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Derry Schools May Gain from Grants in State House Budget

MACK LEATHURBY
NUTFIELD NEWS

Over the past year, the Derry Cooperative School District has faced difficult meetings with parents of students concerned about school closings. The district has also faced difficult budget compromises, due to tight budget guidelines, to insure that the Derry Schools have programs to help students develop the right skills for future careers.

The problems faced by the district are deep, as the School Board and Superintendent of Schools have wrestled with enrollment fluctuations. They have had to set a plan to deal with the fact that if the enrollment dips beyond a certain level,

those numbers may trigger a school closing or other cut backs in order to stay in line with local tax rates.

Help for Derry Schools may be on the way, as state legislators are offering solutions for state schools to help them in their budget process. The solutions proposed however, will only work if they can gain support from Governor Sununu or if the legislature can find ways to overcome his veto powers that may be pointed at certain education support issues.

This month New Hampshire House Budget Committee leaders finished working on their two-year state budget and the New Hampshire House passed their version of the budget. This State budget has significant focus for N.H. school

districts like Derry. The problem is the committee's budget work is not completely aligned with Governor Sununu's education funding plan.

Part of the disagreement is that the proposed House budget has added a capital gains tax, designed to raise \$150 million to help property-poor school districts, and the Governor says he will veto any new taxes or fees imposed in a budget. The capital gains tax in the budget passed by the N.H. House would be levied on the profits from the sale of assets like stocks, bonds or real estate (not including a primary residence). It would raise an estimated \$150 million a year, that House budget would like to see help

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Town Council Approves Fire, Emergency Management Budget

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Mike Gagnon, Derry Fire Chief, presented an overview of the Fire Department's budget considerations and Gagnon also introduced new Assistant Fire Chief, Jim Richardson, at the recent Derry Town Council meeting.

Gagnon and Richardson presented an overview of the Emergency Management and Fire Department budget. The Emergency Management budget covers crises management, as well as training in the event of a large-scale fire or emergency. Gagnon said that there is now a very robust CERT (Citizen's Emergency Response Team) group in Derry that we are

working with, consisting between 30 and 35 CERT members on the team. The Emergency Management team is responsible for planning, training, and community notification.

The Prevention and Emergency Services budget is responsible for fire suppression, emergency medical services - ALS (Advanced Life Support) transport, technical rescue services including all hazards, community risk reduction and emergency communications.

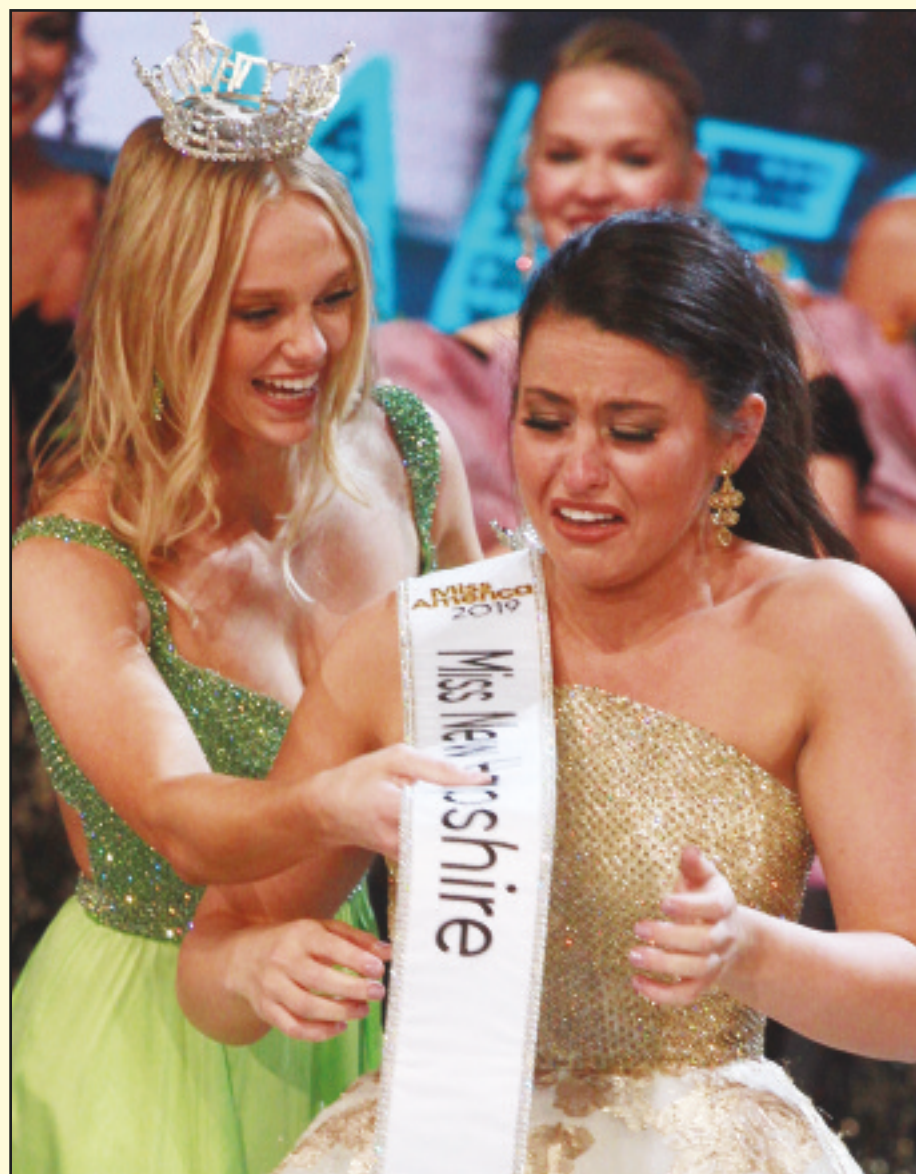
Current Emergency Management expenses are \$45,517, with no revenues accounted and with a tax liability of \$45,517. Fire, EMS and Communications are projected to have budget expenses of \$10,851,722,

with revenues around \$1.8 million and with a tax liability of just over \$9,000,000.

Emergency Management currently has no full-time employees and no part-time employees. Overtime utilized to manage programs and training is primarily provided by Fire Department lateral duties to oversee different areas of Emergency Management.

Some of the accomplishments for Emergency Management in fiscal year 2019 include support for the CERT team development. Gagnon said, "That team has really taken off and they are also now playing a huge role with our regional Haz-Mat (hazard materials) team, participating and pro-

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Sandown resident Sarah Tubbs was crowned Miss New Hampshire on Saturday evening by last year's title holder Marisa Moorhouse. This was the fourth time in the top two, and her first win.

Photo by Chris Paul

Sarah Tubbs Gets Her Miss New Hampshire Crown

CHRIS PAUL
Tri-Town Times

After the heartbreak of being named first runner-up for three years in a row, Sarah Tubbs of Sandown was finally able to walk the Stockbridge Theatre stage as Miss New Hampshire.

As the winner, Tubbs received \$15,000 in scholarship money. She is a graduate of the University of New Hampshire and is a resident of Sandown.

Tubbs performed a lyrical dance to "There You'll Be" by Faith Hill during the talent portion of the competition.

After the competition Tubbs addressed the crowd, "It's not about me, I'm up here representing a team of people, and my family, and all of the other girls are doing the same. But I'm showing that with perseverance and resilience you can make dreams, that were put in your heart, come true."

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Pinkerton Students Start a GoFundMe For Substitute Teacher and His Wife

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A couple of months ago, Danny Jacques, a Pinkerton student, saw substitute teacher, Dennis Burdick, coming down the hallway and loudly yet politely, said to nearby students, "Here comes the greatest substitute teacher ever."

Jacques meant those words sincerely. Burdick is a person who is compassionate about young people. Students support him because he connects his archive of life stories to his classroom teachings. For instance, Burdick told a story of meeting President John F. Kennedy, who sent a signed photo to him and his Dad, when Burdick was boy. He was at Pinkerton the day of JFK's assassination, that day changed American history in a dramatic manner and brought a fog to our country's psyche.

When his friend and student, Jacques, recently heard Burdick, was diagnosed with

colon cancer, Jacques promptly took action, setting up a GoFundMe page to help his teacher and his wife Martha to get through these difficult times. Not only is Burdock going through cancer, his wife is in vital need of a kidney transplant and has recently landed in the hospital with pneumonia. Medical and related costs are a big setback for the Burdick's, at a time when they need to focus on their recovery.

Both Burdick and his wife are extremely grateful to Pinkerton's, Danny Jacques, and his friends like Scott Cavan, as well as other students at Pinkerton and folks in the Greater Derry Area for supporting the GoFundMe effort. Martha Burdick said it best; "I wish I could hug every one of the students and all the folks out there to say thank you."

Burdick is going for cancer surgery immediately and all his many friends want to

wish him a speedy and full recovery. His mental outlook is strong, and recently his doctor told him that because his gall bladder was removed years ago, colon cancer is something that can often develop.

The good news for Burdick is that the GoFundMe is helping him to meet some of his burden. Please consider checking out the GoFundMe link for the Burdick's, initially set up by Jacques at www.goundme.com/vwzft8

For Burdick, working as a substitute teacher at Pinkerton was not something he initially thought about. His friends suggested this idea, and he went into this effort with a good plan. "I will show the students I respect them as individuals, and tell them about life as I have connected with it. I found that the respect I gave to my students, came back a lot more than I ever dreamed was possible."

He says, "One thing I

have learned in life and like to communicate to students is - small things can make big connections."

Burdick and his wife are both Pinkerton graduates of more than 50 years ago and Martha Burdick also worked for a time at Pinkerton. Dennis Burdick says, "Today I see Pinkerton is very different from my days as a student at the academy in the 1960s, as the campus has grown substantially and the curriculum, which was really good

then, is now remarkable."

He said, "When I was a student at Pinkerton, there were only 210 students in the whole high school and I actually entered Pinkerton as a sophomore, as 9th graders in those days attended Hood school. We all knew everyone's names and background, whereas today, the school is much larger and it's difficult for all the students to know everyone that well. The campus itself was substantially smaller

and the football field today is where we had school farming classes."

Burdick had quite the life experience in his Pinkerton days, as the Beatles and the British Music Wave brought a pop culture of music to Derry. Burdick was ready for Rock 'n' Roll as he had been a member the SpaceTown Cadet Drum and Bugle Corp, and he was ready to play drums and be a part of a Rock band, called The Telstars. The band name was taken from a hit song named after a space satellite - after all, Derry was famously known as Space Town, as result of being the birthplace of first Astronaut Alan Shepard.

The band lasted for 5 or 6 years and was one of the more popular Rock bands around Derry, "gigging" at teen clubs and town events including being one of the lead attractions at the precursor of DerryFest, then called Labor Day Fest. Telstar put out a fairly popular local record and even won a battle of the bands against the "Jam Band", which later changed its name to "Aerosmith." Burdick said that playing a music gig at Canobie Lake was one the band's highlights, and the band taught him how to be resourceful, polite and professional, which are traits that opened a lot of doors for Telstar and his later life efforts.

The Rock 'n' Roll story is only a small glimpse of the life stories that help Mr. Burdick relate to his students. He has an ability to connect these stories to his classroom teachings. Burdick says, "I love teaching the kids and I'm looking forward for both Martha and I getting healthy again, so I can go back to working with Pinkerton students. Thank you to the community for your support for us!"

OBITUARY

Diana LaRochele



Diana F. LaRochele of Derry, NH, passed away peacefully on April 24, 2019, following a lengthy illness. She was surrounded by the love of her husband, Dr. J. Eugene LaRochele and her son, Dr. Joseph M. LaRochele. Diana was born in Malden, MA, the daughter of the late Christy and Carmela (Conti) Lombardi. She is survived by her brother, Christopher and his wife Marie. Diana was also the sister of the late Mark, Robert, and Edward (Pat) Lombardi of Malden, MA. She cherished her nephews and nieces, babysitting and showering them with her knitted sweaters and blankets.

She graduated from Malden High School and began her career in office management in Boston. She met the love of her life, Gene, growing up through summers at Big Island Pond, which remained a centering place for the Lombardi and LaRochele families. Soon after Gene graduated from dental school, Diana was the office manager for Gene's dental practice in Derry. Diana's strong work ethic and attention to detail was instrumental in its success, and later, for the dental practice of Drs. Ahern and Nichols in Derry until her retirement, 47 years later.

Along with her husband, the center of her life was her son, Joe. As a family they enjoyed water skiing and boating on Big Island Pond and Lake Winnepesaukee. In addition to homemaking, Diana enjoyed her exercise classes at the gym, walking, and working in their yard. Diana was always cheerful and extremely hard working. Our family was blessed to have her in their lives.

Calling hours will be held on Sunday, April 28 from 3 - 7 p.m. in the Peabody Funeral Homes and Crematorium, 15 Birch St., Derry. A Mass of Christian burial will be celebrated on Monday, April 29 at 10 a.m. in St. Thomas Aquinas Church, 26 Cystal Ave., Derry. Committal services will follow in the chapel at Mt. Calvary Cemetery in Manchester. The family would like to thank the staff at the Inn at Fairview for their exceptional care during her illness. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Alzheimer's Association, 166 S River Rd., Suite 210, Bedford, NH 03110, or a charity of your choice.

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Conservation Commission and Parks and Rec Team Up for Galliens Beach Sand

MACK LEATHURBY
NUTFIELD NEWS

The Conservation Commission had a bimonthly meeting on April 22 that included the selection of Conservation Commission officers. Jim Degnan was reelected as Chairperson, and Rick Buzzanga was reelected for the Vice Chair position. Grace Reisdorf was newly elected as Secretary and Eileen Chabot was reelected as Treasurer.

Degnan saluted the commission team, "Here's to a wonderful year, as we are off to a good start so far. We have a lot of momentum and a lot of good things going forward."

Craig Durette, Environmental Coordinator — Town of Derry Public Works, was at the commission meeting to outline a project to replenish beach sand at Galliens Beach, a town beach off Pond Road. Durette was there on behalf of the Parks and Recreation Department.

Durette reported, "The intent of the project is to bring in around 10 cubic yards of clean sand and rake it upon the already existing beach area. There will be a silt fence put up between the beach and water to prevent any of the new sand going into the water. All the sand will be put above the high-water line as required by

codes and regulations. This is a perch beach area, meaning that the beach is above the level of the lake in the high waterline, so there be no impact to the water or actual shoreline itself."

The beach itself is about 3400 feet in size, and the amount of sand that will be used is only going to raise the beach about a half-inch to one inch higher. The last time there was a beach replenishment done at Galliens Beach was in 2003, when they brought in a lot more than 10 yards. At this point, there's been significant erosion and lots of rocks and other stuff are now exposed, so the town wants to restore that beach in

stages to make it more presentable. Parks and Recreation has received a number of complaints by residents about the current quality of the sand at the beach.

The Conservation Commission was concerned about the source of the sand to be used. Specifically, that wanted to ensure that foreign elements including invasive plants like Milfoil are not introduced into this environment. Durette pointed out that sand would come from fresh water areas, and be screened and sifted to assure it met local/ state codes as well as fit with proper conservation requirements.

Durette pointed out to the commission that sand

replenishment should likely have been done more frequently to protect this beach area from erosion and keep it in better shape. The beach area is now very gravel based and the Parks and Recreation Department will choose a suitable grade of sand appropriate for the area to enhance the foundation of this beach.

Currently Parks and Recreation guidelines only allow replenishments of 10 cubic yards or less of sand at one time to allow the sand to become compacted and minimize water erosion problems. The plan is for the town to consider a more extensive replenishment and restoration in the next year

or so, though this project will help for this coming season.

The guidelines in the plan for the Conservation Commission also set forward a site visit, which was promptly set by the Commission. Once the Commission can approve the project, the project plan will go to the N.H. State DES for their guidelines and approvals.

Durette said that the timeline goal is to complete the project in May and there is consideration, depending on seasonal conditions, that the beach will be open to support swimmers by Father's Day. Currently the beach area is not open and is locked for visitors.

Budget

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viding services helping firefighters at large scale events. That will allow them to be activated on a fairly regular basis and keep them involved. CERT people are also working at the polls now and taking on a greater community role, so we are very happy to have their efforts and we want to support them, as we did this past fiscal year."

Emergency communications have been enhanced as the AM Radio station infrastructure was upgraded over the past year. There was a grant received for the department and this was used for lighted signage that is all wireless controlled. These signs can now be set

up for emergencies and they also provide lighted messages to people. The message boards can also be easily activated to inform people to turn their radio to the 1610 AM radio frequency, so updated information can be provided quickly to the community. This is in addition to all the other mechanisms supported by Emergency Management Services including the Code Red system, texting, Facebook, and other media communications.

Goals for Emergency Management Services for fiscal year 2020 include Emergency Operations Plan preparedness through various drills, and continued active shooter planning and training.

Gagnon said, "We want to be sure we are prepared as

we can be in the event of those types of shooting situations occurring in this town. We work cooperatively with our police department and our other regional partners to ensure proper equipment is there and people are trained and familiar with concepts about the issues concerned with a large scale active shooting situation."

Our Emergency Management services will continue training and development of the CERT program this coming year. There are no capital purchases expected for Emergency Management services though there will be a budget increase to support mobile radio purchases for out of date radio

replacement and for updated mobility.

For the Fire Prevention and Emergency Services budget, which covers Fire, EMS and Communications, there are currently 75 authorized positions in the department and there is no request for additional personnel for the upcoming year. Revenue increased within the organization due to EMS with dispatch contracts and bad debt reduction from the ambulance service. Personal expenses have increased primarily due to wages and salary step increases. Overtime is projected to be reduced in the next budget and this budget is sufficient to maintain the 4 fire stations while operating

expenses are projected to be slightly less by about 2%.

There will be some capital expenditures and leases as related to the Fire Capital Reserve Fund setup. There is a scheduled staff vehicle replacement costs of \$43,000 and utility vehicle replacement costs of \$65,000. There is also a scheduled rescue boat replacement cost of \$30,000. The cardiac monitor system is scheduled for replacement at a cost of \$38,000. There will be replacements for the mobile radio system at a cost of \$70,000. There are facility projects in the Expendable Maintenance Trust for

\$25,000 including Central Station HVAC enhancements.

Overall the Town Council noted the Fire and Safety Budget is headed in the right direction with their budget outline and Chairperson Wetherbee, as well as Councilor Morgan told Gagnon to keep an eye open for any other creative avenues to save budget costs. The Council went through all the line items in the fire department budget and approved both the budget for the Emergency Management Services and the Fire Department Budget of \$10,851,722 by unanimous votes of 7-0.

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Editorial

Preventing Lyme Disease

If you're like me, you came to New Hampshire for the outdoor quality of life. If you're a native, you were born into this with all four seasons, each one with different outdoor activities.

I have long loved getting out of the house and some fresh air. However, my relationship with the outdoors has changed since having been diagnosed with Lyme disease.

Lyme disease is an infection caused by *Borrelia burgdorferi*, a spiral-shaped bacterium that looks and behaves like the bacteria that causes syphilis.

Since summer is around the corner, and in observance of Lyme Disease Awareness Month, it's time for an annual refresh regarding ticks and Lyme disease.

Most people feel that you need to have a bull-eye rash to develop Lyme disease. This isn't always the case. Typically when a person first contracts Lyme disease, he or she will develop flu-like symptoms about 7 - 21 days after the tick bite, with or without the rash.

Lyme disease can spread to most organ systems, including the heart and the central nervous system. Syphilis was nicknamed "The Great Masquerader" since it could develop symptoms that mimicked most any other disease. Today, it is Lyme disease that holds that title, since it, too may appear to be like other illness.

Lyme disease can cause symptoms as serious as cardiac arrhythmias and even sudden cardiac arrest. It can cause neurological symptoms that often appear like Multiple Sclerosis or Parkinson's disease.

Aside from the flu-like symptoms, some other less obvious signs of Lyme include a buzzing or tingling sensation on the skin, a

burning nerve pain, a great amount of joint pain, muscle pain and incredible muscle stiffness. Victims can experience a lot of "Brain fog," resulting in poor memory, difficulty with language skills, and in some cases even out right dementia.

Though they are most prevalent in the summer, ticks can bite every month of the year. However, there are a number of ways to prevent being bitten.

Permethrin, a common synthetic insecticide, can be applied to clothing to make them tick resistant. DEET, or Lemon Eucalyptus Oil can be used as insect repellent for the skin.

Wearing light and bright-colored clothing can help make it easier to spot ticks. Tucking the bottoms of pant legs into socks can prevent the ticks from climbing and hiding on legs. Clothes can also be put in a dryer for 10 minutes on high heat after coming in from outside to kill ticks.

If a tick becomes latched, remove it as soon as possible. The tick should then be placed in a sandwich bag with a small piece of damp paper towel with the date and name of the person who was bitten marked on the bag. It should be brought to a doctor or sent to a lab to see if it was a carrier of Lyme disease or other infections such as Bartonella, Ehrlichia, Babesia or Anaplasma.

Despite everything, I still love to be outdoors. But now I usually do so in long pants sprayed with permethrin, and double up with a natural insect repellent for good measure. I check for ticks even if I haven't been outside.

Enjoy the fresh air this season, but be sure take preventative measures from tick bites and seek prompt treatment if necessary. Stay safe!

Pinkerton Students Connect With Peers at Youth Summit

MACK LEATHURBY
NUTFIELD NEWS

About 350 Students across N.H., including 8 Pinkerton students, attended the 2019 Youth Summit this month in Concord to connect in peer-to-peer conversations and interact in discussion with State officials and leaders. The students examined how demands and stress in their daily lives are affecting their spirit, psyche and intellect. The students offered insights to the officials and mental health experts about the right kinds of support and communications that can be beneficial to help youth today cope with various complex problems.

The two-day event was focused on an assortment of issues that affect teens. Pinkerton Academy students shared thoughts, with others attending the summit, concerning the challenges they face in the 21st century, like drugs, social media and school violence.

Specific agenda topics for the event included Academic Pressures, Bullying and Cyberbullying, Community Support, Distracted Driving, Depression, Eating Disorders, Race and Gender Equality, School Violence, Self-Harm, Suicide Prevention, Sexuality, Gender and Sexual Identity, Substance Use, Using Social Media for Good and much more.

Pinkerton junior, Adrienne deAlmeida, was a student leader at the event and she reported to the entire summit about how depression can affect kids today and also about useful ways to address suicide prevention, which is a topic Pinkerton students have worked on.

deAlmeida emphasized the importance of this Youth Summit. "Studies have proven that when teens come together to talk about their similar situations, they

will most likely all find more effective solutions. And that's what made this event so important. These problems kids are seeing affect everyone in this world, so to be able to have the future leaders of America speak up made a groundbreaking statement."

Fellow Pinkerton junior, Amanda Sturdivant, echoed these thoughts. "I was able to talk to people who had gone through similar situations as me, and that helped me and others to see that they were not alone. The summit made me feel empowered to know I contributed to help others and it helped me move forward."

The keynote speaker at the summit event was Norwich, N.H. Olympian and former Hanover High School student, Hannah Kearney, a mogul skier who won gold at the 2010 Winter Olympics, but had to settle for the bronze four years later.

Kearney said, "The best way I learned to deal with pressure is by failing, realizing that life goes on and that, in turn, removes some of the pressure."

Dartmouth-Hitchcock Health and the Children's Hospital at Dartmouth-Hitchcock hosted The Youth Summit. The idea for the summit came from former N.H. State Supreme Court Chief Justice John Broderick, who has been lecturing at schools around the state about behavioral health. Broderick is currently the N.H. State Health System's Director of Public Affairs. In 2016 he launched the Campaign to Change Direction New Hampshire, a statewide effort of the national initiative to change the culture of mental health in America. In 2002, Broderick himself was seriously injured when his own son, who at the time suffered from an undiagnosed mental illness, attacked him. This has

motivated Broderick on a mission to help others find solutions that will support health and mentally stressful situations.

Gov. Chris Sununu opened the conference, emphasizing the importance of hearing directly from young people, as N.H. tries to rebuild its mental health treatment system. He said, "Concord can do a lot of things, but unless we're talking to the right people, it doesn't really matter."

Sununu appealed to students at the event to address the negative effects of social media, saying he believes it is at the root of many problems today, even though he acknowledges to being on social media multiple times a day.

Sununu said, "Social Media is the bane of human existence and can lead to unhealthy detachment. I don't know how to fix it and I don't know if you know how to fix it, but we're really counting on you."

"Because the more ability we have to build one-on-one connections, personal connections, with each other, the more it helps us understand how we work out problems, how we team build, how we deal with stresses."

Emily Galeva of Lebanon High School summed up the issues she faces, "You are either doing it too right or too wrong or you're too skinny or too fat. And, honestly, there are a lot of pressures mentally that you have to deal with and a lot of pressures for success and it is very difficult sometimes and gets very stressful."

The first step in finding a solution is to first work to understand the real problem and then gain insights about the problem from colleagues. This Youth Summit was a really good first step towards examining youth issues and finding solutions.

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Kids Coop Theatre Group to Perform School of Rock

CHRIS PAUL
NUTFIELD NEWS

The local Kids Coop Theatre group will be presenting the Broadway smash musical, "School of Rock" on Memorial Day weekend, with shows on May 24 at 7 p.m. and May 25, at 1 p.m. and 7 p.m. at the Derry Opera House, at 29 West Broadway, Derry.

The spring production of "School of Rock" is being directed by Mia Berardi, with musical direction by Amanda Morgan. Choreography is by Jen Ryder.

The 42-member cast features children ages 8 to 18 from all over Southern New Hampshire as well as one performer from Northern Massachusetts.

The musical is based on the hit movie starring Jack Black, which follows Dewey Finn, played by Eric Bourque, 17, of Londonderry, a failed, wannabe rock star, who decides to earn extra cash by posing as a substitute teacher at a presti-

gious prep school. There, Finn turns a class of straight-A pupils into a hard rock band. The plot revolves around the failed rock star/substitute teacher getting students ready for a local Battle of the Bands, without their parents and the school's headmistress finding out.

All tickets for the performance will be \$15, and are available at www.kids-coop-theatre.org. Discounted group tickets are available for groups of 10 or more.

The cast features over 40 members from several towns in the southern New Hampshire area. Listed by town and who they play are:

Derry:

Madison Barbrick: Snake
Julian Barrett: Stanley
Lily Barrett: Mrs. Travis
Benjamin Bertini: Mr. Sanders
Sarah Forand: Adele
Dazeem
Gianna Ghanem: Emo Girl
Kaylee Gifford: Mrs. Mooneyham



Young actors with the Kids Coop Theatre group are busy preparing for the Memorial Day weekend performance of the musical "School of Rock" at the Derry Opera House
Photo by Chris Paul

Leo Gifford: Tony Morgan
Rowan Gifford: Ms. Gordon
Audrey Labbe: Madison
Anna Lawrence: Shonelle
Brandon Marks: Mason
Brianna Marks: Emo Girl
Landon Martin: Mr. Hamilton
Kacie Moran: Mrs. Hathaway
Mina Owen: Ms. Bingham
Braeden Tremain: Mr. Noble (Teacher)
Windham:
Jackson Calderara: Charlie Ryder

Joshua Ozaroff: Gabe
Brown/Bob
Michael Wimmer:
Lawrence Turner

Londonderry:

Jacob Birch: James Ward
Eric Bourque: Dewey Finn
Melissa Brunette:
Mrs. Green
Joseph Cain: Freddy Hamilton
Timmy Dolan: Zach

Lylah Chaffee:
Mrs. Macapagay
Mooneyham
Martin Dormer: Billy
Sandford
Gianna Fowler: Katie
Olivia McCartney: Sophie
Emily Powers: Patty Dimarco
Kelsey Sweet: Marcy Travis
Zachary Webster-Adams:
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NUTFIELD NEWS

Get ready for some family fun and to kick the spring season up a notch at the Downtown Derby Day in Derry on May 4. This event supports a wonderful time for fun events for all ages. Celebrate the big Derby Race in style!

George Sirois, Derry Planning Director, says, "We have expanded the Derby Day event this year and there will be something

for everyone, including outdoor fishing, or shooting hoops or a visit to the history museum to learn about America's first Astronaut in space or to have some great new types of food from the food trucks. We are excited to have people from all over the area come to our downtown, where all the activities are within a reasonable walking distance and folks can explore our local businesses and eateries."

Derby Day starts with a fishing contest. The Derry

Lions Club along with Derry Parks and Recreation are sponsoring the Annual Fishing Derby at Hood Park. This fishing derby is a long-standing tradition that has become a popular seasonal event that the Lions Club has been supporting for 26 years.

Registration for the fishing derby begins at 7:30 a.m. and the angling will start at 8 a.m. and continue until noon. Fishing is free for young anglers up to age 15. Donations will be help-

ful to cover costs for the 400 fish stocked in the pond for Derby Day by the Lions Club volunteers. There will be trophies and prizes awarded in various categories for those who participate and the first 100 anglers to sign up will receive a special commemorative Derby Day ribbon. Light refreshments will be available to purchase at this event.

There can be surprises though, as sometimes anglers catch more than just a fish. Over the years, this

fishing contest has seen most young anglers come away with at least one fish and in some years, anglers have hooked an impressive dinner amount of 3-5 fish.

That Saturday is also Alan Shepard Day at the Adams Memorial Building in the downtown area, presented by Derry History Museum. There will be pop up events and kids stuff all along Broadway, and street performers, sponsored by the Greater Derry Arts Council Public Arts Committee, will show off their skills at downtown sites. Youngsters will get to see famous photos and artifacts at the museum about the life of Derry's hero, Alan Shepard, who was the first American in space and became the first and only person to play golf on the moon during his visit on the Apollo 14 lunar mission in 1971.

From 11 a.m. - 3 p.m., attendees are in for a real treat with the Food Truck Festival that will be held at 14 Manning St., around the Town Hall and sponsored by Derry Economic Development. There will be kids activities as a part of this event on the nearby Benson's Lawn area that will be hosted by Derry Public Library.

Sirois said, "Last year, the food truck event was excellent and the food trucks are real eye openers, as many of these food kitchens on wheels make incredible specialized foods that attract

adored supporters from all over New England. Last year, a cupcake truck was really a hit and it attracted large groups of people. This year, there will be some new truck surprises that Economic Director, Bev Donovan, has been working to bring into town."

If you like to shoot hoops and play basketball, join sponsor Josh Bourdon, Derry Town Councilor and Net Zero Task Force member, who has set up Hood Hoops - 3 on 3 Pick Up B-Ball games. This event will be held at Hood Park and is also sponsored by the Derry Parks and Recreation department.

Downtown Derry restaurants and drinkeries will be offering Kentucky Derby Specials all day long, during the event business hours. Other downtown businesses will also be holding sidewalk sales.

Sirois pointed out, "Part of our goal for economic development in Derry is to support unique events that attract people to know about our great town and for them to have fun. Visitors will find there are some great places to check out in Derry for food, drink and specialty goods that will have them coming back again. It's a win-win situation, as the Town attracts more business, and we all get to have family fun and good times while checking out our downtown area."

Schools

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property-poor school districts.

Representative Mary Jane Wallner, Chairperson of the House Finance Committee, is a Democrat from Concord. Wallner says she and other State Representatives have been listening to school districts members who have been in consistent communications with them about the needs of the school district.

Wallner pointed out, "What you see in our state budget is a first step toward helping schools and our towns to have better funding for public education."

At the recent town elections in March, Derry Cooperative School Board Member, Lynn Perkins, said, "I am hopeful that the State of N.H.

will work out ways to provide better stabilization grant support for our schools to help us offset property taxes in Derry."

The N.H. House budget restores grants designed to mitigate the impact of declining enrollment and provides more stable funding for full-day kindergarten. The N.H. House plan incorporates House Bill - HB 177 which is legislation designed to stop the phase-out of so-called stabilization grants. This bill is intended to help school districts by keeping state aid per student stable, even if enrollment declines. This Bill could be beneficial to the Derry Cooperative School District to counter fluctuating school enrollment numbers that might trigger a school closure.

The House Bill calls for the school stabilization

grants to continue at the 2016 levels. This would counter the problem in the current law that has reduced the grants from the state to the schools by 4% annually.

This new House budget proposal also includes full-day kindergarten, as part of regular state education funding, rather than reliance on revenue from Keno, which is set up by the lottery to support full time Kindergarten programs. Money from Keno lottery profits would go into the N.H. Education Trust Fund, for overall education funding, so it would no longer only be connected to supporting full time kindergarten.

The House budget keeps the existing school funding formula in place, so every school district gets its base adequacy grant, but targets additional aid to property-poor

districts and those with high numbers of students on free and reduced lunch programs.

Since the New Hampshire House has passed their version of the budget, it's now the Senate's turn. The Senate usually makes some significant changes, thanks in part to promising revenue they see after tax season.

Governor Sununu said he intends to veto the budget, unless the Senate makes changes to the House version. Whatever budget the Senate settles on will still have to go through a conference committee with the House. After that, it needs Sununu's signature or two-thirds of the House and Senate on board - including a minimum of 34 Republicans in the House and two in the Senate to overcome a veto. Most likely this means some sort of compromise is in order.

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Department of Public Works, Water Department Busy With Projects

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Mike Fowler, Director of Public Works (DPW), and Thomas Carrier, DPW Deputy Director, were at the recent Town Council meeting to discuss budget planning as the Water Department is ramping up quite a few new and annual projects for the Town.

The Water Department is seeking a Request for Proposal (RFP) for the Cleaning and Inspection of 2 Town of Derry Community Water System Storage Tanks, for a near term project. Deputy Director, Carrier is coordinating the process. Carrier can be reached for further information about this project by email at tomcarrier@derrynh.org or by phone at (603) 432-6147.

Specifically, The Town of Derry, NH Department of Public Works invites proposals to clean and inspect a total of four (4) water tanks including one (1) 2,000 gallon hydropneumatic and one (1) 5,000 gallon atmospheric potable water storage tank each located at the Autumn Woods Community Water System and the Willow Bend

Community Water System.

All proposals must be submitted on or before 2 p.m., Thursday, May 14, in a sealed envelope clearly marked as "Derry CWS Tank Inspection and Cleaning" and addressed to: Town of Derry, Department of Public Works, 14 Manning St., Derry, New Hampshire 03038.

The town has also been actively involved in a water-flushing project over past several weeks. The flushing program progressed from the Derry/Londonderry line along Route 28, southerly and easterly, across the town.

The work may have resulted in intermittent periods of brown or rusty water that some residents may notice. While this is not a health concern, the flushing process may temporarily affect the taste and aesthetics of drinking water as well as create possible staining of laundry.

While every effort has

been made by the town to flush the main water lines until they run clean, some residual particles may enter and remain in service lines. Customers should run their service lines for several minutes until clear before doing laundry. This work has been necessary to remove sediment from the water lines that may have accumulated, and is conducted annually and performed by the Derry Water Division. Anyone with questions about the water flushing work, or if service lines do not clear, call 432-6147.

The Derry DPW, Water Department is also now involved in the new Southern New Hampshire Regional Water (SNHRW) project as one of five towns working together in southern New Hampshire, including Derry, Plaistow, Windham, Salem, Hampstead and Merrimack, that will all start getting drinking water from

Manchester Water Works by the end of 2020. Interconnections for Plaistow, Windham and Salem will run through Derry.

Erin Holmes, an administrator with the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services, overseeing the project, points out that the project will be the state's largest water distribution system to date. "Some municipalities (like Derry) have emergency connections with their neighbor, but never has something been daisy-chained like this, where you're linking everybody together with the goal of providing safe reliable drinking water down the line," she explained.

The agreement for the project was finalized this month among members of the SNHRW. Towns will pay for construction of a new interconnected water system from the \$27 million that is

coming from a settlement between New Hampshire and the polluters responsible for the chemical additive MtBE (a gasoline additive), which contaminated groundwater throughout southern New Hampshire. Holmes says, "The \$27 million payout is the selling point as the towns are essentially getting all this updated infrastructure for free." The 5 towns say they need the additional water because of the region's growing population and contaminants found in local wells.

At the recent Town Council meeting, Fowler and Carrier outlined current budget impact for the town's Water Department initiatives. Currently the Town supports 4,050 service connections, 70 miles of water main, 614 hydrants, and 3 Community water systems with 6 booster pump stations.

The town currently takes

in revenues of \$2,769,174 and the water usage rate is \$2.55 per 100cf of water. There is a base charge of \$23.28 per Quarter for 3/4" service. There are also some current revenues from Fire Hydrant Rental fees and last year's budget included a payoff of a 1998 Bond that was for \$147,029 for debt service, principal and interest. There is currently a capital improvement of \$250,000 allocated for water main replacement projects. And there is also the new agreement that will require a \$70,000 1st payment to MWW for a share of the Cohas Booster Pump station.

The Town pays out \$871,314 for water purchased from Manchester Water Works (MWW) under a wholesale contract. Fowler said, "That is a great deal for bringing quality water for town residents." The DPW - Water Department has a busy year coming up.

OBITUARY Geraldine Elizabeth



Geraldine (Gerri) Elizabeth Holden, 74, of Derry, NH passed away on April 25, 2019 surrounded by family. Gerri was born in Boston, MA to Kenneth and Dorothy Ivers on Feb. 14, 1945. She is survived by her devoted husband of 56 years, Charles Holden and their Children; Kim Leone, Chuck and Karen Holden, Michael Holden, Holly and Jay Johnson and Jennifer and Todd Johnson. Gerri had eleven grandchildren and seven great grandchildren.

Gerri enjoyed spending her summers by the lake at Angle Pond Grove. She was the first of four generations to dance for Eleanor Rubino in East Boston, MA. She was an avid Boston/New England Sports fan. Gerri was a very special woman who was dearly loved and will be sadly missed.

Calling hours will be held Monday April 29, from 4 - 7 p.m. in the Peabody Funeral Homes & Crematorium, 290 Mammoth Rd., Londonderry. A funeral Service will be held in the funeral home Tuesday April 30, at 11 a.m.

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Miss NH

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She congratulated all the other contestants after being crowned and thanked the

judges, the Miss New Hampshire board, and her family, “Just give me like 25 more minutes and I’ll be ready to go, I already have a long to-do list.” referring to

the work she will be doing to promote the program.

She ended the evening by saying that she would do everything in her powers to make this state proud as they



Sarah Tubbs, at left, performs a lyrical dance, and later is crowned and celebrates as Miss NH.

enter the new era of the Miss America Scholarship Program.

Tubbs will be representing New Hampshire at national Miss America event in September.

This year, the Miss New Hampshire Scholarship Program followed a new Miss America 2.0 format, which was announced last year. The competition, held on Saturday, April 27, at Pinkerton Academy in Derry was the first in the nation to use the new format in its statewide competition.

One of the major changes in the program is the elimination of the swimsuit competition. Talent is now 50 percent of a candidate’s preliminary score.

The President and CEO of the Miss America Organization, Regina Hopper was in attendance for the inaugural event, and at the competition she addressed the crowd on the changes to the competition. She also thanked Brenda Keith, a longtime organizer of the Miss New Hampshire Scholarship Competition, for her help as a member of the Miss America Board of Trustees.

“Without Brenda Keith, there would not be these great things happening at Miss America,” Hopper said.

Organizers also took time to remember Brian Haddad, a nearly 20-year volunteer for the pageant

and graduate of Pinkerton Academy.

The top finishers in Miss New Hampshire this year were: first runner-up Jana El-Sayed, Miss Kingston; second runner-up Katie Carlson, Miss Exeter; third runner-up Brooke Mills, Miss Winnepesaukee; and fourth runner-up was Ashley Marsh, Miss Isles of Shoals.

Other contestants to make it into the Top 12, and the final night of the pageant were: Kenzie Goode, Elizabeth Henry, Emily Spencer, Alainna Belanger, Grace Emily Orfao, Kaitlin Soucy and Kara Jutras.

There was a total of \$77,000 in scholarship money that was given out this year.

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DERRY SPORTS

Astro Varsity Baseball Team Gets Two More Victories

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It has been a thrilling season so far for Pinkerton Academy's Varsity Baseball team, who are 4-2 to start the season. In almost each of

the team's games, the Astros either win or lose in the seventh and final inning.

Coming off a disappointing home loss to South Portland, the Astros hosted Manchester Memorial (6-3) on Wednesday, April 27, and

won close 6-5 game.

They were quickly down by one run after the first inning and trailed 3-0 entering the bottom of the third, but the Astro squad turned things around there, with a big five-run inning, led by a three-run homerun by Connor Jenkins.

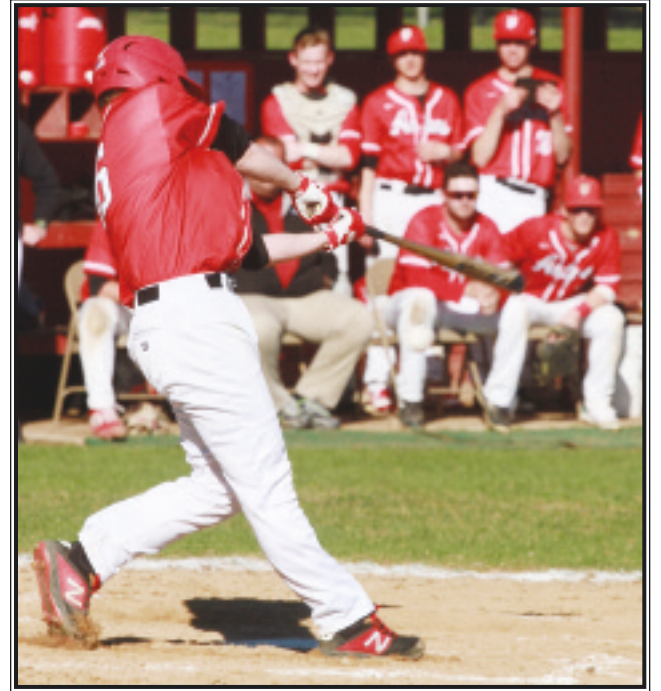
Memorial was not giving up though, and found the answer by scoring once in the top of the fourth and once in the top of the fifth and tying the game at five runs apiece, before Jenkins proved to be the hero once more, with a game winning RBI double in the bottom of the seventh, giving the Astros the walk-off victory. Other than Jenkins, Asa Runge and Frank Guelzian had RBIs, with Runge also pitching for four innings (one earned run, five strikeouts) and Derek Hiscox pitching for three more.

Things went much smoother to start the week for the Astros on Monday, April 29, in their game against the 0-8 Trinity High School team. Pinkerton took that meeting 11-4, with PA scoring four runs in the second inning, but Trinity answered and cut PA's lead in half at the bottom of the inning. The home team scored another run in the

fourth, but the Astros took care of business with three fifth-inning runs and four more in the sixth.

Richard Marique had a four-hit, three-RBI game for Pinkerton. Kam Levesque sent home three more runs and finished with three hits. Runge, Gulezian and Jagger Bell had one RBI each. Marique also pitched for five innings and had six strikeouts, six walks and two earned runs. Mike Packowski pitched the other two innings.

Pinkerton will be hosting Londonderry this Saturday at noon, weather permitting, for a rivalry match that will count toward the annual Beeman Trophy competition.



Junior Asa Runge has been contributing at the plate and on the mound this year for the Astros.



Astro senior Richard Marique had a four-hit, three-RBI game for Pinkerton against Trinity. Photos by Chris Paul

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Pinkerton Boys Lacrosse Team Get Three Straight Wins

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Pinkerton Academy's Varsity Boys Lacrosse team, the New Hampshire 2018 State Champions, is off to a bit of a shaky start to their season, but the past week things looked pretty solid for the team.

First, the Astros traveled to Concord (2-3) on Thursday, April 25, and took care of business there, winning 17-3. The Crimson

Tide scored its only three goals of the game in the first quarter, but the Astros finished that quarter with a 7-3 lead. Coach Brian O'Reilly's team added two goals in the second quarter, six in the third and two more in the fourth.

Ryan Auger had a great game, scoring five goals and assisting for three more. Owen McCormack scored three goals and assisted for two and Mason Drouin scored three goals as well,

while his brother Hunter finished with two goals and three assists. Brendan Anthony was the other scorer; Jack Sweeney made four saves and Andrew Hassler one.

On Saturday, April 27, the state champions had their best result of the season, winning in Massachusetts against Longmeadow High School (6-1), 11-8 and handing the that team's first loss of the year. Pinkerton scored the

only goal in the opening quarter, but Longmeadow led 5-4 at the half after having a strong second.

The Astros played much tougher in the second half. They tied the game at seven goals apiece after three quarters, before a very strong finish, winning the final 12 minutes 4-1 and getting the victory.

Mason Drouin and Auger led the way with four goals, Hunter Drouin scored three, Gennaro Marra had

two and Sweeney made eight saves.

Pinkerton got another win on Monday, Apr. 29), 16-4 at Bedford (1-6). The Astros enjoyed a fantastic first half, scoring eight unanswered goals in the opening quarter and winning 7-1 the second, to lead 15-1 after 24 minutes, before Bedford was able to make the game more even in the second half.

Owen McCormack scored five goals and had

four assists. Auger finished with four and three and Mason Drouin scored three times and assisted for two more goals. Marra had two goals and a couple of assists and Connor McCormack and Jackson Morrisette scored once each. Sweeney made six saves, Hassler finished with five.

Pinkerton is scheduled to play Londonderry on Friday, May 3, starting at 6 p.m. in the teams annual Beeman Trophy competition.

Annual Beeman Trophy Games to Be Played This Week

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The tradition continues. The annual Beeman Trophy Games will be taking place this Friday and Saturday, May 3-4, as Pinkerton Academy, winner of the last four editions of the spring trophy, will try to go for a fifth straight against its archrival, Londonderry High School, who last won the trophy back in 2014.

The first meeting will be in Girls' Lacrosse and Softball. The lax game is scheduled to begin at 4 p.m. and will be played at Londonderry High School. The Lady Astros already got a 19-5 win in Londonderry earlier this season.

At the same time, at Pinkerton, the girls will begin their Softball match,

as Londonderry will try to continue its great run from the last few weeks, while the home team, who struggled in the beginning of the season, hopes to use this opportunity and start their own run.

Another great meeting that kicks off on Friday at 4 p.m. is between both Boys' and Girls' Tennis teams, with Pinkerton hosting. The Astros have two strong teams (The boys' were last year's state runner ups), but Londonderry, who is trying to find some stability this season so far, can give them a good fight.

At 5:15 p.m. on Friday, at the Hackler Gym in Pinkerton, the Varsity Boys' Volleyball teams will face each other. Both teams had gotten off to a slow start this season. 15 minutes later, the

JV Girls' Lacrosse teams will begin their match, in Londonderry.

The biggest showdowns were saved for the end. First, on Friday, at 6 p.m., at the Londonderry High School field, the Varsity Boys' Lacrosse teams, two of the strongest in Division I, will play what promises to be an intense match.

The next day, on Saturday at noon, the Astros will host the Varsity Baseball game. Londonderry won six of its first seven games this season, Pinkerton started with a 4-2 record, and this game should also be fantastic.

The final meeting in this year's competition for the Beeman Trophy is scheduled for May 14, when the Outdoor Track and Field Boys' and Girls' team will

participate in the Tri-Meet at Exeter High School.

The Beeman Trophy games began almost three decades ago, along with the winter Ball Family Trophy

Games (which were controlled this past winter season by Pinkerton), following the success of the Mack Plaque Games, a tradition that began back in 1983.

The Beeman Trophy is named after Mike Beeman, who studied at Pinkerton and coached and taught at both schools.

Astro Runners Compete at Historic Penn Relays

The 125th annual Penn Relays, the oldest and largest track and field competition in the United States, was held last week, between Thursday and Saturday, April 25-27, at the University of Pennsylvania's Franklin Field and 12 athletes from Pinkerton Academy were able to enjoy the unique experience, represent New Hampshire's high school (next to a runner from Exeter High School) and compete against thousands of athletes from across the United States and Jamaica.

Coach Carol Quarles led the Pinkerton team to the competition, which some of its records still belong to legendary athletes such as

Usain Bolt and Michael Johnson. On Thursday, the girls (Megan O'Brien, Sierra Edgecomb, Hannah Fraser and Amelia Graves) competed in the 4x100 Meters and finished third in their heat, 13th out of 125 teams in their heats group and 171th out of 628 teams, with a time of 50.73 seconds.

Macy Graves, Meghan Cross, O'Brien and Amelia Graves also ran on Thursday's 4x400 Meters race and finished with a time of 4:07.43 minutes, fifth in their heat out of 13 participants. It was the 151th best result in total, out of 608 teams.

On Friday, the boys ran in the 4x100 Meters fastest

group. John Brooks, Conor Seleny, Adam Spencer and Ryan Dane combined for a great time - 43.28 seconds, good for 32nd out of 102 relay teams in their group (Fifth in their heat). It was good for 44th overall place, out of 549 teams. This was also the fastest time so far this season for a New Hampshire 4X100 boys' team.

The final event was on Saturday, where the boys' 4x400 team (Spencer, Brooks, Benjamin Fleming and Seleny) won their heat with a time of 3:28.69 minutes, beating 12 other teams. They finished 83rd overall, out of 449 teams.

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PA Softball Gets First Season Win, Announce Camp Dates

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The start of the 2019 spring season has not been easy at all for Pinkerton Academy's Varsity Softball team, who has had to fight its way through the rain and lose a few disappointing close games. All that changed on Tuesday, April 23, as the Lady Astros won their only

game of the week, improving their record to 1-3.

One day after their home game against Nashua North was suspended in the third inning due to inclement weather the red-and-white team hosted Windham High School and scored the game's only run in the second inning. Hannah Sundberg, who finished the day batting three-for-

three, got things going with a triple, before a sacrifice bunt by Mattie Sullivan sent her home. Sundberg had a single, a double and a triple in the game.

Alyssa Ouellette protected the 1-0 lead with a strong performance on the mound, striking out six Windham players, while both Sullivan and Liv Mason had seven catches

in the outfield. After the 1-0 victory, coach Kristen Abbott commented, "The outfield covered ground and took away hits."

Abbott also announced the dates for this summer's Softball Camp, which will be held at the Pinkerton Academy Softball Fields. The camp is open to all players, new and advanced, from third grade to high school seniors.

The first round will begin on Monday, June 24 and end on Thursday, June 27. The second camp is between July 8 and July 11. The hours are 8 a.m. until noon every day. The camp is directed by coach

Abbott and throughout each day, the participants will be instructed through mechanical and fundamental skills and taught strategies and situations through small and large field team play.

Pinkerton Tennis Teams Lose to Tough Bulldog Team, Beat Salem

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NUTFIELD NEWS

Both Boys' and Girls' Astro teams suffered one-sided losses to Bedford High School teams last Wednesday, April 24, thus tarnishing some shining records for the PA teams.

The boys set out for their trip to Bedford with a perfect 5-0 record, which matched that of the home team, who ended up winning eight out of the nine matches in this meeting. In the singles matches, Seb Tonini lost 8-6, John Marineau lost 8-4, Henry Andrews lost 8-6 and Alex Tveter and Colby Day both lost 8-3. Jeff Marquis, with an 8-6 win over Nick Bayer, gave Pinkerton its only point of the day, as the Astros lost all three of the doubles matches too: Tonini and Marineau dropped their match 9-7, Andrews and Marquis 8-6

and Tveter and Day 8-3.

The girls lost in their home meeting with Bedford 9-0. Chloe Freedman, Julia Farnum and Madison Allen lost in straight sets, losing their matches 8-0. Katie Allen and Victoria Hodosi both lost 8-1 and Maddie Frank was the closest, but dropped her match 8-6. In the doubles, Freedman and Farnum lost 8-6, Katie Allen and Hodosi 8-1 and Madison Allen and Frank 8-4. The loss was only the second of the season for the girls.

Both teams were able to put those losses behind

them on Monday, April 29, when they faced Salem High School.

The boys' played on the road and improved their record to 7-1 with a 9-0 win, not losing a single game throughout the entire meeting, as Tonini, Marineau, Andrews, Marquis, Tveter and Day all won 8-0 in their matches and the same result was achieved in doubles by Tonini and Marineau, Andrews and Marquis and Tveter and Day.

The girls' meeting, at home, was tougher but also ended with a 9-0 win. Freedman and Farnum won

their singles matches 8-6 and Madison Allen fought hard and got a 9-8 (7-4 in the tiebreak) victory in Match 3. Katie Allen also had an 8-6 win, Hodosi won 8-5 and Maddie Frank 8-4. In doubles, Freedman and Madison Allen won 8-5, Katie Allen and Hodosi got an 8-6 victory and Madison Allen, with Leah Sears, won 8-3.

The teams were scheduled to play Hanover on Wednesday, May 1, (girls at home, boys away) and then look to host Londonderry on Friday at 4 p.m.

Athletes of the Week

Week of April 21



Alyssa Ouellette,
Senior: Girls Softball

Alyssa Ouellette, pitched a four-hitter against Windham with six strikeouts to get the shutout win. This senior's composure and leadership helped lead the team to a 1-0 win over Windham High School.



Conor Seleny,
Junior: Boys Track & Field

Conor Seleny was part of the 4x400-Meter Relay team. This team dropped nearly seven seconds off their previous time to lead the state. Conor dramatically ran down three runners on the anchor leg for Pinkerton to win their heat first time in Astros history.

Athletes are chosen by Pinkerton Academy Athletic Office

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PA Girls Lacrosse Team Enjoys Another Strong Week



Astro junior Zoe Howe has been a regular contributor on offense for the Pinkerton Girls this season. She tallied four goals this week. *Photo by Chris Paul*

IDAN VINITSKY
NUTFIELD NEWS

One week after suffering their first loss of the season against Bishop Guertin, and after having their weekend match against Portsmouth postponed, Pinkerton Academy's Varsity Girls Lacrosse team returned to the field last week and was able to quickly shake off that loss and improve their season record to 6-1.

The Lady Astros had back-to-back games on Tuesday, April 23 and Wednesday, April 24, beating Winnacunnet 12-11 in a thriller and Portsmouth 13-7 on the road.

Winnacunnet High School (3-2) controlled the first half at Pinkerton, scoring three unanswered goals in the first 6:19 minutes of the match. The home team scored twice, but with late goals, 39 and nine seconds

before the halftime, the Warriors were able to build a promising 8-4 lead at the break.

The second half was a different story, as the Astros went on a 5-0 run, to turn the game over and lead 11-9, with 5:29 minutes on the clock. The visitors scored with 2:15 minutes to go and then tied the game with just two seconds left in regulation, sending the game into overtime. With 18 seconds on the clock in the second overtime period, Pinkerton scored the winning goal.

Lauren Lisauskas had four goals and two assists, Kiley Davis, Lilly Auger, Zoe Howe and Caroline Daziel scored twice each. Lauren Sweeney finished with nine saves and Dani Martineau with one more.

The next game, against a 5-1 Portsmouth High School team, saw Pinkerton putting on a show and getting an

impressive win.

The Lady Astros scored the first three goals of the game and the last three of the first half, and led 8-2 at the break. Portsmouth tightened the match in the beginning of second half with three quick goals, but that was as close as they got. Davis scored five goals and Auger had two and three assists. Caroline Daziel, Madison Daziel, Lisauskas, Howe, Caitlyn Seleny and Hailey Peredna scored one goal each. Martineau had nine saves, Sweeney one.

The Lady Astros finished their week on a high note on Monday, Apr. 29), with a strong 15-11 win in Bedford against the Bulldogs, who came to the match undefeated. The visitors started the game slow, down 4-0, before scoring seven goals and conceding only one in the last 15:28 minutes of the first half.

They led 7-5 at the break and managed to score eight more times in the next 25 minutes and get the nice win.

Both Lisauskas and Davis finished with five goals each. Auger and Peredna scored twice and Howe had one goal, while Caroline Daziel and Madison Daziel finished with one assist each. Sweeney made five saves, Martineau four.

The girls were scheduled to host Hanover on Wednesday, May 1, after the Nutfield News went to print and then hope to play Londonderry, if weather permits, at LHS on Friday, May 3, at 4 p.m.

The LHS game was originally scheduled to be a home game, but will be played at Londonderry because of the work being done to their home field.



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Renew

Renew will be open Saturday, May 11, 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. NH residents only. Renew offers free, gently-used apparel. Each household is limited to 15 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 or call the church secretary at 434-1516

Open House Sunday Camp

Etz Hayim Synagogue Invites you and your youngsters, age 4 to 6 years old to explore our wonderful program and join us for an Ice Cream Social on Sunday May 19, from 12:30 - 2 p.m. Our Sunday Camp is a program geared towards introducing children and their parents to Jewish culture, holidays and the Hebrew language, in a warm and fun filled way. Please R.S.V.P. to office@etzhayim.org or call 432-0004 by May 16. Etz Hayim Synagogue is located on 1 1/2 Hood Rd. Derry, NH.

Antiques Appraisal Day!

The Historical Society will hold Antiques Appraisal Day on Sunday, May 19, starting at 1 p.m. doors open at 12:30 p.m. Bring your antiques, collectibles & family treasures to the Londonderry Historical Society's second annual event featuring Daniel F. Reidy, appraiser/antiques dealer/auctioneer. Reidy has 30+ years experience and is the owner of Discerning Eye, an estate appraisal and disposition planning business. The Morrison House Museum, 140 Pillsbury

Rd, Londonderry. See more at www.facebook.com/TownOfLondonderryNHHistoricalSociety

Exchange Student Program

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Give Back Night

Non-Profit Give Back Night, a benefit fundraiser at La Carreta, Londonderry, will be held by Community Caregivers of Greater Derry & The Loaner's Closet on Wednesday, May 8 All Day! Come by for lunch, dinner, or drinks, mention the agency and Caregivers will receive 20% of your total bill at La Carreta, Londonderry Commons, 44 Nashua Rd, Londonderry. Call 432-0877 for more information.

Q & A with Ted Kitchens

Airport of the Manchester-Boston Regional Airport, director Ted Kitchens, will hold a Q&A on Saturday, May 11 at 11 a.m.

Vintage Movie Night

Roman Novarro in 'The Flying Fleet' (1929) Classic aviation drama filmed on location at U.S. Navy bases; silent with live music will be shown on Thursday, May 23 at 7 p.m. at the Aviation Museum. Cost for Londonderry, residents \$5 for members, \$10 for members-yet-to-be.

Revival: Reimagined

Join us for an inclusive day of welcome on May 4, with music, spirituality, and exploration. In the afternoon (1 p.m.), we are excited to hear the Rev. Tricia Lyons (Missioner for Evangelism and Community Engagement in the Diocese of Washington DC and author of 'Teaching Faith With Harry Potter') as our featured speaker to learn how to share our faith, engage

our communities, to make a difference and find deeper peace and meaning in our lives. In the evening (6:00 p.m.), we will gather for song and celebration and close our day with a festive Eucharist as God's people. Come for all of the day or some. This is a free event that includes dinner and refreshments throughout the day. This event is a collaboration between two Episcopal Churches in Southern New Hampshire, St. Christopher's in Hampstead and St. Peter's in Londonderry, and is funded by a grant given by the Mission Resource Council of the Episcopal Church of New Hampshire. It is open, free of charge to the public, and includes dinner. Our focus area is Southern New Hampshire.

Kids Fish Derby

The Derry Lions will once again be sponsoring the annual Derry Lions Kids Fish Derby at Hood Pond in Derry. The event is on May 4, commencing with registrations at 7:30 a.m. followed by fishing beginning at 8 a.m. until noon. Fishing is free for kids up to age 15. Donations are welcome to help defray the cost of the 400 fish stocked by the Lions. Trophies will be presented in various categories of fish including largest and smallest. The first 100 children to sign up will receive a participant ribbon. Light refreshments will be available to purchase at the snack bar. The fish derby is a service project to benefit the kids of greater Derry. The Derry Lions have sponsored this event for several decades. We have even had some second generations participate with their parents.

Tiny Tots

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

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.

Vaping Deterrent Workshop

Do you know someone who is looking to give up vaping? This workshop will show teens how to break the habit and replace it with healthier options. On Thursday, June 6, from 2:30 - 4 p.m. at the Upper Room, 36 Tsienneto, Rd. Derry. Participants will gain strength by being with other people also trying to quit. This event costs \$25. Call 437-8477 to register, ext. 15.

UR Parents

A weekly Resource group for parents, grandparents and caregivers raising teens meets every Thursday, from 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. at the Upper Room, 36 Tsienneto, Rd. Derry. This is a free weekly group. Drop ins welcome.

Community Garden

Broadview Farm Community Garden, sponsored by Derry Conservation Commission, is now taking requests for plots for people who want to grow their own fresh vegetables but lack the space. The plots are 10'x20', and are free to Derry residents. There are three ways to reserve a plot: 1. Online at www.derrynh.org Click Government->Conservation Commission->Town Owned Conservation Properties->Broadview Farm. Scroll down to the link to the online form. 2. Send an email to broadviewgardening@gmail.com 3. Call Will Lowenthal @ 978-239-8025. In addition, we have created a Facebook page entitled "Broadview Farm Community Garden." "Like" the page and get updates and announcements.

Women's Writing Group

Derry Women's Creative writing group meets the second and fourth Thursdays of every month at the Derry public Library at 6:30 p.m.

Teen Information for Parenting Success

A weekly support program for young parents ages 13 to 23 will meet every Wednesday, from 5 - 7 p.m. at the Upper Room, 36

Tsienneto, Rd. Derry. This is a free weekly group. Childcare available. Call 437-8477 to register, ext. 12.

Evolve!

A group for young woman ages 13 to 18 to talk about today's challenges meets every Wednesday from 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. at the Upper Room, 36 Tsienneto, Rd. Derry. This is a free weekly group. To register, Call 437-8477 to register ext. 16.

Transitions Young Adult Strategies

A new group where young adults can talk about things that are challenging meets every Thursday from 6 - 7 p.m. at the Upper Room, 36 Tsienneto, Rd. Derry. This is a free weekly group. Drop ins welcome. Call 437-8477 to register ext. 24 for more information/options for dates and times.

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.

Adult Tennis League Sign up

Registration has begun for the Adult Tennis League. This program is for adults 18+ with moderate to intermediate tennis skills (NTRP 2.0 - 3.5). The program takes place on Wednesday evenings at the Alexander-Carr Tennis Courts located on Birch St., Derry. The Adult Tennis League volunteer coordinator, Charlie Zoeller, will be on location to answer any questions. The Adult Tennis Program: Fees For Season: \$20 per person; participant must bring their own tennis balls, equipment, etc. Ages: 18 years and older League Dates: Wednesdays, May 1 - Sept. 25. League Time: Players may come any-

time during the 5:30 - 9:30 p.m. reserved court time. Read more www.derrynh.org/node/121653 Advance registration through the Recreation Office or online is preferred. Registration Forms can also be found on the Parks & Recreation Website here: www.derrynh.org/parks-recreation or at the Recreation Office at Veterans Hall, 31 West Broadway, Derry, on Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. For more information contact your Derry Parks & Recreation Department at (603) 432-6136.

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.

National Model Railroading

Seacoast Division of the National Model Railroad Association is running their Fun Night program. The program is held the second Friday night of each month, 7 - 9 p.m., at the Marion Garish Community Center, 39 West Broadway, Derry. Using Molds to make resin parts Rich Breton will be on hand to show examples of various molds, including two part molds, and will spend in time with an interactive discussion and a show and tell type format. Mold making/casting is a way to get small detail parts not otherwise available. Always a part of the program is Model Showcase where modelers bring in the latest project they are working on to show and discuss. We will set up a swap table so bring anything that you would want to give away, sell or swap. Remember, one man's junk is another man's treasure. If you are interested in model trains and would like to join other like-minded hobbyists from beginner to expert for a fun evening program come to Derry Fun Night the second Friday of each month. For additional information go to the Division's website at seacoastnmra.org/calendar.



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