

Derry Rail Trail Extension Plans Receive Green Light

KELSEY DERHAK
NUTFIELD NEWS

DERRY - The Derry Town Council meeting held on Tuesday, August 18, included discussions on Rail Trail updates and an election update.

Rail Trail Board President, Mark Connors, spoke first in the public forum to give the council updates on the happenings at the Derry Rail Trail. With the help of the Southern New Hampshire Planning Commission, counters were added to the trail to see how much traffic it gets during the day. In a count they did for Windham, the Southern New Hampshire Planning Commission

counted 31,000 users from June 25 to July 22 of this year. Which averaged out to just over a 1,000 people using the trail per day and about 80 people per hour during the peak hours of 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. While they were counting Windham, Southern New Hampshire Planning also put a counter on the Derry side of the trail, on North Lowell Road where that side garnered about 500 people per day. Southern New Hampshire planning also put a counter at Bowers Road near the kiosk behind Sabatino's which average around 560 daily users. Alongside the counter the new addition to the trail currently underway is a

bike repair station. The rail trail received a grant to help install the bike repair station by the kiosk behind Sabatino's.

Later on in the Town Council meeting, Public Works Director, Mike Fowler also presented to the council on renovations to the Rail Trail and Hood Dam project. The project, which would make improvements to Hood Pond Dam would also extend the Rail Trail over the crest of the dam and continue it as close as possible to where the Exit 4A tunnel would be constructed. The reason for giving the presentation is for the need for allocations of funds and the

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Chester Selectmen Discuss Role of Town Administrator

CHRIS PAUL
NUTFIELD NEWS

CHESTER - The Chester Board of Selectmen held a videoconference meeting on Thursday, Aug. 20, and a good portion of the meeting dealt with the role of Town Administrator, Deb Doda, when it comes to dealing with various departments at Town Hall.

Selectman chair Jeremy Owens asked Doda what her thoughts are when it comes to dealing with department heads. For a long time before Doda was hired department came to their Selectman liaison.

Doda said, "I think it's

nice to know that there is someone they can go to if I'm not available, but at the same time the departments should go through the Town Administrators office first. So we're not having arguments back and forth about whose responsibility it is to handle an issue."

Selectman Steve D'Angelo instantly agreed, "They can always come to the board of Selectmen if they have an issue by setting up an appointment, but this continuation is undermining Deb's authority as the Town Administrator."

He referred to pay increase requests as a good example, saying that those kinds of things shouldn't

be coming to the board of Selectmen.

Selectmen Steph Landau agreed that the department heads should be going to Doda day-to-day, "But there are many things done when it comes to planning for the town that are not day-to-day," he said.

Landau added that he has seen the amount of work Doda is expected to do, and thought, "I don't believe that all of that work should be saddled on one back."

He continued by saying, "I didn't get elected to have a meeting on Thursday night and say, I'm a Selectman in Chester. I got

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CARRYING ON Members of the Chester Lions Club had a busy day on Saturday, Aug. 22 as they were allowed by the town to hold their annual Yard Sale Fund Raiser along Route 102. There was a wide variety of items to choose from as always.

Photo by Chris Paul

Town Clerk Gives Hampstead Selectmen Update on Election

CHRIS PAUL
NUTFIELD NEWS

HAMPSTEAD - During a discussion with department heads at the Hampstead Board of Selectman meeting on Monday, Aug. 24, Hampstead Town Clerk, Patricia Curran, discussed the Election Mail-in Ballot Grant.

Curran told the board that the grant being proposed has been offered to the town, and every town in the state, through the CARES Act.

There was \$3 million given to New Hampshire to be divided up in the state because of the COVID-19 impact on the elections, and the increased need for absentee ballots. The town of Hampstead would be

getting up to about \$21,000 for the absentee ballots. She added that they would be awarded \$12 per ballot from the grant.

Curran explained that four years ago, during the state primary they issued 53 absentee ballots, this year they have received 464 so far, and there's still

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Sandown Selectmen Discuss Timberlane Re-Opening

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NUTFIELD NEWS

SANDOWN - The Sandown Board of Selectmen held a meeting on Monday, Aug. 24, and during public comment, the board heard from a concerned citizen on what is going on with the Timberlane Re-opening Plan.

Resident Bob Downing took to the microphone to express his frustration with what's happening with the school district.

He explained that he has a 16-year-old daughter who will be attending Timberlane, but was accepted into the CTE program offered by Salem High School.

He had two concerns, one is that he doesn't feel that remote learning

works for his family. "We're picking up the slack, and it's just not working. So we're kind of failing her." Downing said.

His other concern was that if student will be learning remotely, and he feels that is what the SAU is pushing, families are not getting what they're paying for.

The main frustration for Downing was that taxes went up, and they are paying for something they are not getting, especially if the school goes full-remote.

"If we had the ability, we would seek alternative education for our daughter, but we can't pay the taxes, and live and be able to do that," Downing said.

Downing expressed that he fails to see how

teachers are taking a bigger risk than that of contractors or even Walmart or grocery store workers are taking a bigger risk.

He asked the Selectmen what they felt the town of Sandown could do about it, realizing that they are just one town of several that send their children to Timberlane.

He added that the Timberlane School District is afraid to make a decision on what to do, and asked the Selectmen to step in.

Chairman Darren Hudgins sympathized with Downing's position, saying that he is in the same predicament, but he had asked Sandown's Timberlane representative to attend the meeting that evening.

Selectman Jon Gold-

man agreed, "We are all in the same boat," but added that he would need to address his concerns with the members of the school board. "We have no more authority than you do," when it comes to the school district.

Downing's final concern was on busing, and how his daughter would be getting to school, and to the CTE program at Salem High School, saying he hadn't heard anything on that.

School Board member Lee Dube addressed the transportation issue saying that he there would be buses going from Timberlane to Salem, but didn't know what was happening with buses to school from Sandown.

Later, School Board

members Dube and Sheila Lowes joined the discussion on the the reopening concerns, with Lowes saying, "We voted in the High-Bred Model and we tried to give people as many choices as possible. Five days is just not on the table right now."

The two felt that much of the confusion that is taking place is due to the transition happening after Superintendent Earl Metzler left and the interim Superintendent gets up to speed.

Dube told the Selectmen that the school

board has received countless anonymous emails from teachers, and 80 percent say they want to be back at school.

Dube and Lowes ended their discussion with a breakdown of the reopening schedule.

School opens on Sept. 8, with children either being fully remote or in one of two cohorts. One cohort is Monday, Tuesday and the other will be on Thursday, Friday all students are remote on Wednesday's. Dube said the cohort assigning and busing schedules should come out this week.

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OBITUARY

Walter J. Owen



Walter J. Owen, 54, of Derry, NH died Aug. 6, 2020 at his home. Walter was born in Manchester, NH on March 19, 1966, a son of Jeanne (Bourassa) Owen and the late James Owen. He was a lifelong resident of Derry and a 1984 graduate of Pinkerton Academy. Walter retired from the Derry Fire Department where he had worked as a firefighter and paramedic.

He is survived by his children, Benjamin Owen, and Marjorie Owen, by his mother, Jeanne Owen of Derry, by his brother, James Owen and his wife Wendy of Raymond, NH, and by one niece and one nephew.

There are no calling hours. Following cremation, graveside services were held on Wednesday Aug. 19, at Holy Cross Cemetery, Gilcrest Rd., Londonderry. The Peabody Funeral Homes and Crematorium, 15 Birch St., Derry is assisted the family with arrangements.

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Second Downtown Mural Looks to Go Up on Broadway

KELSEY DERHAK
NUTFIELD NEWS

DERRY – The Derry Planning Board met on Wednesday August 19th, 2020 to discuss a new mural design.

The new mural would go on the 48ft open space to the right of the mural that went up in 2019 near the center of town. In charge of the design and implementation of the mural would be Alana Wentworth and Karen Lincoln. The mural that is already up was a commissioned piece done last year by the company Wall Dogs and features prominent buildings in

Derry throughout the centuries since the town was founded. The newest mural would highlight some of the historical buildings on Broadway such as Halligan's Tavern, Benson's Hardware, and Hood Farm. There will also be symbols from the Abenaki tribe into the Presidential Mountain Range in the background, state tree, state flower, state bird, as well as a flower garden featuring a fountain. Wentworth and Lincoln both agree that it is a good way to represent the town of Derry while also incorporating other aspects of New Hampshire.

Hoping to get the go-ahead from the board, both Wentworth and Lincoln want to start as soon as possible and plan on finishing the mural by the end of October. The wall is in need of being power washed and primed before they can start but they are counting on some volunteers for help. Once the wall is washed and primed, the image will be projected onto the wall to be outlined, which the artists have allotted to take around 5 hours of work. After the outline is on the wall, the artists and their volunteers will go to work on the paint.

They plan to use acrylic exterior paint, the same as the previous mural, which has held up nicely so far.

When asked how long the mural will last, the artists estimated at least 10 years or more, which is the lifetime listed on the paint. Both murals are not on a south facing wall and do not face a lot of direct sunlight which would fade the paint a lot faster.

They were also asked by the board, how the project will be getting funded. Wentworth stated that, "We have to figure that out. We talked about GoFundMe and Spud

Pros, which we will advertise for in September and some grant programs that we will potentially apply for. Another idea the artists have is to incorporate those who have donated to the painting of the mural in the mural itself. This could be done by "adding names to the cobblestone streets or having peoples likeness appear in the windows of buildings," says Lincoln.

Since the murals are close to the Rail Trail they are hoping this will be a good way to promote the Town of Derry. Wentworth and Lincoln would like to incorporate social

media as well by adding a hashtag to the mural for people to tag in their photos.

Because it is a privately owned building, the Planning Board does not have to vote on the mural, it is mostly common courtesy for them to see the plans for the mural before it goes up and to give their suggestions.

The consensus of the Board is that they liked the idea with Town Council liaison, Richard Tripp, saying, "We hope to make Derry a more cultural and happening place, this is a good place to start."

OBITUARY

Eleanor Murphy



Eleanor Murphy, 90, of Largo, FL passed away Dec. 26, 2019 under Hospice care in her daughters Florida home. She was born in Manchester, NH on March 21, 1929, a daughter of the late Warren and Priscilla (Carpenter) Bliss. Eleanor had seasonally resided in Florida since 1997, formerly a lifelong resident of Derry, NH. She was a charter member of Calvary Bible Church in Derry and a 3rd generation farmer at Bliss Farms, E Derry.

She is survived by her three daughters, Patricia Jordan of Epsom, Peggy Forest of Epsom, Priscilla Blake of Allenstown, two sons, Donald Murphy of Meredith, David Murphy of Derry, seven grandchildren and 12 great grandchildren. She was predeceased by her husband Henry W. Murphy in 2003.

A Memorial Service will be held on Sunday, Sept. 13, at 3 p.m., at Calvary Bible Church, 145 Hampstead Rd., Derry. A burial was previously held in the Forest Hill Cemetery, E Derry. Memorial contributions in her memory may be made to Calvary Bible Church.

Sandown Planning Board Picks Up Much-Needed New Member

OWEN SANDOR
NUTFIELD NEWS

SANDOWN - The Sandown Planning Board picked up an unexpected addition. At the beginning of its meeting on Tuesday, Aug. 18, the board unanimously voted to add Nicholas Ortins, who will begin serving after being sworn in.

In addition to his new role, Ortins serves on the town's conservation committee, which he believes will provide a fresh perspective to the board. "I just want to bring a conservation member to the board," he said. "I want

to learn more about the process." Ortins also saw this as an opportunity to become more engrained in the community after recently starting a local business.

The board is still looking for alternate members saying they are concerned with having enough members attending to hold a quorum. Only four members

showed up to their most recent meeting, giving them the minimum attendance necessary to still meet its quorum. The addition of Ortins will help to maintain that quorum in future meetings, keeping the planning board fully functional.

Ortins will be able to serve the rest of the current term out before fac-

ing election in the next go around. He will need to run for his seat in March's local elections, but this shortened term will give him a head start.

Ortins spoke at the beginning of the meeting, but he did not join the board for the rest of the meeting's duration since he had not been officially made a member of the board.

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Editorial

Important Weeks Ahead

When it comes to making the decisions that can change the face of the world, we hold the key. Should those decisions be based on whether we are a registered Republican or Democrat? If your answer is yes, something's wrong.

The Primary on September 8, and the November election is important for a lot of reasons. We can start at the top, with the President. If we all use our heads, the choice for President will be made not on party lines, not on exaggerated rhetoric, but on the candidate's priorities, background and concrete plans. A candidate's honesty and willingness to acknowledge past actions and statements are good things for voters to focus on as well.

That requires the voter to act with intelligence, to do a little research, to pay attention to what is being said – and not said – by the candidates. Are they answering your concerns? Do you want what they say they want? Do you care? You should.

And in our own state, we have elections of significant importance as well, starting with the Governor's and Executive Council races, extending to the Congressional seats, and continuing with state senate and state representative selections.

We commend the show of interest in local candidacies, and urge voters not to just choose a name they've

heard or someone their friends suggest, but a candidate whose views they have studied – and whose views they like.

We caution our readers to beware of party-line slams on opponents. Elections lately have been dirtier and nastier than before, and that style of campaigning gives us no information – other than inaccuracies and downright lies – on which to make an informed choice.

For incumbents their records are open books, we encourage you to read. If you have a question about how someone voted, ask the candidate, not his or her opponent. If you're basing your decision on propaganda from political action groups, you're hearing only one and paid to be slanted side. Look at and question the new candidates as well.

Every voter has the opportunity to study and engage with each candidate and to think for him or her self. No one should tell you how to vote. It's your checkbook and your lifestyle and your world choices that are at stake.

For all of us who like to say how much we love our country and our state, the most patriotic thing we can do is to be an informed and prepared voter this year, and cast our ballots as if the country and our way of life depend on it.

Because they do.

Letters

For Bill Gannon

To the editor,

I've known Bill Gannon for many years, and I can tell you that he is the clear choice for State Senate. I serve as chair of the Sandown GOP, where Bill and I have stood side by side fighting for conservative principles. Bill Gannon is the republican leader we need to represent us in Concord. He has an impressive conservative record in the Senate. I especially appreciate Bill's strong support of the 2nd Amendment, work to lower taxes, and his support for women and families. Everything Bill has done as a Senator and community member is rooted in his mission to fight for families. In the Senate, Bill was a conservative leader, someone who's not afraid to stand up to the Democrats and he has always delivered for his constituents. Bill has always made constituent support one of his top priorities, if anyone needs his help, he's just an email, phone call, or text away. I'm voting to re-elect Bill Gannon to the state Senate on September 8th, and he deserves your vote as well.

Thank you,
Marcia Tapley
Sandown

Bad Post Management

To the editor

Louis LeJoy, our postmaster general, is supposed to run the postal service, not run it into the ground. The post office is

a service run for the benefit of the American people, not a business. Mr. LeJoy has made changes to the Post Office, which slows the mail, sometimes drastically: sorting machines have been removed from processing centers; mailboxes have been removed or locked. He has agreed to postpone more changes until after the election. He must also reverse the changes already made so as to restore USPS effectiveness. That means replacing the sorting machines and public mail collection boxes already removed. He does not want to do that.

Then, after the election, he might make the changes to slow mail delivery just in time for the Christmas rush. How do we get this guy out?

Charlotte Lister
Chester

Vote Bill Gannon

To the editor,

My name is Billy Gannon. I'm a NH native, proud Republican and currently a senior in college. My dad is Bill Gannon, candidate for State Senate and our former State Senator. I am writing because I want to tell you more about my dad's record and about everything my family is doing to help re-elect my dad and restore conservative leadership in the Senate.

In the Gannon family, politics is truly a family affair. I serve as my dad's campaign manager and my mom and three younger sisters have

joined me by working for months, hand addressing letters, calling voters and delivering yard signs. The Democrats think they can buy this election, but we know that voters like you will see through the smoke and mirrors and recognize that we need principled conservative leaders like my dad representing us in Concord.

My dad has a record of always putting New Hampshire families first. He's stood up for low taxes, smaller government and protected our 2nd Amendment rights. In addition to serving in the Senate, working as an attorney, and running a small business; he's also a dedicated husband and father. Whether it's standing on the sidelines coaching youth soccer and basketball, driving my younger sisters to sports and activities, or volunteering in the local Lions Club and at our church. Helping others is always his top priority.

As a father, he has instilled a positive attitude, a strong work ethic and a set of core principles into each of his four children. As our Senator, my dad built a record of delivering results, and now has a plan to restore Republican leadership in Concord. On Sept. 8, I ask that you join me in voting to re-elect my dad, Bill Gannon, a Senator we can be proud to have!

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Hampstead Planning Board Discusses Storm Water Plan

OWEN SANDOR
NUTFIELD NEWS

HAMPSTEAD – The Hampstead Planning Board met Monday, Aug. 3, and discussed the approval of a variety of building requests

from the community and to provide an update on storm water management policy changes.

The topics brought up ranged from residential projects to discussions about the town's building

regulations.

The first request of the day brought forward was a conditional use permit for a home on Houstons Way with an Accessory Dwelling Unit. While the board raised some concerns

about access for first responders in the event of an emergency, the matter was talked out, and the request for the permit was given approval.

The specifics of the paving plans for the Brady Lane Subdivision that is scheduled to be built upon came up next.

The board first quickly approved taking jurisdiction of the plans.

The board then moved through the hearing and approved granting a waiver suggested by Town Engineer Steve Keech. The board rarely had to overcome disagreement, as most of the decisions were a shared consensus among the board's voters or ended up there after short debate.

Later in the evening, the board discussed the town's regulations sur-

rounding their Storm Water Management Plan. New policies are being drafted, but there is no imminent approval on the horizon, as a few problems are still yet to be worked out. Board members met with Keech to discuss how to move forward with new guidelines for dealing with drainage. After the meeting with Keech it was recommended that the board put these talks on hold for the time being.

There have been issues with trying to get the board, Keech and the Environmental Protection Agency on the same page with these talks. "There's a bunch of things that we need to discuss as far as planning board and selectmen on who's doing what. We don't want to reproduce anything that the town's

paying RPC to do, and we don't want to pay our town engineer," to perform a service that is already being paid for, said Board Member Paul Carideo, essentially avoiding what he calls "double pay." The board hopes to move forward with these plans quickly, but its members understand that this will be a collaborative process. "It is a useless effort" without other agencies' cooperation said Carideo.

The planning board brought a close to the meeting by saying there is "more to come" on these measures. The next meeting will be on a Tuesday, rather than a Monday, due to Labor Day. They will convene again, hopefully with more information about the storm water management plans, on Sept. 8.

Drinking Water Project Complete



From left, Derry Town Councilor Charlie Foote, Derry Public Works Director Mike Fowler, Derry Environmental Coordinator Craig Durrett and Town Administrator, Dave Caron attended the ribboncutting. *Courtesy photo*

The New Hampshire Drinking Water and Groundwater Advisory Commission and the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services had a ribbon cutting ceremony to recognize the completion of the Manchester Road Pump Station in Derry. This is a significant construction milestone in the Southern NH Regional Water Interconnection Project.

The Manchester Road Pump Station is critical to increase the Town of Derry's flow capacity from the Manchester Water Works, which is required to deliver 1 million gallons per day now, and up to 3.13 million gallons per day in the future, to the

downstream water recipients to address groundwater contamination and supply issues.

The Towns receiving the water include Windham, Salem, and Plaistow, and Hampstead Area Water Company's services in the Towns of Atkinson and Hampstead.

The project received funding from both the MtBE Settlement Funds and the New Hampshire Drinking Water and Groundwater Trust Fund. These funds were established to address groundwater contamination using money from settlements and lawsuits with the companies that produced MtBE, a gasoline additive.



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Sandown Residents Continue to Voice Concerns on Development

OWEN SANDOR
NUTFIELD NEWS

SANDOWN - The Sandown Planning Board was provided an update to the development of 48 two-bedroom townhouses during its meeting on Tuesday, August 18. The planned construction will take place on a site surrounded by Odell Road and Ferguson Lane.

The 48 homes will be spread across 13 buildings. An exact time frame for the completion of the construction is tough to gauge, as it depends on external factors, including the housing market, but a rough estimate of three to five years was offered, although some members of the board opined that would be an ambitious goal.

Jim Hanley, of Civil Design Consultants, gave the board an update on the project, which last appeared in front of the board in the middle of June. In the last two months, "the project itself hasn't changed," said Hanley, but more minute details, including engineering specifics, are still subject to change.

Major strides have been made in getting the project off the ground. "We whittled down most of the technical items now to just a handful of minor technical items," said Hanley. With most of the construction plans now concrete, the board was given this opportunity to raise its final concerns. While a few permits are still pending approval, "technically speaking... this is a well done set of plans," said the Town Engineer, Steve Keach.

Hanley hopes to have the revised, final plan submitted "within the next month or so."

The board itself offered more suggestions than concerns, but a couple Sandown citizens offered their thoughts on the construction proposed to take place down the street from their homes.

A group of Sandown residents, named "Sandown Residents for Responsible Growth," have been closely following these plans and raised their concerns over the townhouses.

Resident Joanne

Donohue, speaking on their behalf, requested a more in-depth look at a variety of effects the homes' erection would have. "We recognize fully that there's always going to be growth in town, despite the fact that many of us purchased here because it was a quiet, quaint, small town," she said. "We know that there's going to be growth. We're very much concerned with it being responsible growth."

Among the group's raised concerns were an increase in traffic, the

traffic's ensuing damage to the surrounding roads infrastructure, tax increases, possible destruction of an archaeological site, harm to local wildlife and overcrowding of schools. Exploration into some of these problems is likely to take place, but the potential impact remains unknown for the time being.

Now, with the board's and the public's suggestions, Haney and his team will move forward. Their next appearance in front of the board is scheduled to take place after hearing

back about permit applications in approximately Oct. 6, Planning Board "30-45 days." It is on the meeting.

OBITUARY

Thomas (Tom) H. Olbricht



Thomas (Tom) H. Olbricht, 90, of Exeter, NH, passed away Friday Aug. 21, 2020, in RiverWoods at Exeter surrounded by his loving family. He was born in Thayer, MO on Nov. 3, 1929, a son of the late Benjamin and Agnes (Taylor)

Olbricht. Tom received numerous degrees including a Master's Degree in 1953 and Ph.D in 1959 from the University of Iowa and a Theology Degree from Harvard Divinity School in 1962. Tom retired as a distinguished Professor Emeritus of Religion at Pepperdine University in Malibu, CA where he later received an honorary Doctorate in 2011. His teaching career spanned over 50 years and led him across the country where he taught at Harding University, University of Dubuque, Penn State University, Abilene Christian University in Abilene, Texas and Pepperdine University. Tom was involved with a mentoring program in Russia. He was the founder of the Christian Scholars Conference held annually at Lipscomb University which was later renamed in his honor as the Thomas H. Olbricht Christian Scholars Conference. He also wrote, edited or contributed to numerous scholarly articles and books. Tom was a frequent contributor to the Christian Chronicle and was the editor of the Restoration Quarterly.

He is survived by his beloved wife of 69 years, Dorothy (Kiel) Olbricht, one son, Joel C. Olbricht and his wife Marilyn (Smith) Olbricht, four daughters, Suzanne M. Olbricht and her husband Kevin M. Fickenscher, Eloise Olbricht Brown and her husband Anthony E. Brown, Adele Olbricht Foster and her husband Charlie Foster, and Erika M. Olbricht; twelve grandchildren, five great grandchildren and one brother, Owen D. Olbricht. He was predeceased by his sister Nedra Olbricht McGill and brother Glenn Olbricht.

There are no calling hours. Graveside services will be held on Friday, Aug. 28, at 11:30 a.m., in the Forest Hill Cemetery, E. Derry Rd., East Derry, NH for family. Memorial contributions, in lieu of flowers, may be made to The Thomas H Olbricht Christian Scholars Conference or the Christian Scholarship Foundation for Russian ministry students. The Peabody Funeral Homes and Crematorium, 15 Birch St., Derry is handling the arrangements. To send a condolence or for more information, please visit, www.peabodyfuneralhome.com.

OBITUARY

Patrick L. "Pat" McDowell



Patrick L. "Pat" McDowell, 52, of Derry, NH, passed away Wednesday Aug. 19, 2020 in Derry, as the result of a motorcycle accident. Pat was born June 29, 1968 in Portland, ME and was a son of the late Neal and Lola (Johnson) McDowell. He was raised and educated primarily in Haverhill, MA. Pat had been a resident of Derry for the past 13 years.

Pat was employed as an HVAC Controls Engineer with Albireo Energy Co. for the past 5 years and had been in the HVAC field for many years. He loved old cars, especially his Camaro, car shows and the local sports teams. Pat was a movie buff and loved his "Rock Star" and "Diet Coke".

Members of the family include his wife of 5 years, Karen DiGregorio of Derry, his daughter and her husband, Kristen and Matthew Rikeman and his granddaughter, Emerson Rikeman, his step-son Jakob Folley his sister, Deborah Sieczkowski, four brothers, William, Neal, Richard and Edward McDowell, as well as many nieces and nephews.

After cremation, the family is planning a Celebration of Pat's life, Aug. 30, from 1 - 4 p.m. at 17 Skylark Dr., Derry.

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elected to handle problems and issues.”

He finished by saying that he was very much in favor of keeping liaison and doing the work.

Selectman Chuck Myette agreed that keeping the liaison role in place was important, as long as the departments went to Doda first.

Owens added that he

felt Doda role has been evolving into to this approach already, with Doda saying that about 95 percent of the heads do come to her.

Owens said that he hopes that what Selectmen should be seeing are more the “Big Picture” things that would end up bogging Doda down anyway.

D’Angelo ended the discussion by asking that he be removed from his department liaison role

with the Fire Department.

Also at the meeting, Selectmen continued to discuss tree cutting at the town’s cemeteries.

Landau, who is the liaison to the Cemetery Trustees said that he had been in contact with an arborist that lives in town who suggested that two of the four trees needed to be taken down in the Village Cemetery and trim work on the third. He also thought the fourth could be

saved.

Landau asked the same arborist to give him an idea of what other trees may need to be taken down at town cemeteries, and how much it would cost. His conclusion was that there were two outside the Sanborn Cemetery and one outside the Smith Road Cemetery. He said the total cost on cutting all the trees was \$8,350.

Landau then asked the board if they wished to move forward with the work.

D’Angelo asked if anyone else had a chance to bid on the tree cutting, with Landau responding, “No

one bid on it. I asked to have just one person so I could get an idea. If we want to put it out to bid, we can.”

Doda added that she could get two other tree cutters to give quotes if that was something the board wanted to do.

The discussion then devolved into a argument between D’Angelo and Landau on whether it was one job that needed an actual bid, because it was over \$5,000 or three separate jobs under \$5,000.

Landau argued that because some of the trees are outside the walls of the cemetery, they were not

under the purview of the trustees, but D’Angelo countered that it should be considered one job, therefore it needed to go out to bid.

The argument ended with Landau making a motion to have the Cemetery Trustees take down the trees inside the Village Cemetery. All but D’Angelo voted in favor of the motion.

Landau also asked that a bidding process goes out for cutting down trees along Chester streets after they are marked by the town, but the board decided to allow the three trees taken down.

Motorcycle Crash on Hampstead Road Results in Driver Fatality

According to a press released recently, on August 19, at 12:22 a.m., Derry Police responded to a report of a motor vehicle crash on Hampstead Road involving a motorcycle.

The crash occurred in the area of 222 Hampstead Road.

Officers located a 2013 Yamaha FJR motorcycle on its side, on the shoulder of the roadway. The male operator was lying on the

ground near the motorcycle with numerous apparent injuries.

The operator of the motorcycle was identified as Patrick McDowell, 52, of Derry was pronounced deceased on scene.

Initial investigation determined that the crash involved a single motorcycle, which was traveling eastbound on Hampstead Road. The motorcycle left the travel portion of the

roadway, causing it and the operator to strike the guardrail.

A section of Hampstead Road was closed for more than five hours while the Derry Police Crash Reconstruction Team investigated the scene.

The investigation is ongoing.

Anyone that may have additional information is asked to contact the Derry Police Department.

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\$225,000 to cover the shortfall. Part of the \$225,000 will come partially from the Recreation Bond(45k) and the DCC TIF(180k). The Council did approve the allocation of the funds and work will begin soon on the Hood Pond Dam and extension of the Rail Trail.

Separate from the Rail Trail discussions, there were a few updates on the upcoming elections from the Town Moderator,

Christina Guilford.

The town currently has 1,056 absentee ballots for the September Primary and have received back around 413 ballots. To put this in perspective, Guilford said, that in 2016 there were 211 absentee ballots requested. There have also been 1,249 absentee ballots requested for the general election in November so far. Guilford has finished hiring for the September elections but continues to look for people for the November election. Hireses will go through

training to help maintain social distancing at the election, as well as traffic flow and ballot collection. All of the PPE (Personal Protective Equipment) will be given out by the state and will arrive to the Town shortly.

Voters will be given one-time-use pens, which will be distributed by the state as well as mats to write on and to take into the booths to avoid ruining the ballots because of sanitization products not being allowed proper time to dry.

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two weeks to go. In the 2016 Presidential election they issued 543 and this year they have already had 547 requests. She also said officials believe there will be about 40 percent of the voters looking for absentee ballots this year.

Curran was looking for approval by the board to allow her to sign all the paperwork for applying for the grant, which is due at the end of the week.

With that, the three Selectmen grant her permission.

After that, Curran updated the Selectmen on the physical election process that would be taking place. She told the board that 50 stand-alone booths had been ordered, so they can space them apart by six-feet. She also said that the state had pro-

vided the town with a ton of Personal Protection Equipment, including 2,000 masks, 3,000 pairs of gloves and sneeze guards for all the ballot clerks.

She asked that the board members attend the elections for help, and if they can’t be there she asked that they appoint someone on their behalf.

She cautioned that they need to start planning ahead for the general election with over 5,000 voters attending four years ago. She predicted over 3,000 would come this year, so they’ll need help doing a number of things related to the election and state guidelines due to the pandemic.

Curran also mentioned that facemasks will not be required at the polls, since if they did, there would have to be a separate area designated for those who

choose not to wear them.

Town Moderator, Neil Reardon, clarified by saying that they want people to wear masks, but they can’t make it mandatory. He also said that this year there would be one entrance and one exit.

The school would be cleaned thoroughly throughout that day and the day after with a deep clean.

Also during that portion of the meeting, Police Chief Joe Beaudoin told the board that he will need to hire a full-time and a part-time police officer. He explained that the school had requested a Resource Officer to start as soon as possible, and because of that, he would be short-handed.

Selectmen approved having Beaudoin fill the full-time position, and they agreed to meet with the candidate the chief had in mind for the part-time spot.

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The Londonderry Town Common finally had an event held on the newly landscaped lawn with the Sixth Annual Blues Festival on Saturday, Aug. 22. The event featured an afternoon of free music from the Deep Fried Blues Band, Adam McMahon and Larry Dougher Blues Band and Dr. Harps All-Veteran Blues Band. Although the crowd was a bit smaller this year, folks were able to enjoy some good music, food, fresh air and comradery for a good cause.

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Chester Lions Club Members Carry On Annual Tradition



Members of the Chester Lions Club took on the arduous task of setting out hundreds of items for the club's annual yard sale held along Route 102 in Chester on Saturday. Each year the group sets up this fund raising event which used to be held during the Chester Town Fair each year. Town officials gave the group the green light to hold it again this year, despite the challenges of having to deal with the COVID-19 pandemic restrictions. Pictured above is Sheryl Baker sorting through some items, above right, Colleen Towle was acting as the yard sale cashier.

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Prevention Guidelines for Mosquito and Tick Diseases

NH Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Public Health Services

1. Eliminate habitat and breeding locations.

Mosquitoes:

• Mosquitoes lay their eggs in standing water. Remove outdoor items that hold water (old tires, cans, plastic containers, ceramic pots).

• Drill holes in the bottom of outdoor recycling containers, clean roof gutters and ensure proper drainage.

• If not in use, empty and/or cover swimming

pools, wading pools and hot tubs.

• Turn over wheelbarrows and change water in birdbaths at least twice weekly.

Ticks:

• Minimizing areas where hosts for the ticks, such as rodents and deer, can congregate to eat, sleep or feed.

2. Be aware of where mosquitoes and ticks live.

• Weeds, tall grass, and bushes provide an outdoor home for mosquitoes and ticks, alike.

• Make sure that doors and windows have tight-

fitting screens. Repair or replace all screens in your home that have tears or holes.

• Resting mosquitoes can often be flushed from indoor resting sites by using sweeping motions under beds, behind bedside tables etc. and once in flight, exterminated prior to sleeping at night.

• Avoid tick-infested areas. If in tick-infested areas, walk in the center of trails to avoid contact with overgrown grass, brush, and leaf litter at trail edges.

3. Protect yourself

from bites.

• When outside, wear protective clothing such as socks, long-sleeved shirts, and long pants (preferably tucked in socks). Light-colored clothing helps you spot ticks.

• Consider avoiding outdoor activities in the early morning and evening, when mosquitoes are most likely to be biting.

• Wear insect repellents, such as one containing 30% or less DEET (N,N-diethyl-methyl-met-a-toluamide), Picaridin, para-menthane-diol, IR3535, or 2-undecanone

or oil of lemon eucalyptus. Treat clothing with permethrin, which is odorless when dry.

• Vitamin B, ultrasonic devices, incense, and bug zappers have not been shown to be effective in preventing mosquito bites.

• Shower as soon as possible after spending time outdoors.

• Check for ticks daily, on you and your pets. Ticks can hide under the armpits, behind the knees, in the hair, and in the groin.

• Wash and dry clothing after being outdoors. Tumble clothes in a dryer

on high heat for 10 minutes to kill ticks on dry clothing. If the clothes are damp, additional time may be needed.

• Early removal of ticks can reduce the risk of infection. Inspect all body surfaces carefully, and remove attached ticks with tweezers. Monitor your health closely after a tick bite and be alert for symptoms of illness. Contact your physician to discuss testing and treatment.

For more information on mosquito-borne diseases, visit the DHHS Website at www.dhhs.nh.gov.

September News from the Hampstead Public Library

Enjoy the sounds of America's favorite pastime, courtesy of the September featured music video on the Hampstead Public Library website. Starting September 1, you can access the Musical Baseball Show with Howie Newman at your convenience during the month of September. Howie is a local singer-songwriter and a former sportswriter. In this show, he sings baseball-related songs, offers baseball

trivia, and tells stories about his days on the Boston Red Sox beat. This program is suitable for all ages.

Howie covered baseball for the Patriot Ledger, Lowell Sun, Boston Globe and several other newspapers and magazines. He has also provided color commentary for the Lowell Spinners on WCAP radio. For years, Howie has been performing as a solo act as well as part of the duo

Knock on Wood, which has appeared at the Hampstead Meeting House Park Summer Concert Series. You can link to the Musical Baseball Show via www.HampsteadLibrary.org, in the Featured Events section and the September Library Events Calendar.

You won't want to miss the NH Humanities program coming via Zoom on September 24 at 7 pm. Liz Tentarelli presents Votes for Women: A

History of the Suffrage Movement. The campaign for women's right to vote was a long one, from the 1848 Women's Rights Convention in Seneca Falls, New York to the ratification of the 19th amendment in 1920. This year as we celebrate the amendment's 100th anniversary, you can find out more about the key players who were in New Hampshire and in the nation. Tentarelli discusses the issues and obstacles they faced. How did suffragists benefit from World War I in the final push for passage of the women's suffrage amendment? Who was left out when women got the right to vote? Using historic photos and documents,

Liz Tentarelli guides us on the journey. Liz is president of the League of Women Voters NH, a non-partisan organization that is the direct descendant of the National American Woman Suffrage Association.

Votes for Women is a live Zoom event. The meeting link will be posted on the Library website calendar and Featured Events section a few days prior to the event. If you would like to have an email sent directly to your inbox with the meeting information, please register by September 23. Call the library or use the link on the Event Calendar listing, www.HampsteadLibrary.org to sign-up. If you do not have a device

to access a Zoom video, you can still phone in to hear the presentation. Contact Janet, jarden@HampsteadLibrary.org if you have questions. You do not have to be a Hampstead resident to view/hear the presentation.

Are you interested in photography? Would you like to take a free Photography Course to improve your skills? The Hampstead Public Library is in the process of scheduling a 4-part live Zoom class in the fall, and we would like your input. Which days and times are convenient for you? Please email jarden@HampsteadLibrary.org for more information.

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DHHS Identifies Third Jamestown Canyon Virus Case of the Season

The New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), Division of Public Health Services (DPHS) is announcing that an adult from Dunbarton, NH, tested positive for Jamestown Canyon virus (JCV). The patient was hospitalized with a fever and headache. They have been discharged and are recovering at home. This is the third detection of JCV in the State this year. JCV is transmitted by the bite of an infected mosquito. There are no vaccines to prevent JCV and treatment consists of supportive care.

The arboviral risk level for Dunbarton will be increased to high. The arboviral risk level indicates the risk of transmission of these infections to people from mosquitoes. The surrounding town of Weare will increase to moderate. The risk level for the surrounding towns of Hooksett, Hopkinton, and Goffstown will remain moderate. The risk level for the surrounding town of Bow will remain high.

"This is the third detection of Jamestown Canyon Virus infection in our State this year, and the risk for Jamestown

Canyon Virus and other mosquito-transmitted viral infections will only increase until there is a mosquito-killing hard frost in the fall," said Dr. Benjamin Chan, NH State Epidemiologist. "All three of the mosquito-transmitted infections able to be acquired in NH can cause severe neurologic illness, and it remains important for residents and visitors to protect themselves and their families by preventing mosquito bites."

Jamestown Canyon Virus is a mosquito-borne pathogen that circulates widely in North America primarily

between deer and mosquitoes but can also infect humans. Reports in humans have been increasing over the last several years as recognition and testing for this virus has increased. This is New Hampshire's twelfth case of JCV since the first report of the disease in the State in 2013. Many illnesses caused by JCV are mild, but moderate-to-severe central nervous system involvement requiring hospitalization have been reported, including fatal infections.

In addition to JCV, risk for infection in NH by Eastern Equine

Encephalitis virus (EEEV) and West Nile Virus (WNV) will continue to increase through the summer and fall until mosquitoes are no longer biting. Residents of and visitors to New Hampshire should continue to protect themselves and their family members. Prevention guidelines are included below.

People can be infected and not develop any symptoms, or only develop very mild symptoms for all of the mosquito-borne diseases present in New Hampshire. Early symptoms can include fever, muscle aches, headaches, and fatigue.

More serious central nervous system disease, including meningitis or encephalitis can occur with these diseases. If you or someone you know is experiencing symptoms, including fever and headache, contact your local medical provider.

Anyone with questions about vector-borne illnesses can call the DPHS Bureau of Infectious Disease Control at (603) 271-4496 from 8 AM to 4:30 PM, Monday through Friday. More information can also be found online at www.dhhs.nh.gov and www.cdc.gov.

The State Urges Strict Restrictions on Outdoor Water

Recent hot and dry weather conditions, following lack of snow pack and below average precipitation, have caused designation of portions of southern New Hampshire to escalate from moderate to severe drought, according to the U.S. Drought Monitor. Areas experiencing severe drought include Rockingham County, Merrimack County, over half of Strafford County, as well as a small area of Belknap and Hillsborough county. Overall, 20% of the state is experiencing

severe drought, 49% is experiencing moderate drought, and 31% is experiencing abnormally dry conditions. The short-term forecast and longer term precipitation outlooks provide no assurance of receiving the widespread rain needed to mollify drought conditions. Additionally, groundwater levels across the state continue to fall. To continue to meet the basic water supply needs of the state's communities, the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services

(NHDES) urges residents to eliminate outdoor water use for lawn watering in areas experiencing moderate or severe drought and practice other conservation measures.

As water shortages are more common during drought, to protect public water supplies and residential well supplies, NHDES is urging community water systems and municipalities to impose strict mandatory outdoor water use restrictions, such as banning lawn watering and washing of cars. Currently 134 com-

munity water systems and one municipality are implementing outdoor water use restrictions. Community water systems have the authority to restrict many types of outdoor water uses and the governing body of a municipality or village district has the authority to restrict lawn watering within political bound-

aries. The general public should abide by restrictions and if a restriction is not in place, take responsibility for limiting their own water use. The public is also encouraged to report any residential well shortages to NHDES using the Residential Well Impact Survey. For a link to the survey and more information related to drought con-

ditions and drought conditions, go to www.des.nh.gov and use the "A-Z list" and scroll down to Drought Management.

For more information related to the drought, please contact Stacey Herbold, NHDES Water Conservation Program, at Stacey.Herbold@des.nh.gov or (603) 271-6685.

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Voter Checklist Sessions

The Supervisors of the Checklist will meet in session at the Derry Municipal Center to accept voter registration applications and to approve additions and changes to the checklist. Sept. 1, from 4 - 6 p.m. Please note: changes to party affiliation cannot be accepted until the state primary Sept. 8. Register To Vote; Residents can register in person, by mail, or at the polls. Here are your options: Register with the Town Clerk inside the lobby of the Municipal Center or the drive-through on weekdays between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m., through Sept. 1. Register with the Supervisors of the Checklist at the sessions listed above. The checklist will be closed Sept. 2 - 7 in prepara-

tion for the primary. Register by mail - Call the Town Clerk (432-6105); ask to register absentee due to concern for Covid-19. Request an application for an absentee ballot at the same time. Register at the polls on Sept. 8, all voting for the state primary will be at Calvary Bible Church Auditorium at 145 Hampstead Rd. Polls are open 7 a.m. - 8 p.m. Check Your Voter Registration: The voter checklist is posted at the Derry Municipal Center with the Town Clerk (in the lobby) and at the Reference Desk at the Derry Public Library. Check your registration online using Voter Information tool: www.app.sos.nh.gov/Public/PartyInfo.aspx Voting By Absentee Ballot; Everyone qualifies to vote by absentee ballot due to Covid-19. The process can be completed

entirely by mail. Voters can opt to vote absentee at the Town Clerk's office ahead of the primary. You can apply for an absentee ballot, receive it, vote, and hand the ballot in all in one visit. The Town Clerk's hours are 8am and 4pm on weekdays. Please note: Monday, Sept. 7 is a holiday. Check the website or call for hours and availability. For assistance with absentee voting, please call the Town Clerk at 432-6105. You can track your absentee ballot using the Voter Information tool <https://app.sos.nh.gov/Public/AbsenteeBallot.aspx>

On My Own Teen Series

Upper Room will host for the On My Own Series, Mindfulness: Yoga and Journaling. Enrollment includes a Free Mindfulness Journal with writing prompts.

Wednesdays Sept. 2, 9 at 3 - 4 p.m. Free live on Zoom for Teens ages 13-18. Register at: bit.ly/onmyownmindfulness (while supplies last)

Teen Talk

Need to be Heard? Upper Room's Teen Talk, an online forum to talk, support and be heard is open Tuesdays 3 - 4 p.m. Free live on Zoom. Teens 13-18. No preregistration necessary; Meeting ID: 111 147 286, Password: 694887.

Wason Pond Pounder

The Upper Room will host the Wason Pond Pounder on Saturday Oct. 3, in Chester. To learn more about this popular race and sign up at runreg.com/9057.

Roaring 20's Drive-In Auction

The Upper Room's 19th Annual Roaring 20's DRIVE-IN Auction NEW DATE AND TIME. Featuring Bill Burke at The Tupelo Music Hall, Derry, Nov. 1, at 1 - 4 p.m. Join us for our live auction, food and drinks drive-in style. Tickets (per car) are available at tickets.tupelo-hall.com. Online Silent Auction Oct. 30 - Nov. 6 Bid on many great items from gift cards, gift baskets, tickets, experiences, trips, packages and other unique items. Sign up for auction updates at: bit.ly/roaringupdate.

Touch-A-Truck Event

Join members of Derry Police Department on Saturday, Aug. 29, for a "Helmet Drive-Thru Giveaway" at West Running Brook Middle School! Officers will be demonstrating how to properly fit a helmet as they handout "Bike Safety In-A-Bag" while families sit safely in their vehicle. Please note your child must be present in order to receive a helmet. The event will run from 9 a.m. - noon unless helmets are gone

before noon! In order to help prevent the spread of COVID-19, we ask that you please wear a mask when receiving the safety bag and helmet from the Officer. For the third year in a row, Derry Police Department has been awarded the NH Safe and Active Community Grant provided by the Injury Prevention Center at Children's Hospital at Dartmouth-Hitchcock and Safe Kids New Hampshire made possible by the Kohl's Cares Helmet Safety Program. Each year Derry Police Department teams up with Derry Cooperative School Staff Members at the Town of Derry annual Touch-A-Truck event to fit children for their Free all-purpose helmet and handout bicycle safety gear and information. Unfortunately, because of COVID-19, this year's Touch-A-Truck event was cancelled. But we still have the helmets. Members of Derry Fire and Sparky the Fire Dog will also be making guest appearances talking about fire safety and handing out some goodies. Make sure to jump in line early. We have 230 helmets, but they will go fast. For questions please contact Officer Sullivan directly at erinsullivan@derrynh.org.

Time to quit?

Vaping and Your Health Workshop Available remotely by the Upper Room during June. This workshop is for Teen & Young Adults up to age 24.

Feeling Overwhelmed?

The Upper Room is offering supportive online counseling schedule a free one-on-one supportive counseling session. Email Seren at selizab@urteachers.org.

Raising Another's Child?

Are you parenting a second time around? Attend the

Grandparent and Relative Caregiver Support Group. Join this free weekly meeting for resources, discussions and support for those raising another person's child. No preregistration needed. Tuesdays 6 - 7:30 p.m. Meeting in person at the YMCA - Londonderry. Contact: Seren Elizabeth at selizab@urteachers.org Grandparent PASTA Groups are brought to you by NH Children's Trust, the YMCA of Greater Londonderry, the Southern Rockingham Coalition for Healthy Youth (SoRock) and The Upper Room.

Raising a teenager?

Parent & Caregiver Café (PaCC) Group. These meetings are a wonderful resource for parents and caregivers raising teens. Discuss your concerns and learn new parenting strategies. New topics are introduced weekly including anger management, drug and alcohol abuse, communication and setting boundaries. No preregistration needed. Thursday 6 - 7:30 p.m. Free live on Zoom. Link to Join: <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/302497889>. Contact: Seren Elizabeth at selizab@urteachers.org

Raising children ages 0-12?

Upper Room offers Parent & caregiver workshops on Wednesdays, from 6 - 7 p.m. Free live on Zoom, facilitated by The Upper Room. Tune into this new series for weekly workshops offering families information, discussion and support.

CHESTER

Fall Sensory Jars

On Thursday, Sept. 10, at 4 p.m., Make a cute fall scene in a jar at the Chester Library. For kids of all ages. Sign up for program by emailing assistedirectorpl@gmail.com or call 887-3404.

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Teen Take + Make Craft

Make a funky magnet! Bottle Cap Magnets will be made on Thursday, Sept. 3, (all day) at the Chester Library. Crafts will be in bags

on the porch. All instructions and materials provided. Sign up for program by emailing assistdirectorpl@gmail.com or call 887-3404.

Library Closure

The Chester Library will be closed Saturday, Sept. 5, and Monday, Sept. 7, in

observance of Labor Day.

Teddy Bear Sleepover

Drop off your teddy bear or favorite stuffed animal at storytime or before noon on Tuesday, Sept. 15 and pick them up on Wednesday At the Chester Library. They will enjoy a "sleepover" at the

library. Who knows what they will get into. Sign up for program by emailing assistdirectorpl@gmail.com or call 887-3404.

Book Sale

On Saturday, Sept. 12, from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m., outside behind the Chester library a

book sale will be held. Support the Friends of the Chester Public Library. 50¢ for paperbacks; \$1 for hardback; \$2 DVDs; \$5 audios and TV series; everything else priced as marked. Can only accept cash or checks. Rain date Sept. 19. Sign up for program by emailing

assistdirectorpl@gmail.com or call 887-3404.

Adult Mug Painting

Get ready for cocoa and cider! Design a colorful mug on Thursday, Sept. 24, at 6 p.m. The Chester Library will provide the mugs and the

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Exercise Your Right to Vote

Time is getting short if you wish to register to vote in the Primary Election on Tuesday, Sept. 8. Chester Supervisors of the Checklist will be holding their last session in Town Hall for voter registration for the 2020 Primary and Presidential Elections on Saturday, Aug. 29 from noon - 1 p.m. Primary elections historically attract high participation of new voters, this plus Covid-19 guidelines/social distancing may require extra time to register. Please consider registering early to avoid any delays at the polls. Avoiding registering on Election Day will save you waiting in line. You may also register with the Town Clerk's office during their regular hours or contact the Clerk at elufkin@chesternh.org to request an absentee ballot application form.

Story Times

The Chester Library's Story Times are held every Tuesday and Thursday. Please Register by clicking on Chester Public Library Facebook Page OR call 887-3404.

Friends of Library Meeting

The Friends of the Chester Public Library meet the first Monday of each month at 7 p.m. in the library meeting room. This volunteer group is a fund-raising arm of the public library and supports the library where tax dollars leave off. New members are always welcome. Chair is Jude Sederquest; contact her at jsederquest@yahoo.com.

Important Voting Notice

Due to Covid-19 Chester Supervisors of the Checklist will be in Town Hall for voter registration for the 2020 Primary and Presidential Elections Aug 29, from noon - 1 p.m. With active participation expected Covid-19 guidelines and social distancing Please consider registering early to avoid delays at the polls. Avoiding registering on

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HAMPSTEAD

New Sunday Night Service

Starting on Sunday, Sept. 13, Island Pond Baptist Church, 26 North Salem Rd., Hampstead, will have Sunday evening service at 6 pm. It will be the same format and sermon as the morning service, just at night! Visit us on the web, www.islandpond-bc.com for more information.

Storytime Online

Hampstead Youth Services Librarian Devin continues to post Storytime videos on the Library's Facebook page as well as the Library website. This has been a great way for toddlers to continue to connect with Devin and add to their budding reader routines. Upcoming Storytime themes include rainbows, butterflies, bugs, and dragons.

SANDOWN

Mother Goose On The Loose

A Virtual Mother Goose On The Loose (Ages up to 36 months), will held on Monday's: Aug. 31, Sept. 14, 21 & 28, from 10 - 10:30 a.m. Join us Monday mornings on YouTube for movement, reading, rhymes, and songs. Mother Goose on the Loose is a brain-based program consisting of thirty minutes of fun, skill-building activities. Some benefits of the programs are the following: aids speech development, improves motor coordination, develops attention span, and encourages a love of books and book illustrations. We will post the link to the day's YouTube video ten (10) minutes prior to the start time. You can find archived story times from previous programs, too. Virtual. Contact: Adrienne Skora - 887-3428 - youthservices@sandownlibrary.us.

Tales For Tots

The Sandown Library's Tales For Tots (Ages 2-3), will be held on Tuesday's

Sept. 8, 15, 22, & 29, from 10 - 10:30 a.m. This program is designed for toddlers and early preschool children. Stories, songs, beginning sign language and gross motor activities will be incorporated into this story time designed for busy toddlers. Class size is limited to 10 children with their parent/caregiver. Downstairs Meeting Room. Registration is required. Contact: Tricia Thomas - 887-3428 - pthomas@sandownlibrary.us.

Legos And More

The Sandown Library's Legos And More (Ages 6+), will be held on Tuesday's Sept. 8, & 22, from 4 - 5 p.m. Join us for LEGOs and more program. We will have building challenges, introduce some STEM activities, and have open, creative time. This program is appropriate for ages 5-10. We appreciate if you sign up your child so we know how to plan our activities. Easy one-time registration for all the weeks of the program. If your child can't make it, no worries, just call or email Adrienne. This is a great opportunity for your child to create a network of kids with the same interests. Children's Room. Contact: Adrienne Skora - 887-3428 - youthservices@sandownlibrary.us

Story Time

The Sandown Library's Story Time (Ages 3-5), will be held on Thursday's Sept. 10, 17, & 24 from 10 - 11 a.m. Bring your preschooler or kindergartner age child to enjoy stories, songs, puppets and more. Our themed story and craft times are designed to encourage the development of early literacy skills and build friendships with others. Class size is limited to 15 children with their parent/caregivers. Registration is required and will close at 9pm the evening prior to the program. This allows us to plan appropriately and have enough materials for your child(ren). Downstairs Meeting Room. Contact: Tricia Thomas - 887-3428 - pthomas@sandownlibrary.us.

Cookbook Club

The Sandown Library's Food For Thought: Cookbook Club, will be held on

Wednesday Sept. 9, from 6 - 7:30 p.m. Do you like to cook and try new recipes? Join us for our monthly gathering where we make various recipes from different chefs, cooking methods, ethnic or regional areas or other new ways to cook. The library will have the cookbooks for people to check out. 2020 List of "Themes" Down stairs. Contact: Adam Shlager - 887-3428 - director@sandownlibrary.us.

Book - 2 - Movie

The Sandown Library's Book - 2 - Movie, will be held on Thursday Sept. 10, from 6 - 8 p.m. Is the Book always better? The first Thursday of each month, we watch a movie based on a book and have a discussion comparing them. Books for the next gathering are always available on movie viewing night. This is open every month to anyone who wants to join the discussion and watch the movie. Downstairs Meeting Room. Contact: Tricia Thomas - 887-3428 - pthomas@sandownlibrary.us.

Mystery Book Club

The Sandown Library's Monday Morning Mystery Book Club, will be held on Monday Sept. 14, from 10:30 a.m. - noon. Are you a mystery reader? Looking for some new authors or a chance to read a favorite one? Join us the 1st Monday of the month to discuss the monthly book choice. 2020 Book List - click on this to give you the list of books for the year. Books are available to pick up at the library. Please register so we have enough copies of the books available. Main Room. Contact: Deb Hoadley - 887-3428 - director@sandownlibrary.us.

Books & Bites

The Sandown Library's Books & Bites: Good Books, Good Bites And Good Company, will be held on Wednesday Sept. 16, from 6:3 - 7:45 p.m. 2020 Book Selection List "A heartfelt tale of true friendship, a mother's unstoppable love, and the immeasurable fortitude of women." - Booklist. Main Library-upstairs. Contact: Sue Kehoe - 887-3428 -

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WWII Music

The Sandown Library presents Ambilin' Richard - WWII Music, on Monday Sept. 21, from 4 - 5 p.m. Sept. 2020 marks the 75th anniversary of the end of World War II. Back again this year, Ramblin' Richard will present his "Songs and Stories of World War II - Popular Wartime Songs and Their Stories You Didn't Know". This program focuses on some of the most beloved American songs that were popular at the time. Songs like: Bluebirds over the White Cliffs of Dover, Sentimental Journey, Praise the Lord and Pass the Ammunition, and Chattanooga Choo Choo. Richard will sing the songs while playing his guitar, 5-string banjo, or ukulele. He will also tell fascinating and unfamiliar stories about the songs and the times as well. This program is generously sponsored by the Friends of The Sandown Library. Outdoors. Contact: Tricia Thomas - 887-3428 - pthomas@sandownlibrary.us

Three Stooges & WWII

The Three Stooges take on the Axis Powers, at the Sandown Library on Tuesday Sept. 29, from 1 - 2:30 p.m. Did you know The Three Stooges had such a powerful impact on WWII that Hitler had them on his list of enemies? Join Outreach Project Coordinator Dan Schroeder from the NH Wright Museum to explore the role the Three Stooges played in WWII. The "short" film "You Nasty Spy!" (1940) was the first in cinema to satirized the Nazis and the Third Reich, it helped publicize the Nazi threat in a period when the United States was still neutral about World War II. Dan will share the history of the Three Stooges and WWII, some memorabilia as well as show a few of the Stooges short films. Main Library-upstairs Contact: Tricia Thomas - pthomas@sandownlibrary.us.

Voter Registration Notice

The Sandown, Supervisors of The Checklist will be meeting at the Sandown Tax Collectors Office, 320

Main St., Sandown, for additions and corrections of the voter checklist on: Tuesday, Jan. 21, 2021 at 7 - 7:30 p.m., and Saturday, Jan. 25, 2021 at 11 - 11:30 a.m. The Jan. 25 session will be your last opportunity to register before the Sandown Deliberative Session on Feb. 1, 2021, the Timberlane Deliberative Session on Feb. 6, 2021 and the Presidential Primary on Feb. 11, 2021. New voters may also register at the Sandown Town Tax Collectors Office, during regular business hours before Jan. 25, 2021 and during the Presidential Primary Feb. 11, 2021. Please remember, you will need proper identification to register. Question contact; Rosemarie Bruno Supervisor of the Checklist 603-887-3939 - RBruno1-219@msn.com.

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Free Meals

Free August Meals in Derry/Londonderry Area opened to everyone. Dinner on Aug. 28 at First Parish Church from 5 - 6 p.m., drive up to side door. Lunch on Aug. 30 at St. Jude's Parish from 1:30 - 2:30 p.m. Sonshine Soup Kitchen - will be serving drive-by to-go meals on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays 4:30 - 5:30 p.m. If you need food, call 437-2833, ext. 1, and leave a message. Sonshine Soup Kitchen will get back to you to make an appointment for you to pick up food outside of its building.

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