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Town Council Delves Into Portions of 2018-2019 Budget

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NUTFIELD NEWS

Budget season continues for Derry, as the Town Council addressed a number of particular elements of the FY19 budget during a special meeting on April 12.

The administration budget was first up to bat, requiring \$525,531, while only increasing by \$1,658 from last year. As it is not a major money expenditure, the council was quick to approve it and move on.

The community development budget came next, with an emphasis being placed on funding for the Economic Development Coordinator office. This includes working with Buxton Retail Recruitment, advertising, and professional services funding. Their budget was \$179,783.

Councilor Neil Wetherbee noted that he felt that not enough focus was placed on any sort of marketing efforts. However, Economic Development Coordinator Beverly Donovan is hoping to improve advertising for Derry via social media in the coming months.

The Information Technology and Geographic Information Systems budget was next, emphasizing a variety of software upgrades, a town-wide fiber optics expansion, more data storage at the Derry Police Department and new technology for the scales at the transfer station. In all, their cut of the budget came to \$911,349, an increase of about \$18,000 from last year.

Human services came next, which is tasked with local welfare and assisting struggling individuals and

families in Derry. A request was made to add \$110,000 to direct assistance efforts. It was also noted that the position of Human Services Secretary was up for elimination. Town Director David Caron felt this could be eliminated because of how it weighed up against the funds that it directly handled. However, Councilor Joshua Bourdon questioned whether or not the removal was worth it, despite the impact on the tax rate, because of the problems it might cause for Derry families. The budget itself asked for \$331,053.

Assessing came next, it was noted that market growth in Derry was improving while 13 abatements were also granted last year. Derry's tax year

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Shaheen Visits Pinkerton During Social Studies Week

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As teenagers get closer to graduation, many are inevitably bound to start showing an interest in the political world. As they continue to expose themselves to the ins and outs of politics, it only makes sense that they get the chance to speak with an active political figure.

As a part of Pinkerton Academy's annual Social Studies Week, U.S. Senator Jeanne Shaheen addressed students inside of the Freshman Building on Monday morning, April 16.

Upon Shaheen's arrival, dozens of students of all

grades taking U.S. History and Government courses, as well as an assortment of electives, were more than ready to ask her a wide variety of questions. For starters, Shaheen spent the first half of her visit expanding upon her various roles in government and her major focuses as of late.

Born in 1947, Shaheen noted that she developed an interest in politics as early as high school and eventually got into student government in college to start making changes. She would go on to become a member of the New Hampshire Senate, hold three terms as Governor of New Hampshire between 1997 and 2003 and

stand as one of two U.S. Senators from N.H. since 2009.

She also elaborated on the different committees she is currently participating in, including one for small businesses and appropriations. She is also trying to form a committee that would investigate the issue of sexual abuse amongst Olympic teams. Finally, she also emphasized why she feels that net neutrality and equal access to the internet is key for the country, as well as for the success of small businesses.

Shaheen then went on to answer a number of questions from the present stu-

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President Donald Trump's daughter and advisor, Ivanka Trump, was welcomed by a large group at the Derry Opera House on Tuesday afternoon for a Town Hall meeting to celebrate Tax Day.
Photo by Chris Paul

Tax Day Brings Ivanka Trump to Derry Opera House

CHRIS PAUL
NUTFIELD NEWS

Former Gov. John Sununu hosted a Tax Day event at the historic Derry Opera House on Tuesday, April 17. President Donald Trump's tax plan Treasury Secretary Steven Mnuchin and Advisor to the President Ivanka Trump were guests.

The two were brought to the Granite

State to highlight the benefits of newly created tax plan in a Town Hall setting.

The building was near capacity with residents from around the state, state officials and a large press contingent.

Sununu opened up the forum by telling those in attendance how questions were to be presented. He had a

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Lorraine Butler Accomplished Local Artist and Blogger



Local photographer Lorraine Butler had many of her photographs on display at the Derry Public Library last month. Photo by Katherine Prudhomme O'Brien

KATHERINE PRUDHOMME O'BRIEN
NUTFIELD NEWS

Lorraine Butler is well-known around Derry. She is often seen at her favorite breakfast spot, Mary Ann's Restaurant on West Broadway, or walking through downtown where people are always stopping to say hello to her.

On her walks around town, Lorraine is seeing our community with an artist's eye, and in March, many of her photographs were displayed at the Derry Public Library.

She was born with some medical complications, but she isn't letting those challenges stop her from pursu-

ing her dreams today. She wants to spread the message that, "People with special needs can do anything if they put their minds to it. I always wanted to become a photographer ever since I can remember. I hope my dream will come true."

Lorraine came to Derry in 1977 and lived with her grandparents, the late John and Phyllis Shaw, who owned and operated the John E. Shaw Machine Company on Manchester Road. She had just graduated from high school in Medford, Massachusetts where she took art classes for three years.

Lorraine's family is also artistic. The cozy home she

has lived in since that time and that she now shares with her mother is full of her photographs. Butler's mother's watercolor paintings line the walls. It was her grandfather John Shaw who originally got her involved in photography. He taught her how to use a 35-millimeter camera in the late 1970's.

Later, Lorraine's family encouraged her to get a digital camera. She was resistant to the idea for some time but finally gave in. Now, she posts her photographs online on a personal blog on Facebook called "Lorraine's History of Derry in Pictures". She has photographs of houses around town, buildings that have since been taken down, commercial construction, firetrucks, parades, motorcycles, old trucks, sunsets and fireworks. She also has photographs of many of the famous politicians and political figures who have come through Derry. Firehouses, firetrucks and firefighters

have a special place in Lorraine's heart. She grew up behind a fire station and remembers the kindness of the firefighters and the excitement of living there.

Jodi Nelson of Derry is Lorraine's friend who encouraged her to display her photographs at the library. She describes Lorraine as "a great conversationalist, a thoughtful person and a joy to have in my life."

Jodi points out one of Lorraine's photographs that jumped out to her as beautiful. "The dilapidated doorway of the old Broadway Pets storefront, people ignored that building, but the picture Lorraine took of it was beautiful." Jodi purchased a copy of that photograph from Lorraine as well as one of a firehouse in Massachusetts. "Lorraine has a great take on something that is so common and usual that other people would overlook it, then she makes it interesting."

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School Board Prepares New Committee To Keep Tabs On Concord

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In response to a rising tax rate in Derry, the Town Council placed a non-binding referendum on the March ballot this year to turn Derry into a city. This would effectively give the town control over the Derry School Board. With this decision, both sides have needed to undergo some major changes in order to make sure the progress they are seeking out is achieved.

The School Board addressed such a matter during their latest meeting on April 10.

Leading the discussion was Board Chair Lynn Perkins, who wanted to follow up on a recent Legislative Task Force Workshop held on March 29 between the council, school board, state representatives and State Senator Regina Birdsell. During the workshop, it was emphasized that an effort needed to be made by both sides to focus heavily on Concord and the legisla-

tion it pushes forward.

Namely, they need to focus on legislation that could help the town, as well as the school board. Consideration must be given to reduce Derry's tax rate. Derry's School District was the most egregious offender of increasing the tax rate as of late.

Hoping to look into the "faults of the past", Perkins proposed consolidating two subcommittees on the board to create the Legislation and Liaison Committee. Made up of three people, each

member would share the responsibilities of speaking with legislators and town councilors in order to boost communication between all parties and smooth out the process of keeping track of helpful legislation.

Although Perkins admitted that this only stands as a proposal at the moment, he also feels that it must be affirmed as a long-standing concept. Not only because of the impact that the legislature has on Derry, but also because it is to essential to survive

inevitable conflicts with both Concord and the Derry council. "A strong outline for this subcommittee is going to help weather the storm in how this board prevails during those times", Perkins noted.

As far as the other board members were concerned, Board Member Derick Anderson felt that this communication should not be exclusively between Derry and Concord and should include other local towns as well. Secretary Erika Cohen also felt that an emphasis

must be placed on whom they speak to in Concord, as they must network with the individuals who can have the most impact on pertinent legislation. "You need to make sure we're reaching out to the influencers", Cohen stated.

Despite all of this, Perkins does not plan on fully establishing the committee until May, after the council has concluded their budget discussions, as he and the board feel that the council should also have a say in who will be on this committee.

Pinkerton Academy Extends Search for New Headmaster

ALEX GUITTARR
NUTFIELD NEWS

In the wake of ex-Headmaster Griffin Morse's departure from Pinkerton Academy last month, staff members at the school have been working hard to find an appropriate replacement.

Their efforts have not been as fruitful as first expected, as was revealed by a recent press release.

According to Ed Karjala, the First Vice President of the 9-person Headmaster's Search Committee, "The search for a new Headmaster will be extended into the

first half of the 2018-2019 school year".

As a result, the committee will be accepting and considering applications for the position until Oct. 1, 2018. The review process for these applications, including interviews and "methodical vetting", will

extend no later than Nov. 30. The Board of Trustees will announce the school's new Headmaster no later than December 31. The position will begin for the 2019-2020 school year.

While they were initially hoping to name a new Headmaster by July 1, the committee insists that the time is needed to find the optimal candidate.

"Given the critical nature of this work, we continue to move along the path of a deliberate and systematic process that is focused on finding the very best person for our Headmaster position," Karjala noted.

In the mean time however, Dr. Timothy Powers, originally the Dean of Students and Support Services, will continue to serve as Interim Headmaster for the remainder of the current

school year and the 2018-2019 school year.

Morse originally announced his resignation back in September of 2017. He was offered a position with a Manhattan-based foundation to form a double-immersion Mandarin Chinese and Spanish pre-K through 12th grade school. He first intended his last day to be June 30, but scheduling conflicts forced him to depart on March 2.

Applicants who wish to apply will need at least a Master's degree and successful administrative experience in a high school or small college. Also, experience with and/or comprehensive understanding of institutional requirements for full accreditation compliance with The Commission on Independent Schools (CIS) of NEASC or other

regional accrediting organizations is required. Qualification for NH Depart. of Education Superintendent Certification, amongst other expectations must be demonstrated as well.

Applicants are also expected to grasp a number of key leadership and financial skills, including an ability to empower administrators, faculty, staff, and students, and the capacity to delegate appropriately. The ability to demonstrate an inclusive, best practice background in budgeting, financial management, financial planning, resource development, and fiscal responsibility are also requirements.

Those interested in applying for the position are encouraged to contact Pinkerton Academy at 603-437-5200.

Budget

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assessed value currently stands at roughly \$2,824,000,000, although it is expected to go up soon. Their budget request came to \$534,993.

Finance's budget portion came to \$709,944, which was an increase of \$51,501 due to salary increases and position reclassifications.

Tax collection came out to note how revenue from vehicle collection increased by \$554,000, while penalties on delinquent taxes went down \$110,000. They also saw a decrease in the sales of tax deeded property.

Their portion of the budget came to \$801,763.

Other municipal obligations, including Derry's legal expenses, property and liability insurance, and so on, saw a budget increase of \$365,000. This was due to debt services for lease capital, CART allocations, and capital reserve funding. Overall, these obligations required \$3,784,059.

Planning was next, noting how they managed \$2,019,800 in appraised value from approvals, while they also needed \$100,000 in order to update Derry's Master Plan. In all, they required \$379,639 for the budget.

Cable was next, requiring \$629,199 for both traditional means and a variety of new projects. These include a new Staffing model training program and a major overhaul of the Derry Municipal Center's meeting room's technology. This is primarily to confront lingering audio issues when it comes to recording meetings.

Finally, tax increment financing (TIF) needed \$525,422. This was for their self-balancing fund for TIF districts at Ash Street and Route 28. The revenues from them would assist with Community Development activities.

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Editorial

Earth Day Every Day

April 22 is Earth Day, the annual event when we're reminded to think about where we live. Not our town or even our country, but the Planet Earth.

Outdoor celebrations and political speeches all have their place, but the message we should have taken to heart by now, 48 years after Earth Day started, is that caring for the only home we have is not something we can do just one day a year.

By now, we should have incorporated earth-saving measures into our daily lives. Preserving our environment has taken on more emphasis lately as global change continues to make headlines, but like most things, change really does begin at home. Much of that change involves simple things. Here are a few.

When you shop, bring along cloth or paper bags, rather than using plastic to cart home your groceries, [if you do use plastic reuse them]. When your meals are done, recycle and compost to minimize the trash going into landfills. Instead of buying water in plastic bottles, use your tap water filtered if you choose and take it with you in a non-plastic container. You'll keep the chemicals in plastic from building up in our landfills and in our bodies, you'll save money, and you won't have to worry about the latest horror stories over what we might be ingest-

ing along with the water.

Plant a garden, and consider raising it organically. Not only will you have fresh food, but you're more likely to eat in a more healthy way. If a garden is not possible because of time or living arrangements, shop at farmers' markets. Food sold close to where it's grown, in season, usually means fewer chemicals are used in processing, and less fuel is used to get it to you.

Our towns have clean-up days scheduled, whether it's Beautify Londonderry effort or the roadside cleanups in most communities. Spend a little time picking up litter and keeping our roadsides tidy, and our towns really will be prettier places.

We can all do our part, whether it's by using energy saving light bulbs, reducing air conditioner use in summer, getting all your errands done in one trip to save gas, and driving the speed limit for fuel efficiency.

Making these small changes will do far more than attending a rally on Earth Day can accomplish.

After all that's really what all the Earth Day celebrations are about making such reminders unnecessary because they've already become part of our daily lives. We cannot depend on the government or others to do it for us. "Lead by example".

Revised Schedule: Water Main Flushing Program

Due to the inclement weather, the Town of Derry has postponed its spring Water Main Flushing Program for one (1) week.

The Town will be flushing the water lines throughout the Town's Municipal Water Distribution System between Sunday evening April 22 and Saturday evening May 5 between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 4:00 a.m.

The core water system flushing is being conducted late evenings to minimize inconvenience to customers. This work, which is necessary to remove any sediment from the water lines that may accumulate, is conducted annually and performed

by the Derry Water Division.

The flushing program typically progresses from the Derry - Londonderry Line along Rte. 28 southerly and easterly across the Town. Heavy commercial users and customers identified with certain sensitivities will be notified by the Town prior to work being done in their particular area. Any customers with special needs such as in-house dialysis equipment should contact our office to make their locations known so they may too be notified in advance.

Please be aware that this work may result in intermittent periods of brown or rusty water. While this is

not a health concern, it may temporarily affect the taste and aesthetics of your drinking water as well as possible staining of laundry. While every effort is made to flush the main lines until they run clean, some residual may enter and remain in service lines. Customers should run their service lines for several minutes until clear before doing laundry.

If you have any specific questions regarding this work or find that your service line does not clear please contact our office at 603-432-6147.

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Shaheen

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dents. They were not afraid to speak their minds on various hot issues. These included gun control, marijuana legalization, Russia's impact on Crimea and Syria, the influence of Fake News and what really deserves the title, as well as her thoughts on President Donald Trump and how his first term has gone so far.

But not every student wanted to delve into hot topics. For example, one student asked Shaheen about how a citizen can make an impact in politics without becoming an actual politician, as well as whether or not this kind of work could be used to make a living. Calling back to her time in student government and her efforts prior to being a state senator, Shaheen reminded him and other students to volunteer whenever they could for politicians and parties that they care about. She also noted that these politicians are always looking to hire on full-time staffers for the sake of their campaigns and terms in office. "There are all kinds of ways to get involved", Shaheen noted.



U.S. Senator Jeanne Shaheen addressed students inside of the Freshman Building on Monday morning, April 16.
Photo by Chris Paul

When all was said and done, Jennifer Resmini, the Head of the Social Studies Department, felt that the students handled themselves quite well, feeling free to speak their minds while still respecting Shaheen for potentially holding different opinions than theirs. This is something which teachers have been trying to cultivate

in students as of late.

"I think they asked some good questions", Resmini stated.

Resmini went on to note that Nichole Iacuzio and Megan Evans, both with the Social Studies department, were instrumental in the success of Social Studies Week and its events.

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Annual Pinkerton Academy Psyche Fair Tests the Minds of Students

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NUTFIELD NEWS

As Psychology students at Pinkerton Academy continue their studies and try to understand the human mind, many find that there is only so much one can learn without working with actual people. In order to put the many theories floating through their heads to the test, Psychology students at PA geared up for the annual Psyche Fair in the Shepard Auditorium on April 16.

Students were overseen by several social studies teachers, including Peter

Crowell. Hundreds of students currently taking Psychology courses worked to put together 43 stations in the packed auditorium. Each featured activities that others could participate in to test various theories concerning mental behaviors. Some of the behaviors tackled by these stations were the likes of memorization, multitasking, subliminal messaging, self control, and overconfidence biases.

The Psyche Fair always proves to be incredibly popular with students year after year. The process of deciding on what topic to tackle is

not exactly easy for students. They have to prepare months in advance and most have not had much time to be exposed to the content. Plenty of guesswork is needed when putting together each project, with many students resorting to coming up with ideas based on stations from fairs in prior years.

None the less, the Psychology students tend to have a lot of fun manning their stations, even if it can be exhausting. Plenty of different topics were on display at the fair, and Crowell hopes that the exciting atmosphere may convince



Students participating in a display that elaborates on the "Ames Room" Phenomenon at the annual Pinkerton Psyche Fair.

younger students to give these courses a try in the future. "We've got a little bit of everything", Crowell noted.

One particular table dabbled with the Ames Room, also known as the "Helmholtz Phenomenon". Students would stare through a hole that let them see two glasses in what

appeared to be a traditional square room; one glass appeared to be bigger than the other. Participants were then asked which they believed is the larger glass, only to realize that because one corner of the room extends back much further than the other, it creates the illusion that one glass is bigger than the other.

The students responsible for this display, Lauren Humphrey, Laura Griffin, Caitlyn Powen and Jessica Klein, decided on this topic as a means of standing out from the crowd, as they wanted to go after something that the Psyche Fair had never done before. "We were looking for something different", Humphrey noted.



Home School Artists Display Work

Derry home schooled students held the Granite State Home Educators Art Show on April 9 at the Marion Gerrish Community Center. From left, are Morgan, Jack, and Riley Glaser, pose in front of art some of the artwork displayed.

Photo by Katherine Prudhomme O'Brien



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Derry DI Goes Global: Two Teams Advance in STEAM Competition

MELISSA BETH RUIZ
NUTFIELD NEWS

"It's not about winning or losing," said Destination Imagination Master of Ceremonies at the New Hampshire Destination Imagination State Finals at Bedford High School. "It's about being with your people."

Though it wasn't the heart of the matter, for the STEAM teams of Ernest P Barka Elementary, Gilbert H. Hood Middle, and Pinkerton Academy, moving on to the Destination Imagi-

nation Global Competition was a nice bonus.

Barka's Team, Hood's "Seven Shades of Awesome", and Pinkerton's "DI for Dummies" competed against 300 other New Hampshire schools at Bedford High School on Saturday, April 7. Now the two teams will be competing against students from 48 states and 24 different countries at the University of Tennessee in Knoxville this May.

"The Global (competition) is fantastic because of

the cultural aspect of it," said Barka Elementary Coordinator, Melinda Walker. "Meeting people they wouldn't normally get to meet otherwise."

Walker further mentioned that workshops will be offered to students during the Global tournament for them to further explore respective STEAM interests.

Though they will not be advancing to the DI Global Competition this year, the DI students of South Range elementary, coordinated by Jennifer Harnois, reveled in the

opportunity to be amongst like-minded individuals, and to be in a place that celebrated their interests, and though they didn't walk away with any awards, they walked away with a very important learning opportunity.

"Teamwork, that is the number one goal," said Harnois, "It's hard to get seven people to agree on something in a limited amount of time, but that's what you do as an adult--you have to collaborate."

Harnois said that though their season has ended, she

intends to further work with students on building teamwork and active listening skills, and getting students out of their comfort zones to try new things.

For the next six weeks, the students moving on to the DI Global Competition will be honing their technical skills and fundraising for their trip to Tennessee. According to Walker, coordinators have just begun reaching out to vendors and an event for the public to watch the students put their skills and interests into action is in

the works to raise funds for the trip.

"Win" or "Lose," every student who participates in STEAM activities is one who will help in engineering the future, and that is something to celebrate.

For more information on Destination Imagination, visit www.di-nh.org. Those interested in helping with funds for Derry students' trip to Globals, email Melinda Walker at minniford@aol.com

Smokey Bear and Woodsy Owl Poster Contest Winners Recognized



Autumn Miller, Hayler Burke, Danika Fraska, Ethan Howard, Mason Sykes were winners of the annual Smokey Bear Poster Contest. *Courtesy photo*

New Hampshire Governor Christopher T. Sununu and the Executive Council recognized the five state winners of the national Smokey Bear and Woodsy Owl Poster Contest during a ceremony in the executive chambers recently.

This year's state winners are from all regions of the granite state. The grade one winner is Danika Fraska from South Range Elementary School in Derry, and the Greater Derry Boys & Girls Club sponsored by the Derry Garden Club. The grade two winner is Ethan Howard from St. Thomas Aquinas School in Derry, was also sponsored by the Derry Garden Club. Mason Sykes from the Bethlehem Elementary School in Littleton is the grade three winner sponsored by the Littleton Garden Club. The grade four winner is Autumn Miller from Ernest P. Barka Elementary School with Barka Go Green sponsored by the Derry Garden Club. The grade 5 winner is

Haylee Burke from the John Fuller School in Conway sponsored by the Mountain Garden Club.

The state program is administered by the N.H. Federation of Garden Clubs in coordination with the N.H. Division of Forests and Lands and the U.S. Forest Service. "This is an excellent program which merges art with the protection of our natural resources while highlighting the amazing talent of our students" remarked Fern Doucette, New Hampshire Poster Contest Chairperson.

The national contest winner to be selected later this month wins a free trip to Washington, D.C. including round trip airfare and accommodations for their family to attend the recognition ceremony. The student's artwork will be used in future national education campaigns. The National Garden Clubs, Inc. also awards a \$50.00 check to the first place national winners from grades 1-5.

The program began in 1961 and is a cooperative effort between the U.S. Forest Service, state forestry agencies and the National Garden Clubs, Inc. The contest is open to elementary school children in grades one through five. Students may submit artwork depicting Smokey Bear and Woodsy Owl in accordance with contest rules in an effort to support environmental conservation programs. "This is an excellent program that encourages our youth to take an active role in wildfire prevention and natural resource conservation" said Captain Douglas Miner, Forest Ranger and Wildfire Prevention Program Coordinator with the NH Division of Forests and Lands.

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Pinkerton Academy Hosts Annual College Fair for Junior Class

ALEX GUITTARR
NUTFIELD NEWS

It is never too early for high school students to start preparing for college. They need to get that first idea of what they want to do with their lives. This will help guide the decision of which major is right. In order to give juniors at PA a boost in the right direction, the school recently held their latest Junior College Fair on April, in the Hackler Gymnasium.

The gym was filled with around 120 recruiters from all across New England. These included: Lasell College and Lesley University in Massachusetts. As well as New England Institute of Technology and Roger Williams University from

Rhode Island, and many others like: like Southern New Hampshire University and Colby Sawyer College.

Selecting a college to attend is only the first step of a long a complicated process. Students were also given a variety of checklists and sheets that helped guide them through their search process through the fair, as reminders for students about the most important questions that should be asked of recruiters. These sheets also gave advice that extended beyond the fair, telling students that they should also be reviewing senior year courses, studying for the SATs and ACTs. Plenty of factors come into mind when choosing a college. These include location, financial aid, internships and



Juniors at Pinkerton Academy asking questions of the 120+ recruiters at Pinkerton's annual college fair.

graduation rates.

With student loans no doubt on the minds of many of these students, a presentation was held by the New Hampshire Higher Education Assistance Foundation (NHHEAF) to delve further into the matter. Also covered were: the SATs, ACTs, and PSATs. Made up of a variety of organizations, the NHHEAF has spent the last 55 years helping families plan and pay for higher education.

At the center of all of this was Tammy Craft, the primary organizer of the fair and a Guidance Officer Manager for PA. She has spent the last 10 years putting the fair together. She seemed quite satisfied with seeing hundreds upon hundreds of students taking

advantage of the information provided that night. "It makes me very happy to see this", Craft noted.

However, not every student is looking for the traditional college experience. They may not quite be ready for it, financially or otherwise. For those students, schools with more specified focuses were available. These included the School of Fashion Design in Massachusetts, and the Hands School of Massage Therapy in New Hampshire. Furthermore, recruiters from the National Guard, Army, Navy, Air Force, Coast Guard and multiple ROTC programs were on hand for students who hope to serve the country. "It gives kids more choices", Craft stated.

Salvation Army Spring Cleans For You (For a Good Cause)

MELISSA RUIZ
NUTFIELD NEWS

This time of year, families all over go through clothes and household items to filter through what is clutter and what is necessity. Many families hold yard and garage sales to re-home excess clothes and goods, and to make a few extra dollars for summer getaways, home repairs, etc. But what if there was a way to clear out the rubble and make some money for families in need?

That's where the Salvation Army comes in. Located at 18 Folsom Rd in Derry, New Hampshire, The Derry

Salvation Army has been helping families in need for decades. One of the ways they are able to do this is through the generous donations from members of the community.

Aside from year-round monetary, clothing and household items donations, the Salvation Army holds a yard sale each year, selling donated goods and redistributing all proceeds back into the community to help struggling families get the things they need and get back on their feet.

Salvation Armies across the country help 25 million Americans every year, and serve 128 countries around

the world. The Salvation Army's message is based on the bible, and its ministry is motivated by the love of God. While its primary mission is to preach the gospel of Jesus, the Salvation Army works hard to meet human needs without discrimination.

At large, the Salvation Army works to help survivors of disaster, resolve hunger in underdeveloped countries, overcome poverty, serve the LGBTQ community, provide shelter to the homeless, fight human trafficking, stop domestic abuse, provide families with resources to bond and strengthen each other, teach

children, empower the arts, assist the unemployed, combat addiction, provide compassion to the elderly, and serve veterans across the country. Needless to say, these profound undertakings require significant funds to accomplish, and the Salvation Army relies on donations and hardworking volunteers to see to it that these missions are carried out.

Though it is a smaller branch, the Derry Salvation Army works just as hard to meet the needs of the Derry community. On Saturday, April 28, the Derry Salvation Army will be holding its "Huge Yard Sale" from 8

a.m. - 4 p.m. Donations will be accepted up until the day of the yard sale, and can be dropped off at the Folsom St location, where the yard sale will be taking place. Items can be dropped off Monday through Thursday, from 9 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. Donations are tax deductible, but more

importantly, beneficial to the community.

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From left, Former Gov. John Sununu, Treasury Secretary Steven Mnuchin and Advisor to the President Ivanka Trump held a Tax Day Town Hall meeting on Tuesday, April 17.
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Trump

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number of pre-written questions from residents whom he called to the floor when their question was brought up.

Trump opened her talk by saying "We'll never celebrate Tax Day, but with the president's new reforms, we'll come close."

Trump continued, "we now have very competitive rates for small business, and we're already seeing an impact on the economy."

A Hair Dresser from

Dover was the first to address Trump and Mnuchin. She praised the president's efforts, saying that her business went from eight salons in the early 80s to just one by the end of the decade and that she is now seeing a turnaround and that the tax cut is "A breath of fresh air."

When asked if the new tax laws would get folks taxes down to an "index card" Trump replied, "Simplification is the key to the new tax laws. The new plan streamlines things."

Cheryl Lavallee of Derry asked the two about sales tax and the benefits to small business.

Mnuchin responded, that new reform would even the playing field between giants like Amazon which is hurting small business.

Another Derry resident, introduced as Gill, asked how the bill will help long-term.

Trump responded, "The administration is using a number of avenues to create optimism in the economy and right now consumer confidence is through the roof."

Local Future Business Leaders Attend Conference In Manchester

ALEX GUITTARR
NUTFIELD NEWS

The Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) organization has been working since 1940 to inspire students from middle school to college and beyond to become community-minded business leaders. Pinkerton Academy has its fair share of students that participate in the program. In order to compare their skills to other business-interested students in NH they participated in the FBLA conference on March 29 and 30 in Manchester at the Manchester Downtown Hotel Expo Center.

According to Tyler Smith, a Career & Technical Education Teacher for PA, the entire school year is built around the conference. The students perform a series of activities that gradually earn them points that are tallied at the forum. All of this is done

in order to determine if their chapter earns the Gold Seal Chapter Award.

Outside of that, however, were the numerous individual and team events that students could participate in. These events were based around tests, impromptu performances, pre-judged reports, and public speeches. Out of all the students that went to the conference, 90 percent managed to place in their respective contest. Fourth place awards went to Maggie Fahey and Conor Jowett in the Marketing event. Third place awards went to Kate O'Loughlin and Isabella Brouillet in Emerging Business Issues. Second place awards went to Bridget Anthony in Publication Design, Hamza ElBoudali in Economics, Kyalee Nelson and Maddy Hayes in Social Media Campaigns, and McKenzie Phelps and Madison Allan in Partnership with

Business.

Finally, first place awards went to Priscilla Ong and Grace Kipp Burns in Business Ethics, Lindsay Farland and Briella Hirsch in Community Service Projects, Matt Newman in Accounting 2, Janessa Navarro in Client Service, Katie Ziniti and Cali Gutierrez in Public Service Announcements, Joe Caso in Graphic Design, Cole Souza in Personal Finance, Katie Allan in Website Design, and Alden Hirsch and Brianna Gage in Introduction to Business Presentations.

Although the students seemed to enjoy themselves this year, Smith admitted that they were also quite nervous throughout the even. They were unsure if they had done enough events for their chapter to win the Gold Seal award. Because of this, the students worked harder than ever to perform well in the singles and team events.



FBLA students celebrating after their victories at the FBLA State Leadership Conference in Manchester.

"In fact our students did the best we have ever done since I became advisor, which was 10 years ago. My students were so excited

about their performances at states", Smith noted. Through determination and some encouragement from the chapter's President,

Priscilla Ong, the students were able to win the Gold Seal award for the fifth year in a row.

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DERRY SPORTS

PA Softball Takes First Two, Then Falls to Lady Lancers

CHRIS PANTAZIS
NUTFIELD NEWS

Pleasing victories over Merrimack and then Nashua South got the Pinkerton Academy softball squad out to a great start to its 2018 season last week. Then came a Saturday game with those arch-rivals from Londonderry High.

The Lady Astros found themselves contemplating their 2-1 record at the start of this week in the wake of a tough, extra-inning loss to the visiting LHS Lady Lancers last Saturday, April 14.

The academy girls jumped out to a good start to the new campaign by handing the visiting Merrimack High Lady Tomahawks a 5-3 defeat in Derry on Wednesday, April 11.

The hosts snared a 4-0 lead by scoring three times in the bottom of the first and once more in the latter half of the third. Merrimack answered with a single marker in the fourth, but Pinkerton pushed its advantage up to 5-1 by scoring once more in the bottom of the sixth.

The Lady Tomahawks worked diligently at a comeback in the top of the seventh, but only plated two runs in falling a bit short.

Pinkerton rapped out some eight hits on the day, with Briahna Janulewicz

smacking three and scoring two runs, and Hannah Frazier knocking three safeties and driving in a run. Hannah Sundberg socked the other two hits and drove in a pair of runs. Alyssa Ouellette earned the pitching win for PA, with youngster Emaline Wood notching the save.

"Ouellette battled the whole game and did a good job, working the counts and staying focused," said PA coach Kristen Abbott. "Wood came in for the save as her first appearance as a freshman, striking out the last batter of the game."

The Pinkerton coach also made sure to take the time to mention an excellent defensive play in the outfield.

"Jackie Cerri had an outstanding catch in deep right-center. It looked like it was going to be a huge hit, but the range she had did not allow that," said the coach.

But the academy crew's Friday, April 13 home game against visiting Nashua South was barely a game at all. Coach Abbott's aces hammered out 19 hits and only required five innings to dispose of the Lady Purple Panthers by a 19-2 count.

Pinkerton scored once in the first, three times in the second, seven times in the third, and some eight times in the fourth as the Nashuans had to be looking for cover.

"An excellent team win

today," said the PA coach. "We played solid defense, Emaline Wood allowed just five hits in her second varsity appearance, DiMauro had an outstanding performance at the plate and driving in runs."

Amanda Lindquist rapped three hits and drove in five runs, DiMauro knocked three hits and drove in four runners, Khaliyah Ellis and Cerri also bashed three hits apiece, and two hits apiece were thumped by Janulewicz, Danielle St. Peter, and Mattie Sullivan.

But things didn't go quite as smoothly or prolifically for Pinkerton in its 10-7, extra-inning loss to Londonderry in Derry.

The teams played some hot potato with the lead, with the host Lady Astros grabbing a 2-0 lead in the bottom of the first before seeing Londonderry trim that lead in half to 2-1 in the top of the third.

The hosts padded their lead a tad at 3-1 with a single run in the bottom of the fourth, but the Lady Lancers surged into a 4-3 lead with a three-run top of the fifth.

Pinkerton reclaimed the lead at 6-4 with a three-run fifth frame of its own, but Londonderry responded by scoring three more times in the top of the sixth to claim a 7-6 advantage.

But the Lady Astros knotted the score at 7-7 by scor-

ing once in the bottom of the sixth, and there would be no more scoring until the top half of the ninth when the visiting squad ended the scoring by putting up a three-spot to make it a 10-7 game.

The two squads combined for some 23 hits, with Londonderry lacing 14 of them and Pinkerton smacking nine.

"Although the score did not end in our favor, it was a great softball game," said PA coach Abbott. "It truly came down to hitting and executing plays."

DiMauro hammered out four hits for Pinkerton and Frazier smacked two.

The PA crew was then slated to begin this week with a road contest at Salem High on Monday, but that game was cancelled by the truly awful weather.



Pinkerton Academy pitcher Alyssa Ouellette helped her Lady Astros to a 2-1 start to their season last week. The locals bested both Merrimack and Nashua South.

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Pinkerton Boys' Lacrosse Crew Wins First Two Games Handily

CHRIS PANTAZIS
NUTFIELD NEWS

Pinkerton Academy boys' lacrosse coach Brian O'Reilly saw his 2018 contingent begin its new season by scoring 14 goals against both Hanover and Exeter in vanquishing both opponents last week.

The visiting Hanover High Marauders provided the Pinkerton laxmen with very little in the way of competition in the locals' season-opening 14-2 blowout win in Derry last Wednesday, April 11.

The Astros flew out to a 10-1 lead in the first period, netted the only four goals

potted in the second quarter, and rode that success home in the second half.

The victorious locals received six goals and two assists from Chad Teresky, three goals and two helpers from Ryan Auger, three tallies and one assist from Chris Valentine, single scores from Mason Drouin and Keegan Wilder, two assists from Tom Sweeney, and single helpers from Tommy McGarrahan, Jackson Morrisette, and Hunter Drouin.

The Astros got much more of a challenge from the host Exeter High Blue Hawks on the seacoast the next afternoon, but in the

end the academy side was able to make the bus ride home feeling pretty good about a 14-8 success.

The first period was tightly played, and as a result the visitors potted the one and only goal during that stanza.

Pinkerton scored six times in the second quarter but Exeter scored three times, leaving the match score at 7-3 at the break.

Both sides netted two goals in period three, but PA outscored its host by a 5-3 tally in the last stanza in tucking the win away.

Auger paced the potent Pinkerton offense by tallying five total points on four goals and one assist. Teresky was good for two goals and one helper, Valentine and

Mason Drouin each potted two shots, Sweeney was good for a goal and an assist, Gennaro Marra, Hunter Drouin, and Shawn Tewksbury all scored once, and Jacob McAdams contributed two helpers. Goalie Alex Sturgess was credited with a dozen saves.

The undefeated academy squad then strode into this week looking at a Monday, April 16 road match at Salem High. But that game was cancelled by the awful weather. That cancellation left the Pinkerton crew with a schedule including a home game against the rival Londonderry Lancers on Tuesday - after Nutfield News press time - followed by a trip over the Salem on Thursday.



Pinkerton lacrosse veteran Tom Sweeney tries to evade a Hanover opponent while checking his options during the Astros' recent home win over the visiting Marauders. Photo by Chris Pantazis

Athletes of the Week

Week of April 8



Gennaro Marra,
Junior, Boys' Lacrosse

This multi-sport standout, who also plays ice hockey and football at the academy, was wildly-effective on face-offs against Hanover. He won 75 percent of his draws and also collected numerous ground balls and tallied two points.



Danielle St. Peter,
Sophomore, Softball

This 10th grader has done a phenomenal job of taking over first base this season. She is making some great plays, is heads-up on the bunts, and is able to put bunts down when needed to advance runners and create situations.

Athletes are chosen by Pinkerton Academy Athletic Office

Lady Astros' Lacrosse Contingent Starts Out With Three Fine Victories

CHRIS PANTAZIS
NUTFIELD NEWS

The Pinkerton Academy girls' lacrosse squad's drive to get back to the top of the Division I mountain started out well last week, with veteran coach Rob Daziel's crew vanquishing its first three opponents.

After squeaking out a one-goal win in their season-opener at Bedford on Monday, April 9, the 2013, 2014, and 2016 Division I champs from Derry simply ran rough-shod over the host Nashua South Lady Purple

Panthers in a 13-3 pasting in the Gate City last Wednesday the 11th.

Coach Daziel's academy crew grasped a commanding 7-2 lead at halftime and then went on to outscore its hosts by a 6-1 margin during the second half.

Lauren Lisauskas and Kiley Davis each netted three goals and dished out one assist. Madison Daziel scored three times, Lilly Auger managed that feat twice, Meaghan Michaud and Hailey Peredna each potted one tally, and Madison Peredna registered one assist. PA goalie Dani Martineau made four saves her contribution.

And then in its home-opener against the visiting Portsmouth High Lady Clippers on Saturday the 14th, the academy contingent proved to be four goals better than its opponent in a 9-5 victory.

A strong second-half performance sat at the heart of the Lady Astros' success, as they outscored their seacoast opponent by a commanding 7-2 tally during that segment of the match after trailing by a 3-2 margin at halftime.

Lisauskas potted four shots for the victorious locals, Michaud, Hailey Peredna, and Madison Daziel each scored once and

dealt out one assist, and Madison Peredna and Davis each contributed one goal. Auger registered one assist, and Martineau made four saves her contribution to the locals' third win of the young campaign.

After enjoying several days away from match action, the Lady Astros got back down to business with road matches at Bishop Guertin in Nashua on Tuesday the 17th - after Nutfield News press time - and at Hanover High the next afternoon. The locals close out the extremely busy week with a home match against Keene this Friday the 20th.

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Pinkerton Volleyball Remains Unbeaten With Shutout Wins

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NUTFIELD NEWS

None of the three boys' volleyball squads that faced the Astros managed to blemish the Pinkerton Academy team's perfect start in early-season action last week.

These academy spikers shut out three opponents in advancing to a glittering 4-0

on the 2018 campaign.

The Astros shoved their 2018 record up to 2-0 with a convincing shutout of the Coe-Brown contingent in Derry last Wednesday, April 11.

The hosts notched game victories of 25-9, 25-18, and 25-16 in taking the match, with Brian Castle registering 21 assists, Hunter Hazard

bagging 14 kills, and Teddy Wesche tallying 12 service points with two aces.

Two afternoons later the Astros were back on their own court against those LHS Lancers, and they made quick work of the visitors in another 3-0 whitewashing.

Pinkerton made Londonderry 0-3 by posting victo-

ries of 25-20, 25-8, and 25-19 to end that match fairly quickly. Castle collected 29 assists, Wesche was good for 13 service points with two aces, Hazard snared 13 kills, and Sean Galusha contributed three shot blocks.

Coach Walker and his warriors then hit the road Monday, April 16 for a road trip to Goffstown to take on the Grizzlies.

And that road match, the academy spikers bagging another 3-0 shutout via individual game victories of 25-18, 25-22, and 25-17.

The team got 28 assists from Castle, 13 kills from Hazard, 11 service points from Mitchell Heidler, seven kills from Ty Behsman, and four blocks from Ben Taylor.



Pinkerton volleyball standout Ty Behsman hammers down a spike during his team's recent thumping of Londonderry.
Photo by Chris Paul

PA Girls' Tennis Splits Matches

CHRIS PANTAZIS
NUTFIELD NEWS

A lopsided loss to the Bishop Guertin Cardinals followed by a win over the Salem High Blue Devils last week left the Pinkerton Academy girls' tennis team contemplating its 2-2 record rolling into this week.

Wednesday, April 11 will not be remembered fondly by the Pinkerton girls, who saw a 9-0 loss to the undefeated Bishop Guertin Cardinals in Derry.

The Astros slipped be-

low the .500 mark to 1-2 with the defeat, in which the hosts got their strongest performance from Chloe Freedman in singles in an 8-4 loss.

But the news was far better for the locals two days later at Salem High where they collected a 5-4 victory.

Pinkerton had a 4-2 match lead heading into doubles play thanks to the singles successes of Riley Reinert (8-4 score), Freedman (8-2), Julia Farnum (8-4), and Madison Allen (8-4).

The Astros bagged the fifth win they needed to take

the match thanks to the work of the number two doubles tandem of Allen and Leah Sears, which notched an 8-4 success. Reinert and Freedman and Victoria Hodosi and Annabelle Zvagelsky were narrowly bested by respective scores of 9-7 and 9-8 (7-3). Both squads saw their records move to 2-2 with the outcome.

The Astros were set to resume competitive action this past Monday the 16th with Alvirne, but the awful weather cancelled that match.

Boys' Tennis Troop Wins a Pair

CHRIS PANTAZIS
NUTFIELD NEWS

Neither Bishop Guertin nor Salem wound up being much of an impediment to the Pinkerton Academy boys' tennis team in its drive to push its early-season record up to 4-0 last week.

The academy males powered their way to their third victory of the young season Wednesday, April 11 in moving to a perfect 3-0 with an 8-1 win over Bishop Guertin High Cardinals in Nashua. It was the Guertin crew's second match of the season, and that crew

slipped to 0-2.

The locals received convincing singles wins from Seb Tonini (8-1 score), Henry Su (8-2), John Marineau (8-0), Henry Andrews (8-3), Connor Jowett (8-1), and Jeff Marquis (8-2).

With the match victory already in the bag, the Astros added doubles successes from the tandems of Tonini and Marineau (8-2) and Su and Andrews (8-3).

And the Astros might not have even broken a sweat in overpowering the visiting Salem High Blue Devils in a 9-0 shutout in Derry two days later.

Lopsided singles wins were delivered by Tonini (8-0), Su (8-0), Marineau (8-2), Andrews (8-0), Jowett (8-1), and Marquis (8-0). And the hosts then swept doubles thanks to the performances of Tonini and Marineau (8-1), Su and Andrews (8-1), and Marquis and Colby Day (8-1).

The academy crew was aiming at keeping its record perfect, starting with a home match against the Alvirne High Broncos from nearby Hudson on Monday April 16. But the lousy weather cancelled that match and it was moved to Tuesday.



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PA Baseball Squad Starts Season With Two Wins, One Loss

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NUTFIELD NEWS

Victories over Merrimack and Londonderry sandwiched around a lone loss to Nashua South last week left the 2018 Pinkerton Academy baseball with a 2-1 early-season record.

The Astros got their campaign rolling on Wednesday, April 11 with a 7-4 victory over the host Merrimack Tomahawks on the road.

Pinkerton busted a 1-1 tie by scoring four times in the top half of the fifth. They then lifted their lead up to 7-1 with two more runs in the top of the sixth, and Merrimack's concerted comeback attempt in the latter half of that frame produced three runs but ultimately fell short.

Coach Steve Campo's PA crew produced a total of 11 hits, with veteran standout Connor Jenkins producing three including includ-

ing a home run and a double. He also scored two runs and drove in one. Brady Day, Asa Runge, and Jacob Unkles each knocked two hits, with Runge and Day each bashing two doubles.

Starting pitcher Runge spent four innings on the mound, allowing just two hits and striking out six batters. George Welch notched the victory by throwing one inning and striking out two batters.

But the academy squad's outcome against visiting Nashua South in Derry on Friday the 13th wasn't as positive, with the Nashuans heading home with a 5-3 win in their possession.

The back and forth battle saw South snare a 2-0 lead in the top of the first, only to have its hosts rebound for two runs of their own in the bottom of the second.

The Purple Panthers reclaimed the lead by plating a single marker in the



Despite the chilly weather, Pinkerton baseball all-stater Rich Marique pitched well against Londonderry in a win last weekend.

top of the third, but PA deadlocked the score again by scoring once in the latter half of the fifth.

However, South would score the winning runs in the

smacks apiece from Jenkins and Cam Walsh, but they left eight men stranded on the bases in the slim defeat.

But PA coach Campo was extremely pleased with the way his charges bounced back from that defeat with a strong effort in a 7-1 throttling of the rival Londonderry Lancers in Derry on Saturday the 14th.

The visitors left some five runners stranded on base without scoring once during the first two innings against Pinkerton pitching stalwart Rich Marique. And the talented righty hurler was supported by three runs from his offense in the latter half of the second as the hosts snagged a lead which they wouldn't relinquish.

Runge ripped a triple to left-center field to score one of those three runs, and the other two sprinted home as a result of a stolen base and later on a fielder's choice.

The hosts pushed their

record up to 4-0 in the latter half of the third when Walsh sprinted home from third on a wild pitch. And the Astros had their lead bulge up to 7-0 in the bottom of the fifth thanks to three more runs.

Londonderry ended Pinkerton's shutout hopes when it scored an unearned run against PA reliever George Welch in the top of the sixth, but the visitors wound up stranding two more runners in that frame.

"The thing I'm happiest with is the way the guys rebounded after the loss yesterday," said Campo. "We had quality at-bats, the kids knew what they wanted to do up there, and we played a strong overall game."

The Astros then strode into this week with back to back games at home against Concord Tuesday April 17 - after Nutfield News press time - and then in Plaistow the next day against the host Timberlane Regional Owls.

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Dog Social

The Taylor Library Dog Social, will be held on Sun. May 6, from 1 - 3 p.m. Shine only. Get your photo taken with your pup, get a balloon dog, have a snack, make a craft, read a book to your dog. Visit with the Derry Humane Society. Must register by May 3, Call the library for more information 432-7186.

Music & More of Israeli

On Thursday, April 26, at 7 p.m., at Etz Hayim Synagogue in Derry, Noam Wolf, the Jewish Federation of NH Shlichah (emissary) from Tel Aviv, Israel, is living in NH for the year, traveling across the state, educating us and enriching our lives on Israeli life. She will discuss Israeli culture and will also sing some songs by Israeli artists. Please join us for what will be a fun and educational event. The event is open to the public and free (although donations are gratefully accepted to help enable the synagogue to continue to host educational programs for the public).

Musquash Cellar Hole Walk

Join the Londonderry Historical Society and take a Musquash Cellar Hole Walk with tour guide/Musquash historian David J. Ellis on Saturday, April 21, 1 p.m. We'll be visiting two former farm and home sites and learning about the families who once lived there. We'll meet at the Musquash's Hickory Hill Trail Head on Hickory Hill Drive in Londonderry; expect it to take 2 hours for walking, discussions and exploring the sites. Good walking shoes are recommended, but remember to dress for the weather and surroundings, and to bring a water bottle. A snack will be provided. There are seats at "The Landing" if anyone wishes to take a short break half way round the walk. Rain date Sunday, April 22, 1 p.m. Please check the Londonderry Historical Society's Facebook page at www.facebook.com/TownOfLondonderryNHHistoricalSociety for

weather updates and for more information.

Spring Luncheon

Londonderry Democrats Spring Luncheon Please join us Sat., April 21, 12 p.m., at La Carreta 44 Nashua Road, Londonderry. Tribute and Thank You to US. Congresswoman Carol Shea Porter. Tickets are \$20 per person or \$35 per couple. (secure.act-blue.com/donate/ldcluncheon2018). There will be a Silent Auction/Raffle with "wicked cool" items to win, so bring your checkbook! For more information please contact Tam Siekmann at 603-785-1999 or chair@londonderrydems.com

Book Drive

The LHS Community Service Club has been sponsoring a book drive for the past two weeks. So far, over 700 books have been collected. The books are being donated to the Upper Room, family resource center, in Derry. We are collecting used books which would be of interest to young families, both children and parents. In the first two weeks of the drive, the LHS community (Lancer Nation) has donated over 700 books; we would like to get to 1000 books donated, so we are extending the drive into April. Collection areas are in the High School House Offices, Main Office, and Library. Our contact at the Upper Room is Janis Lilly (JLilly@urteachers.org).

Senior Trip

Seniors are going to Deerfield Mass. to visit the Yankee Candle Village Store and the Magic Wings Butterfly Conservatory on Wednesday, May 9. Lunch will be on your own at Cracker Barrel. The trip will depart from St. Anne's Church at 8:30 a.m. The sign up will be on Wednesday, April 25 at the Meeting House at 20 Emerson Ave. Doors will open at 8:30 a.m. Signups end at 9:30 a.m. The trip is cash only payable at the sign up and the cost per person is \$15 for residents and \$20 for nonresidents.

Hampstead Seniors are given first choice and all others are placed on a waiting list. Proof of residency is required and age restriction is 62 years or older. For more information please call 489-1664.

Garden Club Scholarship

The Derry Garden Club has announced a \$1,000 scholarship to a current student or recently graduated New Hampshire student who is planning to major in some field of Environmental Studies. Student must be planning to attend an accredited educational institution. Deadline is May 1, 2018 and information is available on the Derry Garden Club webpage, www.derrygardenclub.org.

Toy Swap

Save the Date! Saturday May 19, at Matthew Thornton Elementary. It's time to start collecting all those used toys, games, and baby items. Let us sell your gently used toys, while you reap the rewards! All proceeds will provide basic supplies and aid to our local students in greatest need. For consignment sale rules and to register, visit the Leach Library or www.londonderrywomensclub.org/toyswap. The event is hosted by the Londonderry Women's Club. Go to www.londonderrywomensclub.org for information.

Kids Fishing Derby

The Derry Lions are once again sponsoring the annual Derry Lions Kids Fishing Derby on Rollins Street at Hood Pond in Derry on May 5. Registration begins at 7:30 a.m., with fishing commencing at 8 a.m. until noon. For newcomers to the area the pond is just past the town hall at the end of Manning Street. Kids up to and including age 15 can fish free. Donations are welcome to defray the cost to stock the pond with over 400 trout. Trophies are given for several categories of fish including largest and smallest. Each child receives a participant ribbon.

Relay for Life

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