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## School and Town Boards Come Together to Address Tax Rate

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Derry's tax rate has been a major point of conflict between the Derry Town Council and School Board in the last few months.

Despite residents supporting a non-binding referendum to make the Derry School District a department of the town; there seemed to be very little in the way of communication between the council and board to see any progress through.

Talks between the two groups has not resulted in much over the past few months. But that seems to be changing, as representatives from the council and board recently convened at the Derry Municipal Center on Thursday, Sept. 13 to

share ideas on how the board may be able to gain some control over the tax rate.

Representing the Town Council were Council Chair James Morgan, Councilor Richard Tripp, and Councilor Brian Chirichiello.

For the School Board, it was represented by Board Chair Lynn Perkins, Board Member Michelle McKinnon, and Board Member Dan McKenna.

Morgan began the meeting by recognizing that the tax rate seems to be in bad shape due to money being bled from Derry from the state government. Residents believe that the school district should be a department of the town, and that Derry should become a city to assist in matters.

Morgan believes that the best solution is communication between the council and the board to work with one another and end the in-town finger pointing and mistrust between both sides. He hopes to: help both sides understand the burdens faced by one another, work with state representatives and senators to promote legislation that would aid in Derry's cause, and make sure both sides have consistent information about each other's budgets.

"I believe that there are ways that we can work together so that the school district and Town Council are aligned, so that we have a clear, definitive understanding of each other's budgets," Morgan noted.

Perkins agreed with

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## Derry Offers Tax Relief for Downtown Property Projects

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One of Derry's biggest recent goals has been economic development. Redefining the town in multiple ways in order to maximize profits and encourage more people outside of Derry to visit and contribute to local businesses. One of the more prominent changes being made concerns redeveloping the downtown area to make it more visually appealing. As these changes may not come cheap, town officials have established a plan to help residents in covering those costs.

Known as the Downtown Revitalization Tax Credit Program, it allows residents with properties within select areas of Derry to gain significant tax relief on improvements to these properties. According to the town website description "The way it works is simple. If a redevelopment project will result in a substantial rehabilitation (at least \$75,000 or 15% of the total existing assessed value), a portion of the taxable value directly generated by the renovation could be free from the levying of property taxes for up to five years." More specifically, it covers most properties on Crystal

Avenue between the intersection with Folsom Road and just short of Pierce Avenue, while covering Broadway from Dickey Street to just before Boyd Road.

When applying for the program and providing the \$150 application fee, the applicant must establish whether their project involves renovation or the removal and replacement of certain things. The application then asks whether or not the property is listed on the State or National Register of Historic Places, the existing uses for the property, any proposed uses for the future,

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The community came out in droves again this year for the annual Derryfest celebration at MacGregor Park on Saturday, Sept. 15. There were lots of fun activities for people to enjoy and certainly plenty to see at the event. Photo by Chris Paul

## Derryfest Gets Residents Out to Celebrate

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Hundreds upon hundreds of residents recently took to the streets on Saturday, Sept. 15 to attend the twenty-eighth annual Derryfest. Bringing together just about every local organization and business, to once again create a day that anyone around could enjoy. Starting at 10 a.m., Mark Beland and Michael Gendron

of the Greater Derry Arts Council began the day by thanking everyone who attended the event for making all the hard work worth it. "It's gonna be a terrific event," Gendron noted. Town Council Chairman James Morgan soon followed by thanking the event's volunteers and issuing a proclamation recognizing what Derryfest means to the town and its citizens. He also

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# Primary Elections Show Thousands of Residents Voted With These Results

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Out of the total registered voters (23,037); 4,132 headed to the polls on Sept. 11, making the turnout of around 19%. The results and winners are as follows.

## Republican

On the Republican ballot, incumbent Chris Sununu ran unopposed and earned 1950 votes from Derry. U.S. Congressional Representatives from District 1 Eddie Edwards won the nomination with a state total of 23,510 votes, 908 coming from Derry.

Andy Sanborn earned 20,364 and 865 from Derry. Andy Martin earned 2,072 votes, with 83 from Derry. Michael Callis earned 1,254 votes, with 58 from Derry. Jeffery Denaro earned 963 votes, with 35 from Derry. Bruce Crochetiere earned 766, with 46 from Derry.

In District 3, Executive Councilor Russell Prescott ran unopposed and earned 1,643 votes from Derry.

Republican State Senator incumbent Regina Birdsell ran unopposed and earned 1,688 votes from Derry.

There were 17 republican candidates running for 10 State Representatives seat in District 6. Winners were: David Love earned 1,126 votes, Phyllis Katsakiores earned 1,023, John Potucek earned 994, Brian Chirichiello earned 939, John O'Connor earned 926, David Milz earned 905, Jim

Webb earned 893, Katherine Prudhomme O'Brien earned 890, Frank Sapareto earned 851, and Stephen Pearson earned 836. These candidates will move to the general elections.

Those not making it through the primary were: Incumbent Brenda Willis earned 822, Incumbent Patricia Dowling earned 764, Richard Tripp earned 711, Kevin Reichard earned 572, Thomas Cardon earned 537, Daniel Healey earned 490, and write-in candidate Anne Copp earned 119.

For Rockingham County Sheriff, Chuck Massahos won with 9,563 votes and 955 from Derry.

Patricia Conway ran unopposed for the position of County Attorney and earned 1,607 votes in Derry.

Scott Priestley ran unopposed for the position of County Treasurer and got 1,572 votes in Derry.

Cathy Stacey ran unopposed for the position of Register of Deeds and earned 1,609 votes in Derry.

Ray Tweedle ran unopposed for Register of Probate and earned 1,544 from Derry.

Kevin Coyle ran unopposed County Commissioner and earned 1,533 from Derry.

Finally, there were 21 candidates running for 10 seats as Delegates to the Republican State Convention. Winners were: David Love earned 1,042 votes, John Potucek earned 1,031,



Republican primary winners Phyllis Katsakiores speaks with Eddie Edwards during Derryfest on Saturday. John O'Connor looks on.

Phyllis Katsakiores earned 1,007, Brian Chirichiello earned 955, Kevin Coyle earned 913, Katherine Prudhomme O'Brien earned 839, David Milz earned 806, James MacEachern earned 528, and Daniel Healey earned 503.

## Democrats

On the Democratic ballot: for Governor Molly Kelly with 41,594 votes defeated Steve Marchand at 41,594, with Kelly getting 1,291 votes and Marchand getting 486 from Derry voters.

For U.S. Congressional

Representative, Chris Pappas won the nomination with 26,875, and 658 from Derry. Maura Sullivan earned 19,313 votes, with 702 from Derry. Mindi Messmer earned 6,142 votes, with 116 from Derry. Naomi Andrews earned 4,508 votes, with 92 from Derry. Lincoln Soldati earned 1,982 votes, with 15 from Derry. Deaglan McEachern earned 1,709, with 50 from Derry. Levi Sanders earned 1,141 votes, with 58 from Derry. Mark Mackenzie earned 746 votes, with 42 from Derry. Terence O'Rourke earned 656

votes, with 19 from Derry. Paul Cardinal earned 317, with 12 from Derry. William Martin earned 230, with 18 from Derry.

Dan Belforti ran unopposed on the Libertarian ballot and earned 12 votes from Derry.

Joe Pace ran unopposed for Executive Councilor and earned 1,413 votes in Derry.

For State Senator Kristina Durocher ran unopposed with 1,526 votes from Derry.

State Representative candidates were: Mary Eisner who earned 1,429 votes, Michelle Sawyer Moge

earned 1,277, Sean Cohen earned 1,175, Ronald Cooper III earned 1,136, Fred Bates earned 1,123, and Owen Ingram earned 1,114.

The Rockingham County Sheriff write-in candidates Barry W. Newcomb earned 8,954 votes and 573 from Derry and Bill Baldwin earned 4,526 votes and 283 from Derry; While Bob Davidson ran unopposed For Register of Probate and earned 1,273 from Derry.

Joshua Bourdon ran unopposed for County Commissioner and earned 1,392 votes from Derry.

## OBITUARY

### Mary Lauretti-Jellison



Mary K. Lauretti-Jellison, 58 of Derry died Friday Sept. 14, 2018 at her home surrounded by her family. Mary was born in Cambridge, Mass. on Sept. 20, 1959 a daughter of Mary (King) Makie and the late Paul Lauretti. She had resided in Derry for the past 25 years, formerly living in Malden, Mass. Mary was a graduate of Somerville High School Class of 1977. She was employed as a baker for Shaw's Supermarket in Londonderry for 21 years and worked part time for TJ Max in Londonderry.

She is survived by three sons, Nicholas Jellison and his girlfriend Lyrrisa of Chester, Alexander Jellison and his girlfriend Tricia of Derry, and Michael Jellison and his girlfriend Megan of Fort Benning, GA, one granddaughter, Isabella Jellison of Derry, her mother, Mary Makie of Wareham, MA, one brother, Paul Lauretti of Medford, MA, two sisters, Beth Lauretti of Wareham, MA, and Jeannette Johnson of Middleboro, MA, also several nieces and nephews, and her dear friend Donna Bisson of Effingham, N.H.

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# NH DHHS Issues Public Health Threat Declaration for West Nile Virus

Governor Christopher T. Sununu and the New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) have issued a public health threat declaration in the southern part of the State for West Nile Virus (WNV) and Eastern Equine Encephalitis (EEE). The declaration will make it easier for the approximately 30 municipalities to take mosquito population control measures during a season with the highest number of mosquito batches testing positive for WNV in the past five years. To

increase community awareness and expedite the municipal mosquito control permitting process for those jurisdictions that do not currently hold a permit, the declaration has been issued through 2018 for the following cities and towns: Amherst, Atkinson, Auburn, Bedford, Brentwood, Candia, Chester, Danville, Derry, Epping, Fremont, Goffstown, Hampstead, Hollis, Hooksett, Hudson, Kingston, Litchfield, Londonderry, Manchester, Merrimack, Nashua, Newton, Pelham,

Plaistow, Raymond, Salem, Sandown and Windham. Under the declaration, these municipalities will be able to implement mosquito to population control measures including spraying after obtaining the appropriate permits. The declaration is due in part to the 16 mosquito batches that have tested positive for WNV in New Hampshire since the beginning of July: nine in Manchester, three in Nashua, and one each in Salem, Keene, North Hampton and Rye. The risk level for human illness in

Manchester is now at "High" given the number of mosquito batches that have tested positive there. Additionally there have been three hawks and one crow that have tested positive in the area of the threat declaration. There have been no detections of EEE in New Hampshire yet this year. "Based on our surveillance information, we believe there is an increased risk for human illness in the southern part of the state," said Jeffrey A. Meyers, DHHS Commissioner. "Neighboring states have

reported cases in humans, including one in Maine and four in Massachusetts. We are being proactive in New Hampshire, especially as we head into the fall, when mosquito-borne illnesses are most common." WNV and EEE, are arboviruses that are transmitted from the bite of an infected mosquito. Residents and visitors to New Hampshire should protect themselves and their family members by using an effective mosquito repellent that contains 30% DEET, wearing long sleeves and pants at dawn and dusk when mosquitoes are most active, and removing standing water from around your home so mosquitoes do not have a place to breed. Repellents with picaridin, IR3535 and some oil of lemon eucalyptus and para-menthane-diol products also provide protection against mosquito bites. Symptoms of WNV usually appear within a week after a person is bitten by an infected mosquito,

although many people can be infected and not develop any symptoms, or only develop very mild symptoms. Symptoms can include flu-like illness including fever, muscle aches, headaches, and fatigue. A very small percentage of individuals infected with WNV can go on to develop more serious central nervous system disease, including meningitis or encephalitis. If you or someone you know is experiencing flu-like symptoms, including fever and headache, contact your local medical provider. Anyone with questions about WNV/EEE can call the New Hampshire Bureau of Infectious Disease Control at 603-271-4496. More information is available on the DHHS website at [www.dhhs.nh.gov/dphs/cd/cs/arboviral/index.htm](http://www.dhhs.nh.gov/dphs/cd/cs/arboviral/index.htm) and on the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention website [www.cdc.gov/westnile/](http://www.cdc.gov/westnile/)

## Tax Rate

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many of Morgan's sentiments, believing that the two groups should focus on all sides of the town, while also defending how the school district has been producing great academic results.

"A strong school district is as attractive as a strong tax rate," Perkins stated.

As far as what the two sides discussed during the meeting, the school board elaborated on the school district's budget process, as well as the Fiscal Advisory Committee's work on the

budget; with the town council suggesting that one representative from the council take a seat on that committee.

Morgan suggested that the school district forecast health insurance rates off of averages in order to make better predictions for how much to save in the future. The use of the district's Unassigned Fund Balance (UFB) was also discussed. The town council requested that the district work harder to budget it more consistently and lower it. The question was asked whether or not the funds could be used for accelerated retirements. McKenna noted that the

funds could not be earmarked for something of that nature. Regardless, Councilors like Tripp agreed with making the budgeting of the UFB more consistent. "If you can find ways to reduce the uncertainty, I think that will go a long way in helping the school board craft a better budget," Tripp said.

Finally, Perkins brought up a number of pieces of state legislation that could positively impact the tax rate, such as a grant established by State Representative Karen Umberger, which would provide some relief. It includes; \$2,500 for each student depending on the district's proficiency,

the possible return of free and reduced differential aid, and base adequacy aid possibly growing from \$3,636 to \$3,897.

Perkins also mentioned that he recently discovered that 77% of school districts in New Hampshire are operating at less than valuation, with more districts facing plights similar to Derry as a result. Thus, Perkins finds it more imperative than ever to continue to work with state representatives and state senators on legislation for these issues.

The two sides are planning on holding another meeting about these matters on Nov. 15.

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# Editorial

## Autumn, The Comfort Season

The fall season is the time of year between summer and winter during which temperatures gradually decrease. It is often called fall in the United States because leaves fall from the trees at that time. Autumn is usually defined in Europe as the period between the Autumnal equinox (equal in length of day and night), and the Winter solstice (shortest day of the year).

Autumn is one of the most packed holiday seasons. There's the back to school rush, Halloween, Thanksgiving. Of course Christmas, is just four days into Winter. These holidays, are all very, family orientated holidays.

This is a season to be thankful, to make memories and to be surrounded by the people you love.

It's a perfect time to change up your decorations, add orange, red and yellow colors and pull out the spice-scented candles and let's not forget the foods. You generally eat really well during this season compared to the rest of the year. Autumn is the best time of year, because, it's also the most scenic if you love being outdoors. It is all about family, food and creating memories.

Fall rolls around and it creates a flood of memories and reminds me of being home, warmth, a sense of peace and thankfulness that I hope to convey

to those around me.

With cooler temperatures rolling in, saying goodbye to summer's and hello to fall is not a hard thing to do especially after this summer's heat.

All the leaves from the trees and plants change into multi-colored works of art and fall away. It creates bare, and vulnerable branches, revealing the true scenery underneath. The maple trees are especially vibrant with colors of red, golden yellow and combinations of both. Autumn represents a beautiful cycle of loss, regeneration and regrowth once the spring season comes around.

The dead leaves and branches on the ground disintegrate and turn into part of the soil, which are used as seeds and fertilizer later once the cold welcomes the warmer weather.

Nothing can relax and rejuvenate one more than enjoying nature and the surrounds. This season is perfect for taking for time to go camping, fishing, go on a road trip or anything else where you can spend quality time with family and eat good food. Make hot cocoa, light a fire in the fire-pit or fireplace telling stories or just taking it all in. This season creates a sense of comfort, warmth and reflection.

There are many reasons why I love fall and why I think it's the best season, but here were just a few.



## Derry Fest

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asked, "...that the crowds keep the victims of the recent gas explosions in Massachusetts in mind, as well as the victims of Hurricane Florence." "[Derryfest] has become one of Derry's most beloved and shared traditions," Morgan stated.

The main stage saw a huge amount of talent and entertainment for attendees, as vocalists Carol Harrington, Morgane Grace Vigroux, and members of The Voice Studio sang a wide assortment of songs. The Red Star Twirlers, the New Hampshire Academie of Dance and Dance Progressions put on their dancing shoes. Several entertainers sought to break away from the norm and showcased several other demonstrations for the

crowd. These included: a martial arts demonstration from Karate International of Windham, a balloon show from Silly Solutions, an animal presentation from Wildlife Encounters and quick displays from the finalists and winners of Greater Derry's Got Talent. Being right next to the MacGregor war monuments, members of the American Legion Post 9 held a MIA/POW ceremony at noon to honor those who are still unaccounted for while serving their country. Finally, to cap off the day's events, the Let's Play Music hosted a stagecraft and vocal performance.

The main stage was far from the only thing that would catch the eyes of attendees that day. Groups like the Derry Humane Society, the Sonshine Soup Kitchen, and End 68 Hours

of Hunger, the Salvation Army, and the Derry Friendship Center had tables to spread information about their organizations and the good they try to do for Derry and New Hampshire as a whole. Attendees also got to see Derry's more artistic side: with sand art and figurines and bead necklaces for sale. Visitors could get more up close and personal with some activities: including a rock climbing wall, several corn holing stations manned by the Boy Scouts and turtles and pigs that were brought by Wildlife Encounters roaming the grounds. Several groups also took the chance to educate residents, whether it was the Conservation Commission informing people about Derry's various nature conservation areas, or the Friends of the

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Meetinghouse at First Parish, which is working to raise funds to restore the First Parish Church. And, of course, festival food as far as the eye could see was

there for attendees to sample, from fried pickles to delicious seafood from the Clam Haven. All in all, this year's Derryfest seemed just as fantastic as the year's before and will no doubt lead to even more great events in the future.

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# Pinkerton Academy Heightens Awareness Regarding Suicide Prevention

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Suicide is an issue that can affect any and many people. It is problematic, although being such a large concern; certain people do not feel comfortable speaking about it. It has been identified as the second leading cause of death for people ages 10 to 34 in New Hampshire. Given these statistics, teenagers are clearly susceptible to this issue. To help raise awareness about suicide and the symptoms leading up to it, Pinkerton Academy (PA) recently participated in the 2018 National Suicide Prevention Week held from Sept. 9 through 15.

According to school counselor Julie Donovan, PA has been taking the issue of suicide very seriously ever since a student at the school committed suicide 8

years ago. Since then, the school has worked closely with the New Hampshire Chapter of the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) to make sure that staff receives the proper training to know what signs to look for in students who may be contemplating suicide. "Every new staff member who comes to Pinkerton is trained in suicide prevention", Donovan noted.

NAMINH got its start back in 1970s with Peggy Straw, who was trying to assist her daughter, who was suffering from mental illness following the death of Peggy's husband. After joining the New Hampshire Association for Mental Health, Straw formed a support group in 1978 for people suffering from mental illness. She had discovered that very few states offered any sort of support group. Upon attending the first



Pinkerton Academy staff and students took part in the New Hampshire Association for Mental Health Connect Youth Leader suicide prevention curriculum at the school recently.

organizational meeting of NAMI in 1980; Straw set about making this chapter of NAMI a legally incorporated non-profit organization in New Hampshire. Today, the organization specializes in both supporting those with mental illness and educating the public on the impact and symptoms of the disease.

While all staff members

are trained to handle suicide prevention at PA, the school wanted to take a step further. They helped to train 15 students via NAMI's Connect Youth Leader suicide prevention curriculum. Through evidence-based training, the program emphasizes peer-to-peer connecting. The trained students speak to the rest of the student body, alongside

trained PA staff; about risk factors, warning signs, and protective factors concerning suicide. Not only does this give students added resources to utilize, but it is believed that using other students in these efforts makes it easier to connect to the student body; as well as recruit more students into the cause. Donovan wants people to understand

that the focus of these lessons is to understand mental illness, rather than over-react to it. Furthermore, she emphasized that this program is rare for schools to undertake. "Most schools don't have this. It's a pretty big deal," Donovan stated. For more information about NAMINH, visit: [naminh.org](http://naminh.org) or call 1-800-242-6264.

## Lancer and Astro Sports Teams Face Off in Annual Mack Plaque Contests

CHRIS PANTAZIS  
NUTFIELD NEWS

Depending on whether you look at the Mack Plaque facts from the Pinkerton Academy perspective or the Londonderry High School perspective, you likely have a very different take on the series of fall varsity sports games between the two rival schools - which began in the autumn of 1983 - from the folks in your neighboring community.

Pinkerton claimed the

coveted plaque for the 16th consecutive year late last September by winning each and every one of the eight varsity match-ups, though much of the play was quite competitive and exciting for the many spectators in attendance.

Hence, if you attended or are an alumnus of the Derry school you likely feel every reason to stride about with pride regarding the overwhelming success your Astro teams have enjoyed. And if you bleed LHS Lancer red white and blue

your attitude is perhaps - with seemingly never-ending but somewhat halting optimism - "Well, maybe next year."

Rolling into the weekend's 2018 games, Pinkerton and Londonderry sit tied at 1-1 where the team win tally is concerned after the cross-country contingents split decisions at LHS on Tuesday, Sept. 4.

The golf teams face off this Wednesday the 19th - after Nutfield Publishing press time - but Friday night and Saturday should feature

enough exciting action to keep any Lancer or Astro fan occupied.

And it certainly appears that Londonderry High has a legit chance to end Pinkerton's long-held and tight grasp on the Mack Plaque.

Pinkerton should perhaps be favored to win golf and girls' volleyball - perhaps - but field hockey, the two soccer matches, and YES football could all hold "pick-em" status as all of the squads at the two schools in their sports look strong and have enjoyed plenty of success early in their respective seasons.

The Mack Plaque slate of weekend games - all to be played at LHS this year after the 2017 events were played in Derry - begin with Friday night football at 7 p.m.

The next day fans should be able to go from game to game and cheer on their school, with the volleyball squads spiking up at 10 that morning, girls' soccer kicking off at 11:30, field hockey getting sticking at 1 that afternoon, and boys' soccer booting out the final match of the day at 2:30.

Should a tie-breaker be required once the eight events - including the

completed cross-country battles - are in the rear-view mirror it would come down to the spirit championships later this autumn. And last year Londonderry High spirit won the state title.

The now 35-year-old Mack Plaque games were named for Londonderry's Mack family in honor of its many contributions to both local schools over the decades. Londonderry won the plaque in 1990, 1996, 1997, 1999, and 2000. The schools tied for the plaque - leaving the trophy at the school which won it the previous fall - in 1986, 1992, and 2001.

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# Greater Derry's Got Talent Event Kicked-Off Derryfest

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Shows like America's Got Talent have shown us that all across the United States, there are extraordinary individuals with first-class talents that any audience would be happy to witness. The night before Derryfest, residents got a chance to see just what kind of talent their town possessed. Held at the Derry Opera House at 7 p.m. on Sept. 14, the Greater Derry Arts Council presented the final round of the Greater Derry's Got Talent (GDGT) competition. This consisted of 11 finalists who had auditioned in previous rounds to earn a spot.

Judging the contest were music teacher and Kid's Coop Theatre volunteer Clint Perry, life coach and singer Dale Byrd, and Miss New Hampshire Outstanding Teen 2018 Morgane Grace Vigroux. When asked what they were looking for in a top competitor, the



Alycia Leriche, Derry - Peoples Choice

judges noted that they wanted to see a sense of confidence and enthusiasm in the contestants; as well as stage presence. "I think being able to entertain the audience is key," Vigroux noted.

The Mistresses of Ceremonies, who also introduced each contestant on to the stage that night, were Miss Greater Derry Amanda Ledoux and Miss Greater Derry's Outstanding Teen Eliza Fisher.



Kyle Cruz, Derry - Third place

Kicking off the night was 12 year old Kyle Cruz, who did an impressive melody of various rock classics from the 70s, 80s, and 90s, wowing the judges.

Next was singer Bana Berhane, who had sung with the band Godsmack. Singing Taylor Swift's 'Safe and Sound,' Byrd felt that the song complimented Berhane's voice well, while Perry thought she had good control over her voice. Six year old Emmalina Zirpolo



Ella Burroughs, Hampstead - Second

came next, and despite being 6 years old, she still managed to impress the audience by singing Cups by Anna Hendricks. Following her was Alec Cruz singing 'I'm Still Standing' by Elton John. Showing plenty of swagger and stage presence, the judges thought that he made some major improvements from previous performances. After that, was Charlotte Dugan, who performed 'Part of Your World' from Disney's The Little Mermaid. The judges felt that Dugan's acting was on point, as she would emote heavily during the course of the song. Next was Annabella Dorazio, who sang 'A Million Dreams' from The Greatest Showman. Although the judges thought she sang well, they did offer several critiques



Carleigh McRitchie, Londonderry - First

for her.

After a 10 minute intermission, Carleigh McRitchie came on to the stage to sing and play piano to 'Jealous' by Labyrinth. McRitchie was noted for performing in Classical All-State while in school, and it showed; as the judges thought she had great stage presence and performed fantastically. McRitchie admitted that she felt a strong personal connection to the song. Next was Liliana Paulina Ortiz, who sang 'Jar of Hearts' by Christina Perri. The judges felt that she could have worked more on her singing and stage presence. Following her was Alycia Leriche, who sang 'The Climb' by Miley Cyrus, with judges noting that she had made improvements and had better stage pres-

ence for this final performance. Last year's second place winner, Ella Burroughs went next, using her classical training to sing 'Never Enough' from The Greatest Showman. The judges felt that she had also improved, proving to be very consistent in her performances. Finally, Sofia Eckerson played the ukulele while singing 'Riptide' by Vance Joy. Although the judges felt that the ukulele was too loud for their liking, they also noted that she seemed to be having a lot of fun on stage.

After having Fisher, Byrd, and the winner of last year's competition Isabella Charlebois sing for the audience, the winners were revealed. Of the 11 competitors, the 3 who scored the highest with the judges would win cash prizes, while the audience could vote for a fourth winner by purchasing tickets and placing them in a corresponding bucket labeled for each contestant. The audience gave the most votes to Leriche, who won \$50 as a result.

The grand prize of \$150 went to McRitchie. Second place went to Burroughs, for the second year in the row. She won \$100. Third place went to Cruz, winning him \$75. The top three winners were also invited to perform at Derryfest the following day.

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Students at South Range Elementary School were each given a bingo card over the summer as part of the Summer Reading Program, and for each book they read, a number was covered. For just one row covered, students were given the opportunity to spend time in the school gym for a variety of physical games. If they reached the second tier, squares covered around the edges, they got to enjoy Kona Ice. Those students who reached tier three, all squares covered, got a chance to dunk the school’s Principal Matthew Olsen, and Michelle Cremona, the Assistant Principal. On Friday, Sept. 14, the tier three winners lined up at the dunk tank set up behind the school tossing balls at the target to dunk their victim.

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# DERRY SPORTS

## Pinkerton Football Stays Unbeaten With a Besting of Exeter

CHRIS PANTAZIS  
NUTFIELD NEWS

Not many New Hampshire high school football coaches have ever managed to be as respected or successful as Brian O'Reilly of Pinkerton Academy or Bill Ball of Exeter High. And those two renowned gentlemen have had their squads engage in some truly epic battles over the decades.

While the Friday night, Sept. 14 match-up between O'Reilly's Astros and Ball's Blue Hawks in Derry probably doesn't rank with the best of the two teams' meetings, there were parts of

undefeated Pinkerton's 17-7 victory which were quite reminiscent of past contests between the two sides.

Neither PA nor Exeter was able to get its offense untracked a whole lot against a defense which dug in hard and refused to be moved.

There were only three points scored in the entire first half - they belonged to the host Astros thanks to a 35-yard field goal - and Pinkerton made the adjustments it needed to at half-time to be able to build its lead all the way up to 17-0 before the Blue Hawks were able to rebound and grab a good chunk of the momen-

tum in the final seconds of quarter three.

However, the final score wound up at 17-7 despite the facts that the now 3-0 host should have had another touchdown in the fourth quarter and that the locals were also stung by several other frustrating miscues.

"It was a typical Pinkerton/Exeter game, and a lot of the credit for that has to go to Exeter. There were a lot of self-inflicted wounds by us," said O'Reilly, whose team now looks ahead to the highly-anticipated Mack Plaque game against the equally-undefeated Londonderry High School Lancers at LHS this Friday evening.

The two defenses reigned supreme during the first half with the offenses being held to a paltry combined total of 184 yards. Pinkerton collected 109 of those and held the now 1-2 Blue Hawks to just 75.

The only points tallied during the first two quarters were bagged by PA junior kicker Brandon Roy on a 35-yard field goal which just made it over the crossbar of the goal post with 28.6 seconds to go in period one.

"They did a really nice job on us defensively, and we just had to make some adjustments at halftime," said coach O'Reilly.

And adjust the Astros did, to the point where they pushed their lead up to 10-0

less than five minutes into the second half when a six-play drive - which was set up by a Brady Day interception and consisted of one run by Gennaro Marra followed by five straight sprints by Gannon Fast - culminated with a 1-yard scoring push by Fast and his linemen.

The Astro defense held Exeter to a three-plays-and-out situation, with the PA offense starting its subsequent series from its own 28.

That series began with a false start penalty on the hosts, but it ended three plays later on a 69-yard scoring pass from quarterback Aiden Goujon to beefy tight end Mike Sarette with 4:19 to go in quarter three.

However, Exeter kept it a game by grabbing the momentum with a 10-play drive which ended with a 1-yard scoring sprint with a mere 12.8 ticks of the clock left in the third.

Despite the fact that it had a 17-7 lead as the fourth quarter began, the Astros didn't have a lot which will remain memorable regarding that stanza other than the continued fine play of its defense.

Pinkerton could have put the game away for certain with a 35-yard pass from



PA running back Gennaro Marra tries to shed an Exeter defender.  
*Photos by Chris Paul*

Goujon leading one of his wide-open Astro wide receivers right into the end zone in a fourth down situation, but the ball slipped through the receiver's hands and frustratingly fell to the ground with 9:02 showing on the clock.

However, the PA defense was not about to be beaten as it dug in hard and made sure that the Blue Hawks didn't get particularly close to the points which they

required for a comeback as time ticked away.

The victorious locals finished the night with 263 total offensive yards while their defense held Exeter to just 204.

"Our defense was good, I'm very happy with our defense," said coach O'Reilly. "But we did a lot of bad things at the end that we'll need to work on. We're not ready for prime time yet."



Pinkerton kicker Brandon Roy lays into an extra-point during his team's recent win over Exeter.

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# PA Field Hockey Reaches 5-0 Before Finally Being Felled

**CHRIS PANTAZIS**  
NUTFIELD NEWS

After having its record go unblemished through its first five matches of the 2018 season, the Pinkerton Academy field hockey team was defeat last weekend.

The Astros made their record 5-0 with a 4-0 win over the visiting Bishop Guertin Cardinals in Derry last Wednesday, Sept. 12.

Pinkerton scored three goals in the first half to hold

a commanding lead at the halftime break, and the local crew also netted the lone goal of the second half to win going away.

First half goals came from Emma Johnston (from Marley Mailloux), Lauren Lisauskas (from Mari Shea), and Julia Samiotes (from Mailloux). Taylor Marchman notched the second half goal. Goalie Khaliyah Ellis contributed one save to her squad's fourth consecutive shutout win.

On the heels of that success, the Astros then faced a road match at undefeated Windham on the morning of Saturday the 15th. And coach Katie Van Nostrand's PA crew saw a 1-0 lead evaporate under the weight of two quick Windham goals midway through the second half in a 2-1 loss.

The Astros snared a 1-0 lead at the 25:45 mark of period one when Lisauskas scored. And that advantage held up until around the

midway point of half two when Windham potted two shots in a short span to take the 2-1 lead with which it would win.

PA goalie Ellis made seven stops in the tough loss.

The team strode into this week clear of competitive action until Thursday, Sept. 20 when it was slated to battle Bedford's Lady Bulldogs on the road, followed by the big Mack Plaque match with Londonderry at LHS this Saturday.



Junior defender Sarah Collins clears the ball during a recent match. *Photo by Chris Paul*

# After 4-0 Start, Pinkerton Girls' Volleyball Falls Twice

**CHRIS PANTAZIS**  
NUTFIELD NEWS

After going a glittering 4-0 with just one set loss in its first four matches of the new 2018 season, the Pinkerton Academy girls' volleyball squad ran head-first into a couple of hard-fought losses last week.

The Lady Astros absorbed their first loss of the season at Spaulding High in Rochester last Wednesday, Sept. 12, dropping a 3-2 decision to the unbeaten host Lady Red Raiders.

Spaulding thumped its

way out to a 2-0 match lead by winning sets one and two by counts of 25-15 and 25-18. Pinkerton came racing back to win games three (27-25) and four (25-20) before the hosts managed a convincing 15-7 success in set number five to end the match.

Ella Dandrade was a true force for PA in notching 22 assists, 11 service points, and nine kills, Reese Asselin produced 25 digs, Leya Wang was good for nine kills and three service aces, and Beckah Stallings and Brooke Kane both bagged four blocks.

The academy spikers then aimed at returning to the winning path on Friday the 14th when they played host to the Bedford High Lady Bulldogs. But there on their home court in the Hackler Gymnasium the academy crew dropped another 3-2 decision to slip to 4-2 overall.

The hosts actually bagged a 2-0 lead by taking the opening sets by scores of 25-19 and 25-23. But Bedford came back to squeak out a pair of 26-24 successes in games three and four and force a deciding fifth set. And in that final

game, the Lady Bulldogs claimed a 15-13 victory to take the match.

Wang was good for some 17 service points and 14 kills, Dandrade collected 36 assists, Asselin notched 29 digs, and Stallings

blocked three shots.

Now owners of a miniature losing skid, the Lady Astros drove into this week looking at a Wednesday, Sept. 19 home match against Nashua North - after Nutfield News press time -

followed by the big annual Mack Plaque match with the host Londonderry High Lady Lancers on Saturday morning. The LHS side also sat at 4-2 coming into this week with wins in four of its last five matches.

# Lady Astro Soccer Goes 2-1 in One-Goal Matches, Moves to 4-2

**CHRIS PANTAZIS**  
NUTFIELD NEWS

Sometimes you get the one-goal decision, and sometimes the one-goal decision gets you.

That was one of the messages which the Pinkerton Academy girls' soccer squad took from its two road matches of last week, in which it suffered a 1-0 loss to host Bedford before dealing a 1-0 defeat to the home-standing Goffstown High Lady Grizzlies.

In the match at Bedford High last Wednesday, Sept. 12, the host Lady Bulldogs

bagged the game's lone goal in the first half. PA goalie Reagan Kolinski played exceptionally in net in keeping her team's deficit at a single goal by making seven saves.

With their record sitting at the .500 mark at 2-2, the Lady Astros then bumped their mark up to 3-2 the next afternoon in Goffstown thanks to the fact that Julia Preston potted the lone goal of the day. Kolinski made another seven stops in that battle in helping her crew to a shutout success.

The academy squad then enjoyed a handful of days

away from competitive play before taking a third straight road trip - this time just over to Alvirne High in Hudson - this past Monday to face a Lady Broncos' squad which went 2-2 through its first four matches.

The Lady Astros faced another one-goal match that day and came out on the positive side with a 1-0 success which featured a tally from Enya Vannasse which was set up by Ande Manchester.

Goalie Kolinski made three saves in helping her team move to 4-2 on the still-young campaign.

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# Pinkerton Runners Trounce Competitors on Their Home Course

CHRIS PANTAZIS  
NUTFIELD NEWS

Neither the Winnacunnet High nor the Timberlane Regional cross-country squads had much of a chance against the Pinkerton Academy harriers on the Astros' home course last Tuesday, Sept. 11. And the numbers bore those facts out demonstrably.

The defending state champion Lady Astro harriers tallied a tiny, perfect score of 15 to easily outduel the Winnacunnet crew from Hampton (55) and Timberlane's Lady Owls (78).

Pretty stunningly, the host Lady Astros claimed the first nine finishing spots, led by one of their top battle-tested veterans.

"Winning the meet in first for the Trailblazers was senior captain Ciara April with a time of 20 minutes and 02 seconds. And right behind her was freshman Mariesa Preble with a personal best of 20:04," said PA veteran coach Amy Bernard. "Molly McGaffigan came through next with a personal best as well of 20:17. Jordan Vaillancourt and Meaghan

Robidoux ran strong to give the Trailblazers the top five places and a perfect score on the day."

The other PA line-crossers in the top nine were Riley Sweeney in sixth, Olivia Welch in seventh, Katie Boucher in eighth place, and Samantha Brackesy in the ninth spot.

The Lady Astros elected not to run in Saturday's

Nashua North Invitational on the 15th but will compete in the annual Manchester Invitational this coming Saturday the 22nd.

In the home meet race it hosted on Tuesday the 11th, the Pinkerton boys' squad barely missed out on finishing with a perfect score itself.

Longtime coach Mike Clark's crew tallied a team score of 16 to easily best Winnacunnet (60) and Timberlane (65).

The victorious locals had Joe Gagnon win the race in 16:43, with Ethan Desmaris second (16:55), and Zach Plaza third (17:29).

Clark's charges did take part in the Nashua Invitational on Saturday and did well both as a group and individually.

In the varsity race, the Astros finished third overall behind Concord and Londonderry. And senior star Gagnon paced the PA charge by finishing third overall in 16:01.

But the Astros' junior varsity squad proved unbeatable, finishing first with a final score of 28. Concord was second some 10 points back.

The academy side had six runners finish among the top 12 line-crossers with Steve Groulx leading the way by finishing second overall in 17:33. Nate Letellier placed fourth, Ethan Charles was fifth, Mike Packowski placed sixth, Henry Hood wound up 11th, and Conrad Gende crossed the finish line 12th overall.

## Splits in Three-Team Matches Leave Pinkerton Academy Golfers at 9-4

CHRIS PANTAZIS  
NUTFIELD NEWS

Second place finishes in a pair of three-team matches last week left the Pinkerton Academy golf squad stepping into this, Mack Plaque week, with a very solid 9-4 record.

The Astros saw their 2018 record settle in at 8-3 with a second place finish in a three-team match at the Exeter Country Club last Wednesday, Sept. 12.

The undefeated host Exeter High Blue Hawks finished first with a team score of 194, but Pinkerton was a mere two strokes behind with a 196. Winnacunnet of Hampton brought up the rear with a 220 and fell to 2-9 overall.

The academy golfers had Zak Kahn shoot a 37, P.J. Daniele tally a 39, and Matt MacDougall, Nick Tufts, and Kyle Raspuzzi all wind up at the 40 mark.

Coach Jeff Sojka and his

Astros then strode into Friday play on their home links at the Hoodcroft Country Club with Bedford and Alvirne playing the role of visitors.

The academy side shot a 206 on its home greens to finish sandwiched between undefeated Bedford (199) and sub-.500 Alvirne (221).

Coach Sojka's squad had Daniele pace its effort by shooting a 37 with Tufts notching a 39, Cam Leppert tallying a 41, Jacob Tinker managing a 42, and Matt MacDougall finishing with a 47.

Pinkerton then bounded into this week looking at a Tuesday home match with Manchester Memorial and Spaulding from Rochester - after Nutfield News press time - followed by their big Mack Plaque match at the Passaconaway Country Club in Litchfield with the host Londonderry High Lancers and the Bishop Guertin Cardinals of Nashua.

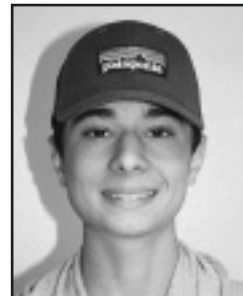


Pinkerton golfer Liam Robinson works on his putting prior to the Astros' three-team home match at Hoodcroft last Friday.

Photo by Chris Pantazis

## Athletes of the Week

Week of Sept. 10



**P.J. Daniele, Junior, Golf**

This talented 11th grader shot a 39 at Exeter on Sept. 12 and a 37 at Hoodcroft on Sept. 14, and he has helped his Astros get off to a great start to the season going 9-4 through 13 matches.



**Ciara April, Senior, Girls' Cross Country**

A battle-tested veteran of multiple team titles, captain April won her first meet of the 2018 season as an individual and led her Lady Astros to a shutout victory in a three-team home meet.

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# Astro Boys' Soccer Rebounds From First Loss With a Solid Win

CHRIS PANTAZIS  
NUTFIELD NEWS

After starting its 2018 campaign with three shutout victories, the Pinkerton Academy boys' soccer squad received something of a kick in the pants in the form of a 3-0 loss to the tough Bedford High Bulldogs on its home field last Monday, Sept. 10.

And then following four days of reflection and intense work, longtime coach Kerry Boles' boys were right back on their home pitch on the morning of Saturday the 15th attempting to rediscover the winning path against a struggling Goffstown Grizzlies' group.

Chief mentor Boles wasn't exactly singing his charges' praises or beaming with pride following a rather lackluster first half of that match. But by the time the final whistle had blown and the academy crew had tucked away a 4-0 shutout win, Boles and the boys had

quite a bit about which they could feel good.

Terry Coyle potted the only goal PA would end up needing to make Goffstown a frustrating 1-4-1 on the still-young season in the final minute of the first period. But Pinkerton tickled the twine behind Grizzlies' goalie Myles Green three more times in the second half to win going away and advance to a fine 4-1 on 2018.

Coyle's first half goal was unassisted, and it gave the academy crew a positive to talk about and some momentum stepping into the halftime hiatus.

PA went up 2-0 some nine minutes into the second half when Mac Johnson was set up by Henry Andrews. Fifteen minutes later, Andrew Lydick took a pass from Trevor Demers and put the Astros up 3-0 in minute number 64, and Alex Rust was set up by Michael Curtin with just four minutes left to play to make it a

4-0 contest.

Pinkerton goalie Max Fairbank contributed four saves to his contingent's fourth shutout success of the campaign, and his offense pelted a total of 15 shots on Goffstown's Green.

"After we got our morning wake-up call we were able to come away with a victory," said coach Boles. "The defense was, once again, able to hold the opponents to relatively harmless threats all day. Besides the goal-scorers, playing well were Jon Tremblay and Trevor Demers."

The longtime PA mentor was unhappy with the mistake-riddled play his charges exhibited early on. But when they kicked into the flow they became the Astros he knows they can be.

"Boy, we didn't help ourselves in the first 40 minutes this morning. We had way too many self-inflicted errors that prevented us from being successful. When we finally executed properly,



Pinkerton soccer player Trevor Demers boots the ball toward the Goffstown net during his team's shutout of that opponent in Derry last Saturday morning. Demers and the Astros moved to 4-1 with that overwhelming success. Photo by Chris Pantazis

we found a way to put Goffstown away. Hopefully, we learn that we need to perform more than 40 minutes a game to compete at the Division I level."

Looking ahead to his

crew's busy slate this week, Boles expected a real challenge from Nashua South in the Gate City this Tuesday the 18th - after Nutfield News press time - before they moved on to host

Alvirne of Hudson on Thursday and then made the short trip over to Londonderry High to take on the booters from Boles' alma-mater in Mack Plaque play on Saturday.

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## Derry Garden Club Meeting

The Derry Garden Club will hold its Oct. 5 meeting at The Boys and Girls Club of Greater Derry, 40 Hampstead Road, Derry, at 10 a.m. The program will entail a discussion about orchids by Norm Carrier. Carrier is a past president of the N.H. Orchid Society, a tour guide at their annual shows and has years of experience doing orchid presentations at garden clubs. Members are encouraged to bring their own orchids for a consult. Lunch will be provided by committee members sandwiches, chips, dessert, and beverages. We will also be collecting food and other goods for the local soup kitchen and/or food pantry. New or potential members are always welcome.

## Renew

Renew will be open Saturday, Oct. 13, from 8 - 10:30 a.m. at Calvary Bible Church, 145 Hampstead Rd., Derry. Arrive by 10 a.m. Renew will also be open every Thursday 9 - 11:30 a.m., please arrive by 11 a.m. Derry residence not required. Renew offers free, gently-used apparel. Each household is limited to 20 of the newest items, plus a reasonable number of older items. Enter at the church marquee sign. Donations of good condition, modern clothing may be placed in the donations bin by the door at any time. No donations of money are asked or accepted. For details, search for "Renew Derry" on Facebook, email [renewcalvary@gmail.com](mailto:renewcalvary@gmail.com) or call the church secretary at 434-1516.

## Quilt Guild

The Hannah Dustin Quilt Guild, will meet Monday, Oct. 1, the monthly meeting will be held at the Hudson Community Center, 12 Lions Avenue, Hudson. The regular business meeting starts at 9 a.m. Following the business meeting, speaker Cyndi Catt will present a trunk show titled "New Friends, Quilts, and

Needle Felting." Cyndi is the creative force behind Yarn and Fiber in Derry. After her trunk show, Cyndi will lead a needle felting workshop. She will have kits for purchase (ranging from \$25 to \$35) and the choices include gnomes, sheep, foxes, owls, and more. There is also a \$25 class fee. If you'd like more information about this workshop, please call Susan Schiff at 603-889-3492. New members are always welcome. Meetings are generally held the first Monday of the month from September through June. For more information, please visit our website at [hannahdustingq.org](http://hannahdustingq.org).

## Spartans AAU Needs Players

We are looking for a couple more kids to join us for Fall AAU basketball. We are looking for grades 3rd/4th/5th boys and 4th/5th/7th 8th girls. In the Seacoast program we are looking for grades 3rd/4th/5th boys and 6th/7th girls. We have practices once a week with four tournaments throughout the Fall, occurring on weekends. The Spartans coaching staff is filled with former pro, college and high school players in addition to college and varsity high school coaches. We are the largest AAU program in New Hampshire. For more information; contact Chad Cyr at [Spartansbballevents@outlook.com](mailto:Spartansbballevents@outlook.com)

## Rooted in Christ

Fellowship Bible Church in Chester, is excited to be hosting Dr. Kent Hughes as the guest speaker at this year's Rooted in Christ Men's Conference Oct. 12, and 13. Please join us as Dr. Hughes expounds the topic of Sanctification: Practical Holiness God's Way. Early registration is available for only \$20 at [fbcchester.net](http://fbcchester.net)

## Car Seat Checkup

Is your child in the safest car seat? Stop by Derry WalMart, on Sept. 29, at 10 a.m., to 12 p.m., and find out! Free Car Seat Checkup Sponsored by, Safekids NH and The Derry Police Dept. We

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## Democrat Meeting

The Derry Democratic Committee will hold its meeting on Sept. 27, from 7 - 9 p.m., at the Marrion Gerrish Community Center, 39 West Broadway, Derry. It's going to be a busy election season. Come join us to see what is going and on what you can do to help Democrats. All are welcome.

## Oktoberfest

Oktoberfest hosted by the Derry Village Rotary Club. Saturday, Sept. 29 from 12 p.m. - 6 p.m. at the Boys & Girls Club of Greater Derry. Tickets can be purchased at <https://tickets.beerfests.com/event/derry-village-rotary-oktoberfest>.

## Golf Tourney

The Lancer Nation Boys' Basketball Association has scheduled its 4th annual fundraising golf tournament for Sunday, Sept. 23, at the Windham Country Club. Registration will start at 12:30 p.m. that day, with a shotgun start at 1:30 p.m. The format is a four-member team scramble, with each member receiving a Lancer Nation golf towel, a backyard barbecue lunch immediately following tourney play, giveaways, and multiple opportunities to win raffle and silent auction items. The registration fee of \$120 per person covers greens fees, 18 holes of golf, the barbecue lunch, and giveaway items. And awards will go to the first and last place teams. Registration info can be obtained on the Lancer Nation Boys' Basketball Association home page at [www.lnbba.com](http://www.lnbba.com) or by contacting [lnbba18@gmail.com](mailto:lnbba18@gmail.com).

## Free Meals

Please join us for free, family-friendly meals, served in a

relaxed atmosphere. Meals are generally held as posted below, but may be rescheduled for holidays. Please call the facility to check on holiday times. We look forward to seeing you! On Sept. 23, Breakfast will be served at 9 a.m., at Etz Hayim Synagogue, 1-1/2 Hood Road, Derry; on Sept. 28, a Spaghetti supper will be served from 5 - 6:30 p.m., at First Parish Congregational Church, 47 East Derry Road, East Derry; On Sept. 30, lunch is served from 1:30 - 2:30 p.m., at St. Jude Church, 435 Mammoth Road, Londonderry.

## Aviation Museum Gala and Auction

The Aviation Museum 18th Annual Gala and Auction; Fly in a cockpit through virtual reality, videos, autographs, memorabilia, unique and exciting auction items and much more. On Sept. 29, at Murphy's Taproom & Carriage House 393 NH-101, Bedford, starting at 5 p.m. with cocktails, hors d'oeuvres, virtual reality experience & silent auction. Buffet Dinner 6:15 p.m. - 7 p.m. Tickets are \$75, attire is semi-formal or please wear clothing that represents your affiliation with aviation.

## Spring Hill Farm Fall Festival

On Oct. 13, from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Local vendors, music, arts and crafts, wagon rides, garden tours, trail guides, history displays, and more. Currently seeking interested vendors! \$10 reserves a spot. Email response or questions to: [SHFAC@ChesterNH.org](mailto:SHFAC@ChesterNH.org)

## Story Hour with a Craft

A story hour with a themed craft is available for children ages 2 - 5 years old on Wednesdays and Sundays at 1 p.m. at the Taylor Public Library. Space is limited so called the library at 432-

7186 to register or with questions.

## Tiny Tots

A storytime for ages 6 months - 2 years meets Mondays and Fridays at 10 a.m. at the Taylor Public Library. Space is limited so called the library at 432-7186 to register or with questions.

## Continuing Education Program

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## Greater Manchester Lyme Disease Support Group

Hosted by David Hunter this group meets on the third Wednesday of every month at 6:30 p.m. at the: Bedford Presbyterian Church 4 Church Road Bedford. For more information call 660-3425 or email [dhunter31@gmail.com](mailto:dhunter31@gmail.com)

## Parents Support Group

Are you frustrated with your teenager or in need of support regarding your teenager? Does parenting your teenager mean you have new concerns about anger, defiance, motivation and trust? If so, you are not alone. Welcome to the club! Meet up with other parents at our

Parents Support Group every Thursday night, 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m., at The Upper Room, 36 Tsienneto Road, Derry. Meet other parents experiencing the same situations. No pre-registration is required. There is no fee, and all topics can be discussed. Call 603-437-8477 with any questions.

## Walking Together

A support group for widows and widowers meets every 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m., at the Manse at Londonderry Presbyterian Church, 128 Pillsbury Road, Londonderry. When we meet, we walk together our journey of grief. No need to do it alone. If you have any questions, please call 781-866-9976.

## Lamplighters

A womans group with the goal of helping less fortunate woman and people in N.H. meets every fourth Thursday of the month 7 p.m. at Londonderry Presbyterian Church at 128 Pillsbury Road, Londonderry. If you have any questions please call 781-866-9976.

## Walk with Me

Are you losing or have lost someone? A child, a parent, a sibling or a friend? It can be a painful journey but you don't have to walk it alone anymore. Just come "Walk With Me". Meetings are the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month at 7 p.m., at the Londonderry Presbyterian Church, 128 Pillsbury Road, Londonderry. If you have any questions please call 781-866-9976.

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