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Derry School Board Looks at 5-8 Grade Shift and Closing a School

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In an effort to cut costs from the Derry School District budget, the staffs have been throwing around the idea to adopt a 5-8 grade curriculum for Derry's Middle School, while also closing down one elementary school as well.

In order to further elaborate on this possibility, the Derry School Board recently held a presentation on more of their findings during the board's latest meeting on May 22.

Based on questions that either board members or local parents have asked about this potential shift in the past, the presentation had many district staff members expand upon different elements explored by it. The

presentation was only done to showcase the district's findings and in no way featured any sort of policy vote. According to the presentation, the bus scheduling is expected to remain the same, with 34 students on each elementary school route, and 32 for each middle school route. This could change after future evaluation with newer routing technology. After school programs would also be offered at both middle schools if the grade shift occurs and an elementary school closes. The Derry Boys and Girls Club noted that they would have no problem accommodating the influx of students.

After school sports would be seeing a shift, possibly changing from Division 2 to Division 3. Students 5-8 would be able to compete on an equal level. But 5th and 6th graders would sometimes be paired up, while the same would be done with 7th and 8th graders. Roughly \$20,000 would also be needed to produce a playground at West Running Brook for the 5th grade recess period. Counseling for students would also need to see some changes, including new counseling positions being opened. However, the presentation also featured several studies that argued that students were better off and showed more growth in a grades 5-8 setup.

In all, the district expects to save an annual amount of \$1,066,000 between

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State Holds Exit 4A Meeting at West Running Brook

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NUTFIELD NEWS

On Thursday night, May 24, a joint informational meeting between public officials and the public was held to discuss the I-93 Exit 4A Interchange Study, which began back in 1985.

During meeting, held at West Running Brook Middle School, five updated build alternatives, the evaluation matrix, and the project schedule were presented, and many questions and concerns were raised by the public.

According to a project fact sheet provided by the New Hampshire Department of Transportation (NHDOT) and CLDI Fuss & O'Neill, an

engineering consulting firm, the purpose of the I-93 Exit 4A Project is to "reduce congestion and improve safety along NH 102, from I-93 easterly through downtown Derry and to promote economic vitality in the area." NHDOT and CLDI Fuss & O'Neill provided information on traffic conditions during different times of the day to help prove the need for the project, showing that "Traffic is diverting to local road networks to avoid N.H. 102 backups," and that "Several Exit 4-area intersections are projected to operate or near capacity in 2040, as well as the Exit 4 southbound off-ramp."

Several other needs for

the project were presented, including "Inadequate interstate access to the east of I-93 for commercial and industrially zoned lands in both Derry and Londonderry," and the idea that "Heavy through-traffic in downtown Derry inhibits pedestrian appeal and business access."

After all the needs for the project were assessed, the five alternative build plans for the project - titled Alternatives A, B, C, D, and F - were presented and explained. It was expressed that Alternative A is the preferred direction for the project.

Keith Cota, the NHDOT Project Manager, explained

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Girl Scouts representing Derry, Chester and Auburn lay a wreath at the Iraq-Afghanistan War Memorial at MacGregor Park during the annual Memorial Service on Monday. The memorial was installed ten years ago through the efforts of Derry Volunteers.

Photo by Chris Paul

Derry Honors Generations of Veterans Through Memorial Day Service

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As another Memorial Day comes and goes through Derry, the town uses this as an opportunity to remember who allowed us to have the freedoms we take for granted every day.

Prior to the parade, members of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 1617 and American Legion Post 9 held several memorial services at various locations across Derry. These included: Holy

Cross Cemetery, the Grand Army of the Republic Monument, and Michael Geary Bridge. There was no better way to pay respects than during the annual Memorial Day Parade. Taking place on Monday, the parade drew hundreds of residents.

The parade started at Hood Commons, working its way down Crystal Avenue before finishing at MacGregor Park for another memorial service. Plenty of participants in the

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Town Council Addresses Zoning Changes in Downtown Area

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In the ever changing landscape of Derry, it is important to address new buildings and alterations to our surroundings to make sure zoning regulations are up to par with the needs of Derry's residents. Planning Director George Sioras recently went before the Town Council during their latest meeting on May 15 to discuss the reorganization of zoning regulations for seven lots near the downtown area. Town staff are looking to alter seven lots from being a part of the Medium High Density Residential II Zone to the Central Business Zone. Amongst these lots are 18 Maple Street, 34 Maple Street, 35 Maple Street, 37 Maple Street, 13 Elm Street, 15 Elm Street, and 19 Elm Street. Located south of Horns Pond, these

lots contain: Linc's Auto Body, town houses, and the location of an old shoe factory that had burned down somewhat recently. Due to their proximity to Broadway and the downtown area, these lots earned the attention of town staff and the Planning Board because of their potential for expanding Derry's commercial and industrial zones and promoting economic growth. One of the biggest issues with these lots being in their Residential Zones is that they are not allowed to have residential housing on their second floors. "That has prohibited some development along Broadway", Sioras noted. By moving these lots into the Central Business Zone, the lots would be able to contain single family units, duplexes, town houses, multi-family apartments, and condominiums. The process would

have to be a slow one, as the Planning Board would have to gradually work on permitted uses for the parcels, while also developing certain residential uses for the newly labeled areas around Broadway, as well as specify these details with the use of overlay zones or sub-sections. Furthermore, Benson's Hardware recently bought the 35 Maple Street lot and hopes to use it to expand business footprint. By changing the zoning rules of the lot, the business would not have to seek out variances for any project. Town staff would also like to see what they can do with 19 Elm Street, which was the location of the old shoe factory previously mentioned. The council saw no issue with the proposition and unanimously approved the change.

Grinnell Celebrates Volunteer and Highlights Extracurricular Activities



Caption: Denise Barker received the Grinnell Elementary School Volunteer of the Year award from Superintendent MaryAnn Connors-Krikorian

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In order to showcase the connection that they have been trying to develop between students, parents, and school staff, Grinnell Elementary School (GES) recently went before the Derry School Board during their latest meeting on May 22 to both recognize one of their top volunteers and elaborate on their after school enrichment program for students. Starting with the volunteer award, 5th grade teacher Allison Strobel, Principal Mary Hill, and Assistant Principal Carrie Sindoni presented Denise Barker with the Volunteer of the Year award. Having

been a long time helper with the school, Barker regularly assists with the school's PTA, and various holiday events. She has also formed a very close relationship with Hill in the process. Barker was given a standing ovation by those in attendance and the board, before being given a certificate from Superintendent MaryAnn Connors-Krikorian. Next came the enrichment program. Offered on Tuesdays and Thursdays after school from 3 P.M. until 4 P.M., the program offers 12 different sessions to students to help expand their horizons without the traditional lesson setup of the school day. Amongst these activities are dance,

science, scrapbooking, engineering, gardening, and karate with "Sensei" Kyle Adams of Tim Barchard's Martial Arts Studio. According to one of the women in charge of the program, Kristen Loonie, the classes prove to be popular across all fronts. 129 students have participated in this year's programs. Practically all the students gave positive feedback on them, even going so far going to attend school while sick in order to participate in the sessions. Grinnell staff, who run all them except the karate one, have also enjoyed the extra time with the students. The program has also been key to uniting parent volunteers. 13 parents lent their help to the various classes, doing what they could to assist Grinnell staff. Loonie finished her presentation with a quick slideshow of the different activities that the students participated in. Then she thanked everyone involved with the program, especially considering the time commitment involved, and hopes to get even more students to participate next year. "Our teachers are incredibly dedicated to our students", Loonie noted. The school board seemed to agree with how well the program was handled, with both Connors and Board Member Dan McKenna celebrating the partnership that was developed between parents and the schools. "I think that these types of programs run by our volunteers are fantastic", McKenna noted.

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that Alternative A, if it were to be approved, would best meet the purpose of reducing traffic in downtown Derry with its one-mile connector roadway, built on new alignment from the interchange to Folsom Road, near the intersection of North High Street and Madden Road. Folsom Road and Tsienneto Road would be upgraded, and the intersections would be improved to the project terminus at the intersection of Tsienneto Road and NH 102.

Moving forward with alternative Alternative A would result in 25 potential business displacements and 12 potential residential displacements. For comparison, Alternative B would result in 11 potential business relocations and 19 potential residential relocations. In terms of environmental impacts, Alternative A would impact 3.4 total acres of wetlands, while all other alternatives -- other than Alternative F -- impact over 3.89 acres.

The costs for Alternative A are broken down into two main categories. Since the build would span over 5.30 miles, the construction cost would be \$37,000,000, and the cost of transmission line relocation will be \$850,000. This is the lowest cost of all alternatives other than Alternative F, which has a \$4,300,000 construction cost. The total cost for the project, when all is said and done, is \$56,000,000.

Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act was discussed as well, as it requires federal agencies to consider effects on historic properties when planning projects with federal involvement. State Historic Preservation Officers,

tribes, local governments, local historic preservation groups, local property owners, and others with a demonstrated interest in the project are encouraged to become consulting parties in order to ensure that preservation values are factored into the planning of the project.

Looking ahead to the future, a public informational meeting regarding Alternative A is scheduled for July of this year, the Supplemental Draft EIS will be published in early September, and a public hearing will be held in mid-September.

The discussion then moved to public comment, with Derry's State Representative, Chairman of the Environmental and Agricultural Committee, and member of Derry's Public Works Department, John O'Connor, asking if the Supplemental Draft EIS would be available online. Christopher Bean, Executive Vice President and Division Leader at CLD/Fuss & O'Neill answered, saying that when it is issued in early September of 2018, it will also be made available online. O'Connor responded, asking how he would be able to see work in progress prior to September. Cota explained that O'Connor could see him with questions about the progress of the project.

O'Connor also asked whether or not the engineers on the project would be working toward rapidly moving forward to avoid delays in the project in the future. Cota responded "yes," saying that the current timeline will be implemented. The hope is to begin construction by the end of 2019 and complete it by 2022.

Before answering any more questions, Bean wished to make it clear that there is a 14 x 12 ft trail underpass

included in Alternative A's build plan, which would give access to the north side of the rail trail.

Frank Sapareto, another State Representative for Derry, asked if additional costs for the project that were not mentioned during the meeting would eventually be included.

Bean explained that the right away would add additional costs to the project, though this information was not presented or provided to the public during the meeting. These costs will eventually be added on to the construction cost.

Chris Oliverio of Londonderry spoke next, saying, "It seems like we're missing a lot of the facts that you read off of your sheet that we weren't able to read on the screen, that weren't available on the table, and I'm assuming not available on the website." Bean responded, saying that everything will be available online.

"By then," Oliverio continued, "all of the decisions are made. We're going with A, and the ship has sailed on any other alternatives except for doing nothing."

Oliverio's main concerns were that acquisition, design planning, and permitting costs have not yet been factored in. He then questioned what the cost benefit back to the community will be. "I'm trying to understand how leading traffic down 102 will lead to economic vitality. I think the only economic vitality there is the access to Pillsbury Road and the businesses they're going to build there."

"As part of the Draft EIS," Bean said, "there is a full analysis of the socioeconomic impacts, and that will include the overall expected NET increase in employ-

ment.

Cota then responded, saying that if they decide to do nothing and leave downtown Derry as it is, by 2040, the traffic will be a parking lot for hours.

Lee Hutchinson of Tsienneto Road in Derry also spoke, expressing her concerns about the visibility and accessibility of Tsienneto, especially during the winter months. "There are two curves with low to no visibility at the top of each hill, as well as down below the knoll that's in front of my house," she said. "You also have a significant grade going from the top of the hill and down to that knoll. In the winter-time, that road has been closed a number of times. Buses and cars cannot get up that hill, and it should be closed more often."

"How do you think it's okay to add thousands more cars to a road that buses and cars can't get up in the winter?" she asked.

Bean answered her ques-

tion, explaining that that specific area had already been identified as an area of concern and deficiency. So, as part of the project, part of the dangerous curve will be softened, and sight distance will be improved. At the July meeting, there will be a profile that will show an exact plan for that area.

"As anyone who lives on Tsienneto Road knows," Hutchinson continued, "you can barely get out of your driveway now. Adding thousands more cars and high-speed commercial trucks is a dangerous safety issue, particularly because we have so many Pinkerton Academy drivers using that road, as well as walking on it.

Cota agreed, saying that her observation is correct. These issues will be addressed during the next phase of Alternative A's design. "There will be heavier truck traffic," Cota explained. However, changes to the road will be made so that it is accessible for all

vehicles and pedestrians. When the project is completed, Derry will be responsible for the maintenance of the roadway.

Hutchinson continued, saying that according to Alternative A, traffic would be added to six intersections in Derry. "I'm sorry, but adding traffic to six intersections, primarily in Derry, is not a benefit. Increased traffic so that people cannot get out of their driveways is not a benefit. Taking traffic out of downtown and away from struggling businesses is not a benefit. Giving Derry no commercial tax benefit because all of the property lies in Londonderry is not a benefit." She was met by a round of applause from the public.

Marc Connors, the President of the Derry Rail Trail, spoke next with a request that the completion of the mile that is left of the rail trail become part of the project, with help from the state in

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Editorial

Invaders in Our Midst

Are your neighbors' plants making a home in your shrubbery? Are your trees getting strangled by greenery you never bought? Are leaves from unknown aquatic greens traveling on your boat to find a home in your favorite lake?

Conservation officials remind us that invasive plants are a local problem. They're a problem in our waterways as well as in our forests. According to the state's invasive species coordinator, invasive plants impact endangered or threatened species, reduce diversity and wildlife habitat, affect water quality, damage property and lead to starvation of birds.

Japanese knotweed, bittersweet, purple loosestrife, multiflora rose, and burning bush thrive locally, and literally have a stranglehold on portions of our woodlands and roadsides. But we don't have to leave our yards to encounter invasives. All it takes is ignoring an invasive's presence in one location, and soon it has taken over the neighborhood. What invasives do is simple they take over, crowding out native plants. It's a battle we may be losing, and we can't wait for someone else to take care of it if the plants have arrived, they'll be in your yard soon.

Homeowners can help control these invaders by learning to identify them, joining in volunteer efforts to control them, and following professionals' instructions about dis-

posing of any soil and plant matter that gets on clothes, shoes or tires during the eradication. Meanwhile, if you think the water is safe from unwelcome visitors, think again.

State officials regularly issue warnings to boaters to pay attention to what they might be putting in the water. Summers in New Hampshire now demand a new way to look at hitchhiking and littering boats, trailers, motors, fishing equipment, bait buckets, and diving gear can carry aquatic weeds, leaving an infested lake in their wake. With no natural predators, the plants quickly dominate native plants, fish, and aquatic life. That translates into impaired water quality and reduced shorefront property values.

If you enjoy a kayak or canoe ride, pay attention to the plants in the water as well as to the scenery and birdlife you are paddling out to enjoy. If you've had your boat in another body of water, examine it carefully before returning to your home lake.

Encourage fellow boaters to do the same. Prevention is the name of the game, and it's the job of each one of us to preserve the quality of the lakes we love.

Back on land? Contact your local conservation commission, Extension Service or the state for advice on getting rid of invasive plants. This battle won't be won unless each of us does our share.

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terms of funding. This part of the trail has been sitting for several years, waiting to be completed, and this would finish it rather than "adding an underpass to nowhere."

Then, Derry resident Gary Lynch spoke, raising concerns with the traffic lights that would be added in Derry with Alternative A. Bean explained that they have proposed these lights because they meet signal warrants. "We need to be sure that the traffic proposed for 2040 can pass without delay."

Joanne Landers of Barkland Drive in Derry spoke as well, explaining that she had been to a meeting about the project about 20 years ago, where she said she saw the same alternatives. "The Derry citizens and the Derry taxpayers were never given a vote on this, whether we wanted it or not. Why don't

the Derry citizens have the right to vote on this? For most of us, it is not a benefit," she said.

"You would have to ask that question to your elected officials," Cota explained. "We will be noting your concern that you are not in favor of any of these alternatives, or that you're in favor of the no-build alternative."

Cota went on to express that comments made during the meeting would be taken into consideration going forward when making changes to the project.

Finally, Hutchinson returned to ask who the "legal watchdog" of the project will be as it gets turned over to the NHDOT. Cota responded, saying that taxpayers, elected officials, and the communities themselves are a watchdog. "The commitments that we make as part of the project through our statue requirements require us as a department to fulfill those commitments,

and we will be doing that," he said. The Federal Highway Administration oversees the project and will be making sure that the investment that is being made meets the requirements previously committed to.

To close the meeting, Cota explained that for this meeting, because the project has a regional impact, a regional notification was sent out. However, for the next informational meeting in July, a notice will be given to each property along the Alternative A quarter. After that, all of the abutters along the quarter that will be impacted by the project will receive a certified notice about the public hearing in September.

For those who wish to learn more about the history of the project, view the powerpoint from the May 24 meeting, or leave feedback about the project, visit i93exit4a.com.

School Closing

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salaries, utilities, and other costs by closing a school down. There would still be some costs to maintaining, or "mothballing" the closed school. Annually, \$5,500 would go to payroll maintenance, \$25,000 would go to utilities, \$2,500 would go to supplies, and \$12,000 would be for building permits and inspections.

Regardless of any positive findings mentioned in the presentation, plenty of residents in attendance during the meeting that night took issue with a number of matters concerning this potential shift. For starters, Tracey Zysk noted that through the state Opportunity Zone Program, affordable housing could be added to areas around

Kendall Pond and Broadway. She feels the expected population increase would render the school's current plans for this shift obsolete. However, Board Chair Lynn Perkins felt that the potential for actual population growth in these areas may not happen, as he has already been on top of these matters with his position as Chair of the Derry Zoning Board. "There's not a lot of growth left in that area that you're talking about", Perkins noted.

Meg-Morse-Barry felt that changes to the grade layout would not match properly with proposed staff cuts and budget changes recently made, throwing the whole system for a loop. She also

implored the board to not hold forums on these matters in the summer, as many people would be more interested in attending them during active school months. Several attendees, including Matt Levitt, also took issue with the validity of the research and studies used in the presentation, which they felt were too outdated to be useful at this point, some having been done a couple of years ago.

Finally, Heather Delaney spoke to the board about the fate of Special Education students in Derry. She herself is taking care of a child with special needs, Delaney worried about what kind of impact this shift would have on special education students, particularly those who come after her child. "These children need stability and safety", Delaney stated.

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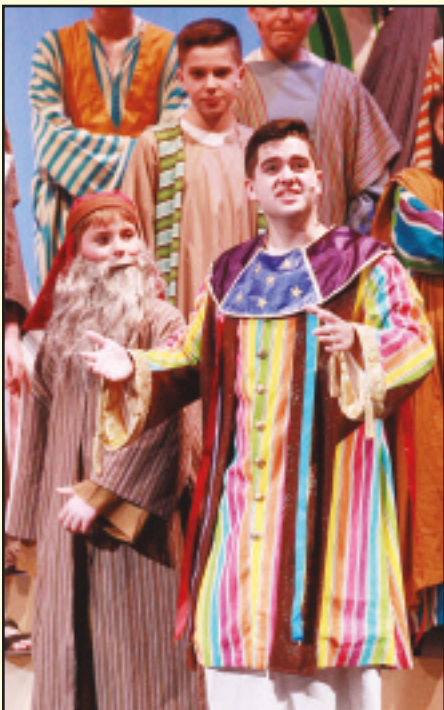
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Correction: In the May 24, 2018 issue of the Nutfield News, it was printed on page 7 in the "Etz Hayim Synagogue Hopes to Increase Accessibility" story that "not having accessible space limits [the Synagogue's] ability to invite certain speakers." What should have been written was that the Synagogue has many programs and that it is challenged with respect to those folks to want to ascend the bimah. The Synagogue does not choose its speakers based on whether or not they use a walker or wheelchair; it can accommodate all of their presenters.

Kids Coop Theatre Perform Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat



The Kids Coop Theatre performed Andrew Lloyd Webber's "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat" on May 25 and 26 at the Derry Opera House. It was the 50 year anniversary of the musical and it was directed by Michael Vinson with musical direction by Amanda Morgan and choreographed by Madison Waters. Dozens of young local actors made up the cast which featured Tyler Vinson in the lead role of Joseph, Tracey Hickey as the Narrator, Mike Hughes as the Potiphar and Reuban and Adam Furgal as the Pharoh and Simeon.

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Competing for a Cause: 49th Special Olympic Games at UNH

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NUTFIELD NEWS

After ten weeks of practices, training, and preparation, nearly 800 athletes throughout the state will assemble at the University of New Hampshire (UNH), with their eyes locked on winning gold. Although the competitors will face off against one other during the events, together, they fight against a much bigger opponent: inactivity, injustice, and intolerance.

The 49 Annual Special Olympics New Hampshire State Summer Games will embody this powerful spirit, held Friday, June 1 and Saturday, June 2. Athletes will have the opportunity to compete in a variety of events, such as athletics, bocce, equestrian, powerlifting, sprint triathlon, and swimming.

Opening Ceremonies will take place at Wildcat Stadium, Friday at 7:30 p.m. During this time, athletes will be highlighted, the "Flame of Hope" will arrive to ignite the cauldron, and all will be treated to a cruiser parade and fireworks display. Admission is free to

the public.

The local community, comprised of Londonderry, Derry, Chester, Hampstead, and Sandown, will be thoroughly represented by 44 athletes competing in athletics, powerlifting, or swimming. Included are brothers Neal and Cory Remillard of Derry, who will compete in swimming and powerlifting, respectively.

Cory is a fierce competitor, who is considered one of the best in the state. As a veteran powerlifter, he is one of only 36 athletes to have been chosen to join Team New Hampshire at the upcoming Special Olympics USA Games, held from July 1 to 6 in Seattle, Washington. However before trekking across the country, he'll get to compete in Durham, surrounded by the familiar faces of his community.

To support Cory, Neal, and all the local athletes, there are a few ways to get involved. One option is to attend the games at UNH, located at 145 Main Street, Durham, and cheer on the athletes competing. Another way to help is registering as a volunteer for the event.

The Games will depend

on the help of more than 1,000 volunteers spread among all aspects, including: timing races, serving food, taking pictures of the event, and handing out awards. The event, which is run by Special Olympics New Hampshire (SONH), is still looking for volunteers to help on both days. Further information to sign up can be found at www.sonh.org.

As an accredited program of Special Olympics International (SOI), SONH is part of an international

global movement that changes lives by encouraging and empowering people with intellectual disabilities, promoting acceptance for all, and fostering communities of understanding and respect worldwide. The mechanism behind this movement: athletics.

According to its website, SONH believes that, "Sports are a powerful force. It can shift focus from disability to ability, from isolation to involvement." The sports organization embodies this

philosophy by promoting the power of "true competition" year-round, with 21 sports, a handful of which are included in The Games.

The schedule for the various events is as follows: Athletics will take place at Wildcat Stadium & Brenner Field from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. both Friday and Saturday. Aquatics will be held at Swasey Pool from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday, then 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Saturday. Bocce will take place at Brenner Field from 9:30

a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Friday, then 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday. Equestrian will be held at Light Horse Barn from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Friday. Powerlifting will take place at Jerry Azumah Performance Center from 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Friday. Sprint Triathlon will start at UNH Campus Recreation Outdoor Pool at 6 p.m. and end at Wildcat Stadium by 7:30 p.m. Results for all events will be available at www.sonh.org.

Derry's Pets and Vets to be Celebrated in Joint Fundraiser at VFW Post 1617

NOELLE TARDIFF
NUTFIELD NEWS

On Saturday, June 2, the Greater Derry Humane Society and the Veterans of Foreign Wars of Derry (VFW) will join together for a night of music, food, and drinks at its first ever Pets and Vets event. The event will be located at the VFW Post Hall, at 18 Railroad Ave in Derry, beginning at 7:30 p.m. and ending

at 10:30 p.m. There is a cover charge of \$15 per person, and admission will be on a first come, first serve basis for adults 21 years and older.

Food and drinks will be available to purchase at the event, and all proceeds from the night will be split between the Humane Society and the VFW. The VFW Auxiliary will serve food throughout the night as well, and entertainment will be provided by local, well-known bands.

Savoir Faire, an indie jazz band that will be playing at the event, has also played at venues throughout New England, including Boston's Hard Rock Cafe. Sonic Blitze, a rock band, has also done various shows throughout the area.

Pam Michael, a Greater Derry Humane Society board member and volunteer for the event, is espe-

cially excited to hear the bands perform, as her two twin daughters are both members of Savoir Faire. Both daughters have professions in Boston and perform in addition to performing together. Michael's friend is also the bass guitarist of Sonic Blitze.

"This is our first time teaming up with the VFW for this event, but we think it'll be a big hit," Michael explained. "I'm excited to see the organizations working together."

Everyone who helped to plan the event did so as a volunteer, and even the Humane Society's board is made up completely of volunteers. "Our volunteers do everything from designing graphics, becoming fosters for pets, and organizing events like these," Michael said.

In addition to hosting fundraisers and events like

Pets and Vets, the Humane Society is always looking for volunteers — especially fosters for cats and dogs. "It's a very rewarding experience," said Michael, "and we do it so that we can save lives and help pets have a second chance at life." For those interested in becoming a foster for pets, visit derryhumanesociety.com/home.html and fill out the application for fostering. The same can be done if you are interested in adopting.

Both organizations are excited about the event, and they hope that members of the community will join them for not one, but two great causes. "There are not causes closer to people's hearts," Michael said.

While this is an event that benefits pets, its organizers ask that animals not be brought that night unless it is a service animal.

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Derry School Awarded Several Education Grants For New Technology

PENNY WILLIAMS
NUTFIELD NEWS

In the ever-changing landscape of education, schools must always strive to have the best possible technology available for their students. Such an effort does not come cheaply, but with the help of groups like 21st Century Learning Solutions, obtaining these goals becomes a lot easier. That is because the group recently donated several grants to three Derry schools at the

Derry School Board's most recent meeting on May 22. Led by 21st Century representatives Joel Allbrook and Raymond Larose, the two noted that their company would be donating three grants, totaling at around \$42,000, to the Derry school district. These grants were awarded to schools after teachers contacted the group and presented them with ideas for projects that they need funds for in order to improve the quality of their student's education through

technology.

The biggest of the three grants, the Dave Brown Game Changer grant, gave \$24,232 to West Running Brook Middle School for what was described as a "blended classroom" concept. The leaders of the project, math teachers Holly Whitney and Jen Ciarla, said that a blended classroom was a break from the traditional class room style. Students would meet at the beginning of class to be briefed on what they would

learn for the day, before then breaking off into groups to perform different tasks founded around competency based education and through student-teacher cooperation. Funds would go towards smart tablets and other pieces of technology that would assist in their efforts, which they admitted would serve to help students become more confident in their mathematic abilities. "That's probably one of the largest grants we've done in quite a while", Allbrook

noted.

The other two grants, both valued at \$9,369, they were granted to Grinnell Elementary School and Derry Village School (DVS) to purchase virtual reality headsets. As Grinnell Vice Principal Carrie Sindoni and DVS Principal Chris McCallum explained, the headsets would be an occasional, cost effective alternative to taking the kids on field trips. Using the Google Expedition Virtual Reality Kit, students will be able to

go on over 500 expeditions around the world that would be aligned to their current curriculum. More expeditions are being added all the time. Each grade would have one teacher that would take charge in implementing the technology into the lessons. McCallum finished by noting that he hopes that other schools in the district will eventually follow the example of Grinnell and DVS and utilize this technology as well.

Susan de Sola Wins The Eighth Annual Frost Farm Prize

ALEX GUITTARR
NUTFIELD NEWS

Susan de Sola, an American poet living in the Netherlands, is the winner of the 8th Annual Frost Farm Prize for metrical poetry. She will be in Derry, on June 15, at 7 p.m. reading it, to kick off the 4th Annual Frost Farm Poetry Conference. Her blank verse poem "Buddy" was judged the winner by Melissa Balmain, editor of 'Light', America's premier journal of light verse. Balmain is a winner of the Able Muse Book Award. She read all 1,123 anonymous entries and said, "I've never seen better proof that metri-

cal verse is alive and vital. The entries vary enormously in rhythm, form, subject, and mood. Many are so well written that choosing a winner and finalists kept me awake several nights in a row. I thank every one of the poets for the privilege of reading their work."

About the winning poem, Balmain said, "'Buddy' manages to squeeze a novel into 81 lines. It's the rich, touching story of a friendship between a young woman and man from disparate backgrounds, seasoned with the woman's later realizations and regrets. Susan de Sola tells that story with great wit. She deftly layers

details that reveal character, circumstance, and the social codes of an era. On top of all this, she makes her language and her loose iambic pentameter sound completely natural - no mean feat, as any writer of blank verse knows. I'm delighted that, thanks to the Frost Farm, many more readers will get to fall under 'Buddy's' spell."

Originally from New York, de Sola holds a PhD from The Johns Hopkins University, and is the author of numerous critical essays, book chapters, and the photographic chapter book Little Blue Man (Seabiscuit

Press). She will be a Poet in Residence at the forthcoming West Chester Poetry Conference and is an Assistant Poetry Editor at the journal 'Able Muse'. De Sola has recently completed her first full-length poetry manuscript. "It is a great honor to be acknowledged in the Frost Farm Prize competition," she said. "As is true for many Americans, Robert Frost was one of the first poets I encountered as a child. My love for his work has deepened over the years. I greatly look forward to visiting the Frost Farm, long a fond hope, and participating in the Summer

Conference."

Under the leadership of Robert W. Crawford, Derry Poet Laureate; Frost Farm Poetry's mission is to support the writing and teaching of metrical poetry. The Hyla Brook Poets started in 2008 as a monthly poetry workshop. In March 2009, the monthly Hyla Brook Reading Series launched, with readings offered by emerging poets as well as

luminaries such as Maxine Kumin, Sharon Olds and Richard Blanco. From there, the Frost Farm Poetry Prize for metrical poetry was introduced in 2010. The Frost Farm Conference began in 2015. For further information: email, or visit www.frostfarmpoetry.org or facebook.com/HylaBrookPoets or twitter.com/HylaBrookPoets.

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Memorial Day

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parade have had a hand in keeping either the country, or even just their community, safe, including the Fire Department Honor Guard, the American Legion Auxiliary, VFW Auxiliary, members of the 94th Military Police, as well as Gold Star and Blue Star Mothers. They were not the only groups hoping to pay respects to

fallen heroes, as plenty of younger residents also came out to show support: including bands and color guards from Pinkerton Academy and West Running Brook Middle School, the Pinkerton Air Force JROTC program, the Red Star Twirlers, and Derry Little League.

Upon reaching the MacGregor Park Memorial for all Derry residents who have fought and died for the community, Leonard Perkins,

the Commander of VFW Post 1617, led the service for the number of guests that wished to speak to the audience about why they feel this day is so important. Amongst them was Town Councilor Joshua Bourdon. He was accompanied by Councilors Phyllis Katsakiores, Richard Tripp, and Charles Foote. Bourdon asked that the crowd keep two words in mind on this day: curiosity and gratitude. He

feels that they must show gratitude for those living and dead for the sacrifices that they have made; while staying curious about our living veterans, asking them about their experiences in the military to truly gain a sense of what they went through for this country and to keep their memories alive. "You can keep them living through your curiosity," Bourdon noted.

Londonderry State Representative Al Baldasaro was

invited as a guest speaker and also was the parade's Grand Marshall.

After listing off the number of Americans who have died in service since the American Revolution, Baldasaro reminded the audience that he knew what it was like to have a loved one in the military. His son is currently serving in Iraq, and we should never forget the sacrifices made to keep our country safe and free.

"Let us teach our children why we honor our fallen heroes", Baldasaro stated.

The ceremony ended with wreaths laid at the memorials for Derry soldiers who served in World War I and II, Vietnam, the Persian Gulf, and Iraq and Afghanistan, before a rifle salute was led by the American Legion/VFW Honor Guard. "Taps" was played by Pinkerton Academy students James Rowland and Fiona Thomas.

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DERRY SPORTS

PA Boys' Track Repeats, Girls Get Third at D-I Finals

CHRIS PANTAZIS
NUTFIELD NEWS

The Pinkerton Academy boys' and girls' outdoor track and field teams walked away from the Division I championships at Merrimack High School Friday, May 25, with reasons to feel great about their performances. Astro boys had the D-I championship plaque in their hands for the second straight spring.

Coach Carol Quarles' PA guys notched a total of 121 points to outdistance the runner-up Concord High crew (94) and the other 15 competing teams in repeating as the D-I champions. And coach Ed Vaitones' Lady Astros finished third (66 points) behind the new D-I champs from Exeter High (109) and the



The Pinkerton boys' outdoor track and field squad won its second consecutive D-I title last week at Merrimack High. *Courtesy photo*

runner-up squad from Nashua South (103).

BOYS

The boys won some five events, with Jadyn Ruimwijk proving unbeatable in the 100-meter dash (time of 10.98 seconds) and the 200

dash (22.18), Noah Woodman taking the top spot in the 400-meter run (48.96), J.J. King taking top honors in the javelin (175 feet, 8 inches), and the 4x100 quartet of Ruimwijk, Adam Spencer, Pat Hanlon, and Woodman

besting all comers (3 minutes, 27.62 seconds).

Second places were won by Spencer in the 110-meter hurdles (15.03), Nate Miller in the pole vault (13 feet), and Joron Harrell in the triple jump (42'3/4").

Third places were won by Woodman in the 100 (11.08), Joe Gagnon in the 3,200-meter run (9:34.99), Conor Seleny in the 110 hurdles (15.51), Spencer in the 300 hurdles (40.08), and Kaleal Cerafici in the shot put (46'6").

"It was a hard-fought win," said Quarles. "The boys performed above their seed times in many areas and were able to hold on and pull off a great finish.



Noah Woodman (left) and Adam Spencer both made big contributions to the PA title win. *Photo by Chris Paul*

Athletes such as Noah Woodman and Jadyn Ruimwijk had outstanding performances in the 400 and 100 and 200 respectively." **GIRLS**

The girls didn't win any events but did have a bunch of their talented athletes collect top-three finishes.

Second places were won by Amelia Graves in the 400 (58.78), Emily Lesburt in the high jump (5'), the 4x400 relay quartet of Macy Graves, Megan Qualters, Britney

Johnson, and Amelia Graves (4:08.18), and the 4x800 team of Johnson, Ciara April, Maison D'Amelio, and Macy Graves (9:36.04).

Third places won were taken by Johnson in the 1,600-meter run (5:19.37) and Amelia Graves in the javelin (107'3").

The academy squads will have their top finishers take part in the state Meet of Champions back at Merrimack High this coming Saturday, June 2.

Memorial Road Race on Sunday

CHRIS PANTAZIS
NUTFIELD NEWS

The passing of a young woman with boundless potential and so much to give might just be the very epitome of the word "tragic." It's easy to see that the loss of 2011 Pinkerton Academy graduate Jennifer Janiak in early 2015 from Boston University created deep sadness for many.

A bit more than a month after graduating from BU with a double major in jour-

nalism and english, the 21-year-old Chester resident was lost to a sudden pulmonary embolism.

In an effort to memorialize Janiak's far-too-brief life, The Jen's "Just Be You" Memorial Fund was created to provide a scholarship to a graduating PA senior planning to major in english or journalism. The fund has also provided money for a first grade classroom to acquire a reading center, and there have been two essay contests for middle school-

aged kids as well.

Last spring, the first Jen's 'Just Be You' 5K Run/Walk was held at the academy to raise funds for the scholarship. The second will take place at the PA track at 9 a.m. this Sunday, June 3.

Walkers and strollers are also welcome. The registration cost is \$30 for adults and \$15 for youths under 13. There will be race-day registration available. More info about Jen and the organization can be accessed at www.jen-sjustbeyou.org.

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Pinkerton Boys' Tennis Team Drives Toward First Title

CHRIS PANTAZIS
NUTFIELD NEWS

The Pinkerton Academy boys' tennis program has never collected a state championship. But the 2018 Astro varsity squad came into this week with every intention of changing that.

After posting an absolutely perfect 14-0 regular season record to draw the top tournament seed in Division I - including a truly historic edging of the defending state champions from Bedford High late in that regular season - the Astros drove into the 2018 tourney looking to make the first PA boys' appearance in a state title match since 2009.

As things turned out, the academy racketeers did in fact make it into the

Division I championship match on their own home courts this Tuesday, May 29 - after Nutfield News press time - after bagging lopsided tourney wins over Winnacunnet and Concord last week.

Coach Brian Hashem's Astros claimed their 15th victory of the season in a 9-0, D-I quarterfinal-round hammering of the eighth-ranked Winnacunnet High Warriors from Hampton in Derry Wednesday, May 23.

Singles victories were delivered by Seb Tonini (8-1 score), John Marineau (8-1), Henry Su (8-1), Henry Andrews (8-2), Jeff Marquis (8-0), and Conor Jowett (8-2).

And the Astros capped off the shutout success with doubles victories from the tandems of Tonini and

Marineau (8-2), Su and Andrews (8-3), and Marquis and Colby Day (8-0).

The academy squad was given a bit more of a challenge by the fifth-ranked Concord High Crimson Tide in semifinal-round action in Derry the next afternoon, but the Astros did in fact advance with a very solid 6-3 victory.

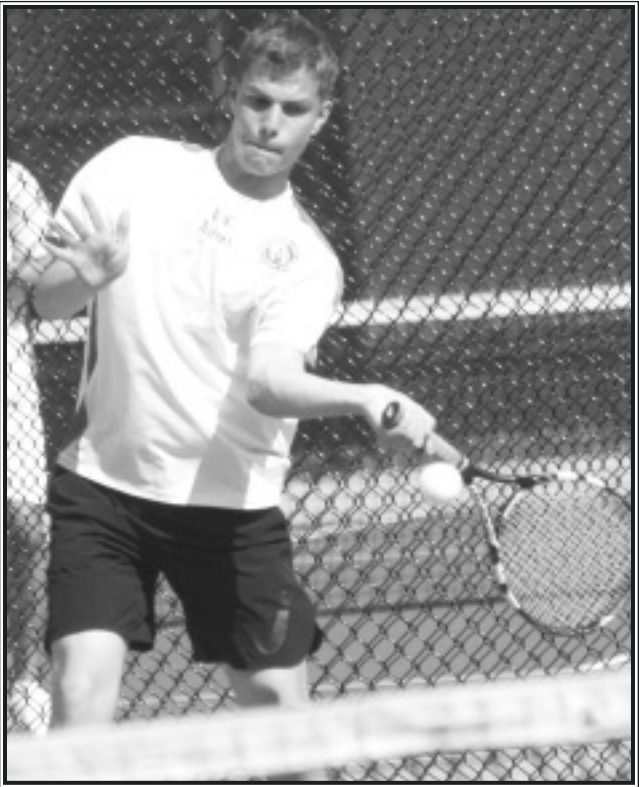
Singles wins were claimed by Tonini (8-4), Marineau (9-7), Su (8-6), and Andrews (8-6), so Pinkerton bounded into doubles actions seeking one more win to decide the match.

The top-seeded locals in fact got two more wins in doubles thanks to the efforts of Tonini and Marineau (8-6) and Su and Andrews (8-4).

The top-seeded locals

then lined up for an epic rematch with the talented, determined, and second-ranked Bedford High Bulldogs, who have won eight straight state titles including the last five D-I crowns.

Prior to the May 16 regular season match between Pinkerton and Bedford in Derry, the Bulldogs had won some 111 straight matches over eight-plus seasons. But the Astros edged Bedford by a 5-4 tally that day to end the epic winning streak. Hence, the Bulldogs had every reason to want some revenge while facing off with Pinkerton in this Tuesday's 2018 title battle. Along with, of course, a possible ninth straight state championship while the academy guys went hunting for crown number one.



Seb Tonini and the Pinkerton boys' tennis squad drove into the D-I title match with impressive wins in earlier tournament rounds. Photo by Chris Pantazis

Astro Boys' Lax Crew Finishes Regular Season

CHRIS PANTAZIS
NUTFIELD NEWS

Regular season-ending victories over a Massachusetts squad from Lincoln-Sudbury High School and one from the Granite State enabled the Pinkerton Academy boys' lacrosse team to complete another season with a stellar record.

The Astro squad nipped the Bay State bunch by a 14-13 margin in overtime on the road Tuesday, May 22, and then beat the Exeter High Blue Hawks' contingent by a 16-7 score in Derry.

In the win over Lincoln-Sudbury, the academy led 4-3 after one period and 10-6 at the half. But the hosts came roaring back from a 12-7 deficit after three to outscore the Astros by 6-1 in quarter four and send the match into overtime.

But PA got the winning goal in extra time to bag the tight win over their 9-6 host.

Chad Teresky (four goals, three assists) and Ryan Auger (three goals, three assists) had 13 points between them, and Mason Drouin chipped in with three goals and one assist.

Other contributors included Tom Sweeney with five assists, Owen McCormack with two goals, and Genarro Marra and Hunter Drouin with one goal each. PA goalie Alex Sturgess had 15 saves.

In the lopsided defeat of a 13-3 Exeter team on Friday, May 25, the Astros held leads of 4-1 after one period and 6-4 after two. They then outscored their guests by a 10-3 margin in the second half to win.

Teresky paced the PA offense with five goals and three assists, Auger was

nearly as good with his three goals and four helpers, and Chris Valentine netted three of his shots.

Additionally, Sweeney was good for four points on two goals and two assists, Mason Drouin had a goal and a helper, Owen McCormack scored once, and Jacob McAdams and Connor McCormack each assisted on a goal. In net, Sturgess contributed eight stops.

After finishing second to the defending state champions from Bishop Guertin of Nashua in the Division I standings, the Astros learned late Tuesday morning that they'll be facing off with the seventh-seeded Nashua High South Purple Panthers in the quarterfinals in Derry this Saturday at 5 p.m.

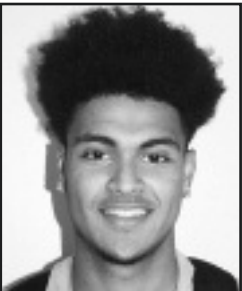
Athletes of the Week

Week of May 21



Maison D'Amelio,
Senior,
Girls' Outdoor Track

This battle-tested veteran executed her race plan in the 3,200 meters at the Division I Championships. The result was a fourth place finish, her highest ever, in a personal best 11:32.



Jadyn Ruimwijk,
Senior,
Boys' Outdoor Track

This veteran points-machine contributed to the winning of three events - the 100, 200, and the 4x400 - and also helped the 4x100 team to a fifth as the Astros repeated as D-I champs.

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Astro Spikers Aim at Second Place Regular Season Finish

CHRIS PANTAZIS
NUTFIELD NEWS

The Pinkerton Academy boys' volleyball squad entered its 2018 season with every intention of battling its way back to the Division I championship match, and perhaps to even face the defending champs from Timberlane Regional of Plaistow again.

Well, in its second to last regular season match last week - against Timberlane - coach Colin Walker's acade-

my crew got even more incentive to want to face off against those talented Owls in the forthcoming title match.

The Astros faced off with the defending Division I champs in Derry Wednesday, May 23. And as was the case in the 2017 D-I title battle the Timberlane troop walked away with a 3-0 shutout victory.

The first place Owls tallied individual game victories of 25-21, 25-15, and 25-22 to make their season

record 14-1 and drop coach Walker's second place Astros to 13-3. The loss ended a five match winning streak for PA.

The hosts received 20 assists from Brian Castle, eight kills from Hunter Hazard, seven kills and two blocked shots from Sean Galusha, and seven service points from Ty Behsman in the losing effort.

"We will finish second this season with a win at Souhegan on Tuesday (May 29)," said Walker. "The top

five teams Timberlane, Salem, Windham, Hollis and Pinkerton all have a shot at the title this season."

Regarding the regular season loss to Timberlane, the coach said, "We pressed a little tonight and played tight after we blew a big lead in the first set. For us it depends on what team shows up. We have two teams, one that plays selflessly and does whatever it can for the team, and one that is full of individuals that want to win by themselves.

The team that plays together is unstoppable by any team we have seen this year. The other struggles to win."

And if his Astros face off against Timberlane in the post-season, the PA mentor outlined what his charges will need to do to stand a chance of knocking off the state champs, who have been in title matches each of the last four years.

"To beat Timberlane we need to do the little things well and play as a team. I know it's cliché, but it is

really that simple. We have work to do to get to Timberlane in the finals, and nothing is guaranteed," said Walker.

Heading into the Tuesday, May 29 contest against Souhegan in Amherst - which occurred after the Nutfield News went to press - the academy spikers were facing off with a scuffling 4-10 opponent which had gone a poor 1-8 in its previous nine matches. Taking nothing for granted, PA sought win 14.

PA Baseball Crew Ends Regular Season on a Winning Run

CHRIS PANTAZIS
NUTFIELD NEWS

There's certainly a case to be made for the Pinkerton Academy baseball squad in the conversation regarding what team is the team to beat in the hunt for the New Hampshire Division I title

right now.

After a sub-par 2-3 start to its 2018 campaign, the academy squad went on to win 14 of its next 15 games and secure the third seed in that tough league. What's more, coach Steve Campo's Astros faced off against the two teams sitting above it in

the D-I standings - unbeaten Bedford and the defending state champs from Exeter - in its final two regular season games and defeated both of them in tight battles.

The Astros squeaked out a 3-2 nipping of the unbeaten Bedford High Bulldogs on the road last Wednesday,

May 23, despite stranding some 10 runners on the bases after producing just six hits.

PA took a 1-0 lead in the top half of the fourth but then saw their hosts snare a 2-1 lead by plating two runs in the latter half of the sixth frame.

However, the academy side got the two runs back in the top of the seventh to claim the 3-2 lead with which it won.

Connor Jenkins and Brady Day each slapped two hits for the victors, and in doing so out-hit Bedford by themselves. Pinkerton pitchers Asa Runge and George Welch combined to hold the powerful Bulldogs to just three hits, with Runge going

six innings and striking out five and Welch striking out the side in tallying the save by pitching the seventh.

And the academy crew made its final regular season record a glittering 16-4 by handing the defending D-I champions of Exeter High - who wound up at 17-3 - a 7-6 defeat over on the sea-coast.

The victory was a bit more than harrowing for the locals, who carried a 7-3 lead into the bottom half of the seventh inning needing three outs to complete the success. They got the three outs but not before the host Blue Hawks had scored three times to climb back to within a single score of a tie.

Pinkerton upped its lead

from a single run at 4-3 in the top half of the seventh thanks to Welch's three-run homer. But Exeter wouldn't go away. It had the tying run on first base when PA relief pitcher David Unkles recorded the final out.

The hosts led 2-1 after three innings had been completed, but the Astros put together a three-run top of the fourth to notch a lead which - despite Exeter's best efforts - they wouldn't relinquish.

Jenkins and Unkles each smacked two hits for the winning side, and Welch, Rich Marique, and Unkles shared the pitching load.

The third-ranked Astros drew a bye in round one of the tournament.

PA Softball Ends Regular Season With Home Victory

CHRIS PANTAZIS
NUTFIELD NEWS

After going a very solid 7-4 through its first 11 games of the 2018 regular season, the Pinkerton Academy softball squad had something of a peaks-and-valleys ride the rest of the way.

Coach Kristen Abbott's Lady Astros won three games in a row over Manchester Memorial, Salem, and Nashua North during the three-day span of May 7-9 to move to 10-4 in tough Division I.

However, Abbott's ladies then hit something of a skid in their next three contests, losing to Spaulding of Rochester, Winnacunnet of Hampton, and Bishop Guertin of Nashua between the 14th and 21st in slipping to 10-7 in the league.

But the locals ended their regular season on a positive with a 4-2 besting of the struggling Bedford High Lady Bulldogs in Derry last Wednesday the 23rd to finish up at 11-7.

In that regular season closer, Pinkerton tallied a 4-0 lead by plating one run in

the first, one more in the third, and then a pair in the fourth. Bedford finally got on the scoreboard with single runs in the sixth and seventh frames but proved unable to come all the way back.

The Astros finished with eight hits, Hannah Frazier and Briahna Janulewicz each lacing two. Winning pitcher Reece Asselin held Bedford to three hits.

The locals finished as the sixth tourney seed and played number 11 Bedford on Wednesday, after Nutfield News press time.

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Lady Astro Lacrosse Squad Finishes Regular Season in First

CHRIS PANTAZIS
NUTFIELD NEWS

Many folks who know Pinkerton Academy girls' lacrosse coach Rob Daziel well will tell you that he has a competitive fire unlike anybody else they've ever known. And that intense quality has a tendency to rub off on his players.

And after winning state titles for their coach in 2013, 2014, and 2016 but missing out on a Division I crown last spring, Daziel's Lady Astros have been laser-focused on getting themselves and their fiery mentor back to the very top of the D-I mountain this spring.

The academy squad closed out its regular season last Wednesday the 23rd with a convincing, 15-5 walloping of the visiting Merrimack High Lady Tomahawks in Derry. And

with that success tucked away, the 16-1 Lady Astros assured themselves of the number one seed going into the Division I tourney this week.

The tournament pairings had the Lady Astros lined up with the Lady Lancers from coach Daziel's alma mater Londonderry High in quarterfinal-round tourney play in Derry on Wednesday, May 30, after Nutfield News press time.

Pinkerton came into that big match having already handled Londonderry twice during the regular season.

The Astros' lone loss of the regular season came in a rather lopsided, 13-6 decision to the defending D-I champs from Souhegan High in Derry several weeks ago. But you can rest assured that Daziel and his girls would just love another shot at the Lady Sabers,

which could well happen.

"We've completed our best regular season since I started coaching here in 2012, with only a couple of letdowns during the season, with one letdown resulting in a loss," said Daziell. "The girls are playing really well right now, and even though we are finishing first going into tournament we know that is behind us and the only thing that matters now is the quarterfinal game."

In its regular season-closing mauling of Merrimack, the academy side grasped a commanding 9-2 lead at halftime and then went on to outscore its guest by a 6-3 tally in the second half to reach the 15-5 final.

Lauren Lisauskas and Kiley Davis each enjoyed a six-point day with four goals and two assists apiece. Meaghan Michaud scored four times, Madison Daziell



Senior defender Carly Young leads a raging charge of Pinkerton lacrosse players up the field during her team's recent match with Andover. *Photo by Chris Pantazis*

netted one goal and set up Peredna contributed an scoring tries.

three others, Lily Auger finished with three assists, and single goals were potted by Madison Peredna and Caroline Daziel. Hailey

Peredna contributed
assist to the big success.

Pinkerton goalies Dani Martineau (six saves) and Alyssa Labonte combined to squelch eight Merrimack

"Our offense had nine assists on 15 goals, moving the ball well to create easier scoring opportunities," said coach Daziel.



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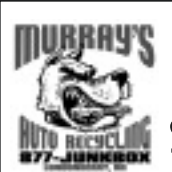
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Derry Fun Night

Seacoast Division of the National Model Railroad Association is held the second Friday night of each month, June 9, 7 - 9 p.m., at the Marion Gerrish Community Center, 39 West Broadway, Derry. If you are interested in model trains and would like to join other like-minded hobbyists from beginner to expert for a fun evening program come to Derry Fun Night the second Friday of each month. For additional information go to the Division's website at seacoastnmra.org/calendar. September 7, 2018- Running a real trolley car

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Plant Sale

The Derry Garden Club will host its annual plant sale on Saturday June 2 from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. Rain or shine, at the Masonic Temple, 58 East Broadway, Derry. The Derry Garden Club is accepting donations for its annual plant sale. Anyone with a plant in need of thinning to donate to the sale is invited to call Alison Kennerly 434-9624.

Derry Garden Club

The Derry Garden Club will be having its monthly meeting on June 8, at Maple Hill Gardens at 117 Ridge Road, Hollis, N.H. at 10 a.m. The meeting will start with a guided educational tour of the gardens that are part of the Beaver Brook Association. The business meeting will be held in their barn where members can enjoy the bag lunches they brought with them. New potential members are welcome to attend.

Car Show

Pinkerton Academy is getting fueled up for the annual car show. This event is perfect for all car enthusiasts. The event is FREE for all to attend. If you want to show off your amazing ride, you can pay a donation to register to the Northeast Outreach Center online at <https://goo.gl/forms-LDSQ3tWDfbR3ujWw1>. The Northeast Outreach Center is a veterans organization based in Haverhill. This event is on June 10, from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Start your engines and come on down to Pinkerton Academy. We all hope to see you there!

Summer Reading

Register for the Taylor Library's Summer Reading charts from June 1 - June 30. Chart your reading and win prizes. Closing Party and Awards Night is Thur. Aug. 9, at 6:30 p.m.

Craft Class

The Taylor Library will be holding Craft classes on Wednesdays at 3 p.m., dates include July 11, 18, 25 and Aug 1, 8. Preregistration is required to participate in the program.

Young Adult Book Group

The Taylor Library will hold a Young Adult book Club for Grade 2 and up on Mondays at 1 p.m., dates include July 16, 23, 30 Pick up your book July 9.

Tiny Tot Story Hour

The Taylor Library will hold Tiny Tot Story Hours on Fridays at 10 a.m., dates include July 13, 20, 27, Aug 3. This program is for little ones ages 6 months to 2 years old. Pre-registration is required weekly as space is limited.

Lego Club

The Taylor Library will hold a Lego Club on Tuesdays at 1 p.m., dates include July 10, 17, 24, 31 and Aug 7. Come and build something with us!

Carnival Night

The Taylor Library will host a Carnival Night on Thursday July 12 at 6:30 p.m.

Games, prizes and food, fun for the whole family.

Dolly & Me Tea Party

On July 19 at 2 p.m., Age 5+ bring your favorite Doll to the Taylor Library and sip tea, do a craft and show off your doll.

Teddy Bear Sleepover

On July 26 at 6:30 p.m. bring your Teddy Bear, wear PJ's and come to a story hour and do a craft all at the Taylor Library. Your Teddy Bear will sleepover at the library

Marshmallow Roast

A Story Hour and Marshmallow Roast with DPL will be held at the Taylor Library's Parking Lot on August 2, at 6:30 p.m.

GOP & Wine

Please join the Derry GOP, Thursday, June 14 from 6 - 8 p.m., for a fun night of wine tasting at the award winning Appolo Vineyard! Cheese and fruit and sweets will be served while we are tasting wine on the beautiful Crush Pad. You will be entered in a raffle to win a bottle of wine with the purchase of your ticket. You will also have the opportunity to bid on wine related silent auction items. Tickets are \$20. Don't wait to purchase your ticket, as space is limited. Click below for your tickets: www.eventbrite.com/e/derry-gop-wine-and-cheese-social-tickets-46286834167

Just Be You' 5K Run/Walk

Second annual Jen's 'Just Be You' 5K Run/Walk, established in memory of 2011 Pinkerton Academy graduate Jennifer Janiak, will take place at the Pinkerton track at 9 a.m. on Sunday, June 3. The race begins at the track and the course runs throughout the lower Pinkerton campus and back to the track. Prizes will be awarded to the top three men, women, and youth runners. Walkers and strollers are also welcome. The registration cost is \$30 for adults and \$15 for youths under 13. There will be race-day registration

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Seniors Trip

Third Hampstead Seniors trip, will be going for a ride on the mail boat in Maine. Lunch will be on your own at the DiMillo's Floating Restaurant in Portland Maine. The trip is scheduled for Wednesday, June 27. The bus will be leaving St. Anne's parking lot 8 a.m. Sign up for the trip will be on Wednesday, June 13, at the Meeting House, 20 Emerson Avenue. Signup will be 8:30 - 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 603-489-1664.

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Cross-Country Race

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and cross-country course on Saturday, June 16. The race will begin at 2 p.m., and the entry fee will be a \$15 donation. Interested folks can sign up online at sites.google.com/view/longredline5k. They may also register on race day from 1 - 1:45 p.m.

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