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Derry Voters Come Out in Droves for Mid-Term Election

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chilling temperatures, more than 11,000 voters came out to the polls at West Running Brook Middle School and Gilbert H. Hood during the locally, but Coyle prevailed mid-term elections in Derry on Tuesday, Nov. 6 to cast their vote.

Republicans held their Governor seats, for the most part, despite Democrats winning elsewhere around the state.

There were 18 candidates running for 10 District Representative Congress six State Representative Eddie Edwards (R) - 5,692 seats with the incumbents taking nine of them.

Democrat Mary Eisner was able to beat out Republican Frank Sapareto for the last seat.

Two Derry residents, James D. Jarvis (L) former Town Councilor Kevin Coyle and a current State Senator

Bourdon, had a close outcome in Derry for County Commissioner. Bourdon wound up with more votes overall.

The numbers are as follows:

Chris Sununu (R) 6,632 4,605 Molly Kelly (D) -Jilletta Jarvis (L) -194

Chris Pappas (D) - 5,507 Dan Belforti (L) - 181

Executive Councilor Russell Prescott (R) 5,595 Joe Pace(D) 4.900

Despite the rains, and Town Councilor Joshua Regina Birdsell (R) 5,907 Kristina Durocher (D) 5,057

State Representative

Winners:	
Phyllis Katsakiores (R)	5,648
David C. Love (R)	5,209
David E. Milz (R)	4,883
Katherine Prudhomme	•
O'Brien (R)	4,985
John O'Connor (R)	5,018
Stephen Person (R)	4,587
John Potucek (R)	4,648
Jim Webb (R)	4,976
Brain Chirichiello (R)	5,078
Mary Eisner (D)	4,986
Others:	
Frank Sapareto (R)	4,211
Paul Doolittle (D)	4,395
Owen D. Ingram (D)	4,086
Michelle E. Sawyer-	Moge
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Derry Master Plan Meeting Scheduled for Nov. 28 citizens will be invited to a clear and concise road

Lynn Thomas NUTFIELD NEWS

The Derry Master Plan update. Update Meeting will take place on Nov. 28 at 6 pm at combined efforts with Comthe Pinkerton Academy Freshman Auditorium. The Plan has not been updated since 2010, and it is expected to take approximately twelve months to prepare the new document. The Lyon Landscape Architecmaster plan is seen as a ture, LLC, Barrett Planning method for the town to identify existing resources and work toward goals identified by the citizens as being important for town growth. setts company that has The 2010 version is a 455- assisted many towns with page document discussing their planning goals and the vision for the town at Master Plans. Community that time. At different Circle develops plans for points, business owners and municipalities that result in

in the process for the new

munity Circle, a Massachusetts company that has assisted many towns with their planning goals and Master Plans. Planning has also associated with Martha Group, LLC, and BETA Group to assist with the large undertaking. Community Circle is a Massachu-

public forums to participate map for the future. Community Circle focuses on the idea that a meaningful par-Derry Planning has ticipation process is the foundation of good planning.

The upcoming meeting will be the kickoff for the process and the intent, according to Planning Director George Sioras, "is to reach out to all members of the community, young people, seniors, business owners, and civic groups to see what they would like to see happen in Derry." Daphne Politis and her team from Community Circle will be assisting at the meeting. The initial feedback will be used to complete continued on page 6

Serving the Derry Area



Kristin Minzner and her grandfather George Simard enjoy some pancakes at the annual Veteran's Day Breakfast at West Running Brook Elementary School on Thursday morning, Nov. 8. The annual event brings over 100 veterans to the school and students also get to be involved. Photo by Chris Paul

Veterans Honored at Annual West Running Brook Breakfast

CHRIS PAUL NUTFIELD NEWS

For a number of years now, staff members and the Kids Care Club at West Running Brook Middle School in Derry have been honoring the areas veterans with a breakfast and ceremony in the schools gymnasium.

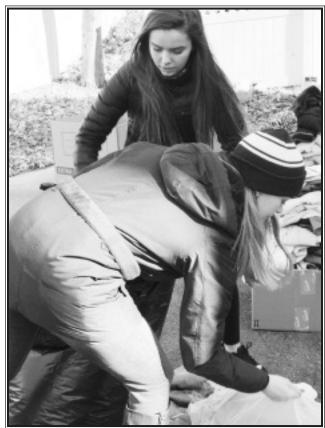
This year was no exception, as

the Kids Care group with the guidance of WRB teachers Barbara Dupont and Kellie Marraffa welcomed between 130-150 local veterans to join them for breakfast.

About 40 middle school students also got to share the honor with family members during the ceremony. Some were children and grand children of veterans or nieces and

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Bourdon Continues His Efforts to Keep Veterans Warm



CHRIS PAUL NUTFIELD NEWS Warm" event on Sunday, Nov. 11. at Bourdon's

Thousands of clothes Derry Veterans Assistance and household items were Fund cosponsored this collected for the fourth



year's "Keep Our Veterans year benefiting veterans Pierre, members of the Volunteers loaded tons of clothing and household prodand the Liberty House.

> start to finish." said Bourdon who was still getting calls on Monday for donations. "I was a little nervous an hour in because of everything piling up but community came together the volunteers did an amaz- and did something really ing job."

> Bourdon added, The event would not have been fourth year and always possible without the help coincides with Veterans of Ernie and Brenda St. Day. This year volunteers

Derry Veterans Assistance "It was non stop from Fund, his wife Leah, his parents and his brother Nick, the Center for Life Management, Rockingham Crossfit and Breath Crossfit also helped a ton. "The special."

The event is in its

and Leah Bourdon. gathered a little more than based Manchester, and last year with Bourdon's entire garage was stacked to the ceiling.

to offer goods and 200 tional house. large boxes were filled by about 50 volunteers.

Bourdon said "It was best year yet! I know the Liberty House and the vet- Derry Veterans Assistance erans they help will be so Fund go to: https://helpdergrateful."

The Liberty House is

helps homeless and struggling veterans by connecting them to available Around 75 cars cycled resources and providing a through his neighborhood safe, substance-free transi-

Photo by Chris Paul

For more information on the Liberty House go to: http://libertyhousenh.org

For information on the ryvets.org.



uct for veterans on Sunday, Nov. 11 at the home of Josh

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Josh Bourdon and the

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Pinkerton Academy Team Takes Top Spot at Math Meet drd and Oyster River took Mathematics geniuses who coached by Doris Garvey, and then at Penn State these Ivy League schools

Mack Leathurby NUTFIELD NEWS

torious in Division I at the schools that compete in Londonderry League math meet at Lon-size of the school) in 6 donderry High School meets a year. Each student (LHS) on Nov. 7, beating at the meet competes indiout Portsmouth. Math vidually in 3 of 5 math catteams at the meet compete egories and also in a team in a battle of exceptional math students. so the future is really bright for Pinkerton Academy's talented ner. The recent meet used high school math students. math problems derived

High School placed third, Arithmetic (Evaluations), fourth, Exeter High School Linear Functions, Polywas the fifth place team, and Dover came in sixth.

ham beat out the second genius to know this contest place Amesbury, Mass. requires much mental skill team with Winnacunnet and puts a focus on truly High School grabbing thir- talented mathematicians.

fourth place.

The Tri-State Math Pinkerton came out vic- League consists of 10 Tri-State two divisions (based on the round. The combined individual + team scores determine the competition win-Timberlane Regional from 5 math categories: and Londonderry took Exponents and Radicals, gons and Rational Expressions & Equations. You In Division II, Wind- don't have to be a math

compete in the league can also be selected for NH State teams where the competition is fierce as scholarship money is rewarded.

Teams are typically comprised of the top student math wizards - as recognized from school math classes. Pinkerton has a Varsity math team that sends ten students to each meet with no more than 5 seniors and no more than 8 juniors and seniors as part of that team. There is also a Junior Varsity team open to Freshmen, Sophomores, Juniors or Seniors interested in becoming members of the Varsity math team. Teams have regular math practices to sharpen their skills.

Pinkerton has a wonderful Math Team program

Voting continued from page 1

Sheriff

4,511 (D)Fred Bates (D) 4,095 Sean Cohen (D) 4,245 Ronald J. Cooper III (D) 4.095 Anne Copp (L) 1,595

Chuck Massahos (R) 7,488

David Ahearn (D) **Register of Deeds** Cathy Stacey (R) 5,894 Bill Tappan (D) 4,615

County Attorney

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Scott Priestley (R)

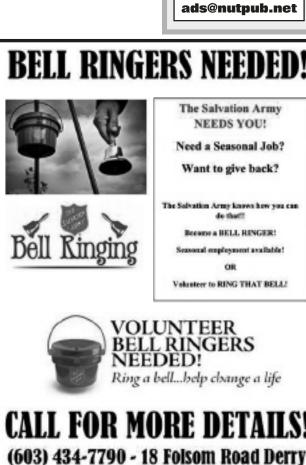
Register of Probate Ray Tweedie (R) - 5,277



Bob Davidson (D) - 4,758 Patricia Conway (R) 7,231 Griffin Poutre (L) - 4,74

> **County Commissioner** 5,702 Kevin Coyle (R) - 5,279 4,922 Joshua Bourdon (D) - 5,594

> > **Question 1** No 1,674 Yes 8,116 **Ouestion 2** Yes 8,162 No 1,860



who is also a Math teacher early summer for the at Pinkerton. Doris reports nationals. that Pinkerton has been Number 1 in the league in 2012 - 2016, and 2018 and came in second to Portsmouth in 2017. Doris says the team hopes to have the Pinkerton name on the first place plaque again for 2019!

Best of all, individuals involved in the math team program have an opportunity to be selected to compete at national levels through NH State meets held at various locations across the country during the year. Selected students first compete at regional levels as a part of the NH State Math Team. A NH State event has been held at the HarvardMITMath Tournament this month and future meets will be held with Harvard/MIT support - at the Londonderry High School this winter, at Yale University in the spring,

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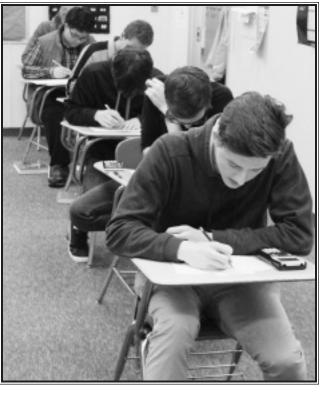
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scholarship money for rewarded handsomely.

or for other schools, so while the competition is The NH State math strong, students who persemeets are a place where vere and work hard to math geniuses can earn develop their skills are



Math Team members competed in individual and team problem solving during the Math Meet held at Londonderry High School last week. Photo by Chris Paul





to its frantic pace for overindulging on Thanksgiving and buying too much for Christmas. But one of the nice things about living here is the generosity that comes out in full force as well at the holidays. Whether it's a free, church-sponsored Thanksgiving dinner hosted and prepared for anyone and everyone who, regardless of their financial status, seem ready to dig into their pockets to help those less fortunate. As an aside, recent national news stories report that wealthier people donate less of their income proportionately to charity than people whose incomes are lower.

Our pages are filled with announcements of coat, hat and scarf collection drives; boot collections; food pantry requests; and wished for gifts for the needy. It starts young, with school children collecting pennies and clothing to help others, older students hosting more extensive collection drives, and adults contributing time, money or gifts to help "adopted" families not in a position to buy gifts for the holidays otherwise.

Local drives make it feasible for most people to help out. Children grow out of their clothes, and clothing drives, particularly for winter the spirit of the coming season.

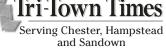
The season is rapidly ramping up items, are a great place to recycle those items and know that they are going to someone in need. Living in a state without a sales tax, we often don't carry around the pennies we get back from purchases, and a penny drive to aid the less fortunate is a great use for those coins.

> Then there are food and gift needs for local families, usually collected under the auspices of food pantries and churches and "giving trees." Buying a few extra cans of soup or packages of macaroni and cheese may make the difference to a local family experiencing hard times, but have little impact on the giver's household budget.

> We live in an affluent area, and we don't often see visible indications of need. But organizations like Family Promise, which provides shelter for local homeless families, or the busy food pantries in each of our towns, are strong indicators that while we are surrounded by the trappings of comfort, they don't include everyone. So when you plan your gift giving this year, think of your neighbors as well. And if you have some spare time on your hands, consider helping out at free meals, soup kitchens, or fundraisers for the holidays. It's a rewarding way to express



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Letters

schools safe and secure.

It is my honor and priv-I would like to Thank ilege to be given this that you have given me - to opportunity to serve as your Representative.

Mary Eisner Derry

Thank You All

To the editor, I would like to extend resources that combat the my deepest appreciation and heartfelt thanks to the wonderful people of Derry who turned out in record numbers to vote in the mid-

keeping our citizens and term election. I am honored and humbled by the support and confidence listen, to be available, and to be your voice. Together, we will continue to make Derry a community that continunes to be a shing example as one of the best places to live and work in th Great State of New Hampshire.

Thank you Phyllis Katsakiores State Representative Derry

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Thank You Voters

the Derry voters for elect-

ing me to be their Repre-

sentative to the NH House.

work with my colleagues

on issues that provide the

citizens of NH the opportu-

nity to have a healthy and

prosperous quality of life.

Issues such as; supporting

opioid crisis, reduce prop-

erty taxes, provide access

to affordable Healthcare,

public school funding and

It is my intention to

To the editor,

nephews and they joined them at the table for break-

fast. Kids Care Club members made their way from the cafeteria to the gym loaded with trays of scrambled eggs, pancakes and sausages to serve the entire group on Thursday morning, Nov, 8.

After the breakfast, members of Derry VFW Post 1617 presented the colors and opening remarks were given by WRB principal Justin Krieger.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given by WRB staff member and veteran Kelley Dupuis, followed by the Star Spangled Banner performed by the Eighth Grade Band, conducted by eighth grader Rei Hazard.

The schools Music Teacher, Blake Leister, led the Eighth Grade Chorus in the song "Hero" before three students spoke to the crowd of veterans and the 660 students assembled.

Sophie Dandawa, sixth grade, Cameron Kuncik, seventh, and eighth grader



Jaydan Bourassa and Emma-Lynn Lincoln serve attendees at WRB Breakfast last week.

Sofia Convey each spoke he graduates. about what service meant to them.

The Keynote speaker for the ceremony was a WRB Alumni who now attends Pinkerton Academy and is a member of the Jr. ROTC program. Logan Hill spoke of his love of the ROTC program and how he will be pursuing a career in the military after

Hill said he was proud to be a young adult who is eager to serve the community before thanking everyone in the room who had served in the military.

The service ended with the presentation of the school's Spirit of America Award.

The recipient, Derry continued on page 5

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WRB Vets continued from page 4

School District's Director of Information Services, Ray Larose was not able to make the event, and Superintendent of Schools Dr. MaryAnn Connors-Krikorian accepted the award on his behalf.

Also receiving recognition was PTSA member Laura Peterson.

After the event, veterans were invited to share stories and memories of their time spent in the service with students in their classrooms.





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Go Green Group Starts Plans Winter Snowshoe Walk

MACK LEATHURBY NUTFIELD NEWS

in Derry's outdoor conservation land areas. Even many long time residents Tour this Winter. The team of our community have yet also intends to support to discover the hidden conservation walk events charm of these special lands. The Derry Go Green team wants to help you see the secret life of these hidden gems, while having a with an opportunity to see

scenic conservation lands spective. in 2019.

Snowshoe Conservation around Derry in the Spring, Summer and Fall. They hope you will participate, and want to support you fun time walking through nature from a unique per-

The Snowshoe Conser-As they have done in vation Tour being planned There is a secret beauty the past, the Go Green is targeted to match snowteam is planning to create a fall situations, so stay tuned for the dates of the tour. If you or someone, including kids, ever wanted to learn how to snowshoe, the Snowshoe Conservathis will be a great opportunity to do so - while having a fun time seeing a Derry Area conservation site. There is a lot more life in the winter than may be

first understood and a Land Steward for some of munity on the beauty and in touch with winter's beauty. Go Green expects to work with Conservation Land Stewards and other tion Tour for good winter fun.

Go Green has extensive experience working with local Land Stewards. The Conservation Land Stewardship Program in NH is responsible for monitoring and protecting the conservation values of conservation easement lands in which the State of New Hampshire has invested. New Hampshire has a program initiative to develop and support Land Stewardship. Anyone

Snowshoe tour is an invig- Derry's beautiful conser- value of our natural orating and fun way to be vation easement lands can resources; Encourage the contact Go Green via their exploration of the outmation.

Derry resources to prepare for recycling awareness and using technologies efforts and the bi-annual that reduce reliance on Derry "Town Wide Clean finite resources. The Go Up Weeks." You may have Green team works directly recently used blue bags organized by Go Green servation Committee to folks to help clean up local Derry road areas. The October 2018 clean up week in Derry was another additional team members successful environmental initiative that also raised the team. If you want to "green" awareness. Go make a difference in Derry Green typically also plans to help support a green a Derry clean up week during the Spring and coordi- Green team via facebook nates this initiative with or their web site, or come Earth Day.

web site for further infor- doors; and Engage all in living greener through Go Green is also known recycling, reducing waste with the Derry Town Conalign their program and efforts.

Go Green is looking for from the Derry area to join world contact the Go to their monthly meetings Go Green's Mission is and consider joining the

interested in becoming a to educate the Derry com- team.

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work over the winter months, and there will be another meeting in the spring. Students from the Pinkerton Academy culinary program will be preparing the food for the event. Sioras stated, "Pinkerton has been very accommodating to allow us to use the facilities in this

community."

Elizabeth Robidoux, the Planning and Economic tion will be neither painful Development stated, "The most important veals that the consultants thing in this visioning meeting is that we want to reach as diverse a population as we can. Everybody has a voice." She questioned, "You don't want four people who showed up at the meet- sitting will be available free way to get feedback from ing determining the future of charge for this meeting. the key stakeholders of the of the town, do you?" She

makes an excellent point that your opinion can't count if your opinion is not known and that participa-Assistant, nor scary. Robidoux rewho will assist at the meeting are "dynamic, engaging and very people oriented" and believes the crowd will enjoy the experience.

Refreshments and baby-

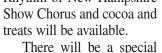
Tree Lighting Ceremony Rhythm of New Hampshire

Town to Host a Christmas

MICHAEL GENDRON SUBMISSION

Town of Derry will hold a Christmas Tree Lighting visitor coming from the Ceremony on Saturday, Nov. 24 at 6:30 p.m. placed in the same green space that the Derry Farmer's Market has Department. That special been held (near corner of West Broadway and Manning Street). The lighting will be the culmination of several holiday events taking place that same day in downtown Derry.

sung and performed by the ty detail to insure folks can



North Pole and transported to the event by fire truck courtesy of the Derry Fire guest will help us countdown to the tree lighting at approximately 7 p.m. and then he will be meeting and greeting the children in attendance. The Derry Police Deptartment will be Holiday music will be generously providing a safe-

The tree was very recently donated to the Town of Derry by Andy Day of Cask & Vine restaurant who was responsible for organizing the crowd-funding of the tree and putting on the lighting ceremony last year.

get to the event safely.

The town has since generously agreed to take possession of the tree and will store and assemble the tree each year from now on. The Greater Derry Arts Council has agreed to produce the tree lighting ceremony





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Greater Derry Track Club Prepares for Annual Turkey Trot

LYNN THOMAS NUTFIELD NEWS

Track Club will host its also from 7 a.m. - 8:30 45th Annual Turkey Trot on Thanksgiving Day, Nov. 22, at Galien's Beach, route 102, in Derry at 9 a.m. The Greater Derry ing the packet pickup Track Club is a non-profit hours. It is highly recomcharitable that was formed in 1978 to promote running and support the community. For all entries, the organizers are ing crowds. requesting a donation of any non-perishable canned will receive a high-quality goods or dry food items. long sleeve shirt. There All food donations go to will be plenty of post-race Greater Derry area to help the needy. If you forget be awards for the first your donation, they will three male and female finask for a small cash dona- ishers, as well as top fin-

food pantry. Packet Pickup Londonderry. The awards will begin on Wednesday, Nov. 21 from 4 p.m. - 8 The Greater Derry p.m. at the race site and a.m. at the race site on race there will be continuous morning, Thursday, Nov. 22. Race day registration will also be available durorganization mended to come Wednesday afternoon to take advantage of this and avoid the Thursday morn-

The first 1,200 entries well as music. There will tion which will go to the ishers from Derry and

ceremony will occur at approximately 9:30 a.m. Parking will be available at Pinkerton Academy and bus transportation from the Pinkerton Academy parking lot to the race site from 7 am to 11 am. The race course is a Certified 5k (3.1 miles) course, that takes you clockwise around the residential roads of Beaver Lake. There is a video of the course available on the website at www.gdtc.org-/run/index.php/turkey-trot .

To check any weather food pantries in the food and beverages, as cancellations, please visit the website. Pre-Registration (Online Registration) is \$17 for adults ages 13 and older, and for under 13 is free for the first 200



Local runners will brave the cold to run around Beaver Lake again this year at the Greater Derry Track Club's Turkey Trot. Photo by Chris Paul

Wish List will be Decem-

shipped to our address

once they are bought. All

applicants.

Race Day Registration will be \$20 while under 13 at scoyle@gdtc.org for any (including Wednesday) for will be \$10. Contact the questions.

ber 9.

address.

anonymous.

adults ages 13 and older Race Director Sean Coyle

Annual Holiday Smiles Event Brings Joy to Families chase the gifts from the

have a happy holiday and buying gifts for their complete the gift registry to be able to unwrap at child(ren) this season least one gift under the tree email us at that's just for them.

For many families buying gifts for their child(ren) might be easier said than child. done.

Nobody should have to be stressed when trying to provide for their child(ren) need to be able to buy the especially around the holiday. That's why we are is the registry we are using. organizing a holiday gift registry called Holiday Smiles for the local chil- child(ren) want/need and dren of Derry.

How it works:

PHASE ONE: If you need help buying or know your number

Every child deserves to somebody who needs help HolidaySmiles17@gmail.com.

Please provide: 1. The first name of the requested.

2. Their age

3. The gift you are requesting for them. You gift on Amazon since that We will gather the details on the specific gifts your add them to my (Leah's) Amazon Wish List.

4. Your first name and

Once the Wish List is for 4 gifts. will be shared to the public as a link during Phase 2. Everybody will be able to it's time for the community view what gifts have been to get the word out about

The deadline for emailing your requests is November 21. Who qualifies? Any child who lives in Derry! (Up to age 18) Are there any limits? Yes, clicks of a mouse buy a gift please limit your gift to be delivered to a family requests to a maximum of \$50 per item.1 gift per child. Please no visa gift card requests. Gift cards to specific stores are fine. Example- If you have 4 children you may register

PHASE TWO:

After November 21, the Wish List will be live and this list, buy the gifts and/or donate money directly to us so all of the wishes can be fulfilled! People will be able to one stop shop and with a few in need.

The deadline to pur-

PHASE THREE:

All items will be shipped to our address and When purchasing a gift will be available for pick from the Wish List if you up on Sunday, December are a member of Amazon 16. Just in time for the hol-Prime you will just need to idays! Again, we will keep select my name-Leah all of your information Bourdon as the shipping anonymous/between us.

Please do your best to All of the gifts will be be available for this date to pickup gifts. If for some reason you won't be availof the requests will remain able I am flexible and will try to work something out.

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Community Members Gather for Veterans Day Ceremony



On Sunday Nov. 11, Veterans Day, The Derry VFW Post 1617 Commander Leonard Perkins lead a gathering at MacGregor Park in the annual ceremony honoring those who have served America. Perkins began with opening remarks before American Legion Post 9 Chaplain Carl Morrison gave an Invocation. The events guest speaker was Amy Frechett, a Suicide Prevention Coordinator with the Manchester Veterans Medical Center, she stressed the importance of caring for those who served our nation and helping them through their troubles. The Derry Town Council had several members present to read a Proclamation prepared for the ceremony. The service ended with P.C. Alger of Post 9 delivering a Benediction. *Photos by Chris Paul*









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Astros Football Squad Heads to Finals after Win in Salem

IDAN VINITSKY NUTFIELD NEWS

For the 12th time in the last 15 seasons, and the second cosecutive time, the Pinkerton Academy football team will play for the Division I state championship.

The Astros did it again on the road, demolishing Salem High School with a decisive 31-7 win last Saturday in the semifinals and securing the ticket to the last game of the season, where the will face a very strong and undefeated Bedford team.

The DI final will be played at the University of New Hampshire football field this Saturday, starting at 6 p.m.

The Astros were only the number four seed entering the playoffs, but after knocking out the top seed, rivals Londonderry High School in a dramatic fashion in the first round, they saved themselves and their fans the pressure this time, leaving the Blue Devils no chance.

Pinkerton got off to an amazing start and after stopping the hosts for a quick three-and-out, they needed only one minute and 48 seconds to get their first points of the game, when Gannon Fast found some space and took the ball 40 yards to the



Pinkerton senior Nick Lombard makes a leap over the Salem defense during a run at Saturday's Semi-final win against Salem High. *Photos by Chris Paul*

end zone to make it six to Unfortunately for Salem, a face mask was called against

Salem almost answered in the next drive, after quarterback Kyle Poulin found with a beautiful side-to-side pass his WR, Michael Ference, who was stopped short of the end zone, but gained 60 yards on the play.

Unfortunately for Salem, a face mask was called against them on that very same play and the ball moved back from PA's 11 yard line to the 26. Pinkerton's defense was able to regroup from their only bad play of the day and stop the hosts on 4th down to get the ball back.

On the first play of their next drive, the Astros moved the ball with another 40 yard run by fast, but eventually they had to punt it. Defense kept being on top of things, allowing the Blue Devils only one first down the entire first half and Pinkerton got a great chance to go to the locker rooms with a larger lead, but a 6:13 minutes, 13 play drive that took the visitors all the way from their 44 yard line to Salem's 1 ended with a brave goal line stand by Salem and after 24 minutes of football, the score remind 6-0. By halftime, Fast already had 13 carries for 117 yards.

The third quarter was when it all clicked for Pinkerton. Salem was hoping to change the game, but Nick Lombard had other plans and on the fourth play of the half, he took the ball for 49 yards and a touchdown. The extra point was missed, thanks to the muddy field (Pinkerton didn't convert any of its five extra points during the game), but now it was 12-0 and it was only the beginning.

Another stop on 4th down gave the Astros the



Gannon Fast makes his way to the end zone at Saturday's game.

ball on their own 37 yard line. They ran the ball 13 times, and after 6:16 minutes, found the end zone once again, this time thanks to a 10 yard run by Gennaro Marra. The Astros almost extended their lead quickly, when their kickoff hit one of the Salem players ("it was not an onside kick", said coach Brian O'Reilly after the game, smiling, "we had no intention for that to happen. But we say 'thank you very much""), but this time Salem's defense was able to get the stop and the third quarter ended with a promis-

Astros the quarter ended wit

ing 18-0 lead for the visitors.

The Blue Devils began their last chance on their 20 yard line after a good Pinkerton punt. A false start and a taunting penalty pushed them back to the five vard line and another false start made it 3rd and 28. After an incompletion by Poulin, Salem tried a punt but Pinkerton's special team was all over it, Allen Gault with the block and Fast with the cover and touchdown. By now, with 11:14 to go and the scoreboard showing Pinkerton 24, Salem 0, it was more or less game over and the home fans were slowly leaving the freezing stands.

Salem lost the ball again on downs and Fast ran for 15 yards for his third touchdown of the game, to make it 30-0 with 8:23 on the clock. Salem was eventually able to score some points, with three excellent play, an 11 yard run by Riley Mulvey, followed by a 15 yard run by Brandon Wall and a 24 yard touchdown that Donovan Abraham caught, but it was way too little and way too late and the game was over. Pinkerton was by far the

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PA XC Teams finish Eight and 16 in N.E. Championship



Pinkerton Cross Country captains Jordan Vaillancourt and Ciara April helped their team place eighth among all other New England teams last weekend.

Have Sports News? Local sports coaches, parents, and athletes: If you have information about the superb performances of a local team or individual athlete, don't keep it to yourself. Forward it to Nutfield News sportswriter Idan Vinitsky at sports@nutpub.net, and help us let everybody in on the good news.



Idan Vinitsky NUTFIELD NEWS

The Pinkerton Academy Cross Country teams ran for the last time this season on Saturday, when they participated in the 2018 New England Interscholastic Cross Country Champion-Manchester, NH.

The girls' and boys' teams qualified to the race being one of the top six high schools in the state at the NHIAA Meet of Champions last weekend in Nashua.

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better team on the field, with 29:56 minutes of possession and 322 total yards, compared to 18:04 minutes of possession and just 170 total yards by Salem, almost a third of them coming on that late touchdown drive. Fast ran the ball 26 times for a gain of 161 yards, while Marra had 51 yards in 11 carries, plus a

Saturday, and was ranked for first between the New McGaffigan getting fourth place in the state race). The Trailblazers had a total time of 1:43.34.40, with an average time of 20:42.88.

52nd, at 20:14.8 minutes. Freshman Riley Sweeney personal best of 20:20.0 and freshman Mariesa Preble came in 66th with 20:22.9.

the 141st runner to finish The girls' team finished the race, after 21:14.4 min-

PA were Molly Nolan Hampshire schools (after 21:22.3), Captain Jordan finished 89th with a time of Vaillancourt (199, 22:09.3) 17:16.6 minutes. The next and Meaghan Robidoux runners for PA were Jeff (247, 23:37.1). Champlain Mize (131, 17:37.1), Joseph Valley from Vermont won Gagnon (147, 17:49.4), the championship. "We are Zachary Aham Meghan Cross was the very happy with these 17:54.0), Nathan Steiger ship that was held in best Pinkerton runner, results", said coach Amy (169, 18:04.3), Steven crossing the finish line Bernard, "I could not be Groulx (195, 18:26.3) and prouder".

> The boys team kept its 17:44.28). La Academy from

in eighth place overall on utes and other participants Island won first place. Preble (151st, Pinkerton's best runner and (154.Zach Plazaa (202, 18:29.5).

The boys' coach. in Derryfield Park after finished 60th overall with a fifth place from last week Michael Karthas, said: "The among the New Hampshire 2018 season came to a close high schools, finishing 16th and the future looks bright overall with a total time of with a dedicated crew, ready Captain Ciara April was 1:28:41.40 (Average time: to prepare well for 2019. Salle Our quest for the 2019 Rhode championship burn bright".

> 14 yard catch and Lombard had 10 carries for 83 yards. Poulin, the losing quarterback, passed for exactly a hundred yards (6 from 15).

After the game, an elated Marra said "It was an amazing game by our defense. Everything started with them. Our offensive line was opening holes for us. We really woke up after halftime. We were mad after we missed that chance at the end of the first half, but coach told us that we are still winning this game. We came back out, our defense played strong and our offense figured things out and put the ball in the end zone. I haven't seen much of Bedford yet, but I know they are a good team. We will look at some film and be ready to go".

Coach O'Reilly added: "We changed our defensive scheme and it worked. We knew that if we change the scheme we will be fine and the mud wasn't bad for us.

different kind of team. just out there". Salem was spreading us

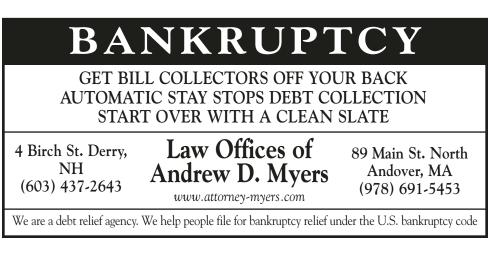
Semi-final win against Salem.

Last week was different, like they did. Bedford is a because Londonderry is a great team, their scores are

Photo by Chris Paul

Pinkerton senior Gennaro Marra makes his way

through Salem defenders during a run at Saturday's



PA Girls' Ice Hockey team Ready for Inaugural Season

Idan Vinitsky NUTFIELD NEWS

There is a new varsity team at Pinkerton Academy preparing for the winter season, and it is aiming straight to the top. For the first time ever, the Astros will have a Regional Youth Hockey girls' ice hockey team, that Association (MRYHA) as a will join the school's varsity coach and is also part of the and JV boys' ice hockey MRYHA's board of directeams.

While ice hockey for high school boys enjoys a long history in the state of time as a high school ice New Hampshire, running all hockey coach, but the level the way back to 1947, the four (out of five) USA girls first championship was Hockey coach has experiwon by Hanover High ence working with female School in 2008. Hanover athletes: "I am currently lost their title in the next coaching a boys team with year, but won every other two girls in it, one of them is

Pinkerton Academy dreams tournaments in recent years." of changing that dominance.

The new team will be coached by Scott Dunn, who has been working for the last several years at Manchester tors as a Director of Strategic Planning.

This will be Dunn's first championship ever since, my own daughter", Duun

bringing their total to ten out said recently, "And I've of 11 possible titles. Now, coached a few girls teams in

> Dunn says that Pinkerton Academy's Athletic Director, Brian O'Reilly, was the one who pushed for a girls' ice hockey team to be established, and found the money needed to make it happen: "There are a lot of girls in our area who play competitive ice hockey, outside the school. O'Reilly saw that, and thanks to him, we have a team now", said Dunn, "I can't say how come there wasn't a Pinkerton team until today".

girls' previous experience. players as well. He will hold three tryouts: on Monday, Nov. 26, at the Tri-Town Ice Arena in Hooksett (at 4:10 p.m.), on Thursday, Nov. 29, at the the next day, Friday, Nov. 30, back in Tri-Town at 4:30 p.m. He expects about 25-30 players to show up for the tryouts, most of them already familiar with the game. Eventually, Dunn will have to select 18 skaters plus two goalies for his new

Dunn is counting on the five more practice squad Thomas Aquinas High

Once the tryouts will conclude and the players selected, the PA team will only have about two weeks and five practices to get Cyclones Arena Hockey in ready for its first ever game, Hudson at 4:20 p.m. and on a home meeting against Bishop Brady High School.

The first puck will drop Dec. 12 at 3 p.m.

The Lady Astros will play a total of five home games: three at the Tri-Town Arena (Dec. 21, 8 p.m., against Concord and Jan. girls' ice hockey team in our team, and he hopes to have 23, 3 p.m., against St. school".

School) and two more home games at the Ice Den Arena (Jan. 5, at 1 p.m., against Bishop Guertin High school and Feb. 9, 6:40 p.m., against Bedford High School). They will face a total of 15 teams in their division.

"I looked forward to the at the Tri-Town Arena on season", said the new coach, "I did some research and I believe will be very competitive. We are very excited about this. We have been waiting a long time to have a

Two PA Girl Volleyball Players Receive All-State Recognition

Athletes of the Week Week of Nov. 5



Allen Gault Senior, Football

Allen Gault's play on the offensive and defensive line helped the Astros beat the Blue Devils and move on to the NHIAA Championship. Gault had numerous tackles as well as blocking a punt for a touchdown.

teams.

They

of Hampstead made All-

State first team for the sec-

ond straight year, and her

teammate Leya Wang, a

junior from Chester made

complimented his two

players: "They are very strong volleyball players.

extremely hard throughout

their careers to get to

where they are today. They

are both terrific volleyball

players but even more

importantly, they are terrif-

ic people and role models".

Pinkerton's team fin-

have

Coach Todd Royce

worked

third team All-State.



Riley Sweeney Freshmen. Girls **Cross Country**

Riley Sweeney was the 6th place DI girl on the day. She ran a phenomenal race to help her team take the 1st NH Team honors. She has taken 4 mins off of her XC time since the beginning of the season and been a huge asset to the team.

Athletes are chosen by Pinkerton Academy Athletic Office



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IDAN VINITSKY ished the regular season NUTFIELD NEWS with an 11-7 record, good Two of the Pinkerton Academy girls' volleyball

for the 9th seed in Division I. In the preliminary playoff round they were able to players were selected beat the 8 seed Portsmouth recently for the All-State High School contingent, three sets to one. Senior Amelia Graves

The Lady Astros season ended with a loss in their quarter finals game, three sets to none, to the eventual Division One champions, the Hollis Brookline High School team who finished with an undefeated record.



Amelia Graves



Leya Wang

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Pinkerton Alumni Inducted into the NHIAA Hall of Fame

Idan Vinitsky NUTFIELD NEWS

Patricia "Tricia" Dunn- Tara Mounsey and contribu-Luoma was doing it all at tors Jamie Staton and Pinkerton Academy. Born in Matthew Swrdberg. Derry, she attended the local high school, where she the fall and spring seasons quickly became a standout for Pinkerton Academy field hockey and softball teams, until her graduation player for the Astros.

career as an ice hockey player, including winning three Winter Olympic medals with the U.S. Ice Hockey Game. Her coached said she Women's team, she received earned much respect and a great honor, becoming part admiration from them, as of the 18th NHIAA (New Hampshire Interscholastic Athletic Association) Hall of Fame Class.

Hall of Fame in a ceremony that will be held on Sunday, Nov. 18, at the Grappone Conference Center Courtyard Marriott in Concord.

football coach William "Billy" Ball from Exeter, official William Makara-Back in the early 90s, wicz, fellow ice hockey star

Dunn-Luoma played in in 1992. She was named Now, after a successful captain of the field hockey team and scored the winning goal for the team in the 1991 Class L State Championship well as from her teammates and competitors. She was highly coachable, and was selected President of her Dunn-Luoma, 44, will class (a role she later relinbe inducted into the NHIAA guished in order to focus on sports) and served on the Students Council.

Dunn-Luoma testified about herself that while field hockey and softball, the She was selected for the sports she played with great "Athlete" category, next to success while at Pinkerton a "learn to skate" brochure



Pinkerton Graduate Patricia "Tricia" Dunn-Luoma will be part of the 18th New Hampshire Interscholastic Athletic Association Hall of Fame Class.

Academy, were both pas- she received in her kindersions born later in her formative years, she vividly remembers herself skating at a very young age. Her mother recounted a story about the future ice hockey star: Dunn-Luoma brought home

garten and ever since, she was skating on the ice.

As all-girls ice hockey teams were not established back then, Dunn-Luoma used to compete on the all-

junior year at Pinkerton Nagano, Japan. Academy, she joined an allfor the first time ever, gold medal in the inaugural part of the Winter Olympic Games in 1998, she became focused on the goal of representing the United States.

Pinkerton Academy Dunn- Lake City, Dunn-Luoma and Luoma went on to play ice hockey for the University of New Hampshire (UNH), where she played as forward, scoring 60 goals and Luoma got her third and last assisting 57 for a total of 117 points in 108 college games. In her senior year, Dunn-Luoma was named to the all-tournament team after helping UNH winning the ECAC title, in a five overtime game against Providence College. She graduated from UNH in 1996 with a Cup tournaments. She also degree in psychology.

Upon graduation she boys teams and enrolled tried out and made the US with the Manchester Flames Olympic team for the 1998 between 1996 and 2006.

Organization. During her Winter Olympic Games in

As an Olympian, she girls team in Chelmsford, was part of the US Women MA. When she learned that Ice Hockey team who won women ice hockey will be a ice hockey tournament in the Winter Olympics. The US team won the finals against Canada, 3-1. Four years later, at the 2002 After graduating from Winter Olympics in Salt the Americans took the silver medal, after losing the final to the Canadians.

In 2006, her Dunn-Olympic medal, this time finishing with the bronze at the 2006 Winter Olympics in Turin, Italy. She also played in six World Championships, winning five silver medals (1997. 1999, 2000, 2001, 2004) and in four Three/Four Nations played for Minnesota Whitecaps in the Western Women's Hockey League



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Blood Drive

Derry Fire Department annual Blood Drive is Friday, Nov. 16, at 52 East Derry Rd (The Upper Village Hall) from 2 - 7 p.m. "Every two seconds someone in the U.S. needs blood. It is essential for surgeries, cancer treatment, chronic illnesses, and injuries. Whether a patient take place Dec. 11, 12, or 13, receives whole blood, red cells, platelets or plasma, this lifesaving care starts with one person old and up. making a generous donation."-American Red Cross. For more information or to schedule an appointment, please visit: redcrossblood.org and enter the code DERRYFIRE -OR- call in your body and the impor-1-800-REDCROSS (1-800-733-2767).

Renew clothing opening Dec.

will be open Renew Saturday, Dec. 8, 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 sions decorated in festive 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 "Renew Derry" on for Facebook, email renewcalvary@gmail.com.

Holidav Gift-Making Extravaganza

The Derry Public Library, will once again hold its Gift-Making Extravaganza for adults who wish to avoid the shopping lines. Join in the DIY fun and Ridge make a few gifts from the heart. Wednesday, Nov. 28 at 6:30 p.m. Attendees will make bath salts, candles, cocoa cups, Sharpie art, and jewelry! The event is free but registration is required. Call the library at 432-6140 or sign up online at www.derrypl.org

Polar Express registration

The Taylor Library Polar Express Story Hour registration will start Nov. 15, at noon either in person or by calling in at noon. No messages regarding registration will be taken from our answering traumatic machine! Polar Express will at 6:30 p.m. Call for Details! Children have to be 4 years

Protein, AKA the Body's Own Superman

On Wed, Nov. 17 at 2 p.m. learn about the role of protein tance of lean protein in your diet at the Derry Public Library. Part of a series of afternoon nutrition programs presented by Southern New Hampshire Services. Register online at derrypl.org or call 432-6140.

Christmas at the Newport Mansions

Join the fun as Sandown Recreation travels to "Christmas at the Newport Mansions" on Friday, Nov. 30. You'll tour 3 beautiful man- Basketball program, will be information at 432-3333;

themes and sparkling with silver and gold. View rooms filled with decorated trees, thousands of poinsettia plants, wreaths, garlands and flowers. You'll visit The Breakers; The Elms; and Marble House to view their holiday finery. Cost is \$50 per person for residents of Sandown and co-sponsoring Plaistow. Non-residents are additional \$5. Fee covers coach bus transportation and admission to mansions. Depart at 7:30 a.m. from Park & Ride lot in Plaistow and return approximately 7:30 p.m. Lunch is on your at Brick Alley Pub (or another eatery if you so choose or bring a bag lunch) All details may be found by visiting www.sandown.us and navigating to the Parks & Recreation page. Full payment or 50 percent deposit required with registration. Deadline of Nov. 15, for registrations and all payments. Contact Deb Brown at 887-1872 or via email to: recreation@sandown.us for space availability or if you need additional information. Walking advisory: there will be a minimum of 6 times for boarding the bus throughout the day.

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Free Thanksgiving Day Dinner

On Thanksgiving Day, the Community Meals Network (a group of organizations that provide free monthly meals) will jointly host a free homecooked Thanksgiving Day meal, from 1 - 2:30 p.m, at the Episcopal Church of the Transfiguration, 1 Hood Road, in Derry. The dinner will include turkey, mashed potatoes, squash, veggies, and pies. Come and have a delicious meal in a warm and friendly environment. If you are interested in helping put on the dinner, please contact Lieutenant Kathryn Mayes, Salvation Army, at kathryn.mayes@use.salvationarmy.org.

Candy Cane Fair

Saint Thomas Aquinas parish will be having their Candy Cane Fair on Saturday, Nov. 17 from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. The fair will be held in the Aquinas Center. Free admission and parking. There will be raffle baskets, bake sale table, a white elephant sale along with over 50 different kinds of crafters. Lunch will be served starting at 11 a.m. Please join us.

Free Meals

Please join us for free, family-friendly meals, served a relaxed atmosphere. in 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! Dinner on Nov. 17 from 5-6:30 p.m., at St. Luke's church, call for more information at 434-4767; Thanksgiving on Nov. 22 from 1 - 2:30 p.m., at Episcopal Church of the Transfiguration, call for more information at 432-2130; Breakfast on Nov. 25 from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m., at Episcopal Church of the Transfiguration, call for more information at 432-2130; Lunch on Nov. 25 from 1:30-2:30 p.m., at St. Jude's Church, call for more

holding tryouts at the Sports Dinner on Nov. 30 from 5 -6:30 p.m., at First Parish, call for more information at 434-0628: Dinner on Dec. 9 from 5 6:30 p.m., at Episcopal boys and girls grades 2nd - 6th Church of the Transfiguration, call for more information at 5432-2130, Dinner on Dec. 15 from 5 - 6:30 p.m., at St. Luke's church, call for more information at 434-4767: Breakfast on Dec. 16 from 10 - 11:30 a.m., at, Etz Havim Synagogue, call for more information at 432-0004; Dinner on Dec. 28 from 5-6:30 p.m., at First Parish, call for more information at 434-0628; Lunch on Dec. 30 from 1:30-2:30 p.m., at St. Jude's, call for more information at 432-3333. For more information, please visit: freemealsinderry.blogspot.com.

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 amd 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

Programs are open to the public at no charge, except as otherwise indicated. Donations to the Etz Hayim Synagogue will allow us to continue to offer these and other programs, and are gratefully accepted. Thurs. Nights, at 7 p.m. Etz Hayim Synagogue, 11/2 Hood Road, Derry. For more information, please contact: Stephen Soreff, MD, at soreffs-15@aol.com or 603 895-6120.

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

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.

Auto Auction Nov. 28 at 8:15 a.m. 2001 Ford VIN #1FT5X31561E801389 **1998** Ford VIN #1FTZR14X0WTA54432 2003 Lincoln VIN #5LMEU78H93ZJ33586 **Murrays Auto Recycling** 55 Hall Rd., Londonderry, NH

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