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## FY 2020 Operating Budget of \$48.4 Million Proposed for Derry

MACK LEATHURBY  
NUTFIELD NEWS

David Caron, Derry Town Administrator, presented an updated overview at the first of four Public Hearings regarding the current Derry FY 2020 Budget and Capital Improvement Plan FY 2020 - FY 2025. The information he summarized has been worked on by the Town Council and government departments including leads from public works, administration, police and fire departments, libraries, cable, recreation and buildings/grounds during previous workshops conducted over the past month.

The overall budget number includes the general fund and capital projects in a

budget that will be aligned to the Town's tax rate. Cable/media access and wastewater/water funding are budgeted by the Town, though these budget items are paid for through user fees, and therefore bear no impact upon the local property tax rate.

This budget funding includes the fourth year of the Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA) and the final fifth-year of the CBA will occur in FY 2021, until a successor agreement is negotiated. The Town is recommending one new position in the Department of Public Works maintenance with the immediate focus on maintaining and upgrading the Town's fire facilities. The Town is also in the process of expanding the

Route 28 TIF district. TIF or Tax Increment Financing is a technique for funding a qualifying capital project, its related infrastructure, or maintenance of the project from a stream of revenue generated within the geographic area.

The TIF district along Route 28 is the area also known as the Derry Commerce Corridor. This district is being expanded to include Crystal Avenue and sections of Birch Street, East Broadway and West Broadway, with the goal to help boost the local economy.

Caron noted that some budget line expenses were being moved around to better reflect the purposes within certain departments and to make sure that funds were

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## Officials Get More Updates on Exit 4A at Chamber Event

IDAN VISINSKY  
NUTFIELD NEWS

At a Regional Transportation Meeting, held on Tuesday morning, May 7, at Brookstone Park in Derry, hosted by the Greater Derry Chamber of Commerce, local officials provided an update regarding the Exit 4A project in Londonderry and Derry. The Exit 4A was incorporated into the state's 10-year Transportation Improvement Plan of New Hampshire Department of Transportation (NHDOT).

The new exit would be located approximately a mile north of the existing Exit 4 on Interstate 93. The planning for this project began over three decades ago, back in 1985. The goal

is to reduce traffic congestion on Route 102, which crosses the towns of Derry and Londonderry on the south side. Route 102 connects Nashua to the southwest and Route 101 to the north-east.

At the meeting, Nicole Fox represented Fuss & O'Neill, the engineering company in charge of the project. Fox said that the anticipated design-build schedule is a possible award in June 2020, followed by construction beginning late in the summer of that year and completing by the end of 2023. Phase 1 of the constructions will be new roadways (Interchange and connector road) and Phase 2 will include the upgrade of existing roadways (Folsom

Road, Tsienneto Road, Route 28, Route 28 Bypass, Route 102 and other local roads).

The NHDOT believes that the addition of Exit 4A to I-93 would not only reduce congestion, but also improve safety and promote economic vitality for the two towns.

The planned design for the new Exit 4A is a diamond interchange that would provide access to the east side of I-93. The current design has a one-mile long connector roadway that would be built on new roadway from the exit interchange to Folsom Road, near the intersection of North High Street and Maden Road in Derry.

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**DERBY DERBY DAY** Local balloon artist Joe Tombarello marches through Downtown Derry with Karen Lincoln in her Derby Day outfit created for the event by Tombarello. The event was on Saturday, and featured a wide variety of activities to motivate residents to enjoy features in the downtown area of Derry. See more photos on page 5.

Photo by Chris Paul

## Opportunity Zone Forum to be Held in Derry May 15

MACK LEATHURBY  
Tri-Town Times

There will be an update provided to the Greater Derry community, investors and businesses about Derry's new Opportunity Zone on Wednesday, May 15, from 7:30 to 8:30 a.m. at the Tupelo Music Hall, 10 A Street, Derry.

There will be an administration fee for attendees of \$25 and interested people should register for the event

at the Greater Derry Londonderry Chamber of Commerce site: <http://derry-chamber.chambermaster.com/events/details/opportunity-zone-update-7156>.

This Opportunity Zone Update is presented by Enterprise Bank, ADG (Analyze, Develop, Grow) LLC, and The Greater Derry Londonderry Chamber of Commerce, in conjunction with the Town of Derry Economic Development Department led by Beverly Dono-

van, Director.

For further information about Derry's Economic Development initiatives, the contact email is [economicdevelopment@derrynh.org](mailto:economicdevelopment@derrynh.org). Town officials involved with the program can be also be reached by telephone at 432-6100 at extension 5407.

This update will be helpful to anyone interested to know specifics about the new Opportunity Zone designated area in Derry. Inform-

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# School Safety Advocate Comes to Gilbert H. Hood Middle School, May 15

**MACK LEATHURBY**  
NUTFIELD NEWS

Jesse Lewis was an active 6-year-old boy in the first grade at Sandy Hook elementary school when his life was suddenly ended by a mentally ill man armed with a gun. That same man also took the lives of many others on that fateful day, December 14, 2012, in Newtown, Connecticut.

Jesse's Mom, Scarlett Lewis, is coming to Hood Middle School on Wednesday May 15, at 3:30 p.m. to speak about creating safer, more peaceful and loving schools. Lewis says, "People become connected, resilient and empowered when they Choose Love."

Lewis, founded the Jesse Lewis Choose Love Movement, named in honor of her son, Jesse, who was mur-

dered at Sandy Hook. Over the past 5 years, Lewis has tirelessly spread the Choose Love message around the world.

There will be a discussion at Hood Middle School with Lewis about the Jesse Lewis Choose Love Movement™ along with an overview of the Pre-K – 12th grade social emotional learning curriculum. This curriculum teaches educators, students and parents about how they can choose love in any type of difficult circumstance, such as school safety issues. The goal is to help support emergency preparedness.

Most recently, Lewis presented the program to the current U.S. Administration in Washington D.C. as "the" solution to many of the issues, our youth are facing today, such as: gun violence,

bullying, substance abuse and other mental illnesses". Visit [JesseLewisChooseLove.org](http://JesseLewisChooseLove.org) for more information.

School safety and emergency preparedness are important issues that both the Derry Cooperative School District and the Londonderry School District take seriously.

The Town of Derry has advanced efforts focused on school safety and these actions not only include school personnel training, but also coordinate emergency preparedness training and planning with the Town's police and fire departments, through the ALICE active shooter response training program.

ALICE is an acronym for Alert, Lockdown, Inform, Counter, Evacuate. This training provides preparation

and a plan for individuals and organizations on how to proactively handle the threat of an aggressive intruder or active shooter event. Whether it is an attack by an individual person or by an international group intent on conveying a political message through violence, ALICE training has now become the accepted response, versus the traditional "lockdown only" approach.

Pinkerton Academy hosts regular emergency preparedness training that includes local law enforcement. Pinkerton has developed a focused plan that outlines ways to react and handle any potential security risk. Pinkerton has also connected with members of the Southern New Hampshire Special Operations unit and has taken the campus through a safety training drill that sim-

ulated actual emergency events.

Pinkerton Headmaster, Tim Powers, wants parents and the community to know that safety is "top of mind" with regard to all Pinkerton efforts. Powers noted the Columbine High School shootings that happened exactly 20 years ago this past month have changed the way schools in the U.S. train and plan for such threats.

Powers said, "The Columbine tragedy was the start of a decades long conversation about school safety, and the lessons from that day still shape much of what we do today in terms of security. This event changed the job of everyone in education going forward."

Londonderry High School is also well prepared for safety emergencies and the school district has put

additional security measures and preparedness in place over the past years. High School Principal Jason Parent says, "We are proud of how our Emergency Preparedness Committee has helped us ensure a safer environment for our schools. Working closely with Londonderry police and fire departments, we have conducted a series of drills and trainings that provide our staff and students more autonomy in making safe decisions."

Principal Parent noted that the close proximity of Londonderry High School to both the fire and police stations helps to better support the comprehensive safety plan for the school.

School Safety and Emergency Preparedness are important for all parents to be aware of and understand.

## Zone

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mation details will be presented about new investment opportunities in this area. Panelists, officials and the hosts will discuss business opportunities in the Zone and will be able to answer questions for interested attendees at this forum.

The Opportunity Zone program was created by the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act, a federal initiative that encourages long-term, pri-

vate capital investments in the community, with new tax incentives. N.H. Governor Sununu nominated 27 tracts across the State as Opportunity Zones last year, and these tracts have now been authorized and approved by the U.S. Treasury Department.

Taylor Caswell, Commissioner of the New Hampshire Business and Economic Affairs, said, "Our goal was to designate tracts that present the best opportunities for investment

and can leverage other state and federal resources. My hope is that once this program is fully deployed, it can serve as catalyst to bringing economic opportunity to New Hampshire communities."

To qualify for this program States were required to designate 25% of the low-income census tracts in the State as Opportunity Zones. Investors can defer capital gains on earnings reinvested in these zones, and long-

term investments maintained for over 10 years do not have to pay additional capital gains taxes on earnings on investments made within the Opportunity Zones.

The Opportunity Zone program for Derry is a part of that federal initiative and is supported by the Town to encourage economic development, using these new tax incentives. It is not intended to displace existing businesses or residents within the Zone. Opportunity Zone

investments – commercial development, new jobs or housing – can occur in specific areas in Derry. The area that has been designated is generally bounded by Broadway and East Derry Road to the north, Cemetery Road to the east, Humphrey and Kendall Pond Roads to the south and the Londonderry town line to the west. Local residents living in or near the Opportunity Zone will want to stay informed concerning what is happening in their area, that could affect their current property values and lifestyles.

Investors interested in the program are encouraged to take capital gains and reinvest in the Opportunity Zone, through the use of an Opportunity Fund. Investors can make long-term investments in this Fund and receive tax breaks. Opportu-

nity Funds can provide equity for business and real estate projects within the Opportunity Zone.

An Opportunity Zone investor starts with the creation of a qualified Opportunity Fund, that is a partnership or corporation set up to invest in eligible property located in an Opportunity Zone. Investors will be able to purchase land, redevelop it, and revitalize business property in the Zone.

To take full advantage of the Zone designation, investors will likely need to maintain ownership for 10 years. Gaining tax breaks will be based upon a temporary tax deferral, a step-up in basis for invested capital gains, and/or a permanent exclusion from taxable income of capital gains from the sale of Opportunity Fund Investments.

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# Derry Cooperative School District Releases Information for Parents

MACK LEATHURBY  
NUTFIELD NEWS

As the 2018-2019 Derry Cooperative School District year winds down for students, staff and parents, towards summer vacation time, there are some key actions for parents to consider. All school district students and parents should know that The Derry Cooperative School District utilizes an online student registration system for all new student registrations.

The system is a secure and environmentally friendly process that allows the district to quickly update information for students. The online system is used for all new and returning student registrations for student demographic, emergency, and medical information. The system allows parents/guardians and students to electronically sign the annual permission forms for school district policies, such as the Technology Acceptable Use Policy and school handbooks. See the district web site for more information. <http://www.sau10.org>

It is not too late to register for Kindergarten or first grade in Derry Schools for the coming year. If you haven't done so already, and you will have a new student attend-

ing school later this year, please call the school at 432-1219. You can register your child for Kindergarten, if they will be 5 years old on or before September 30, 2019 or for 1st grade if they will be 6 years old on or before September 30, 2019.

All current Derry Kindergarten parents should take note that if they currently have children enrolled in full or half day Kindergarten those students must stay at home on Friday, May 17, 2019, as the school system will be having their annual Kindergarten Orientation for incoming students on that day.

The Kindergarten Orientation will take place on

Friday, May 17, 2019 from 9:30 -11:00 a.m. All new and incoming Kindergarten students will join with Derry Kindergarten teachers, while a presentation will be shown to the parents of those students. All new Kindergarten parents and students are encouraged to come for this informational orientation and transitional day.

Parents must register their child for Kindergarten prior to this orientation on May 17th. If you have not registered your child to attend either Kindergarten or 1st grade by August of 2019, please call 432-1233, to schedule an appointment as soon as possible.

If a child currently attends Kindergarten in

Derry, they will be automatically registered for 1st grade in the school system, so parents do not need to re-register them. However, it is always good to confirm that all necessary information for registration is up-to-date.

If your child will be attending Kindergarten in the fall of 2019, please call your school office to schedule a Kindergarten screening appointment. A skilled teacher will screen your child using a developmental assessment. The meeting with the student will take approximately 10-15 minutes. Before the scheduled appointment, please let your child know that he/she will do some fun activities to help the school get to know him/her better.

Kindergarten screenings are setup for May 17, 2019 from 12:00 p.m. to

3:00 p.m. and can be arranged at the following schools: Derry Village Elementary School (call 432-1233), East Derry Memorial Elementary School (call 432-1260), Ernest P. Barka Elementary School (call 432-2430), Grinnell Elementary School (call 432-1238), and South Range Elementary School (call 432-1219).

The final Kindergarten screening appointment date this year, for students who enroll during the summer months, is August 20, 2019 from 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. at South Range Elementary School

Also, if you have preschool aged children and are interested, the Derry Early Education Program (DEEP) is accepting applications for the 2019-2020 school year. DEEP is a useful program to help kids

properly adjust for school and provides inspirational support to help kids develop proper social interaction mechanisms. Please contact DEEP at 845-1202 with any questions or you can visit the preschool's website at <http://deep.sau10.org/>.

If current residents with students enrolled in Derry Schools are going to move away from the Derry Cooperative School District over the summer or anytime in the near future, it is important and helpful to share that information with the Derry School District. This provides significant help to the District so they can build class size effectively for students and also help support your student's school transfer efforts. Parents are kindly requested to send a quick note to the School District Office with this information.

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Editorial

Remember To Tell Mom You Love Her

“All I am I owe to my mother. I attribute my success in life to the moral, intellectual and physical education I received from her.”

— George Washington

What a mother Mary Bell Washington must have been, to have, had such a profound influence on her son.

As we celebrate Mother’s Day this weekend, we honor the women who shaped us, nurtured us, taught us and showed us what life and love are about. True, fathers do all of those things, too, but in different ways. It’s not about whose role is bigger or better, and it’s not even about conforming to the specific gender roles. It is simply acknowledging that both parents influence our lives through the choices they make with us, and each one’s influence is distinct from the other.

But has their role really changed so much?

Their job is still tireless and often thankless. When it is done right, the job is still about unconditional love, even when that means tough love.

It remains a lifelong commitment. Even after a child is grown, mom is still mom, and moms will always worry. They cut the umbilical cord at birth, but there are other bonds that stay intact.

And when the world is harsh, when life pokes us in the eye and laughs at us, it is often our first instinct to seek comfort in a mother’s love.

We hope you are surrounded by family today. If they can’t make it home, we hope they at least call. Flowers would be nice. In my house I ask for a plant to put in our family garden. As you can imagine by now it is quite large. I remember getting each plant and which child gave it to me. After all, for us moms, it is about the memory. If they take you out to eat, let them pay, even if that goes against your maternal instinct.

We hope at least one person doesn’t stop at “Happy Mother’s Day,” but elaborates at least a little bit on the depths of their gratitude and the reasons for it. Maybe they could share an anecdote or two, whether the goal is to make you laugh, or cry, or both.

We hope you feel pride today. When you look at the child or the children, whom you have raised and influenced, you see the person you hoped they would become. It is fine to feel proud, not only of them, but of yourself as well. You, their mother, have played an important role getting them to where they are today.

Hugs. Always hugs.

“Because I feel that, in the Heavens above / The angels, whispering to one another, / Can find, among their burning terms of love / None so devotional as that of ‘Mother’”

— Edgar Allen Poe

Letters

Many Thanks

To the editor,

The Derry Lions would like to thank the many individuals who made our May 4th Fish Derby successful. All of our active members were at the derby and several volunteers also assisted. Charlie Moore “The Mad Fisherman” donated several rods with reels and other assorted fishing gear for prize giveaways. The following local businesses contributed to our Ad Book to defray the cost of the stocked fish, trophies and ribbons: Scott Lavoie Construction LLC, Granite State Credit Union, Dalphe Electric, Centerpoint Chimney, Lobster Claw II, Eddie’s Saw Service, Backmann Florist, Meineke Car Care Center, Owens Car Care, Vineyard Community Church, Betley Chevrolet, Midgard Comics and Games, Michael R. Dion DMD Dentistry, Wayne’s Circle Mobil Inc. Simply Orthodontics, Royal T Car Wash & Detailing, East Derry Tire & Auto Inc. Peabody Funeral Homes, GeekS-ter.com, Berkshire Hathaway Verani Realty, Handel With Care Veterinary Hospital, Broadway Chiropractic, and Daigle Plumbing, Heating & Cooling.

The following merchants provided counterspace for our collection cans - Lobster Claw II, Metro Market, The Milk Run, Derry Feed, Bensons Hardware & Lumber, Derry Diner, Mary Ann’s Diner, USA Subs, DeFrancesco’s Southern NH Quality Roofing, and Daigle Plumbing & Heating.

We also thank Derry Parks and Recreation for once again allowing us to use Hood Pond for the annual Kids Fish Derby.

Pete Marcotte  
Secretary Co-Chair  
Fish Derby  
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SAFETY FIRST

Derry Firefighter stopped by the Kids Fishing Derby on Saturday morning and were made aware of a hazard along the Rail Trail. The three first responders made short work of a chunk of rebar hanging out of the barrier at the beginning of the path near Hood Pond.

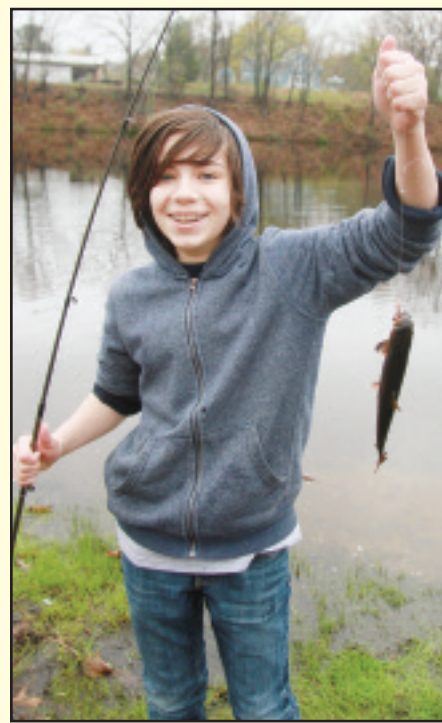
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# Derby Day Celebrated by Derry at Hood and Downtown



Things in Derry were really hopping over the weekend as the town celebrated Derry Derby Day. The annual Derry Lions Kids Fishing Derby started thing off in the morning at Hood Pond, and people migrated up to the basketball courts for a small tournament, which lead to food carts at the Municipal Center, activities in the Pocket Park and a wide variety of action throughout Downtown Derry. *Photos by Chris Paul*



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# A Friend Remembers Pinkerton Academy's Jillian Nelson's Gift of Life

MACK LEATHURBY  
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Jillian McKenna Nelson had a lot of friends at Pinkerton Academy, and St. Catherine of Siena Parish and all-around Greater Derry.

Nelson's parents and friends have noted that Jillian was a kind, generous, and creative person, who sometimes worked in the Pinkerton library and spent time working on a novel during her time at Pinkerton. She was the kind of girl who would give you the hair from her head, literally, as she donated her hair to others who had lost their hair due to cancer treatments. She also influ-

enced other folks, including older teachers to do the same.

Unfortunately, Jillian Nelson passed away on September 11, 2016. Now one of her best childhood friends has found a special way to remember her and the gifts of life Nelson gave to others. Indeed, Nelson was an organ donor, and though she lost her life, her organs that she donated gave life to over 25 others.

Nelson's friend Elijah Korksoz said, "Jillian and I began our friendship when I was 18 months old and she was 3. Jillian always had a way to be friends with everyone. When she would meet someone who



Jillian McKenna Nelson

needed a friend, she was always there to support them. When Jillian was 8 and I was 6 years old, she called me on Sadie Hawkins Day to ask me out on a date, and she repeated that again 4 years later when I was 10."

"Jillian was a friend, who laughed at my sometimes quirkiness with an inspirational nod, and she didn't mind if she had to remind me about something important. I miss her dearly and want her to be remembered as someone who brought out the best in everyone she touched. Her spirit lives on especially in her gift of life as an organ donor to others."

Korksoz is a Boy Scout — Life Scout Ranking, with local Troop 104 and he is working on his Eagle Rank. A Life Scout is expected to be a role model and a leader with skills that can only be learned by doing. Life Scouts must prove themselves to be able to make good decisions, lead discussions and to encourage others. To become an Eagle Scout is to take that leadership skill to an even higher level, to show how Eagle Scouts can offer the best possible community support.

"My final requirement to earn Eagle Rank, is to do an Eagle Scout Project," says Korksoz, "And that requires me to plan out a project, recruit volunteers, solicit donations, acquire the materials, and act as a foreman of the project. I have chosen for my project, to rebuild the stairway that leads to the Memorial Garden at Pinkerton Academy, as well as to add a Memorial Bench in honor of my late friend, Jillian Nelson. I have been work-

ing closely with the Pinkerton Administration on this project."

The project is launching now, and Korksoz is planning to have this project completed by the end of July. The project is starting with the fundraising needed, and then will proceed to the physical work, by first removing an older wooden staircase in the area. The final project action plans will be to excavate this area, build a new memorial staircase with step pavers, and then build a footing for the memorial bench, while adding bark mulching to the area where the bench will be located.

"In order to make my project a reality," says Korksoz, "I am asking for the financial support of my family, friends, the community and Pinkerton Alumni. I have estimated that the cost of my project and I'm making progress toward that cost with donations. If you are willing and able to donate to my project with a nod to Jillian, I would be greatly appreciative."

"Any amount would

help me to complete my project and ultimately, to earn my Eagle Scout Rank in Scouting, while providing a lasting memorial for a wonderful girl, who is most deserving to have her memory live on. Checks can be made out to Troop 104 and mailed to me."

Korksoz has created a Facebook Fundraiser page for this project, where you can contact him - or supporters can contact him via his Mom, Trisha Korkosz's email address: tkorkosz@comcast.net.

Elijah Korksoz says, "We have found the project is going to cost a bit more than originally planned, so even a small amount is going to be really helpful to create this memorial for Jillian."

The Facebook site can be found searching — Memorial Stair Case and Bench to Jillian Nelson. You will find the Facebook page covered with supportive comments from both Korksoz's and Nelson's friends and family, as well as others, who understand that the gift of life is something to remember.

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## Derry Budget

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properly allocated for areas, such as the TIF District.

Caron said, “Last year was the first year we raised \$250,000 in the operating budget for capital items. We hope to build on that in future years, as we did not have the capacity to add to that this year. The tax rate is anticipated to be \$7.72, which is one cent below the level authorized by taxpayer approved tax cap, even though our revenues are moderating. We are positioning the Town to manage future expenses and liability, though revenue growth is projected as flat.”

The gross appropriation for the budget may be changed a bit downwards as the Town Council goes through certain flagged line items to finalize the budget that is projected to be about \$48.4 million.

The additional amount of revenues necessary to meet this budget number is approximately \$24.75 million. The budget would limit the town property tax rate to \$7.72 per \$1,000 of assessed property value, and would be an increase of 12 cents.

Caron reported that Capital Investments are expected to decrease approximately 22 percent from \$3.1 million to \$2.4 million. Key Capital Investment projects

will continue, though mostly through lease arrangements that will be funded through the capital reserve fund.

Caron pointed out that that personnel salaries and expenses make up about 59 percent of the overall budget. The budget will include funding for replacing several police cruisers nearing suitable end of life for police duties. The town will be allocating budget for new cardiac monitoring equipment and for replacement portable radio equipment for the fire department. In addition, there will be vehicle and equipment replacements and updates for the Department of Public Works (DPW) and there is budget

allocated to cover the continuation of the town’s road-way management program.

Derry Community Access Media (DCAM) operates the local government access channel and DCAM will have budget allocated for adding high definition cable upgrades for the main town hall meeting room.

Caron has been promoting a change in the budget process by disconnecting

sustainable revenues from what he called “situational” revenues. One of his primary goals for this recommendation is to increase transparency in the budget process long term. As a result of previous workshop communications Caron reported, “The Town Council members agree and support this practice of ensuring that the Town does not rely upon situational revenues for its operating budget.”

At the next meeting, the council will consider adoption of this budget and the capital improvements program. On May 21, the Town Council will likely vote on the expansion of the TIF district, so residents who want to voice questions about the budget, as well as the Capital Improvement Plans, should consider attending upcoming Town Council public hearings.

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The planning for this project took 22 years, beginning with a Draft Environmental Statement in 1985,

which was completed in 2007, when a public hearing on this Environmental Statement was held. Eight years later, in 2015, the Governor’s Office directed the NHDOT to accelerate the project. Derry and Londonderry entered into an agreement which states that the NHDOT will provide administrative oversight of the environmental review process and the project will transition fully to the NHDOT’s control for the final design and construc-

tion stages. Per the NHDOT’s website, construction is anticipated to begin this year and be completed by 2022. The projected cost of the project is nearly \$57 million, including preliminary engineering, right-of-way and construction costs.

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# Derry Village School Holds Science Night for Turn Off the Screen Week



The Derry Village School PTA Hosted a number of activities last week as the school took part in the annual “Turn Off the Screens Week.” on Monday night, students were invited to attend a night of Science with Jeremy Griffus of Xploration, which is part of the Adult Learning Center of Nashua. Attendees got to see how hovercrafts work, enjoyed a laser show, were shown how sound waves work, and got to build and launch their own air powered rockets in the schools gym.

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# DERRY SPORTS

## Pinkerton Academy Girls Lacrosse Team Improves to 9-1

IDAN VINITSKY  
NUTFIELD NEWS

If you want to see some scoring, the Pinkerton Academy's Girls' Varsity Lacrosse games are the ones to attend. The Lady Astros played three games last week and with three victories, they improved their record to 9-1. This season, in each of their ten games, they scored at least 12 times,

and with the offense working this well, it's no wonder that good results keep coming.

Pinkerton hosted the 3-4 struggling Hanover High School squad on Wednesday afternoon, May 1, and after 50 exciting minutes of play, won 19-14.

The teams ended the first half tied at nine goals apiece, after Pinkerton was down 6-2. Lauren Lisauskas

achieved a major milestone in that contest, scoring her 100th career goal with 7:44 remaining in the half.

It was 12-12 at the second part of the game when Pinkerton scored six straight times and took control of things.

Lisauskas had a big day, scoring seven times and adding four assists. Kiley Davis and Lilly Auger finished with three goals and two assists each, Zoe Howe scored four times and Madison Daziel and Hailey Peredna once. Lauren Sweeney made four saves, Dani Martineau two.

The Lady Astros saw more success two days later, on Friday afternoon, May 3, when the girls beat Londonderry on the road for the second time this season, this time topping their rivals 17-7 in a game that counted for the Beeman Trophy. The Lady Astros led 8-5 after 25 minutes and scored nine more times after the break, holding Londonderry to only two goals in the second half. Daziel had five goals in this game and Lisauskas and Davis found the net three times each. Auger and Peredna scored twice, Ali Lamphere and Abby Jowett once. Once again, Sweeney made four saves, Martineau two.

One day later, Pinkerton scored 15 goals and conceded

only four goals against Concord High School. The Lady Astros finished the first half with a 10-2 lead and did not let the visitors back in the game at any point, receiving four goals from Auger and Three from Davis. Daziel scored twice, Lisauskas, Peredna, Lamphere, Jowett and Caitlyn Seleny once each. Martineau led this time with five saves, while Sweeney had four for the third straight game.

The team was scheduled to host Souhegan on Tuesday, May 7 after the Nutfield News went to print, but that game was threatened by rain.

They were also slotted to travel to Manchester and face Central High School on Friday, May 10, starting at 5 p.m., and host Dover on Monday, May 13.



After Astro senior Lauren Lisauskas scored her 100th career goal earlier in the week, she helped her team win against Londonderry. *Photos by Chris Paul*



Senior lax star Kiley Davis continues to add to the teams goal totals, during the game against LHS she finished with three.

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# Pinkerton Boys Lax Hands Beeman Loss to Londonderry

IDAN VINITSKY  
NUTFIELD NEWS

The Pinkerton Academy's Boys' Varsity Lacrosse team had a fairly light schedule last week, with only one game on team's check list, but it counted as a big one.

The Astro boys, now 6-3 on the season, extended their winning streak to four games on Friday, May 3, with an impressive 15-7 win on the other side of the highway, at Londonderry High School.

The opening minutes of

the contest were scoreless, until the Drouin brothers found the net, first Mason and then Hunter, giving last year's state champs a 2-0 lead. The second quarter was completely different and the Astros' offense caught fire, scoring nine times in 12 minutes and getting to the halftime break with a promising 11-2 lead.

Four straight Londonderry goals in the second half helped the locals cut the lead to six goals, with almost a full quarter left, but Pinkerton scored the next three goals and celebrated a

commanding win.

Owen McCormack led the Astros with five goals, while Ryan Auger scored twice and had five assists. Mason Drouin finished with three goals and four assists and Hunter Drouin with three goals and two assists. Jack Sweeney made seven saves.

The Astros were scheduled to play Souhegan on Tuesday, May 7, after the Nutfield News went to print, and then to host Hingham on Saturday, May 11, before visiting Dover on Monday, May 13.



PA junior Mason Drouin fights off a Lancer defender on Friday Photo by Chris Paul

# Pinkerton Track and Field Teams Win the Clipper Relays

IDAN VINITSKY  
NUTFIELD NEWS

After their fine performance at the Penn Relays last week, the Pinkerton Academy Boys' and Girls' Track and Field teams returned to New Hampshire, and on Thursday, May 2, they were winners of the 78th Clipper Relays meet, held at Portsmouth High School.

The boys scored a total of 71 points, besting Exeter and Merrimack. They won the High Jump, where Adam Spencer cleared 5'10" and Matt Small 5'8". Colton Boursier finished tied for third with 5-feet.

The Astros also controlled the short runs. In the 4x100, they won with 44.26

seconds (John Brooks, Conor Seleny, Spencer and Ryan Iller ran) and in the 4x200, stopped the clocks on 1:34.28 (Boursier, Brooks, Iller and Seleny). Pinkerton also won the Steeplechase Relay, with Joe Gagnon, Steve Groulx, Spencer and Seleny combining for a time of 7:54.68.

The girls scored 60 points, one more than hosts Portsmouth. They also won the High Jump event, with Emily Lesburt (4'10", tied for first), Jadyn Smith (4'8", tied for fourth) and Hailey Laskiewicz (4', tied for 11th). Pinkerton got another field victory in the Javelin Throw thanks to Amelia Graves (Best result of the event - 97'6"), Laurel Breen (Fourth place, 82'6") and

Samantha Franks (14th, 74'2").

On the track, the Lady Astros won the 4x200 and 4x400. In the 4x200, Megan O'Brien, Sierra Edgecomb, Hannah Frazier and Graves had a time of 1:49.57. In the 4x400, it was Macy Graves, Meghan Cross, O'Brien and Amelia Graves with 4:06.67 minutes.

Two days prior to the Clipper Relays, on April 30, Pinkerton competed at Spaulding against the home team and Salem. The boys scored 87.5 points, the girls 85 and both teams were clear winners of the meet. For the boys, Boursier won the Long Jump, Joron Harrell the Triple Jump and Spencer the High Jump. On the track, Jacob Spezzaferri

won the 100 Meter Dash, Luke Brennen the 1,600 Meter and 3,200 Meter runs, Ben Fleming the 400 Meter, Seleny the 300 Meter Hurdles and 200 Meter Dash and the relay team (Brooks, Seleny, Spencer and Iller) the 4x100.

Among the girls, Amelia Graves ran 100 Meters in

12.54 seconds, 300 Meter Hurdles in 47.54 and had a 115'7" result in the Javelin Throw. Frazier finished with 13.24 in the 100 Meter and 96-20.00 in Javelin. O'Brien ran the 100 Meters in 13.34 seconds and Macy Graves the 400 Meters in 1:01.14. Meghan Cross finished the 3,200 Meter Run after

11:25.84, Jadyn Smith got an 18.14 seconds result in the 100 Meter Hurdles and passed 4'9" in the High Jump. Adrianna Buccieri finished with 30'6.5" in the Shot Put and 101'9" in the Discus and Jocelyn Bourassa with 28'3.5" in the Shot Put.

# PA Softball Team Gets Two Wins

IDAN VINITSKY  
NUTFIELD NEWS

The Pinkerton Academy's Varsity Softball team is climbing toward the .550 mark with two of the three games played last week resulting in wins.

The Lady Astros got their biggest win of the season so far on Tuesday, April 30, with a 9-2 road victory over Memorial High School in Manchester. Alyssa DiMauro's three RBIs were big for the visitors, who scored twice in the second inning and took full control

of the game with three-run fourth and seventh innings. Alyssa Ouellette got her first win of the week in that game.

The next day was not as successful for the Astros though, as Pinkerton lost at home 6-1 to Keene High School. The visiting team scored twice in the third and the Lady Astros cut the lead in half in the top of the fourth inning, only to see Keene score once in the bottom of the inning and three more times in the fifth. Freshman Olivia Mason had Pinkerton's single RBI of

the game, Emma Hodgkins took the loss.

After their Friday afternoon Beeman Trophy game against the Londonderry Lancers was postponed due to rain, the Astros traveled Goffstown High School on Saturday (May 4) and handed that team a 6-0 loss. Ouellette was dominant in this one, winning the game, and allowing just one hit. Mattie Sullivan had a two-run home run in the game. DiMauro, Lily Mason, Danielle St. Peter and Amanda Lindquist contributed one RBI each.

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# Astro Tennis Teams Split Their Meets With Hanover High

IDAN VINITSKY  
NUTFIELD NEWS

With their big planned showdown against rivals Londonderry at home getting canceled last Friday, May 3, due to the rain, the Pinkerton Academy's Varsity Tennis teams had only one match to settle last week, with the girls getting a 5-4 home win over Hanover and the boys losing to the

Marauders in the same result. Both Pinkerton teams now have matching 7-2 record this season.

The meets were held on Wednesday, May 1, and the girls handed Hanover its first loss of the season after a back-and-forth meet. The visitors won the 1, 2 and 3 singles matches, with Chloe Freedman losing 8-6, Julia Farnum dropping her game eight games to three and

Madison Allen suffering an 8-3 loss. Pinkerton on the other hand, won the 4, 5 and 6 singles matches: Katie Allen got an 8-3 win, Victoria Hodosi won 8-4 and Maddie Frank 8-1.

Freedman and Farnum took the first doubles match, eight games to six. Katie Allen and Hodosi lost theirs 8-3 and in the deciding match, Madison Allen joined forces with Leah

Sears and won 9-8, beating their rivals 7-4 in a dramatic tie breaker.

The boys were up against a tough 7-0 Hanover team, and were not able to hand the perfect squad its first loss of the season in their meeting held at Dartmouth University.

Seb Tonini won 8-6, John Marineau lost 8-2, Henry Andrews won 8-6, Jeff Marquis got a wild 9-8

(7-3 in the tie breaker), Alex Tveter lost 8-3 and Colby Day lost 8-1, to bring the result to 3-3 after the singles matches. In doubles, Tonini and Marineau were beaten 8-5, while Andrews and Marquis won 8-6. In the third doubles match, Tveter and Day suffered an 8-3 loss and Hanover escaped with the victory in the meet.

The Pinkerton teams were scheduled to play Nashua South on Wednesday, May 8, (girls home, boys away) and will face Nashua North on Friday, May 10, at 4 p.m., (girls home, boys away) and Concord on Monday on May 13, (boys home, girls away).

## PA Volleyball Starts Winning Streak



Hunter Hazard fights for ball against a Lancer defender last week in the team's win over LHS.

IDAN VINITSKY  
NUTFIELD NEWS

After a slow start to their season, the Pinkerton Academy Varsity Volleyball team has started to get back on track recently, winning four in a row.

The Astros hosted Keene on Tuesday, April 30, and handed the Blackbirds a 4-1 defeat, their first loss of the season after a tough five sets match. Keene took the first set, 25-23 and Pinkerton equaled the match with 25-20. The visitors were back in

front after the third set (25-20), but the Astros stayed alive with a 25-23 fourth set, and completed the come-from-behind win with 15-11 victory in the final set.

Birthday boy Hunter Hazard led the team with 23 kills and two aces. Justin Dunne, in his first varsity game, had four kills and four blocks. Brandon Lee finished with 29 assists and Lucas Lizotte with nine service points.

The next day, Pinkerton easily handled John Stark High School on the road in straight sets, 25-15, 25-14, 25-17. Hazard finished with 14 kills and an ace, Dan Collins had a block and three aces and Sean Galusha gave the team 15 service points. Lee had 19 assists in this game.

On Friday, May 3, the Astros got another 3-0 win, this time over rivals Londonderry at the Hackler Gym, in a game that counted toward the Beeman Trophy totals. In the first set against the winless Lancers, PA won 25-20, but Pinkerton kept a

wider margin in the next two (25-16, 25-11), with Hazard getting 13 kills, eight service points and three aces. Galusha finished with 16 service points, Lizotte and Lee had seven assists each and Collins and Dunne had two blocks and three kills each.

Pinkerton won its fourth straight game on Monday, May 6, 3-0 at Dover High School. The Astros were dominant in all three sets, winning 25-10, 25-12 and 25-11. Galusha provided 12 kills and three blocks, Hazard had nine kills and 13 service points including three aces and Lizotte finished with 24 kills.

## Athletes of the Week

Week of April 28



Lauren Lisauskas,  
Senior, Girls Lacrosse

The productive attacker, Lisauskas got her 100th career goal against Hanover and last week. She scored five goals against Bedford, seven against Hanover with four assists, three goals against Londonderry with one assist, and one goal against Concord. She totaled 21 points last week (16 goals and 5 assists).



Hunter Hazard,  
Senior, Boys Volleyball

Hunter Hazard helped lead the team to three straight wins last week with 50 kills and six service aces over the past three games.

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# Astro Baseball Team's Streak Ends After Four Victories

IDAN VINITSKY  
NUTFIELD NEWS

Just as Pinkerton Academy's Varsity Baseball team was starting get into a groove, a disappointing home

loss came from archrivals Londonderry High School on Saturday, May 4, and stopped a great four win run. The Astros were 13-6 winners against Goffstown at home on Tuesday, April



Brady Day had another productive week for the Astros, getting three hits in the Goffstown game and four hits in the Keene game. Photo by Chris Paul

30. The locals jumped to a 4-0 lead in the first inning and were up six runs to one after three. Goffstown fought back, scoring four runs in the top of the fourth, but Pinkerton answered just in time and with three runs in the bottom of the inning and three more in the next, cruised to an important victory. Richard Marique hit two doubles and had three RBI, Brady Day finished with three hits. Derek Hiscox got the win, pitching for six innings and striking out five batters. Pinkerton then traveled to Keene the next day, and

thanks to a massive performance by both offense and pitcher Asa Runge, enjoyed its best result of the season, a lopsided 17-0 win. The game was close after three innings, with the Astros leading with two runs, but the Pinkerton's bats woke up after that, and the team scored four runs in the fourth, three in the fifth and eight in the sixth. The 10-run mercy rule finally stopped the onslaught. Pinkerton finished with 18 hits, three of them belong to Runge, who had four RBIs and pitched for five innings (five strikeouts).

Connor Jenkins also had three hits and four RBIs, Day finished with four-for-four and a couple of Runs Batted In and Matt Michaud went three-for-three and drove in three more runs. The Astros finished their week at home against the 8-2 Lancers, in a match that counted toward the Beeman Trophy games, and ended with a Londonderry 5-3 win. The visitors scored twice in the first inning and three more time in the second. Pinkerton fought back, with a two-run third inning and one more run in the sixth, but that was all the Astros were able to get by the Lancers. Marique pitched five innings and had three strikeouts and three earned runs, Hiscox took the mound for the final six outs, Day, Jenkins and Frank Gulezian had the RBIs. "Londonderry played tremendous defense," responded coach Stephen Campo to the loss. "We hit the ball pretty well. We made a couple of base running mistakes, but the kids were trying to play hard. We knew it is going to be a fight, like every time we play against Londonderry."

## Pinkerton Leading LHS in Beeman Games

IDAN VINITSKY  
NUTFIELD NEWS

The Beeman Trophy games, between rivals Pinkerton Academy and Londonderry High School, began last week and after four games being played, the tally is currently at 3-1 in favor of the Astros, who are trying to win the competition for the fifth straight spring season.

Unfortunately, rain caused both the boys' and girls' tennis matches and the softball game to be pushed to a future date, but three matches were still held on Friday, May 3, and Pinkerton Academy was victorious in all of them. Londonderry hosted the two varsity lacrosse matches, and the Astros were in full control of both games, with the PA girls winning 17-7 followed by a boys 15-7 victory. In Varsity Boys Volleyball, at Pinkerton, the home team got a clean sweep, winning 3-0 (25-20, 25-16, 25-11). Londonderry was able to score its first point in this year's competition with a hard fought baseball win on Saturday, taking a 5-3 victory against their rivals. The Track and Field teams will meet on May 14 and makeup dates for the canceled matches from Friday had not been announced. 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.

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## Poetry Reading

On Saturday, May 18 at 2 p.m., The Derry Public Library hosts a reception and poetry reading celebrating the 2019 MacGregor Poetry Contest. This event will be held at the Coffee Factory, Hood Plaza, Derry. Winner Matthew Forrest Esenwine and finalist Stacy Milbouer will read their poems, and Derry Poet Laureate will be there to present the \$250 cash prize. If you love poetry, come out and support these wonderful local poets. Meet the poets, listen to their works, and enjoy a delicious coffee!

## Red Cross Blood Drive

The Knights of Columbus Bishop John Neumann Council 6949 will be hosting a Blood Drive on Friday May 17 from 1 - 7 p.m. at the Londonderry Lions Hall 256 Mammoth Rd., Londonderry. Donors of ALL blood types are urgently needed to donate. In an effort to save you time, you can register online [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org) or by calling the Red Cross 1-800-RED-CROSS (We encourage ALL donors to make an appointment to help us in planning). You can also use the RapidPass system to save time the day of your donation as well. Thank you and we hope to see you there!

## Indoor "Picnic"

On May 19, Etz Hayim Synagogue, located at 1-1/2 Hood Rd., Derry, will be serving summer fare for its FREE community dinner: tuna salad, egg salad, garden salad, fruit, ice cream, and other desserts--and, of course, coffee, tea, and lemonade. Dinner is served from 5 - 6:15 p.m., and is open to everyone. Please join us for a relaxing meal in a comfortable setting. The dinner is sponsored by Elijah's Table, a joint project of the Episcopal Church of the Transfiguration and Etz Hayim Synagogue, both located on Hood Rd., Derry. For more information about our free meals, please visit: [freemealsinderry.blog](http://freemealsinderry.blog)

spot.com. And special thanks to Moo's for the wonderful donation!

## 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](mailto: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](mailto: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](http://www.facebook.com/TownOfLondonderryNHHistoricalSociety)

## Exchange Student Program

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## 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.

## 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](http://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](mailto: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 anytime during the 5:30 - 9:30 p.m. reserved court time. Read more [www.derrynh.org/node/121653](http://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](http://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](http://seacoastnmra.org/calendar).

## Lamplighters

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