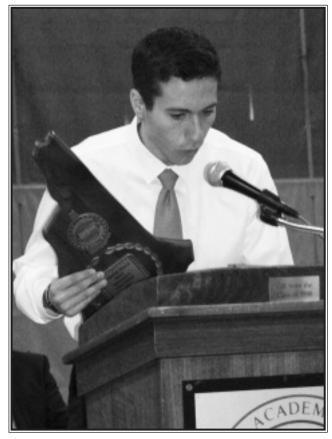
After the presentation of the boys' track and field outdoor championship plaque to PA dean of students Dr. Tim Powers, the varsity and junior varsity teams adjourned to different parts of the campus to hand out their team awards. All of the award winners were announced except for the boys' track ones, as those will be handed out at that team's forthcoming championship banquet.

Varsity coaches awards went to Matt Clark for baseball, Adam Morin for boys'

voted upon by the athletes, lacrosse, Megan Jarvis for girls' lax, Jess Nardozza for softball, Henry Andrews for boys' tennis, Samantha Donahue for girls' tennis, Britney Johnson for girls' track, Daniel Sullivan and Zach Vigroux for unified track, and Cobi Moore for boys' volleyball. Brian Sutton was named the recipient of the annual Mike Brown Memorial Award for baseball.

> Junior varsity coaches awards were claimed by Jake Howell of baseball, Jake Seccareccio for boys' lax, Marley Mailloux for girls' lax, Jacqueline Cerri for softball, Alex Tveter for boys' tennis, Leah Sears for girls' tennis, Maddie Burke for girls' track, and Mateo Peguri for volleyball.

Freshman honors went to Cooper Ernst for baseball, Gabriel Camuso for boys' lacrosse, and Noel Murphy for softball.



Pinkerton track and field tri-captain Matt Anzivino talks about his team's stellar spring season while preparing to hand off the 2017 Division I championship plaque to a PA administrator during the Derry school's spring sports awards night on Monday, June 5. Photo by Chris Pantazis

# Volleyba

point of the lead at 22-21

Game two was very tight

hard all the way but eventually losing by a 25-20 tally.

And Timberlane placed the final touches on its 2017 title by winning game three by a 25-17 score.

"Having to play comeback is tough. It wears you ed eight kills, and Galusha down," said Walker. "We was good for six kills.

were playing catch-up all night long.'

Moore finished up with 26 assists and seven service points with two aces. Ty Behsman bagged nine kills and nine digs, Hazard collect-

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before a late Timberlane surge got that side a 25-21 win in game one.

as well, with PA working

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## Lady Astro Lacrosse Crew Has Four Garner Post-Season Honors

CHRIS PANTAZIS **NUTFIELD NEWS** 

While it was certainly disappointing for the 2017 Pinkerton Academy girls' lacrosse team to not wind up being able to successfully defend its Division I state championship this spring, there was never any question in anyone's mind that veteran coach Rob Daziel's team was absolutely packed with talent which was capable of performing that feat.

And at season's end, a wildly-skilled quartet of roles for the Lady Astros as Lady Astros was selected for all-state honors by the D-I coaches who collected a full 2016 title success. However, appreciation for them.

Emily Sharretts were both ment semifinals. named First-Team All-Staters, and their fellow senior middie Megan Jarvis and in the direction of another sophomore middie Kiley state crown after going 10-1



Avery Drouin

Team All-State honors.

All four played vital they strove with determination toward a repeat of their that effort fell two victories Senior attack Avery short with Pinkerton falling Drouin and senior defender to Bedford in the tourna-

The local lax crew certainly appeared to be headed Davis both claimed Second- in its first 11 matches



**Emily Sharretts** 

ping four straight decisions between May 12 and 20 to slip to 10-5.

But, the locals rediscovfinal three matches of the to advance. regular season to end up at 13-5. That mark was good the D-I tourney.

After splitting their two



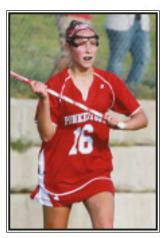
Megan Jarvis

through May 10. But, coach regular-season matches with ings with major news. Daziel's squad then fell into the arch-rival Londonderry something of a skid, drop- High Lady Lancers, the Drouin made All-Ameri-Lady Astros found themselves facing a rubber match with that opponent in Londonderry in the quarterered their footing on the finals, and PA squeaked out winning path and won their a 7-6 victory that afternoon

However, the Lady Astros wouldn't get past for the number five seed in their semifinal-round battle with top-seeded Bedford, which ended the locals' repeat title hopes in a 14-11 decision.

> Drouin showed all in attendance during the tourney contests that she has all kinds of physical and mental toughness to go with her abundance of athletic talent by battling her way through a painful right hip flexor injury, which no doubt would have sidelined her during the regular season.

> Late this past Sunday evening, coach Daziel returned home from the Lakes Region following a weekend packed with youth tournament play and meet-



Kiley Davis

can," he said. "Avery finished the season with 55 goals and 13 assists for 68 total points. She led the team in both goals and total

points. Despite recovering from ACL surgery, Avery was still our most impactful offensive player and a great team leader."

Of his other highlyskilled and important allstaters, the veteran coach stated, "Emily was one of our toughest defenders and made an impact on the offensive end by gaining first possession on the draw as one of our primary draw circle players. She was also very effective clearing the "Hot off the press. Avery ball after a defense-caused turnover. Both players made a big impact on the team along with our Second Team All-State players Kiley Davis and Megan Jarvis."

### **Athletes of the Week**

Week of May 29



**Brandon Tetler, Senior, Boys' Lacrosse** 

This talented midfielder helped his highly-skilled squad to tremendous success with fantastic overall defensive play all season. He and the Astros notched a 20-2 overall record.



Sean Galusha, Sophomore, Boys' Volleyball

This sophomore's play in the state tournament helped his Astros make it all the way to the finals. He tallied important kills in all three of the squad's tourney matches.



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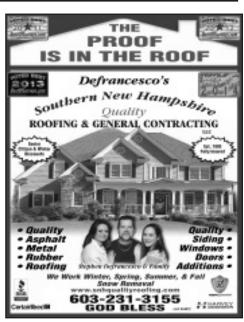
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#### Vacation Bible School

Provided Free of charge. June 19 - 23, from 6 p.m. -8:30 p.m. For ages 4 years old 5th grade (completing). Amazing Bible adventures. cool crafts, great games, awesome music, and tasty snacks! So head on over to 53 North Main Street Derry, for your own Super Hero Adventure! Call for more information

### Be the Match" Drive

Join Residential Mortgage Sercives, Inc. for our "Be the Match" bone marrow donor registry drive on Mon., June 26, from 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. at Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices Verani Realty, 1 Verani Way, Londonderry. The mission of "Be the Match" is to save lives by delivering cures to people diagnosed with lifethreatening blood cancers through marrow transplants. They work with partners and volunteers to help the more than 14,000 patients in need of transplants. Those interested in donating must be between the ages of 18 and 44. Typing fees for the drive are covered by health insurance or Michael's Fund. Please bring your insurance card with you to this event! We hope to see you

#### Don Ball Park and Splashpad

Open daily 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. weather permitting (extended hours occasionally). Don Ball Park located at 14 Humphrey Road, is being utilized for athletics, playground use, the SplashPad, personal Party Reservations and events. Weekly themed events, beginning Tues., June 20 and will continue into early August. questions the contact Recreation Department at (603) 432-6136 prior to their event. Please be sure to review the Rules & Regulations before visiting. For additional information on these and other program events, please contact the department at (603) 432-6136. www.derrynh.org/nod-

#### Carnival at the Park

Join us as we kick off the summer with Carnival Week beginning Tuesday, June 20 at Don Ball Park offering crafts, games, entertainment, and more! Summer performances will include High Flying Frisbee dogs, wildlife encounters, a visit from Tink & Jack Sparrow, and so much more! For more information on weekly themes and activities contact the Recreation office at (603) 432-6136 or check out the website!

#### **Adult Tennis League**

The adult tennis league is great for beginner to intermediate players. Meet on Wednesday evenings from 6 p.m. - 9:30 p.m. at the Alexander-Carr Tennis Courts located on Birch Street. The program continues to take registrations for participation and will continue through September 27. Registration is available online or within the Recreation Office. For additional information on these and other program events, please contact the department at (603) 432-6136. www.derrynh.org/node/77023

### **Youth Tennis Lessons**

There will be five sessions in total, starting June 26, Sessions are Mon, through Thurs, with a rain date of Fri. At Alexander-Carr Courts, located on Birch Street, Learn the fundamentals of tennis. Pre- registration is required. Registration is available online and at the Recreation Office. For additional information on these and other program events, please contact the department at (603) 432-6136. www.derrynh.org/no-

### Kayak Lessons

Wanted to try kayaking but didn't know where to start? The lifeguards at Gallien's town beach are eager to get you started! Sessions start June 20 ending July 25. Sessions range in time to accommodate everyone, 9:30 a.m., 11 a.m., 5 p.m. Register for one of the five schedule sessions of kayak lessons during the summer. Each session consists of two 60 minute classes. Participants must be at least 9 years of age to register and space is limited. Register online or at the Recreation Office! For additional information on these and other program events, please contact the department at (603) 432-6136. www.derrvnh.org/node/77023

#### Summer Fun Runs

The Greater Derry Track Club Annual Summer Fun Runs, Starts June 22, 29; July 6, 13, 20, 27; August 3rd. Registration opens 6p.m. & Races start 6:30 p.m. At Pinkerton Academy Track, Derry. All ages, 2 to 92. Cost is a donation of a non-perishable food product weekly is all that is requested. For more information www.gdtc.org

### **Summer Concert Series**

MacGregor Park, Performances are free to the public! All performances begin at 7 p.m. and conclude around 8:30 p.m. Please contact the Parks & Recreation Office in cases of inclement weather, as performances may be cancelled. Tues., June 20: Josh Logan Acoustic Trio who were Season five, finalist The Voice's is making a special appearance. Their original sound and distinct, fresh vocals are unprecedented and guarantee a good time. Tues., June 27: The Reminisants, known as one of Boston's greatest oldies bands, their repertoire features music that appeals to a variety of musical tastes across several generations. July 4, No Concert! Fireworks at Dusk. July 11, Groove Alliance. July 18, Chad LaMarsh Band. July 25, Pony Express. Aug 1, Souled Out Show Band. Aug 8, Brandy. Aug 15, The Ge3ks. For descriptions of the bands check out our calendar of events or concerts are weather www.derrynh.org/calendar or

### contact the Derry Parks and Canadian Recreation www.derrynh.org/-

parks-recreation at 603-432-6136.

### Pot Recycle

The Derry Garden Club will be accepting pots to be recycled at the Marion Gerrish Community Center, 39 W. Broadway, Derry, on June 17 from 10 a.m. - noon. All pots must be 4 inches or larger. For more information or with any questions, contact Alison Kennery at (603) 434-9624.

#### **Storytimes**

Derry Library storytimes will resume on June 19 until August 11. The schedule will be as follows: Mondays Preschool Storytime for ages 3-5, at 10 a.m. Tuesdays Mother Goose on the Loose for ages 1-3, at 10 a.m. and Bedtime Storytime for ages 2-7, at 6:30 p.m. Wednesdays Infant Storytime for ages 0-1, at 10 a.m. Thursdays 1, 2, 3 Explore for ages 1 - 3 only, at 10 a.m. Fridays, Stories and Snow-cones for all ages, at 1:30 p.m. If you have any questions about this schedule, please contact the Derry Public Library by calling (603) 432-6140 or visiting www.derrypl.org.

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#### Serving Under the Maple Leaf

On Wed., June 21, at 6:30 p.m., TJ Cullinane concludes his World War 1 series with 'Serving Under the Maple Leaf,' which discusses the Derry men who served in the

Expeditionary Force. To register, visit www.derrypl.org or call 432-6140.

#### Taiko Drumming!

On Sat., June 17, at 2 p.m., learn about the ancient musical art of Taiko Drumming and experience a live performance. To register, visit www.derrypl.org or call 432-6140.

### **Adult Coloring this Summer**

Adult coloring will be offered on the following dates this summer: June 19, July 3, 17, 31, August 7, 21. All meetings run from 6:30 - 8 p.m., and will be held in the teen area. To register, visit www.derrypl.org or call 432-6140.

### **Parents Support Group**

Are you frustrated with your teenager or in need of support regarding your teenager? Does parenting your teenager mean you have new concerns about anger, defiance, motivation and trust? If so, you are not alone. Welcome to the club! Meet up with other parents at our Parents Support Group every Thursday night, 6:30 p.m. -7:30 p.m., at The Upper Room, 36 Tsienneto Road, Derry. Meet other parents experiencing the same situations. No pre-registration is required. There is no fee, and all topics can be discussed. Call 603-437-8477 with any questions.

#### **Free Dinners**

Free, family-friendly meals will be served in a relaxed atmosphere at the following locations on the following dates. At the Episcopal Church of the Transfiguration, 1 Hood Road, Derry, dinner will be served from 5 - 6:30 p.m. on Sunday, July 9, and August 13. At Etz Hayim

Synagogue, 1-1/2 Hood Road, Derry, dinner will be served from 5 - 6:15 p.m. on Sunday, June 18, July 16, and August 20. At the First Parish Congregational Church, 47 East Derry Road, East Derry, spaghetti suppers will be served from 5 - 6:30 p.m. on Friday, June 30, July 28, August 25, and September 29. At St. Jude Church, 435 Mammoth Road, Londonderry, lunch will be served from 1:30 - 2:30 p.m. on Sunday, June 25 (this meal will be located at the Lion's Hall on the corner of Mammoth & Pillsbury Rds. Londonderry), Sunday, July 30, August 27, and September 24. At St Luke's United Methodist Church, 63 East Broadway, Derry, dinner will be served from 5 - 6 p.m. on Saturday, June 17, July 15, August 19, and September 16.

### Flea Market Fundraiser for Pets

The Greater Humane Society is accepting donations for an upcoming fundraiser on Sat., June 17, at the Londonderry Flea Market. All proceeds from the sale will benefit the GDHS and will help pay for food, supplies, and veterinary care. Those who would like to donate are asked to bring items already priced to the GDHS table before 8 a.m. on June 17. Donors are asked to call GDHS Boarde member Sue Bares at (508) 498-7482 to find the location of the table. There is limited opportunity to donate items before June 17, so those who wish to do so are asked to contact GDHS Treasurer Sharon Comeau at (603) 231-3265. General inquiries are also to be directed to either Bares or Comeau at their respective phone numbers.

### Affected by Lyme Disease?

A support group will meet on the fourth Wednesday of each month at Market basket Café in Londonderry, starting at 6:30 p.m.

This group meets to raise awareness, share information and support over this devastating and often misunderstood illness.

For more info contact Deb Paul at 537-2760 or dpaul@nutpub.net



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