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Important Pandemic News and Updates for the Community

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The Town of Derry is asking for residents to stay safe and please observe Governor Sununu's Stay at Home Order that became effective on March 28 and will continue through May 4. This order also outlines which essential services can stay open in order to maintain and support the Derry community. Please check the Governor's website for specifics and updates about this order. www.governor.nh.gov/

While Derry's town government is exempt from this Stay at Home order, the Town's Municipal building will remain closed to the public. The town has set up virtual access with online

connections to keep town business and operations going. Residents are kindly requested to maximize public safety and access Derry Town services through the Town website. www.derrynh.org. If necessary, residents can use the Drive-Thru at the Municipal Center.

Most Derry government - public meetings for council, board and commission operations will continue as per NH regulations that allow town officials and members to support these meetings remotely via audio/video call conferencing. Town public meeting schedules may adjust accordingly. Please check the town website for current meeting logistics. Most meetings

will continue to be supported by DerryTV (Derry Community Access Media) on Comcast's channel 17. Channel 23 public access channel media will also continue. Meetings will be available via online streaming media. See www.derrynh.org/derry-community-access-media for additional information.

CART (Cooperative Alliance for Regional Transportation) has now reduced its operations. CART has recently transitioned to essential travel only. CART will to communicate with all passengers who currently have any trips scheduled and make adjustments where appropriate. Essential travel will include medically

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Town Council Selects Foote as Chairman in Contentious Vote

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At the Town Council meeting on March 24, three council members used remote access conferencing to connect to the meeting and the remaining four council members were seated using spacing for social distancing in the council room.

The new format is due to the social distancing mandate during the COVID-19 Pandemic

Those using remote connection for this meeting were council members Joshua Bourdon, Phyllis

Katsakiores, and James Morgan. In the conference room were Town Council Chair, Neil Wetherbee, Charles Foote, Brian Chirichiello, and Richard Tripp.

In this time of challenge and per NH regulations, town governments are legally able to conduct appropriate operations and meetings via audio and video conferencing.

Though the meeting room was closed to the public, due to the COVID-19 virus, the meeting was broadcast for public viewing by Derry TV and is available online to see via

Derry Community Access Media. www.derrynh.org/derry-community-access-media.

The public can continue to observe Derry Town government meetings that are open to the public at this time. While several meetings may be rescheduled where needed, it is the intent of the town to continue meetings that support community operations, so government meetings will continue to be available for the public to observe.

Meeting discussions for this evening included a focus about keeping the

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BIRTHDAY PARADE Second grade Derry Village student Landon Genthner got a special surprise on Saturday, as his classmate helped him celebrate his birthday with a parade. Because of the COVID-19 restrictions Landons party was cancelled, so teachers and classmates rallied to make the day special for him. See more photos page 8.

Photo by Chris Paul

Fire Chief Outlines Challenges Ahead to Fight the Pandemic

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The Town Council held their regular meeting at the Town Municipal center on March 24 led by new Town Council Chair, Charlie Foote. Though the meeting room was closed

to the public due to the COVID-19 virus, the meeting was broadcast by Derry TV and is available online via Derry Community Access Media. www.derrynh.org/derry-community-access-media.

Fire Chief and Emergency Management Direc-

tor, Michael Gagnon, was at the meeting to provide a COVID-19 update for the public and the Town Council. He also discussed how this challenge is affecting Derry residents - pointing out key procedures the public should know about.

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Parkland Medical Taking Proactive Steps for the Community

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Parkland Medical Center leadership and staff have been actively preparing their hospital team and 86-bed facilities for an influx of COVID-19 virus patients. They are focused and as ready as possible in this difficult time to help the community fight this pandemic.

The medical center began procuring additional personal protective equipment (PPE) including gowns, face shields, N-95 respirators, and linens several months ago. And they have ramped up training for the medical and support teams who are responsible for such care.

Ryan Lawrence, Parkland's Marketing/ Communications Director, told us, "We have incredible, dedicated staff here at Parkland Medical Center, providing

24/7 care for our community during this unprecedented time."

Lawrence noted the hospital's statement for the community, "Our health care staff has been provided training on the safe, effective, and responsible use of PPE. We are continuing work to ensure Parkland Medical Center has adequate PPE and are implementing steps to enhance our supply with the recognition that the COVID-19 epidemic is rapidly changing. Our hospitals have prioritized negative pressure rooms equipped to handle patients with airborne and droplet precautions consistent with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) guidelines."

Lawrence points out, "Like other hospitals in our area, having enough testing capabilities is an issue that we continue to monitor, and

"we appreciate the New Hampshire Department of Health's diligent work in this area. We have tested individuals in accordance with CDC guidelines."

Testing remains a problem across NH at this time and there are limitations across all COVID-19 testing facilities, as to who might qualify to be tested for the virus.

For those concerned about testing and treatment, Parkland offers information on how to move forward. Lawrence says, "We ask anyone with a cough, fever, respiratory illness, who has traveled outside the country or believes they may have been exposed to COVID-19, to first call their primary care physician, and do not come to the hospital without first making that call unless it's a medical emergency,"

As New Hampshire hos-

pital needs may be impacted near term, more than 80 NH health care providers have now applied for emergency loans or grants from the state to proactively prepare for challenges that likely are ahead for NH residents. Last week, Governor Sununu announced a new emergency fund of \$50 million intended to help protect the state's medical system as the caseload situation is expected to grow.

A statement from the Parkland says, "As the threat from the COVID-19 virus is amplified, so too are our efforts." Here are a few steps Parkland's operations team reports that will help them help you and that will continue to assure uninterrupted care. "We're limiting entry into our hospitals and clinics so anyone who enters into patient care areas can be carefully screened, and

masks can be provided to those who need them."

"Every employee, caregiver, and physician has been asked to follow a self-screening procedure, because protecting our patients starts with protecting our people. Precautions taken to treat patients with COVID-19 are similar to those taken to treat patients with influenza, with restricted visitation to limit exposure. This is commonplace procedure for us during any flu season. As always, cleaning to prevent the spread of infection is occurring throughout all of our care areas."

Regarding Parkland's staffing, the hospital communication's team has expressed that there is currently adequate staffing, and "we continue to ensure that we are prepared for an influx of patients. We have staffing contingency plans in place, and those include the use of HCA Healthcare's in-

house staffing agency."

Like other hospitals, Parkland is monitoring the supply levels of personal protective equipment, or PPEs. "We are in close collaboration with our supply chain organization who is monitoring industry information and working with our vendor partners to assess availability, and to ensure we have the necessary supplies to serve our patients and our caregivers."

Director Lawrence says, "We truly appreciate the outpouring of support from the community as we have received many generous donations of PPE, food for staff and thoughtful letters as we continue to care for our patients and the community."

For updated information, please check Parkland Medical Center's Coronavirus Resource Hub; <https://parklandmedicalcenter.com/covid-19/>

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Before a single brick has been laid, The Baldwin - Londonderry, New Hampshire's first Continuing Care Senior Living Community - is already winning awards. The Association of National Home Builders, Multi-Housing News and the American Institute of Architects have all awarded gold or silver design awards in a variety of categories for The Baldwin's innovative design and unique approach to engaged senior living.

Coming in 2022, The Baldwin - sister to Edgewood Retirement Community in North Andover, MA - is situated in tax-friendly New Hampshire. Its location is adjacent to I-93, and offers an easy drive to the Lakes, the Seacoast, the White Mountains, transportation hubs and all of the cultural opportunities Boston offers.

Why all the accolades? The Baldwin's project team (including Boston's own award-winning DiMella Shaffer Architects) has designed a community to reflect what future residents are looking for: choice, amenities, location and innovation. And those future residents are actively involved with the project team as the features of the new community take shape. From landscaping and garden design, to dining options, walking trails and a wellness center, future residents' preferences are being heard as The Baldwin comes to life. All of this set strategically adjacent to Woodmont Commons, a live, work, play neighborhood with dining, retail and other attractions all just a short walk from The Baldwin.

It's not only the architecture and design community which has expressed confidence in the future of The Baldwin. A number of



New Hampshire and Massachusetts residents have already made a 10% deposit and chosen their new apartment homes in the community. Understanding all the excitement is easy: an expansive choice of floor plans (54 total layout options) open

up new possibilities for residents to rightsize their lives and to entertain friends and family. Options for customization are a welcome deviation from the one-size-fits-all home designs that have been the norm for senior lifestyle communities. The Bald-

win's depositors are looking forward to the freedom they will have to personalize their living spaces into homes that are uniquely their own and to finish them with the luxury and craftsmanship of a Scavolini kitchen or a Porcelanosa tile bath.

Apartment homes at The Baldwin are continuing to sell. There are still opportunities remaining to place a deposit and reserve your home in this unique community. Visit www.TheBaldwinNH.org/Times or call 603.945.7728 to learn more.

Chairman

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town safe and operating optimally during the COVID-19 virus pandemic. No new councilors were elected during this past month's town election, and this evening marked the beginning of a new term for the Town Council.

In his last duties as Town Council Chair, Neil Wetherbee said, "Our first order of business this evening is the election of a new Town Council Chair. I will take nominations for that position."

Councilor Josh Bourdon spoke first and nominated Charlie Foote for the position of Chair and was seconded by councilor Katsakiores. Jim Morgan nominated Brian Chirichiello, which was seconded by councilor Trip.

In contrast to last year's Town Council Chair election that was a smooth transition vote to bring in Neil Wetherbee as Chairman replacing councilor Morgan, this year's selection process was more contentious.

Morgan offered discussion about a letter he had sent that outlined certain

communications that Morgan said were untrue. He said there had been social media communications about Morgan and Chirichiello collaborating to leverage certain town actions. Morgan said, "That is not the case at all. I am a little bit disappointed that once again events in Derry are politicized to the point of hysteria."

Morgan said he sent a letter to outline concerns he had from his business executive experience that there are serious issues that affect our economy, the citizenry of Derry, and certain problems we have now that have to be dealt with. Morgan said, "And leadership has been a serious problem in the past few months here."

Morgan continued his speech as he heightened concerns with more difficult verbiage that parted ways with the Chairman's selection process. The Chair, in his role to keep things on track, asked councilor Morgan to come back to the discussion about selection of a new Chair. However Morgan continued statements despite the request of the Chair, and after a few more sentences Morgan

said that he felt Chirichiello had the experience necessary to be selected as the new Chair.

Councilor Bourdon joined the discussion to say, "I am proposing that Charlie be this Council's Chairman because I think he is ready and he has the right leadership, and right tone to convey to this community. Charlie has served in the military and been a first responder and he knows what our first

responders are dealing with right now and I think he is going to do an outstanding job. He has a steady hand and is the most nonpartisan guy I know. I think he is the perfect person for Derry at this moment."

When the vote was taken, Charlie Foote was voted by majority to be the new Chairman of the Town Council in a vote of 4 to 3 with votes from Bourdon, Katsakiores, Wetherbee

and himself.

Foote said, "Thank you for your trust... as I have said, I have no agenda - no political thing I want to do either way - I want it to be fair to all the residents, to the employees, the businesses and all the council members here. We are a team, so I'd like to act as a team and work as a team and make this a good year not just for our benefit, but also for the town and the community. So having

said that, if there are any issues you can email, or call me."

Brian Chirichiello then nominated Richard Tripp as Council Chair Pro Tem and Tripp was unanimously elected to that position.

Several councilor members offered much thanks and praise to outgoing Chairman Wetherbee, who was recently reelected and will continue his role as a council member from District 3.

Updates

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necessary trips (dialysis, pharmacy, etc.), as well as trips to grocery stores. To begin with, CART services will remain available in all supported towns 5 days a week. Should the need arise; we will communicate with our member towns first to provide detailed guidance to any riders that reach out.

Should you have any questions, comments, or concerns, Mike Whitten, Executive Director can be reached at 603-792-5151 or mwhitten@mtabus.org

Out of an abundance of caution, all outside parks and fields in Derry are now closed until April 13. Playground equipment is also now closed. Please check the Town's homepage www.derrynh.org/ for a link to COVID-19 updates for Parks and Recreation. Department officials ask

that residents please practice social distancing.

Derry Parks and Recreation has also compiled a helpful overview of community food services for residents who need help shopping or obtaining groceries. There are services that can support anyone in the community of any age. Specifically, the list overviews services, logistics and contact information from Meals on Wheels, the Salvation Army, the Derry Cooperative School District Food Services Department, the Upper Room, Food Pantry and more.

For more information and support, please contact the Derry Parks and Recreation office at (603) 432-6136 or check the Derry Town website to connect with them via email.

The Parks and Recreation Department's phone lines will continue to be available Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. - 4:30

p.m. If phone lines are busy or you need to reach them after hours, please leave a voicemail and they will get back to you ASAP.

Town Assessing Update: Please contact the Assessor's Office for inspections/information at 603-432-6104. Most assessing data is available online at www.gis.vgsi.com/derrynh. Some inspection services have been modified. Submission of any form or application can be made at the Drive-Thru or placed in the drop box.

Typically, new applications for Elderly Exemptions and Veterans Credits must be hand delivered or postmarked by April 15. Given the current situation, relief from that deadline is available. Applications that are received after the dead-

line but before the tax rate is set by the NH Department of Revenue Administration in the fall will be accepted and can be considered under the law. You should strive to submit your information by Aug. 1. Incomplete applications will result in a request for additional information and may ultimately be cause for denial. Applications that are received late may have total exemption or Credit amount applied to the December tax bill.

Derry's Town officials and staff are working hard to ensure the safety of residents and facilitate support where needed during this challenge. For further information contact Dave Caron, Town Administrator 603-432-6100 or dcaron@derrynh.org

OBITUARY

Doris E. Littlewood



Doris E. Littlewood, 79, of Derry, NH, died Monday March 16, 2020 in her home. She was born in New Bedford, MA on Sept. 14, 1940, a daughter of the late Edward and Edith (Ward) Mele, and had been a resident of Derry for over 45 years. Doris had been employed as a waitress for many years at several restaurants and diners in the Derry area.

She is survived by her two sons, Larry Littlewood, and David Littlewood; her grandchildren, Morgan Rae, Justin Miles, Jacob Lee, Robert Parrish, Brittany Evelyn, Tyler James, and Courtney Lynn; four great grandchildren; her brother, Edward Mele, Jr.; two sisters, Anna Mae Pierson, and Donna Jean Mele.

Following cremation, she will be buried in the Forest Hill Cemetery in E. Derry. The Peabody Funeral Homes and Crematorium, 15 Birch St., Derry is assisting the family with arrangements. To send a condolence or for more information, please visit, www.peabodyfuneralhome.com

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Editorial

Tell Us What You Think

This is the time of year when life would start to speed up with nicer weather, graduations, proms, and the rest of the holidays that are coming, but this year everything is at a stand still. Normally, after school finishes for the year and the graduates are sent on their way, we slip into the slower days of summer. Sure, there may be travel plans and gardening and houseguests, but there's also time to sit on the porch and relax, but not this year.

Who knows when we will return to some sense of normalcy? When that time does arrive will we look at life the same way, lots of changes will have taken place. We'd like to use this period of slowing down to reflect on what is truly important. This generation has never experienced a shut down like this and it is eerie.

As we prepare for the time when life begins to return to normal we want to invite our readers to write us, offering their views on the whole virus event and how it has affected you. Share some of the inventive ways you have passed the time. Many readers have already begun to write, and we're pleased to see that happening. Sharing thoughts and feelings in this traditional way is very satisfying and you may find that others are sharing your same feel-

ings.

One thing we want to make crystal clear is we don't seek to control what people have to say. We want to serve as your soapbox. We will run the letters that come into the paper. Everything from thank-you letters for donations, commentary on how you see things or change you want to see happen. Send in anything you want to share.

The letters we have received must meet our publishing guidelines: up to five hundred words; you must be from our town; you must place your name and address on your letter. If you don't see letters sharing your viewpoint, chances are that no one with that viewpoint has bothered to write that a good opportunity for you to do so.

The letters page is your page to share your thoughts and provide a way to inspire others in your town. The surest way to help rectify any perceived slant you might see is to write your own letter for publication.

The letters column reflects the viewpoints of our readers who want to share their opinions, feelings, thoughts and ideas with their fellow residents. It's away to get a dialogue going among residents, and to generate conversations about matters that impact all of us – the virus is just the timely issue of the moment.

Letters

Blood Drive

To the editor,

The Greater Derry Arts Council is hosting a blood drive to be held at the Derry Opera House, 29 West Broadway in Derry on Saturday, April 18 from 10am-3pm to be conducted by the American Red Cross. Due to the fact that many performances in the opera house had to be postponed in March, April & May due to the pandemic, our theater space is considered "dark" for the foreseeable future. The Red Cross reached out to us to utilize the theater space in the opera house as many blood drives were canceled recently due to the uncertainty of the epidemic. As a result, there is now a severe blood shortage and the medical community is appealing to the community to consider donating blood.

The American Red Cross wants to assure all donors that appropriate protocols will be in place to protect the health of all those who choose to donate. In order to comply with proper physical distancing and in an abundance of caution, donors will have a specific appointment to arrive at a specific time to donate blood. Unfortunately, they cannot accept walk-ups and all donors must make an appointment. Those wishing to donate should visit the American Red Cross website at www.redcrossblood.org/ and click on "Donate Blood" to

make an appointment specifically for the Derry Opera House event. Many thanks go to the volunteer members of the Greater Derry Arts Council who are helping prepare the theater space for this event during these times of uncertainty. For more information, please contact the American Red Cross at www.redcrossblood.org or the Greater Derry Arts Council at info@derryarts.org

Stay well!!!

Mike Gendron
Greater Derry
Arts Council
Derry

Bill HB 1627

To the editor,

Covid-19 has changed everything, and all of us are finding methods to do simple everyday activities in new and different ways in order to protect ourselves and our loved ones. But how long will this last, and how will we begin to safely handle any of the seemingly simple activities, which are not done on a daily basis? Important and necessary activities which none of us would willingly give up. Activities such as voting for example. I am not willing to risk my health or perhaps my life to stand in line at the voting booths, and I am certainly not willing to give up my right to have a say in how our government works and who will represent me. Are you? I am more than ready to accept a

NH system of voting by mail.

Fortunately our NH House has just passed a bill, HB 1627, which allows all NH voters to vote by absentee ballot. If ever there was a time and a reason for NH voters to be allowed the right to vote by mail, now is the time and Covid-19 is the reason. Please note that while the NH Assistant Secretary of State opposes this bill because he believes that voting by mail would decrease voter participation, this is untrue. Oregon, Colorado, and the state of Washington all have a complete vote by mail system and their voting has increase by 10%.

Now this bill goes to the NH Senate. Please join me in writing to your NH Senator today and tell her that as a constituent, you expect her to protect your safety and your right to vote by supporting HB 1627. Then write to or call Governor Sununu. Thank him for shutting down the state during this emergency, and tell him that you expect him to support your health and your right to vote by supporting this bill.

Derry/ Hampstead: Sen Regina Birdsall, 24 Larson Dr., Hampstead, NH 03841
Londonderry: Sen. Sharon Carson, 19 Tokanel Dr., Londonderry, NH 03053

Thank You
Corinne Dodge,
Derry

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Health and Human Services Share Latest COVID-19 Findings

The New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) has issued the following update for March 30, 2020, on the new coronavirus, COVID-19.

On Monday, March 30, DHHS announced 56 new positive test results for COVID-19. There have now been 314 cases of COVID-19 diagnosed in New Hampshire. The new cases are 35 adult females and 21 adult males. The new cases reside in Rockingham (16), Hillsborough County other than Manchester and Nashua (5), Strafford (5), Grafton (5), Merrimack (4), and Belknap (3) counties, and in the cities of Nashua (12) and Manchester (6).

Four of the new cases

were hospitalized for their illness; thus far, 45 patients of the 314 positive cases (14%) have been hospitalized. Thirty-four of the new cases have no identified risk factors. Community-based transmission continues to increase in the State and has been identified in all counties with cases.

Most of the remaining cases have either had travel to domestic or international locations or have had close contact with a person with a confirmed COVID-19 diagnosis.

DHHS also announced that new data sets are available. Effective immediately, the NH DHHS COVID-19 Updates will include a

map of positive cases on a town-by-town level. In addition, new data sets featured on NH.gov/COVID19 website include age and gender breakdowns.

New Hampshire 2019 Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) Summary Report (data updated March 30, 9 a.m.)

New Hampshire Persons with COVID-19: 314

Deaths Attributed to COVID: 19: 3 (1%)

Hospitalizations: 45 (14%)

Persons Tested Negative at Selected Laboratories: 5,412

Persons with Specimens Submitted to NH PHL: 3,171

Persons with Test Pending at NH PHL: 65

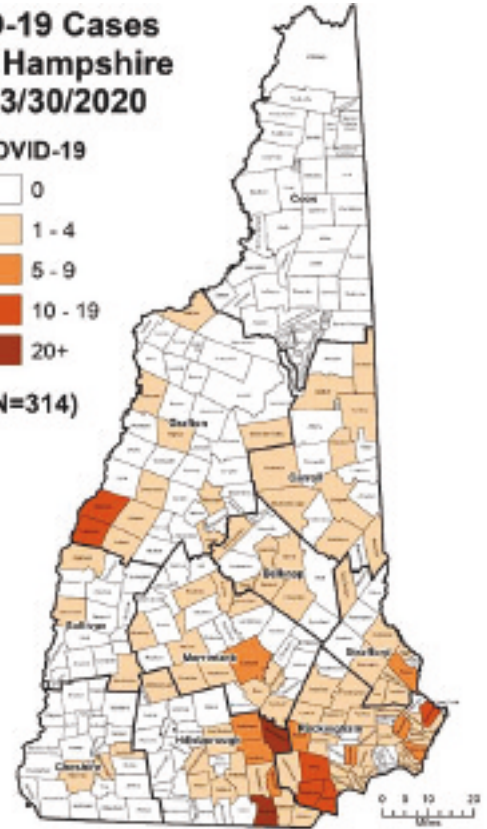
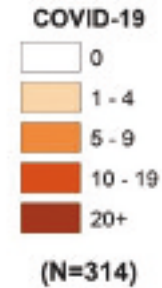
Persons Being Monitored in NH (approximate point in time): 1,100

Includes specimens presumptive-positive at any laboratory and those confirmed by CDC confirmatory testing. Includes specimens tested at the NH Public Health Laboratories (PHL), LabCorp, Quest, Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center, and those sent to CDC prior to NH PHL testing capacity.

Includes specimens received and awaiting testing at NH PHL. Does not include tests pending at commercial laboratories

For more information, please visit the DHHS COVID-19 webpage at www.nh.gov/covid19.

COVID-19 Cases in New Hampshire as of 3/30/2020



Nutfield News Sponsored Easter Bunny Hunt in Derry

MARTHA SMITH
NUTFIELD NEWS

These are strange and difficult times for all of us, but particularly for families with young children. On many Facebook pages, a family activity has popped up about a Bear Hunt. This activity is inspired by a children's book that I frequently read to my own children when they were small called, We're Going on a Bear

Hunt, by Michael Rosen and Helen Oxenbury.

The coronavirus has all of us held up in our homes practicing social distancing. This has been very hard for young children and for their parents. The Bear Hunts appearing on facebook and starting in areas all over the country. This prompted the Nutfield News to play with this idea of a bear hunt and plan a bunny hunt for Easter weekend, April 11 and

12.

The idea is that families that want to participate would place stuffed or figurine bunnies in the windows of their homes, on their front porch or lawns. Families could then drive or walk neighborhoods where participating families live and count as many bunnies as they can find.

Each family who wishes to participate with a display in the hunt by showing off their Easter bunnies

must email the name of the street they live on to the Nutfield News at: dpaul@nutpub.net. All that is needed is the address of the display. However, if you are doing the search to find the best bunnies display make sure you get the address. We are looking for you to send us via email the best display you find. We will then take a picture of the display with the most votes and run it in the paper and

on Facebook. Your vote counts, so vote!

When you get your final count, send another email back to the Nutfield News with the total number of bunnies you found on your bunny hunt. The family who qualifies with the highest number of bunnies found will get their photo in the paper.

This event is for Derry families to have some fun and enjoy the bunny hunt. Social distancing must still

be practiced, so hopefully people from all of the different neighborhoods throughout the town will help out with this fun project. This is a way to get out, but still be safe and do something that is fun for the entire family.

We hope many residents in all the different neighborhoods in Derry will want to participate in this fun activity. Looking forward to hearing from everyone.



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Residents Must Prepare for Online Coronavirus Scams

The coronavirus pandemic has given rise to online scams and New Hampshire residents must be prepared.

Americans including Alex Jones were told to stop selling sham vaccines, but that is the tip of iceberg and global catfishing is increasing as with all epidemics when people are most vulnerable.

SocialCatfish.com today released a report today on 4 Online Corona Virus Scams to Avoid using current guidelines from the CDC and WHO and identifying common scams used during H1N1, Ebola and Zika outbreaks.

Here are 4 online coronavirus scams with tips on how to avoid them:

1. FAMILY SCAMS

You will answer your

phone and hear someone saying, "Grandma" or "Grandpa". Maybe you're a little tired, as it's the evening and you don't think twice when they ask you for a loan.

They'll say that they've contracted the virus and are homebound and in quarantine. They will ask you to send them a gift card online, immediately, so they can buy delivery food or supplies. The caller will actually be a scammer and keep your money.

How to Avoid: Always check your caller ID to make sure it is actually your loved one calling you. If you feel like scammers are masking the caller ID to make it seem like it's your loved one, call them back on their trusted phone number to confirm. Don't send

money over the phone, even if it is someone you think you trust and always give it to them in person.

2. QUACK ALERT

You might love natural products, but if people are trying to sell you colloidal silver or aromatherapy to combat the virus, you're being scammed. There are currently no viable antibiotics for the Coronavirus and natural products are not, in any way, proven to do the trick and fight this illness.

The FTC is compiling these fraudulent scams and products and has released a list. You might see these scam products shared on social media with testimonials or warnings about the disease, don't fall for them and keep your money for items you might actually need if you're sick.

How to Avoid: Do not believe anyone who says they have found a natural remedy to cure the Coronavirus. Chances are they just want to sell you fake products so that they can take your money. The only ways to get better from the Coronavirus are to get rest, go to the doctor, and keep hydrated.

3. FAKE VACCINE

You love your friends and family and don't want them to fall ill. However, if you are asked to contribute to a fund to develop a vaccine to fight against Coronavirus, you're being scammed!

You might even receive a "secret" call, email, or text about a supposed government vaccine that only you and a select few are privy to. If it sounds too good to be true it is, especially in regards to the coronavirus. Don't give the solicitor your credit card information, or it will be

compromised/stolen!

How to Avoid: Don't listen to anyone who asks you for money over the phone, no matter what the excuse is! If someone you don't know asks for money over the phone, chances are they are probably a scammer trying to steal your money. Hospitals and universities will be the ones to help fund vaccines and research to try and find a cure, and they won't bug people on the phone to help them.

4. FAKE CDC AND WHO EMAILS

You receive a fake email which looks legitimate. It reads as if it was sent from the Center for Disease Control (CDC) or the World Health Organization (WHO). The email might link to a product that will "help you" However, the email is actually a scam and not really sent by the organization it appears to be from.

How to Avoid: Don't

click on any email that claims it has a product to help cure you of the coronavirus. The cure will be on legitimate news pages before an email gets sent out listing a cure for this illness. If you still aren't sure of whether to trust the email, look at the "reply to" email address and all hyperlinks in the email. They will link you to outside websites that are not secure and can collect all your financial data or download malware.

If you encounter a coronavirus scam, contact local law enforcement or file a complaint with the FTC www.ftccomplaintassistant.gov. If your information was compromised (financial and personal data), check your credit report and request a credit freeze. While we shouldn't panic, we can stay safe with good hygiene and remembering that most people stay healthy and recover fast, even from COVID-19.

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month payment arrangement, with the first payment not due until June 1.

The reliability of electric service has never been more important, with many people working from home and students studying remotely. Throughout this health crisis, Eversource is undertaking strict personal and public safety measures to help stop the spread of COVID-19 while continuing to perform essential tasks to ensure that all customers have safe and reliable service.

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Eversource is proud to be part of the communities we serve, and remains committed to serving all of our customers during this difficult and uncertain time.

Broadway Flagger Struck and Killed by Derry Driver

According to report by the Derry Police Department, on March 26, at about 9:27 a.m. Derry police responded to a report of a motor vehicle crash on East Broadway involving an SUV and a pedestrian. The crash occurred in the area of 122 East Broadway where a road repair was underway.

The flagger who was controlling traffic at the road repair site was struck by a passing SUV. He was transported to Parkland Medical Center in serious condition



Kevin Nagle

with multiple injuries, and at approximately 11:10 a.m. the man passed away.

His identity is being withheld pending notification

of his family.

The driver of the SUV remained at the scene while officers began the crash investigation.

According to the report, that driver was arrested shortly thereafter for Driving Under the Influence.

He was identified as Kevin Nagle age 49, of 91 East Broadway in Derry.

Nagle is charged with Felony DUI and is Derry police custody. No bail has been set yet and no photo is available at this time.

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Fire Chief

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Derry's Fire Chief noted that the challenges faced by his department during this coronavirus outbreak could stretch out for months. And that is why the fire department and first responders are taking proactive actions intended to keep the community and first responders safe going forward. Gagnon pointed out that the current situation is something the department has trained and prepared for, "But we never thought we'd get to this point today."

Gagnon also discussed how the fire department's daily and near-term routines have changed. "These are crazy times as this situation is a long-term event."

Right now, the fire department can no longer support public training sessions like CPR or other such educational classes, and there are no more in person meetings with the public at any of the town's fire stations.

"Access to our inner lobbies have been modified and screened," Gagnon said. "There are no more tours or non-essential visits. We are trying to stay 6-feet away using social distancing at all times."

At this time, the Fire Department will no longer accept food donations at stations around town. There are now other services that can help with food distribution and residents can check the Derry Town website for specifics if they need food support or to

connect with volunteers that are helping with food distribution.

Gagnon provided his insight about how the community is handling everyday life, from doing business online with the town, as well as conducting online transactions and accessing information provided by both the fire and police departments. He noted that many, but not everyone, are maintaining safe physical distances from each other, as well as from objects that could be virus contaminated. Gagnon stressed that the public needs to continue social distancing and other important techniques that have been outline by NH Health and Human Services to stay safe and to keep others around them safe. It bears repeating that key habits should now include basic 20-30 second minimum time hand washing at multiple times per day, as well as keeping a safe distance from social crowds such as at grocery stores. The Chief also urged folks to be safe while reaching out as a volunteer or to help a neighbor. There is a 211-phone number line that is available that can be used to keep residents up to date on coronavirus information, answer questions and direct them to updated services.

The Fire Chief reported that the Fire Department and Derry's Emergency Management team are keeping up to date on a daily basis about the coronavirus situation. The department is in consistent communication with Park-

land Medical Center in Derry, and they are proactively looking for and are receiving information from other community health organizations and state departments.

Gagnon said these current times are something we have never seen, "It's the new norm. We have not dealt with this type of situation before. But we will rise to the challenge."

The chief noted that there is currently not enough in Personal Protection Equipment (PPE) so there are concerns about having the proper protective gear for first responders has the challenge grows. Gagnon said his department is in need of eye shields, protective masks and isolation gowns at the moment and he noted that this is something many areas of the country are also facing as the pandemic is creating a high demand for PPE. Gagnon said equipment orders had been placed but it's an unknown how quickly delivery for enough key protection equipment will be made.

There are already fire department staffing that have been in contact with potential COVID-19 infectious cases. The Chief said his department and station staff is prepared and they

also continue to deal with the everyday calls for emergency support in addition to the coronavirus challenges.

Several first responders have recently come back to work after spending time in quarantine as they provided emergency help to

people awaiting test results.

Gagnon noted that Derry's Parkland Medical Center has 86 beds and so far was on call for support if needed. He also stressed that communications were in place with plans to use other regional hospitals on

notice in case a space was required for a "surge" location to take care of an influx of coronavirus patients if certain hospitals are overwhelmed.

Gagnon said, "There are a lot of unknowns now and the next 14-21 days will be very telling."

Area Police Looking for Help Locating Missing Women

The Derry Police Department is currently investigating a report of a missing person and is asking for help in finding Amanda Grazewski.

Grazewski was last seen in Derry on March 17, 2020 where she was staying with a friend on Birch Street. She reportedly left that residence in the early morning hours without her purse, cell phone or other belongings and has not been seen or heard from since.



Amanda Grazewski

Amanda has a history of substance abuse and is known to frequent Nashua,

Salem, Manchester and Hooksett.

Derry police are seeking the public's help in locating Amanda Grazewski.

Amanda is described as white female, 5'5", 135 lbs, brown hair and hazel eyes. She does not own or have access to a vehicle.

Anyone with information regarding Amanda Grazewski or her present whereabouts is asked to contact Derry Police at 603-432-6111.

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DERRY SPORTS

Derry's Geo Baker Has Strong DI Basketball Season

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Derry native Geo Baker, who attended Gilbert. H. Hood Middle School, and Pinkerton Academy shortly before transferring in his junior year to Proctor Academy, is making noise in the college basketball world.

Baker is currently a junior at Rutgers University in Brunswick, New Jersey, and is the starting point guard for their basketball team. Unfortunately with the outbreak of the Coronavirus, and the safety measures taken by the NCAA in canceling the remainder of the season, Geo's chance at making the March Madness tournament was taken away from him. Rutgers was set to play the University of Michigan on March 12 in the second round of the Big-Ten Tournament. Even though his junior year ended short and with a huge "what if" scenario, Geo had a terrific year.

Back on Feb. 23, Geo hit a major milestone in Rutgers Basketball history, as he notched 1,000 career points. Despite a hard fought loss to the Wisconsin Badgers, Baker put up 16 points, 6 assist's, and shot 6-14 from the field. Baker was speechless after what he just accomplished and was nothing but humbled. "My first

initial thoughts are honestly all over the place. As a kid, I probably never would have imagined this happening so its just feels great to have come this far," said Baker.

Baker's work isn't even close to being finished, and this milestone is just another form of motivation for him. "I'm also thinking about history. I want to continue to make my mark on Rutgers basketball and become one of the greatest to ever play here so this was just another big step in that direction." Baker is a man of his word, as shortly after that on March. 9, the Big-Ten Conference announced Baker was the first Rutgers player in history to be selected to an All-Big Ten Team. He made All-Big Ten Third Team and this all stemmed from his mindset change prior to the start of the season.

"My motivation has changed this year. I used to always be about proving people wrong. I tried to use that as fuel to go harder, but I've realized that when you put all your time into listening to negatives it makes you think negative as well." Baker continued to say. "Now I just think about my mom and my friends and family to keep me motivated. They all believe in me so much, so that helps me believe in myself."

He studies the game to improve his skills and likes to take pieces from professional players. "I try to steal bits and pieces from NBA players. I don't think I play like any one guy, but some of my favorites to watch are Steph Curry, C.J. McCollum, and Jamal Crawford," Baker added.

The hoopster from Derry has definitely made an impact on Rutgers, and has created a name that will forever be apart of the school. During his three years at the school Baker was named 2017-18 Metropolitan Basketball Writers Association Rookie of The Year, and was selected Big Ten All-Academic Honoree in 2018-19. He was also named Honorable Mention All-Big Ten and Third Team All-Met selection in 2018-19. So far he has a career average of 11.3 points per game, 3.4 assists, and a 37.6 shooting percentage. Throughout Baker's three years the team has improved and progressed with their conference play. His freshman season the squad went 15-19, and 3-15 in conference play. They then went 14-17 the following year, with a 7-13 conference record, and finally found their stride this season as the squad was 20-11 and 11-9 in conference play.

With just one-year left

of college ball, Geo has been soaking in as much as he can during his time at Rutgers and he's loved every second so far. "My experience at Rutgers has been amazing. My head coach, Coach Pikiell gave me a vision before coming here when Rutgers wasn't winning at all. I believed in him just how he believed in me and now we are doing almost everything we set out to do." Rutgers has given Baker everything and more and the path he has made was the perfect fit. "From the school itself to the basketball and the fans and alumni. Rutgers has been a dream come true, I wouldn't have wanted it any other way." Baker said to finish.



Geo Baker is in his junior year at Rutgers University where he has become a standout for the school's basketball team.
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PA Cross Country Alumnis Look Back at College Career

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Pinkerton Academy graduates of 2016 Noah Davis and Tom Hanlon both had terrific careers as Astros on the track and cross-country courses. Both athletes are set to graduate from their colleges and they took the time to reflect on their experiences as a collegiate student-athlete.

Noah Davis has attended and ran for Merrimack College the past four years, and has had a different experience than many students. "My experience at Merrimack had been pretty different from a lot of peoples. I went in with a lot of expectations from different people after having a very successful high school campaign," said the Merrimack senior.

Davis earned All-New England and All-State back with Pinkerton, but he has created another name for himself at Merrimack. "I let it get to me the first year and a half. But after that I sort of brushed it off and got back to where I wanted to be. I helped me team qualify for NCAA Cross Country Nationals in 2017, I have been on the All-Time lists and became one of the first two-year Captains for Cross Country and Track the last two years."

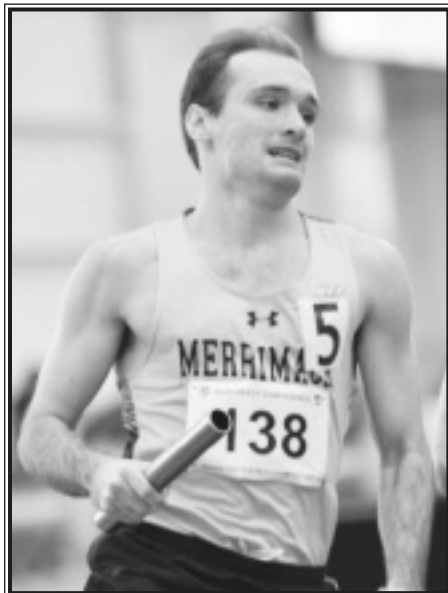
Noah has loved his time at Merrimack, and it made him realize that the work you put in does get rewarded. "It really has been a great journey. One thing that I have taken away from it is

that the work you put in is the results you will get from it as well as the atmosphere you create as a leader will result in how a team performs." Davis continued to say.

He noticed the competitive style was a lot different compared to high school and how serious the colleges took races. "The competitiveness from high school to college had been very different as everyone takes everything pretty seriously and is there for a reason. No one is really forced to be there like some people were in high school. You're there racing kids that are on scholarships and fighting for the same reason you are to make an impact and score for your team. High School races were very competitive but the crowds are much different and the atmosphere just screams competitiveness."

Noah and his team have seen improvement since he first got to the school. "We became the first team in program history to qualify for our first NCAA Cross Country Nationals in 2017, when we went to Evansville, Indiana. Since I have been there we have grown the program exponentially and led to program records after program records and competing with the top Division One schools in the nation." Davis said.

"At the New England Championships alone from freshman year to now, our top seven average time went from 27:13-26:16 for 8K and from near last place to

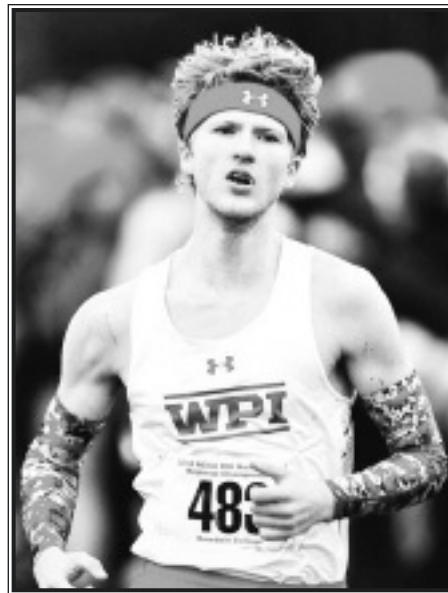


Noah Davis has been running for Merrimack College the past four years,

13th." Other than the team improving, Noah has quite the record book of his own. "As far as my personal success I am 4th all-time in the mile with a 4:18.2, second all-time in the 3K with a 8:36.02, and top 10 in the 8K Cross Country with a 25:47." Davis added.

"My team over the last four years have grown closer and closer and the environment went from very relaxed to very serious. I like to feel like my class and I have had a major impact on that. We installed that competitive nature in our teammates minds and learned that balance between racing and getting the work done in practice so by the time the race came we were 100% ready," Davis said.

With the NCAA canceling the remainder of the Spring Season and Noah's love for his teammates, he



Tom Hanlon is currently a senior at Worcester Polytechnic Institute

has decided that his time at Merrimack isn't finished yet. "It truly is a family and I am so thankful to be apart of it. Since all of this Corona Virus has started, my coaches and I have been talking and I have decided to return next year while pursuing my masters in Athletic Training, to run Indoor and Outdoor Track and use my reaming eligibility." Noah Davis finished up saying.

Fellow Pinkerton Alumni and current senior at Worcester Polytechnic Institute, Tom Hanlon, has absolutely loved his time being a college athlete. "My biggest takeaway from being a college athlete is that being your best requires a lot of sacrifice, but it is absolutely worth it," said the WPI senior. The challenge as a college student is the amount of freedom there is and how students balance their schoolwork and free time. Tom didn't have that problem at all, because his mission and goal was to become the best person he

possibly could. "It takes hard work, time management, and commitment. I would be studying, I spent my spring and fall breaks at school to continue training. I definitely had a blast along the way and enjoyed very minute of it, but there were consistent sacrifices that I had to commit to. At the end of the day the feeling of crossing the finish line with a personal record or getting that victory that helped score the team points made it 100% worth it," Hanlon added.

Tom had a very decorated career at WPI, and has done some personal work that makes him very proud of all the work he has put in. "Throughout my experience as a college athlete, I have accomplished a lot of things I am proud of. Every season I have set personal records in every event that I compete in. Seeing such consistent improvement without letting injuries slow me down is something I'm proud of. Breaking 4:20 in

the mile was something I always wanted to do, and this year I got down to 4:16 which was a big moment for me as well."

Along with the personal success Hanlon had been apart of some team success as well. "I have earned All-New England Honors in Division III for the past three years, and have also been a part of 4 D3 New England 4x800 Relay Champion Titles. I was a part three school record relay teams along the way as well." Tom went on to say. He accomplished his ultimate personal goal in college, and had a chance to go even further, but unfortunately was not able to due to the COVID-19 concerns. His WPI squad did become the 2020 Division Three Indoor Track and Field Champions at their Winston-Salem, North Carolina Meet. "My biggest goal in college was always to make it to the NCAA Nationals. On my last possible chance to qualify, our Distance Medley Relay team completed this goal. I would have loved to be an All-American at Nationals."

Tom will surely miss all his friends and teammates once its time to graduate, but he has created bonds that will last a lifetime. Hanlon finished by saying, "In difficult times, these teammates were like family to me and helped me through everything. I will definitely miss the fun things we did outside of track the most. These people made life so much fun. While I will not lose contact with my teammates completely, I will certainly miss spending time with them every day."



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PA's McLaughlin Looks Back on Great Wrestling Career

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Pinkerton Academy has had some great athletes walk the halls of the school throughout the years, and Astros senior wrestling star Sterling McLaughlin will be a name that will live on for quite some time. With Sterling set to graduate this spring, he looked back on his extraordinary wrestling career he made as an Astro.

McLaughlin's Pinkerton wrestling resume has a number of highlights, he had a total record of 149 wins and just 24 losses with 110 career pins. He was also a four-time Division I finalist, four-time New England qualifier, three-time Division I Champion, three-time Meet of Champion's Champion, three-time John Gorman Invitational Champion, and three-time Capital City Classic Champion. This past season he was a New England Runner-Up, and in 2019 he took sixth place at

the New England Championship.

Sterling is truly going to miss everything about Pinkerton and had a trouble coming up with an explanation for his experiences. "My career at Pinkerton honestly was really indescribable. It was full of a bunch of great memories, probably the best though was winning my first MOC title my sophomore year when I pinned the Timberlane kid in what the team would call my signature move the Spladle," said the Pinkerton senior. He will always remember his coaches, and leaving them will be one of the hardest things for him. "Probably something I'm going to miss overall is the coaches all of them have really made a true impact on me as a person. They have helped me develop into the man I am today."

Wrestling was more than a sport for Sterling, he used wrestling as an escape from what was going on in

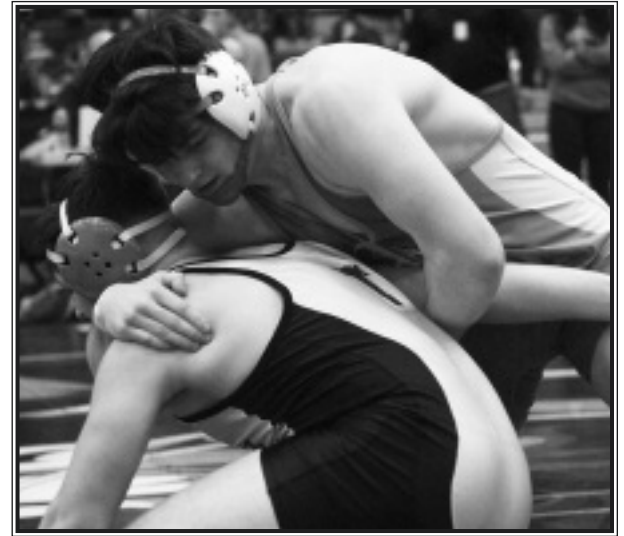
life. "Wrestling at PA was really my stress relief for life, when I was down or what not I always had people to go to, that would bring me up when I was down. Make me laugh when I needed it, it was truly a wholesome community that I will miss being a part of," Sterling said.

He wanted to be the best on his team, and in the state. His motivation and determination was to be the very best and stay on top. "Knowing that I wasn't the best and always striving to be. I wanted to be the best in the state so I worked to be the best in the state and go their my sophomore year. Then this year came around and I wanted to be the best in all the state, then wanted to be the best in New England which I fell short of, but now I have to work to be the best in the nation."

Now, in the next chapter of his wrestling career, Sterling will take his talents to Norwich University to

wrestle. "I will be attending Norwich University to wrestle and I got that opportunity from not just working as an athlete but working to be a good person and doing the little things," Sterling added.

He is very excited for the new challenges of being a college student-athlete and wants to succeed at the highest level. "I'm excited to be a college athlete, not many athletes get the opportunity I have especially in my sport. I'm looking forward to winning a national title one day in college." Sterling McLaughlin finished by saying.



Sterling McLaughlin had another memorable season as one of the team's star wrestlers.

Photo by Chris Paul

Derry Diamond's Postpone Season Due to COVID-19

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The Derry Diamond Athletic Association (DDAA) has made the decision to postpone all little leagues activities until at least May 11th. This is all due to the COVID-19 Coronavirus Pandemic, and how New Hampshire has taken action with their new safety guidelines. "At this points from a league perspective everything has really stopped. We are still holding board meetings via conference calls and video calls to determine how things are going to proceed,"

said DDAA President Bill Libby.

It's not an easy situation to deal with, but they're doing their very best. "Definitely not an ideal situation, but considering the times we are in, its all we can do at this point."

The spring baseball season was right around the corner when a State of Emergency was declared by Governor Chris Sununu to help combat the outbreak, but everyone has stayed positive during despite the desire to start a new season.

"We are taking it in stride honestly. It isn't an ideal sit-

uation as we all want to be outside playing baseball and being with friends and teammates," Libby added.

Some players and families have reached out to find out when they will be able to hit the fields, but Libby and his board members are in a tough position. "I have had a few parents reach out with concerns about playing in the spring even if Little League International removes the restrictions. As of right now, the May 11 date is right in the middle of our season, so we have to take one step at a time at this point." Libby finished up saying.



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PA's Mason Drouin Will Take His Talents to Bryant University

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Pinkerton Academy senior, Mason Drouin, has found his home for the next four years.

The talented two-sport athlete had committed to play lacrosse at Bryant University, and is leaving Pinkerton with a decorated lacrosse career.

His freshman year, Mason was selected to Second Team All-State, then selected to First Team All-State his sophomore year along with winning a State Championship. He followed that up with an All-American selection, First Team All-State and another State Championship his junior year. So far Mason has a total of 111 goals, 56 assists, and is hoping to be able to play his senior year to add more to his resume.

Mason was drawn to Bryant because of how hard they work, and that their coach is known as one of the best in the business. "Countless hours in the gym and on the field have led me to be the player I am today. I

chose to commit to Bryant because of the coaching staff, the beautiful campus, and the competitiveness that they have every day in practice and in games. Coach Pressler is seen as the best coach in college lacrosse, and I'm looking forward to finally playing for him," said Drouin.

It's a tough transition heading to college and saying goodbye to friends and teammates, but Mason isn't just saying goodbye to his teammate, but also his sibling. Mason has played by his brother Hunter's side for many years now, and he's beyond grateful to have experienced Pinkerton success with him. "I had a great time playing lacrosse for Pinkerton. I have made so many lifelong friends that I will miss competing with. I will also miss playing alongside my brother Hunter. We have played both hockey and lacrosse together for a long time. I loved playing in the championship game for the past four-years and winning the last two have been the greatest moments of my life."

Mason continued.

Mason's mindset has always been to just improve, and make an impact on whatever team he's playing for. Now going to play for Bryant, Mason is looking for more success. "My mindset so far has been to try and be the best player I can possible be. My motivation has been to workout and train as much as possible so I can reach my goals. What keeps me going is the fact that I have a chance to compete at the next level and I want to be able to make an impact right away at Bryant." He went on to talk about his excitement to play under Coach Pressler, and that he's ready for the next level in his game. "I am most excited to play for Coach Pressler at Bryant and try to compete for a spot where I can make an impact. There has been a mind switch already. I have trained very hard and I'm looking forward to having a great summer of improving my game as much as possible."

His initial intentions were to play college hockey,

but with all that lacrosse was doing for him, he decided to pursue a lacrosse career instead. Mason was just as talented on the ice as he was on the fields. "Up until the beginning of sophomore year I was planning on trying to play hockey in college. I decided to switch over to lacrosse because of the exposure I was getting during summer lacrosse. I'm glad I made that decision because I love lacrosse and I'm looking forward to playing four more years."

Mason's parents have been a key factor to his success, and he's always be grateful for what they have done. "My dad has been such a great motivator and mentor throughout this process. He has given me all of the tools to be a great player and he is always motivating me to work harder every day. My mom has always been there for me through thick and thin. Driving me to practices every day and always being that positive influence on me," Mason went on to say.

He's not the only talented lacrosse player in the



Mason Drouin, has committed to play lacrosse at Bryant University, and is leaving Pinkerton with a decorated lacrosse career. Photo by Chris Paul

family, and his sister has helped him see the bigger picture. "My sister Avery is playing Division I Lacrosse at Coastal Carolina and she has give me a real life look of how hard I have to train to get to that level. My brother has been my team-

mate for as long as I can remember and he has taught me how to be a great teammate, brother, and friend. Without my family, there is no way I would be the player and person I am today," Mason wrapped up by saying.

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Derry Youth Lacrosse Season on Hold

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The Derry Youth Lacrosse Association's (DYLA) season has been put on hold, much like every other spring sporting league across the country. This leaves many young lacrosse players waiting for a chance to play.

The DYLA has posted

an update for their playerson the groups website. It reads:

COVID-19 UPDATE:

We wanted to give you an update on where we stand to date regarding practices and upcoming events:

ALL practices are canceled through April 3rd. March 29th Jamboree at PMA is canceled. Uniform handout/calendar pickup is postponed to a later unknown date.

This is all we know at

this time regarding the Spring Season.

I'm sure you're all as anxious as we are to get the season started. There are just too many unknowns at this point for anyone to make any decisions. So with that said, keep your fingers crossed that the precautions we're all taking will work quickly and effectively. Stay safe, practice social distancing, be kind and be well.

Also according to the

website: The DYLA has been offering organized youth lacrosse in the greater Derry community for over 30 years. The organization was founded in 1991 and is a long-standing New Hampshire Youth Lacrosse (NHLYA) organization.

Our players take pride representing our community as an Astro while competing against the same towns they'll face in Pinkerton! We have strong relationships with Pinkerton's varsity lacrosse coaching team and were founded by Pinkerton's Athletic Director, Brian O'Reilly. DYLA is a non-profit organization run by a Board of Directors.

The success of the organization depends on the many members who volunteer their time to provide a quality experience for youth in Derry.



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Library Closed

Taylor Library Closed
For the safety of all patrons the Taylor Library will be closed starting Sunday, planned to re-opening on Monday May 4. Any fines/late fees during this period will be waived. Please monitor the website for any updates during this time period. Thank You Linda Merrill Library Director

Free Meals

All meals are "To-Go": Special Easter Sunday Take Out on April 12 from St. Jude's Church, from 1:30 - 2:30 p.m., on April 18 from St. Luke's Church, from 5 - 6:30 p.m., from Sonshine Soup Kitchen Monday through Friday, pick up a To Go from 4:30 - 5 p.m. Stay tuned for more information.

Supporting Language and Your Child

Sometimes we find ourselves repeating things to our kids, hoping something gets through. Learn how to say things in a way your child understands at a Free Workshop, Supporting Language and Your Child held by the Upper Room on April 1 from 6 - 7:30 p.m.

Blood Drive

The Bishop John Neumann Knights of Columbus Council #6949 of Saint Jude Parish will be sponsoring an EMERGENCY American Red Cross Blood Drive on Friday, April 3, from 1 - 6 p.m. in the Londonderry Lions Hall located at 256 Mammoth Rd., Londonderry. As you are aware from all of the news articles, there is a tremendous demand for blood products at this time, especially with all of the drives cancelled due to the Covid-19 crisis. If you are healthy and over 17 years old, you can donate "The Gift of Life". Why not come and

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Active Parenting

The Upper Room will hold a Three-session workshop to discuss how to prevent behavioral issues, connect with your child, and encourage positive behavior. Young and Elementary Children on April 8, 15 & 22 from 5:30 - 7 p.m. \$35 (book included). To register call (603) 437-8477 ext. 22.

Basic Cooking Survival

On Wednesdays April 8, 15 and 29, Learn basic cooking skills as you prepare simple and delicious dishes. The On My Own Series is offered in partnership with the Marion Gerrish Community Center

Touch A Truck!

Free family event offers hands-on opportunities for children to Explore, Climb, and Touch trucks, emergency response vehicles, heavy machinery, and other equipment. On June 6, from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. at West Running Brook Middle School 1 West Running Brook Lane, Derry, NH 03038. A kid's fire muster will be held on the rear field hosted by your very own Derry Fire Department Prepare to be Amazed by the BMX Stunt Show who will be promoting helmet safety and showing off their BMX skills. Don't forget to pick up your Free all-purpose helmet provided by the Derry Police Department and get sized by Derry PD Officers with assistance from Derry Cooperative School Staff Members! Jump in line early - helmet sizes and

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Annual Plant Sale

The Derry Garden Club's annual plant sale has a new location this year at the Robert Frost Farm, Route 28, in Derry on May 30 from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. This event is our biggest fundraiser for the year and all proceeds go toward improving Conservation efforts in town and supporting our community projects. The plants come from our members' gardens as well as those donated by nurseries and our supporters. Our plants are guaranteed to be "clean". We make every effort not to transmit diseases and abide by all good gardening practices. We have knowledgeable gardeners on site to answer any questions you may have.

Please join us on May 30.

Mattress Fundraiser

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Author Fest

The Derry Public Library hosts the annual Author Fest on Saturday, April 11 from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Derry Author Fest is a day of writing workshops, panels and networking for aspiring authors, dreamers and dabblers alike. This event is Free. The library brings in reputable authors to teach in areas of their expertise. Find out all about it at www.derryauthorfest.wordpress.com and reserve your spot at www.derrypl.org

Teen Talk

You are not alone group Teen Talk (TT) for ages 13-18 yrs. - Free Tuesdays from 3 - 4 p.m. at the Upper Room, 36 Tsienneto, Rd., Derry.

Teen Information for Parenting Success

This series is open up to age 23, on Wednesdays from 5 - 7 p.m., at the Upper Room in Derry get in-school support, workshops, baby/toddler supplies, resources and a place to talk, share and learn call 437-8477 ext. 12.

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LTIPS

The Upper Room holds TIPS (Teen Information for Parenting Success) a Support Program for young parents up to age 23. Every Wednesday from 5 - 7 p.m., at 36 Tsienneto, Rd. Derry. Get in-school support, workshops, baby/toddler supplies, resources and a place to talk share and learn.

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., Wednesdays and Sundays at 1 p.m. at the Taylor Public Library. Space is limited so call the library at 432-7186 to register or with questions.

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.

Transitions Support

The Upper Room offers Transitions support for young adults ages 18-25. Learn how to manage the "overwhelming" in a healthy

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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

Tiny Tots

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

Parents Support Group

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