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Derry's EMS Ambulance Fees Raised to Match Region Costs

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NUTFIELD NEWS

The cost of providing EMS services has been consistently increasing in Derry to a point where the Town is facing revenue losses from these services. As a result, fees for EMS transport services must be raised to keep pace with the region and properly align to what insurance companies will pay.

Town Administrator David Caron pointed out the fee price raises are reasonable and serve to focus the cost on the users of EMS services versus spreading costs throughout the entire community and he recommended the Coun-

cil adopt the proposed updated 2019 fee schedule.

Jim Richardson, Assistant Fire Chief, and Chuck Hemeon, EMS Director, presented an overview for the proposal to adjust the EMS fee schedule. Assistant Chief Richardson said, "We are required by law to revisit these fees every couple of years and make adjustments if needed."

Hemeon presented slide information outlining current EMS situations and noted Derry Fire has seen a 400% increase in assisting invalids unable to get out of their homes, so the Fire Department is encountering new challenges with regard to service time spent, resources, safety and

equipment issues that now require additional fees.

It was pointed out that the Derry Fire Department currently bills for EMS medical services and has operated the Ambulance Service since 1972. In 1990 — the Derry Town Council modified the user fee to existing billing practices so that the revenue collected from EMS transports underwrites the cost of EMS services rendered by the Fire Department.

The ambulance fee schedule was last adjusted in September 2018, though personnel cost and operational expenses, including ambulances and disposable medical supplies have

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Zoning Board Grants Multiple Variances, but Denies Rehearing

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The Derry Zoning Board met on Aug. 15 with public hearings for four separate variance requests.

Chairman Lynn Perkins conducted the hearings with support from the other zoning board members and alternates present at the meeting.

For a variance to be granted for development that is contrary to the town ordinance, a requester must meet five conditions as outlined in the Town's variance application. The first condition is to provide evidence that the value of the surrounding properties will not be adversely affected. A second condition is for the variance to be in the public interest

and provide a benefit to the community. The third condition is that a hardship must inherently exist in the property/land. The fourth condition is that the applicant must prove that by granting the variance, substantial justice will be done and any loss to the individual that is not outweighed by a gain to the general public is an injustice. And finally, the fifth condition is that use of the variance must not be contrary to the spirit and intent of the zoning ordinance. Derry's Zoning ordinance was established to promote the "health, safety, and general welfare of the community."

The first case heard by the board that evening was for Sean LeBlanc, of Mammoth Properties. The vari-

ance being sought was to allow an existing commercial space on a first floor building to be converted to a residential living unit at 60 West Broadway.

Sean LeBlanc was not able to be present for the hearing due a family emergency, and his wife, Mrs. LeBlanc was present. However, since the case involved LeBlanc's LLC and his wife was not an active member of that LLC, she could not speak on behalf of her husband without legal documentation approving her representation for the variance application.

With help from Chairman Perkins, Mrs. LeBlanc moved to continue the variance request application and the Zoning Board agreed

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BEACH DAY Georgia Macaloney, 2, enjoys a 'Day at the Beach' at the Derry Homegrown Farm and Artisan Market. She was playing with Orbeez, water beads, provided by the market for children to play with during their beach-themed event last week. More photos on page 8.

Photo by Chris Paul

Town Council Accepts Resolution for Solar Farm Proposal with Ameresco

MAC LEATHURBY
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Public Works Director Mike Fowler and Net Zero Task Force Chair, Jeff Moulton presented their recommendations to the Town and the community to lease the land at the closed landfill for construction of a solar field, with an opportunity to pur-

chase the solar power system after year 5 of operation.

Specifically, the Council held a public hearing with discussion to review the relevant information for proceeding with this project. The solar field is intended to provide the Town with a 1-Megawatt Energy farm that will supply electricity for the

Town's Department of Public Works (DPW) with a potential for the Town to support additional solar farm projects in the future.

The Net Zero Committee has been working over the past year towards the development of a solar field at the closed landfill. Options reviewed included an out-

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right purchase and operation of the solar array; leasing the land to a third party, with an option to purchase after year five; these arrangements are to be developed with either a 1-Megawatt (MW) project, a 5 MW project, or a 1 MW convertible to 5 MW.

The Net Zero Task Force Committee received proposals from qualified vendors and given the costs and current legislative restrictions, the Committee recommended that the Town Council authorize a 1 MW project by issuing a land lease to the developer, with an option for the Town to purchase the solar field after year 5 of operation.

Detailed economics for the project were previously presented to the Council at their June 4 meeting. Based upon the Commit-

tee's recommendation, it will not be seeking a Supplemental Authorization to invest in the project at this time, but will be requesting Council authorization to enter into a land lease of a duration that may exceed five years. State statutes allow the Governing Body to enter into a lease up to five years and allow longer lease periods by the Legislative Body (Town Council after public hearing).

It is estimated that the Town will save approximately \$33,000/year in electrical cost as the developer operates the solar field. Year 5 outright purchase (if authorized by the Town Council then sitting) is anticipated at \$1.25M, with the annual anticipated savings at that point of \$235,000 or more.

Net Zero Task Force Chair Moulton presented a detailed spreadsheet for the

public and for the Town Council that outlines the "Payback Analysis for the DPW Solar Project" costs and annual savings.

As the solar field will be constructed in a federally designated Opportunity Zone, Town staff has researched to determine if these circumstances would provide more favorable financial terms and conditions. The Town has reached out to eight national Opportunity Zone (OZ) Funds to alert them of this project and has heard back from a few of the investment firms. It appears that the best use of OZ funding would be linkage between the investment firms and the vendor. The Town will play a role in coordinating these parties, should there be mutual interest.

Upon discussion, the Town via Net Zero and DPW staff has selected a proposal from an experi-

enced solar system provider, Ameresco. Ameresco has previously supported solar farm projects in NH and throughout New England. The Ameresco proposal caps the final buyout in year 5 with an amount that was acceptable to the Council. After the presentation about the Ameresco proposal was given to the public and the Council, Chairman Neil Wetherbee called the council to vote on a motion to accept the resolution.

Councilor James Morgan provided that motion and said, "I make a motion to accept Resolution #2019-041 to authorize a long-term land lease at the closed landfill for construction of a solar field. Whereas Section 5.1 of the Town Charter designates the Town Council as the governing legislative body of the Town and whereas RSA 41:11a authorizes the legislative

body to enter into a land lease exceeding five years in length and whereas the staff and the Net Zero committee have been evaluating proposals to develop a solar field in the Town closed landfill and whereas the most cost effective partnership is a 25 year power purchase agreement with a Town option to purchase the facilities at the end of year 5 and whereas the purchase provision in the agreement is a decision of the then sitting Town Council — thus authorizing for a long-term land lease is necessary should the then sitting Town Council opt not to exercise the purchase option."

"Now be it resolved in

Council that the Town Administrator is authorized to exercise all necessary documents with Ameresco for the lease of the land at the closed landfill to facilitate the development of the solar farm. Further to authorize the Town Administrator to negotiate a Power Purchase Agreement with Ameresco and return to the Council for approval. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its passage."

The motion passed unanimously, and the Town Administrator will begin to negotiate the final proposal agreement with Ameresco for a final authorization by the Town Council at a public hearing.

Derry Teenage Motorcyclist Killed in Crash

IDAN VINITSKY
NUTFIELD NEWS

A local 19-year-old was killed on Wednesday, Aug. 14, in a motor vehicle collision that took place on Chester Road, (Route 102) at Regency Road.

According to the Derry Police Department, they responded, shortly before 5 p.m., to a collision involving a motorcycle and another

vehicle.

A preliminary investigation of the scene revealed that the motorcycle was traveling westbound when the operator lost control of his bike and was thrown from it, according to a police press release.

A second vehicle, traveling eastbound at the time of the crash, is believed to have been involved, but the exact extent is unknown at this

time.

The male motorcyclist, 19-year-old Sean O'Connor of Derry, was transported to Parkland Medical Center by the Derry Fire Department ambulance and was pronounced deceased at the hospital.

The second vehicle was operated by 82-year-old Wanda Desaulniers, also of Derry. She was not injured and police said that she has

been cooperating with the crash investigation.

The roadway was closed for several hours, while the Derry Police Department Accident Reconstruction Team conducted its investigation of the crash. Police asks anyone with further information regarding the accident to contact the department at (603) 432-6111.

OBITUARY

Sean Liam O'Connor



Sean Liam O'Connor, 19 of Derry, NH was taken from us too soon on Wednesday Aug. 14, 2019 from injuries sustained in a motorcycle accident. Sean was born in Derry on Aug. 10, 2000, the son of William M. and Carol A. (Sentner) O'Connor.

Sean was a 2018 graduate of Pinkerton Academy in Derry and was currently enrolled in his second year of the electrical program at Manchester Community College. He spent several years working at a local automotive shop, and the past summer working construction. Sean was mechanical and creative - whether fixing something old or building something new. He was quick-witted, thrived on learning new trades, and was always considered the "go to" guy for a helping hand or a hug.

He is survived by his father, William M. O'Connor of Derry, his mother, Carol A. (Sentner) O'Connor of Derry, two sisters, Kelsey and Angela, three aunts, Kate, Jeanine, and Helene, as well as several cousins. He was predeceased by his aunt Julia and his uncle Kevin.

Calling hours was held on Monday Aug. 19, from 4 - 8 p.m. in the Peabody Funeral Homes and Crematorium, 15 Birch St., Derry. A Mass of Christian burial was celebrated on Tuesday Aug. 20 at 10 a.m. at St. Thomas Aquinas Church, 26 Crystal Ave., Derry. Burial will follow in Forest Hill Cemetery, E. Derry.

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UNH to Study Derry's Recreation Facilities for Future Enhancements

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NUTFIELD NEWS

As per the request of Town Administrator, David Caron earlier this summer, a study about updating the town's recreational areas and facilities is about to begin. The study was deemed a Council priority and approved by the Town Council with a budget cost of approximately \$15,000.

At the Town Council meeting on Aug. 13, Town Administrator Caron told the council, "The staff from UNH will be on site during the week of September 16th to begin the study process to help us prioritize improvements and enhancements to our recreational

facilities, as the council considers how to invest the \$1.8 million in bond funds."

The town's recreational facilities have become an important project for the Council. In 2018, town officials hosted a workshop with the Parks and Recreational staff, along with the community, to discuss the current recreational facilities in an effort to determine what areas needed attention or what could be done that would be of further benefit in terms of park usage. Last January, the council approved a bond funding effort that will be targeted to boost the Town's recreational facilities with updates and enhancements.

The UNH study will

leverage data that the Parks and Recreation Department has collected over the past several years, which will help determine the priorities and focus on what can be done, cost effectively, in the town, based on input received from users and staff members. Town Administrator Caron noted that having experts, such as this UNH team, do a study first, before any actions are taken, will help serve the best interest of the town to make the right decisions concerning the facilities used by so many in the community.

The study is expected to examine specific areas to determine what to do with such areas as the existing

lodge at Alexander-Carr Park, how to better utilize the Hood Park area off Rollins Street and what can be done to optimize playing fields at Don Ball Park with new LED lighting. Caron pointed out, "The study team will initially conduct a 3-hour meeting. Then the UNH folks, who will consist of faculty and graduate students, will take a tour of the Town's facilities. The study group will be receiving the names of the stakeholders, such as sport leagues presidents, different youth groups, and different senior groups in order to get well-rounded input from all of the different stakeholders in regard to our parks and facilities. That process is to

be completed by the end of the year."

Caron also noted the recreation study will compliment and benefit the

town's Master Plan process that is also moving forward at this time with future planning priorities for the Town.

Public Asked to Look for Oak Tree Disease

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NUTFIELD NEWS

New Hampshire forestry officials are concerned about a new oak tree-killing disease that may be making its way to the state.

Oak Wilt disease has been in the Great Lakes region for decades but recent outbreaks in Albany and Long Island, New York have New Hampshire officials on alert. Red oaks – which have pointy-tipped leaves – are most susceptible to the disease and can die within a few weeks to six months of being infected. White oaks – which can be identified by round-tipped leaves – are

less vulnerable.

Oak Wilt is a fungus that affects the vascular system of most oak species, stopping the movement of fluids throughout the infected tree, which then quickly dies of dehydration.

The disease is spread over long distances through the transportation of infected logs and firewood. Over short distances, it is spread through root grafting as well as by beetles that ingest sap from infected trees and then travel to other trees.

Once an oak tree is infected with Oak Wilt disease, it cannot be saved. It is possible, however, to control and eradicate the disease's

spread to other trees, making it critical to find outbreaks early.

Trees with Oak Wilt disease are easily identified, as they drop their leaves during the summer, starting at the top of the tree.

Anyone noticing an oak tree that shed its foliage in July or August is asked to please contact the N.H. Division of Forests and Lands' Forest Health Program at 603-464-3016 or to go to NHBugs.org and submit a report that can also include a picture.

Part of the N.H. Department of Natural and Cultural Resources, the Division of Forests and Lands protects and promotes the value provided by trees, forests and natural communities. For more information about the Division of Forests and Lands and the work of its Forest Health Program, visit nh.gov/nhdfl or call 603-271-2214.

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Editorial

Vetoes for Three Gun Safety Bills

On August 9 Gov. Sununu vetoed three bills — House Bill 109 which closes the gun show loophole and requires background checks for firearms sales or transfers; House Bill 514 which requires a three-day waiting period for purchase and delivery of a firearm; and House Bill 514 which prohibits carrying a firearm onto school property.

Sununu defended his veto, “New Hampshire is one of the safest states in the nation, and we have a long and proud tradition of responsible firearm ownership. Our laws are well-crafted and fit our culture of responsible gun ownership and individual freedom.”

According to the USA today, N.H. had an average of 9.3 gun related deaths per 100,000 people in 2016 ranking 12th lowest in the nation. Suicides account for the highest amount of gun related deaths in N.H. MA. — which supports gun licensing for buying firearms and ammunition — has the lowest rate of gun death violence in the U.S. with 3.4 deaths per 100,000. New England States MA, CT, RI, and ME were ranked as less violent than N.H. and VT.

Just hours before the Sununu vetoes, President Trump said he supports “commonsense” and “meaningful” background checks, without being specific, though the President said he wanted to check with the National Rifle

Association.

Senate President Donna Soucy, D-Manchester, said, “Since there have been more mass shootings than days this year, our thoughts and prayers are empty gestures without the courage and conviction to act to prevent future tragedies. That’s why it is so deeply disappointing that in the midst of a national crisis and in the wake of two mass shootings, Gov. Sununu is holding New Hampshire back from making progress on gun violence prevention.”

Overall Americans are asking for something to be done about mass gun violence while protecting 2nd amendment rights. According to surveys from Politico/Morning Consult, 73 percent of voters — majorities of both Democrats and Republicans support stricter gun laws.

More than 91% of voters support background checks for all gun sales. 84% of voters want to prevent people convicted of violent misdemeanors from purchasing guns. 83%, support limiting gun purchases to those over 21 years of age. 80% think there should be a mandatory three-day waiting period before taking a gun home. And 72% support banning high-capacity magazines. Do our leaders and politicians understand the vast majority of their constituents want them to take lawful actions with regard to gun deaths?

- Editorial by Mack Leathurby



Derry Rotary Hosts Annual Auction, Yard Sale Aug. 24

Art McLean, Derry Rotary Club member, is pictured calling out items at the club’s annual auction. McLean has been doing this for about 40 years now. This year’s auction event will take place on Saturday, Aug. 24 at the Fireye parking lot at 3 Manchester Road, corner of Tsienneto Road. Hundreds of items will be sold to the highest bidder, and the funds raised will go to charities in the Greater Derry area. The yard sale begins at 9 a.m. with the live auction starting at 9:30 a.m. *Photo by Chris Paul*

Zoning

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with the continuation request. That hearing is now rescheduled for the next ZBA September meeting, which will be held on the first Thursday in September.

Joseph Hicks, of Hicks Builders, LLC representing owners Todd Rovinelli and Erika Lee Reinikainen, was present to support a variance application request to allow the construction of a 26’x28’ addition less than 15 feet to the side lot lines and less than 35 feet from the front lot line at 70 Beaver Lake Avenue that is zoned MDR (Medium Density Residential).

The hearing went through the application request conditions and the board voted unanimously to approve the variance for this project.

Robert Belquist, an engineer from Meisner Brem Corporation presented a variance application request for owners John Lanzafame and Brian Bell. Belquist outlined detailed support for the five conditions in the variance application request — which is to subdivide a property into two lots with one having a lot area of 14,113 square feet where 15,000 is required at 66 Fordway, a lot parcel that is zoned MDR (Medium Density Residential). Belquist presented the lot design to board and that project was also approved with no additional conditions other than normal town processes, inspections and permits.

Finally, Andrew Lane and Luke Lane submitted re-hearing request for a variance that was denied back on June 20, 2019 that would allow the owner to permit commercial parking in the

rear yard of a property at 5 Aiken Street.

Alternate Zoning Board member, Donald Burgess — who was involved with the original variance hearing that was denied—agreed with the other board members who did not support a re-hearing.

Burgess pointed out, “We went through the five criteria and found that most of them would not allow what this person wants, and secondly the Derry Town Council and the Planning Board decided not to make Aiken Street at that point a commercial district. So, I don’t see any reason why we should change what the Town of Derry has decided.”

The Zoning Board voted unanimously not to grant a rehearing for this variance request. Chairman Perkins stated, “Mr. Lane’s next recourse would be to Superior Court.”

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Last Day of Camp Has Kids Enjoying Fruits of Their Labor



Members of the Derry Garden Club and participants of the Summer Program at the Boys and Girls Club of Greater Derry teamed up again this year to cultivate a wide variety of plants at the youth garden. Last Friday, on the last day of the summer program, children who helped with the garden were invited to enjoy some items made from the vegetables grown this summer. Garden club members presented dozens of dishes for kids to enjoy. *Photos by Chris Paul*

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GREENWorks: Help Keep Your Campfires Clean Burning

Whether at one of the 250 campgrounds in New Hampshire or at home (with a proper burn permit obtained), many people like to sit around a campfire roasting marshmallows or hot dogs, or keeping warm on a crisp fall night. You may be tempted to throw your extra trash in the fire for easy disposal, but burning trash can actually contaminate your food and the air you breathe. When items like candy wrappers, plastic bottles, metal cans, Styrofoam or even newspapers are thrown into a campfire, they release harmful chemicals like benzene, lead, cadmium and formalde-

hyde. These may be dangerous for you and your family to breathe in and does damage to the environment, too.

It is also illegal to burn trash in New Hampshire, in both open fires and in fireplaces, woodstoves, chimneys, burn barrels and the like.

Open burning of trash and smoke inhalation may cause several health issues, including respiratory infections, damage to internal organs, and skin irritation and rashes. In addition to releasing chemicals into the air, open burning of trash pollutes the air, accelerating ozone depletion. The nitrogen oxide re-

leased from burning harms animal and plant life, hindering their ability to circulate the air we breathe. Moreover, open burning could easily become uncontained if not done correctly, causing an actual fire and potential damage to your property and neighborhood.

There are many safer ways to dispose of your trash, rather than burning it. Here are some tips:

- Instead of throwing trash into the fire, make sure to have a garbage bag or cardboard box nearby.
- Construction and demolition debris cannot be burned either, even with a permit. This type of

debris includes fencing, wood, glass, bricks, dry wall, etc. Visit this NHDES fact sheet www.des.nh.gov/organization/commissioner/pip/factsheets/co/documents/co-20.pdf for more information about construction debris.

• New Hampshire towns and cities are required by law to provide solid waste management facilities for residents. Most communities provide curbside pickup of trash and recyclables. However, if your town does not, there are most likely transfer stations and facilities for trash disposal. Call your local town office if you have any questions about how to dis-

pose of your waste. Your town may also have a list of solid waste haulers that can provide pickup for a fee.

• To reduce the amount of trash your household makes, consider recycling. It is a great way to decrease your garbage load. Most communities have recycling programs and/or transfer stations. Homeowners are strongly encouraged to properly recycle glass, plastics, newspaper, aluminum cans, cardboard and other materials.

• Composting appropriate wastes, such as fruit and vegetable peels and coffee grounds, is another great way to reduce your

trash. Composting produces valuable soil fertilizer for your garden and lawn.

For more information, visit the NHDES fact sheet ARD-33 "Burning of Residential Trash: Health & Environmental Risks and Proper Disposal" www.des.nh.gov/organization/commissioner/pip/factsheets/ard/documents/ard-33.pdf or contact the Air Resources Division at (603) 271-1370.

Do your friends, family and nature a favor and only burn clean, dry wood. For more information, talk to the campground owner or visit the NHDES Open Burning webpage.

EMS

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increased since then. A recent comparison of ambulance billing rates for like-size departments providing ALS (Advanced Life Support) ambulance transportation services, as well as, Client Rate Comparison prepared by Quick Med Claims (March 2019) revealed that Derry Fire Department EMS fees are less than other like sized departments in our area.

By comparison, Derry

charges approximately 45% less than Windham Fire, Salem Fire, Epping and Bedford Fire which are municipal departments providing the same level of service. Because of Derry's lower rates – the Town is not capturing all the revenue insurance companies will pay.

On any given month, 89% of the patients who utilize Derry Fire Ambulance transportation services have some form of health insurance. Records indicate the following payer mix: Medicare-56%, Medicaid-

16%, private health insurance-17%, and uninsured-11%. Based on this mix, there are only two payer groups that will be affected by the rate adjustment: 1) patients with private health insurance, and 2) patients who are uninsured. Medicare and Medicaid — 72% of our patients — reimbursements will remain unchanged based on their current fee schedules.

Based on EMS transports from July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019, payments from patients with health insurance and

those who were uninsured was \$465,416. The recommended 20% adjustment for EMS transport fees and 38% increase in mileage could potentially increase overall EMS revenues by \$128,000 annually. The proposed EMS services rate adjustments are as follows:

BLS (Basic Life Support) Non-Emergency are events that have no advanced medical care or medications required. The current rate is \$667 and the proposed new rate would be \$800. BLS (Basic Life Support) Emergency are events that have no advanced medical care or medications required. The current rate is \$667 and the proposed new rate would be \$800.

ALS 1 (Advanced Life Support) Emergency events include ALS assessment and at least one ALS intervention. The current rate is \$1245 and the proposed new rate would be \$1495. ALS 2 (Advanced Life

Support) Emergency events include ALS procedures and/or three or more medications. The current rate is \$1745 and the proposed new rate would be \$2094. ALS (Advanced Life Support) Treat and Release events include the ALS medical supplies utilized while the patient refuses to be transported. The current rate is \$200 and the proposed new rate would be \$300.

SCT (Specialty Care Transport) events include specialty care transport with also hospital-to-hospital emergency transports. The current rate is \$1935 and the proposed new rate would be \$2322.

Mileage events include a patient being loaded from a scene to closest destination hospital. The current rate is \$22 and the proposed new rate would be \$35.

Assist Invalid/Lift Assist events include when an individual has no medical complaint, but the per-

son requests to be lifted or extricated in or out of their residence. A fee would only be assessed if the resident makes repeated requests for service. The current rate is \$0 and the proposed new rate would be \$100.

The Town Council had discussions about the Invalid Lift /Assist situation with Richardson and Hemeon to express concerns that the new fee for this service might impede certain residents from utilizing the services thus creating a safety issue. The Council asked the EMS and Fire department to return with a further analysis about how this situation was being handled by other communities.

The Council voted unanimously for the motion to approve the EMS services fee hikes and while the motion is to go in effect immediately, the Town Administrator was directed to support that fee changes would be made by Oct. 1.

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Town Council Approves Creation of West Running Brook District

MACK LEATHURBY
NUTFIELD NEWS

At the Derry Town Council public hearing on August 13, Beverly Donovan, Derry Economic Development Director, and Elizabeth Robidoux, Derry Planning and Economic Development Assistant, presented amendment revisions for Derry zoning ordinances to create a new town district. Donovan stated, "Tonight we are here to discuss the West Running Brook District that we have been working on for the past year. Essentially, you are being asked to approve the creation of a new zoning district in a portion of the existing Derry General Commercial IV District."

Donovan overviewed the exact boundaries for the public and the Town Council, with a new map that outlined the boundary lines for the West Running Brook District. She and Robidoux also discussed that the inten-

tion to create this new district is to stimulate economic development along Rte. 28 South in the heart of Derry.

Over the last year staff from the Planning Department and Economic Development office have been working with the Planning Board to review the Commercial IV Zoning District along Route 28/South Main Street/Rockingham Road/Webster's Corner area to review permitted uses, as well as address interest for development opportunities located in that part of town.

After an extensive review period, the staff recommended to the public and to the Town Council that the new zoning district to be called the West Running Brook District. The Planning Department has previously approved this rezoning proposal and moved it forward for the Town Council to support the Council's legislative duties for a decision on the amendments.

Donovan and Robidoux outlined specific revisions to amend Article IV, Districts, Section 165-29, to add this new West Running Brook District, number 24. Related to this amendment were separate amendment revisions across other district boundaries and new ordinance sections necessary to update the Town's planning articles that the Council will have to act upon.

According to Donovan, the amendment allows for the best and highest use for properties within the West Running Brook District — including vacant parcels for potential development, as well as existing commercial properties and redevelopment opportunities.

This district is currently set up and serviced with municipal water and sewer that was installed several years ago at the cost to the Town of over 3 Million dollars — with the idea — at that time — to set up the area for future development

and return on investment for the Town and its residents. Re-zoning of the parcels will allow the Economic Development Office to market the properties to potential developers. There is currently interest in certain property areas and additional interest to see new commercial and mixed-use development.

With new development, the Town will see an expansion of its tax base that will contribute additional revenues. Additionally, the Town will see re-investment in this new zoning district, thus preserving the nature and historical character of this part of Town, while likely boosting assessed values in this area.

Both the Town Administrator and appropriate Planning and Economic Development staff recommended that the Council move forward at this public hearing to accept this proposal and adopt the provisions of the amendments. The creation



The new Derry West Running Brook District, shown in light grey, is now approved by the Town Council and ready for economic development.

of this new district in the Town is intended to stimulate economic development along Rte. 28 South.

After the presentation and with an informed discussion among the members, the Town Council unanimously adopted the amendments for the creation

of the new West Running Brook district. The motion was set forward so the adoption of the new amendments creating the district would officially take affect 30 days after the Town Council's adoption and approval of these amendments.

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DERRY SPORTS

Derry Outscored by Londonderry in Old Home Day Softball Game

IDAN VINITSKY
LONDONDERRY TIMES

In a nice twist to the annual Old Home Day softball game that is usually held between the town's Police and Fire departments, This year the Londonderry Police Department and Fire Department joined forces on Friday, Aug. 16 and played their counterparts from the Derry Police and Fire Departments. The special game was part of the 120th Old Home Day celebration and mainly, because of the 300th Anniversary of Nutfield celebration which has been uniting the area's towns for the last few months.

The contest, which started out as seven-inning game, ended up as a nine inning competition after both sides wanted to stay on the Softball Varsity field at the Londonderry High School. The game lasted approximately 75 minutes and ended with the local Londonderry team winning 10-8.

Derry took an early lead with a first inning run, but Londonderry answered with three runs in the second. The first home run of the evening belonged to officer

Christopher Olson of the Londonderry Police Department and with two outs in the fourth inning, officer Matt Morin had a clutch two-run single to give Londonderry a promising 6-1 lead.

The home team added to its lead with a sacrifice fly in the bottom of the fifth inning and Olson, the game's MVP who also had a few nice catches as the team's left outfielder, hit for his second home run of the game. Standing right behind the fence, a young fan caught that home run, providing one of the top highlights of the game.

Derry was down 8-1 after five innings, but enjoyed a tremendous comeback. Detective Kevin Ruppel and officer Adam Petkus went back-to-back with a couple of solo home runs to start the sixth inning and officer Kevin Davis added a two-run shot to make it just 8-5 after six innings. Derry did not stop there and in the top of the eighth tied the game with another two-run home run, this one by officer Timothy Underhill, followed by an officer Sam Troy homer.

With the game tied at



Londonderry Police Sergeant Chris Olson sent two homeruns over the fence in the winning effort against Derry during Old Home Day.

eight in the bottom of the eighth inning, firefighter Zach O'Brien stepped up for Londonderry. He hit a triple, sliding bravely (and painfully according to him) towards third base and then had another slide, home, after

officer Olson's sac fly.

The winning pitcher for Londonderry was police



Pitching for the Derry side was Police Sergeant Shawn O'Donaghue, shown firing a bunt to first base.

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officer Dan Perry. Derry's Police Department.

pitcher was Sgt. Shawn O'Donaghue of the Derry

"I think it was terrific, it
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Baseball and Softball Summer Camp Completes Second Year



IDAN VINITSKY
NUTFIELD NEWS

The baseball and softball skills summer camp, held over the last three weeks at the O'Hara Fields in Derry, was completed on Wednesday, Aug. 21. The camp was organized and managed by Jake Filip and had three sessions over three Wednesday's, starting on Aug. 7.

Filip, who is a Physical Education Teacher at South Range Elementary School in Derry, also coaches baseball at Trinity High School in Manchester. He said that his collaboration with the Town of Derry and the

Derry Little League has been great over the last few years, "The town approached me before the summer and just said 'come here and do what you want'. They were really in favor of another summer camp after last year's success. And the Derry Little League gave us permission to use their fields. They have been so good to us and I want to thank them for that."

The softball camp was held between 10:30 a.m. and noon and after a short lunch break, the baseball camp started every Wednesday at 12:30 p.m. and also lasted 90 minutes.



"Our format was 45 minutes of working on a certain skill, teaching and guiding the kids", explains Filip. "Then we did a scrimmage, where I was pitching and the kids played and in the last 20 minutes we always have a competition."

The first week saw the kids work on their defense, ground balls and out-fielding. The second week focused on pitching and catching and the third and final meeting was dedicated to hitting. The competitions were a home run derby, a running-the-bases speed competition and an accuracy competition: "I like this style of sessions. It includes

teaching, game situation and some action," said Filip.

All the boys and girls from the area, who participated in the camp, were 10 to 12 years old. The softball camp had about a dozen girls and got to talk on their final session with guest speaker Emily Moll from Bedford, who is playing college softball. The boys' team had 16 participants in the final session of the camp, and Filip was assisted by high school kids from Trinity, including Turner Sykes of Derry. Other Camp Counselors were former Pinkerton Academy player Zach Rioux and



From left, Landon Bottino, 12, Jeffrey Gray, 12, and Ben Bressler, 11, all of Derry participated in the Baseball Camp this summer.
Photos by Idan Vinitsky

Londonderry High School Baseball team member Ethan Green.

"These wonderful young men and women have done an awesome job at helping the kids develop a love for the sports of softball and baseball," said Filip. "They're doing an outstanding job of personalizing the instruction and making it extremely fun for these kids. I can't thank all of them enough for volunteering their time to get involved with the community. These are young leaders of our community spreading positive messages of what sports can do to develop future leaders in

our communities."

His next goal is to create similar baseball and softball camps in Manchester and the area, "I always try to get the town involved, like we did here in Derry. It is a great opportunity to give back to the kids and the community. I donated some of last year's proceedings to the Derry Little League and I would be doing the same this year. I also want to donate to the Manchester Little League, because I know that they need help. I want to create the connection between the young players and the kids that go to Trinity and we want baseball's and softball's popularity to keep growing."

For more details on the camp, parents can contact Jake Filip at Jacobfilip@yahoo.com or (603) 479-7694.

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Six Seniors Lead Pinkerton Cheer Squad Into New Season

IDAN VINITSKY
NUTFIELD NEWS

Pinkerton Academy's Spirit team has been a New England powerhouse for a while now. Last winter season, the Lady Astros easily won the State Championship and went on to also win the regional tournament. Now, they will be going for their ninth fall title in 10 years.

After losing the championship to rivals Londonderry High School in 2017, the Astros won it back last year with a close victory over Dover. The team had its first day of tryouts at the Shepard Building Gym on Monday (Aug. 19) and is

bringing back six seniors, who will be leading the Varsity team.

"It's exciting that we get to meet all the new people and teach them how the whole program goes. I think that's cool", thinks Jenna Desroches. Hailey Blackman agrees: "It's really exciting getting to meet everyone, especially starting as a freshman and being the lowest and then getting to see all the seniors lead us as the years went on. And now we are taking everything from them to teach other people."

Genna Dellisola believes that the team's biggest challenge heading into the new season is "probably living

up to the expectations that are held for us. Every year when we get a new routine we went to bump it up and make it more challenging. We want to exceed the expectations and just rise and be the best that we can be."

Asked about some of the stronger rivals Pinkerton could meet this year, Hunter Millane says: "Each year it changes. It can be anyone that comes out with a new routine and skills. We just try to focus on our things and what we can put out there. Because at the end of the day we control what other people do." Julia Saab adds: "Also we are our own biggest competitors,



Seniors Jenna Desroches, Hailey Blackman, Genna Dellisola, Hunter Millane, Julia Saab and Ashley Hebert ready to lead the Pinkerton Academy Varsity Spirit squad to the new season and are excited about new members and routines

because we always try to beat ourselves and be better than the last year."

Ashley Hebert wraps the conversation: "We are really hard on ourselves, want to do better for us and don't compare ourselves to anyone else."

PA Volleyball Senior Ready For Fourth Varsity Season

IDAN VINITSKY
NUTFIELD NEWS

Most of the fall season teams at Pinkerton Academy started their three day tryouts on Monday, Aug. 19, and one team, with some expectations, is the Girls' Volleyball team, coached by Todd Royce.

Last year, the Lady Astros had a pretty good record overall, 12-7 and got over Portsmouth in the preliminary playoff round with



Senior, Ella Dandrade

a 3-1 victory, but lost in the quarterfinals in straight sets to Hollis-Brookline, who went on to win its fourth Division I title in a row.

With a new season about to begin (The Astros' first game is on Sept. 6, in Manchester against Memorial), senior and captain Ella Dandrade is aiming high: "We have some Varsity returners and a few swingers from last year who will be on the Varsity team now," she tells the Nutfield News.

"And the JV players who are trying out these days are showing a lot of potential. Based on the scrimmages that we already had, we have a good chance to make it deep in the playoffs. Everyone wants to beat Hollis or at least make the finals. I think we can finish high in the standings."

The team will have three

or four seniors this season and Dandrade is starting her fourth Varsity year. She started as a libero freshman, moved to outside hitter as a sophomore and last year she played as the setter: "I don't know yet my position for this year", she laughs. "But out of all the years that I've been part of the Varsity team, this year we have the

most excitement in the air. All the girls really want to work hard."

Dandrade knows she has an important role on the team, "For many girls, this is the second Varsity season, so we learn how to be leaders. It's not hard to lead this team, because it's all good kids, but the bar from last year's seniors is high."

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Runners Enjoy 5K, Brews and Concert at Boot Scootin' Boogie

IDAN VINITSKY
NUTFIELD NEWS

The Enterprise Bank Boot Scootin' Boogie 5K race was held on Saturday night, Aug. 17 in Londonderry, as one of the final events of the town's Old Home Day celebration.

The race, which has been run in Londonderry in the month of July since 2015, took the place of the long-standing Lungren 5K this year, and was followed by a Brewfest and a country music concert, started and ended at the Londonderry Athletic Fields Association (LAFA).

The Lundgren 5K race had been held on Saturday mornings for nearly four decades during the annual Old Home Day celebration.

In this year's race, the

first person to cross the finish line was Andrew Erickson, a 24-year-old runner from Lebanon. It only took Erickson 16:27.3 minutes to complete the course, running less than 3:18 minutes-per-kilometer.

Right behind Erickson came was the fastest Nutfield area runner of the evening, Jacob Wormald, 24-year-old from Derry, who finished second with a time of 16:41.8 minutes. The third place spot went to 32-year-old Alex Hall of East Thetford, VT, with a time of 17:11.2.

The female winner was Katherine Estep, 23-years-old of Nashua, who finished 14th overall with a time of 19:00.8. The next women was 36-years-old Mary Klene of Manchester, who came in 17th overall with a time of 19:15.6. Third among the ladies was

Lauren Long (Lunenburg, Mass.), who at just 12-years-old, was the 23rd overall finisher thanks to a time of 19:36.8.

Other than Wormald, the second fastest Derry runner was 54-year-old Richard Disalvo. He finished 18th overall and ran a time of 19:24.2. 60-year-old Marty Kennedy (86th overall) was Derry's third best runner with 23:00.4 and in the women category, it was Rebecca Noe (44-years-old) who completed the run after 23:55.5 minutes and was 110th overall and Carolyn Morgenstern, 56-years-old, who crossed the finish line right after Noe and had a time of 23:57.8.

The fastest Londonderry male runner was 18-year-old Christian Smith, who placed 10th overall with 18:11.4 minutes. He was one spot



Winners of the Enterprise Bank Boot Scootin' Boogie 5K were, at left, Andrew Erickson, a 24, from Lebanon and, at right, Katherine Estep, 23, of Nashua.

Photos by Chris Paul

ahead of Jake Donnelly 23:21.6 minutes.

(19-years-old, 18:23.1 minutes) and three ahead of Tyler Kraft (15-years-old, 18:51.7 minutes). 26-years-old Meredith Ambrose, who finished 54th overall, was Londonderry's best female runner at 21:27.4, and 15-year-old Adriana Nadeau ran 23:16.5 and was 93rd overall and was followed by 14-years-old Emily Smith, who finished after

The 86-years-old Bob Welts of Amherst crossed the finish line after 46:31.9 minutes, placing him 1,104th out of 1,123 runners who completed the course and making him the oldest finishing participant of the race. 79-year-old Grace Williams from Nottingham was the oldest lady and she finished 1,218, after 58:07.2 minutes.

Also finishing were 6-year-olds Caeden Hart of Derry (46:44.6 minutes, 1,109th overall) and Matthew Mulvaney of Manchester (39:40.9 minutes, 915th overall) and 7-years-old Mason Bacotti of Londonderry (29:08.5, 369th overall). Among the youngest girls who ran was Keira Hart, 8-years-old of Derry, who finished 940th with a time of 40:22.2.



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was great", said Londonderry Chief of Police Bill Hart after the game. "Especially in support of the 300th anniversary of our communities, to bring these

communities together, in sort of a traditional way, I think it's just wonderful. We always have that friendly rivalry with the Fire Department, but this was a great opportunity to bring Derry and Londonderry much closer together."

Officer Olson added, "It was a fantastic game. It was good to see the two communities coming together. The police and fire, we are not really rivals, we are on the same team, so it was good being on the same team as these guys today. It was fun,

it's always good being able to play softball, kids came here and loved it and it's always a pleasure being able to play for my PD. I coach baseball year-round and play recreational softball. They made a great comeback and it took a full effort

from our team. I'm glad we were able to pull that win off for our town on Old Home Day."

From the Derry side, Sgt. O'Donaghue commented on his team's performance, "I'm glad it was close. It was much nicer if Derry won, but

we had a good time. It was fun. We had a good comeback, couple of home runs from our big hitters. It was a beautiful day. I think this idea was great. We work a lot with Londonderry, so it was good to get out and see them off duty as well."

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Derry Rotary Annual Auction

The Derry Rotary Club to hold their annual auction on Saturday, Aug. 29 in the parking lot of Fireye on Tsienneto Rd., Derry. We will have new items, used items, gift certificates, etc. for auction, as well as a yard sale area. Please contact 603-432-9063 to donate.

Free Movie

Abundant Grace Church is hosting a free movie night on Aug. 30 at 7pm on 127 Rockingham Rd., Derry. The movie is "Breakthrough" Free snacks and refreshments. For more information please call the church at 432-0510, hope to see you there.

A Bissel Yiddish

Learn some Yiddish on Sunday, Sept. 8, at 11 a.m. - 1 p.m., at Etz Hayim Synagogue, 1-1/2 Hood Rd., Derry. Our instructors will be native Yiddish speaker Shirley Lelchuk (former Yiddish teacher at Temple Beth Abraham - Nashua, NH) and Dr. Alan Green (Raymond Street Klezmer Band member, mohel, and retired OB/GYN). Please BYOB ("Bring your own Brunch"). BYOB may be dairy, vegetarian, vegan or fish (but no shellfish); no meat (including poultry and pork. It's fun, it's hip, it's interesting. Please RSVP to d.chaitowitz@etzhayim.org, or reply to our Event Page on Etz's Facebook page, so we have a head count.

Free Meals

Please join us for free, family-friendly meals, served in a relaxed atmosphere. Meals are generally held as posted below, but may be rescheduled for holidays. Please call the facility to check on holiday times. Dinner at First Parish Congregational Church, 47 East Derry Rd., East Derry on Aug 23 from 5 - 6:30 p.m. For more information call 434-0628. Lunch at St. Jude Parish Community, 435 Mammoth Rd., Londonderry on Aug 25 from 1:30 - 2:30 p.m. For more information call 432-3333. The

Sonshine Soup Kitchen is serving free hot meals 5 days a week.

Past Life Regression Workshop

Join us in a session of Past Life Regression on Sunday, Aug. 25, beginning at 1 p.m., at the Church of Spiritual Life, NSAC, 58 East Broadway, Derry. The cost of the event is \$15. For more info: www.ChurchSpiritualLifeNH.org and our FaceBook page www.facebook.com/CSLDerry

Raising a Teenager?

This free weekly resource group for parents, grandparents and caregivers rising teens, discuss concerns, learn strategies and get support at the Upper Room on Thursdays from 6 - 7 p.m. at 36 Tsienneto Rd., Derry. Drop-ins welcome.

IPS

The Upper Room offers Teen Information for Parenting Success for young parents ages 13-23, Wednesdays 5 - 7 p.m. A weekly support program for young parents to talk, listen, learn and be accepted. Childcare available. To register, call (603) 437-8477 ext. 12.

DGC Birthday

The DGC will celebrate its 83 birthday on Sept. 6 at the Boys and Girls Club in Derry, NH. The day's program will be a presentation on how to create your own photograph album using Shutterfly's website. Susan Davis, a member of the DGC and winner of four awards for her scrapbooks, will do the presentation. The public is welcome. The program begins at 10 a.m. with the business meeting and light luncheon to follow. Please bring your own place setting. Call 396-0053 or go to our website www.derrygardenclub.org for more information. We are always looking for new members; please join us!

ETZ Hayim Youth Education Program

Registration for all the ETZ Hayim Synagogue Youth

Education programs will be held on Tues, Sept. 3 from 6 - 8 p.m., The classes for the 2019-2020 school year: One Sunday per month, beginning Sun, Sept. 15 from 10 a.m. - noon: Sunday Camp - (Ages 4-6) - Jewish music, crafts, games; Each Tues, Sept. 10 at 6 p.m. - Continued learning for students ages 7 to 16: Aleph and Bet (7, 8) - Beginner Hebrew, holidays, Gimel and Dalet (9-11) - Reading Hebrew, prayers, Torah and ethics, B'nai Mitzvah (12,13) - Bar/Bat Mitzvah preparation, and Confirmation (13+) - Advanced Jewish education. Also, please join us for our first Family focused Shabbat to be held on Friday, Sept. 6 with a craft project at 6 p.m. and service at 7:15 p.m. For more information, please contact us at office@etzhayim.org or call 603-432-0004. Etz Hayim Synagogue is located at 1 1/2 Hood Rd., Derry.

Skip Burbine Memorial Tennis Tournament

Held on the Aug. 22 - 25 weekend, at the Skip Burbine Memorial Tennis Courts, Sargent Road, Londonderry. The tournament will hold Men's, Women's and mixed Doubles tournaments. This Tournament is to benefit Ocular Melanoma Foundation, Granite State Kids Non-Profit Tennis Organization, Skip Burbine Memorial Scholarship Fund and other Local Charities. To register, please either make a check out to "Skip Burbine Foundation" with entry names in memo and mail to 2 McEnroe Drive, Londonderry, NH, 03053, or use the site Venmo @burbine22 with entry names in the subject line, or use the site PayPal burbine22@gmail.com with entry name in PayPal subject description. For more information email burbine22@gmail.com or you can call either 603-553-1526, 603-247-8510, or 603204-0829.

18th Annual Auction

The Upper Room holds its 18th Annual Auction on Nov. 1

at 5:30 p.m., at the Tupelo Music Hall, Derry. Don't miss our highly anticipated cruise-themed charity event of the year! Bid on dozens of silent and live auction items, including gift baskets, travel packages and fun experiences. Dinner is included. Tickets are on sale now at TupeloMusicHall.com

Gallien's Town Beach

Gallien's Town Beach will be open throughout the summer from 10 a.m. - 7 p.m. (weather permitting) beginning now. This facility is for Derry residents only and proof of residency is required at each visit. Passes are typically only available for purchase at the Recreation Office. To register for a beach pass you will need: Proof of residency for each pass recipient is required to enter and/or to receive a beach pass (including minors). A completed adult and/or minor, a waiver per person for each person requesting a pass. Payment in the form of Check or Cash (exact change appreciated). For more information go to Gallien's Town Beach including park hours, admission fees, and lost pass policies www.derrynh.org/parks-recreation/pages/galliens-town-beach.

Transitions Support

The Upper Room offers Transitions support for young adults ages 18-25. Learn how to manage the "overwhelming" in a healthy way for you. We offer workshops, and 1:1 support, groups. For an appointment, call (603) 437-8477 ext. 24.

Derry Fun Night

Seacoast Division of the National Model Railroad Association is running their Derry 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. 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.

Story Hour with a Craft

A story hour with a themed craft is available for children ages 2 - 5 years old on Mondays at 10 a.m. starting Sept. 9, Wednesdays at 1 p.m. starting Sept. 11 and Sundays at 1 p.m. starting Sept. 15 at the Taylor Public Library. Space is limited so called the library at 432-7186 to register by Sept. 3 or with questions.

Story Hours

The Taylor Library Story Hours for 2-5 year olds are Mondays & Wednesdays at 10 a.m. Stories and with a theme based craft each week. A snack will be provided. Call to register by Sept. 3 at 432-7186 and save your space.

Tiny Tots

A storytime for ages six months - two years meets Fridays at 10 a.m. starting Sept. 13 at the Taylor Public Library. Space is limited so call the library at 432-7186 to register by Sept. 3 or with questions.

Parents Support Group

Are you frustrated with your teenager or in need of support regarding your teenager? Does parenting your teenager mean you have new concerns about anger, defiance, motivation and trust? If so, you are not alone. Welcome to the club! Meet up with other parents at our Parents Support Group every Thursday night, 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m., at The Upper Room, 36 Tsienneto Road, Derry. Meet other parents experiencing the same situations. No pre-registration is required. There is no fee, and all topics can be discussed. Call 603-437-8477 with any questions.

Walking Together

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

Lamplighters

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

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.

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.

Greater Manchester Lyme Disease Support Group

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

Walk with Me

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

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.

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