

Derry Zoning Rejects Plan on Franklin Street Condos

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DERRY - The Derry Zoning Board of Adjustment heard a case on April 7, for a proposal to build three condos at 16 Franklin Street during their April 7 meeting.

Representing the owner was Steve Keach. He said that they are seeking a variance to put the three unit condos up with it being further than zero feet from the front property line and five feet from the side property line.

Since it is located in the TBOD it isn't allowed to be more than zero feet away from the property line.

Keach said that by granting the variance they would allow for a multi-family home to be built a safe distance away from the roadway.

He said that while the property is located in the TBOD there are other homes in the neighborhood that would be the same distance away from the road.

It was explained by Keach that by having it zero feet away from the property line it would cause issues during the winter months because of where it is located.

He also said that because it is on the intersection of two roads it creates a site distance issue.

Keach explained that they previously were granted a variance to build the three family home there and when they spoke to town staff about their site plan it was suggested that they seek a variance particularly because there were concerns about the site distance at the intersection.

He said that if they put it where they are proposing it would no longer be an issue.

Another concern that was discussed about having it too close to the property line is that cars would have to back straight out onto Franklin Street.

The owner of the property Muhammad Asim Ghani said that by having ample space for parking they will be able to stay on their property while they are backing out onto Franklin Street rather backing straight out on to the street.

Zoning Board member Donald Burgess said that he thinks that is a better plan.

"This is better planning," said Burgess.

Code Enforcement Director Robert Mackey

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Hampstead Selectmen Give OK on New Energy Committee

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HAMPSTEAD - During the April 11 Hampstead Board of Selectmen meeting Selectmen Steve Morse discussed the possibility of creating an energy committee in town.

Morse said that he and Hampstead School Board Chair David Smith attended a recent Londonderry Town Council meeting where the Derry Net Zero Task Force presented what they did for their town over the last few years.

Morse said that they developed a task force by taking people from every department in the Town including the Derry School District and Pinkerton Academy.

He said that they essentially looked at the feasibility of what they have for open space and other property in an effort to make the town of Derry a Net Zero community.

Morse said that recently they were able to reach their goal and through their solar field they are able to generate all their electricity for their town owned buildings and the schools.

He said that he is looking to do something similar on a smaller scale through their schools and their other departments in town to see what their energy usage is and what they can do to save on energy costs.

"Obviously Derry is a much larger town," said Morse.

Morse said that on quick math the town budgets around \$40,000 a year for the town for the electricity for the different buildings. He said that he didn't have the numbers

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Making Friends The Hampstead Lions Club had the Easter Bunny at their Pancake Breakfast on Saturday and it brought plenty of smiles to the faces of youngsters there. Pictured, Louis Larco-Ward gets a high-five. See more photos on page 4 and 5.
Photo by Chris Paul

Pat Kimball Resigns From Old Home Day Committee

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SANDOWN - During the April 11 Sandown Board of Selectmen meeting the town's annual Old Home Day festivities was deal another blow. Selectmen accepted the resignation of Pat Kimball, the Chair of the Old Home Day Committee.

In her letter dated March 30, Kimball said she is resigning not only for personal reasons but also because of the lack of the Committee members.

She said that they had their kickoff meeting but no one attended. She said that the other people on the Committee from last year have all resigned this year.

Kimball who was on the Committee for five years said that she would help in any way she can if a Committee is formed again.

Selectmen Tom Tom

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Chester Selectmen Discuss Ideas For Police Officer Compensation

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CHESTER - After Chester Police Chief Aaron Berube told the Chester board of Selectmen during their previous meeting that he had concerns about possibly losing officers if they don't raise their rates of pay and benefit packages, Selectmen Stephen Landau proposed a possible solution during their April 14 meeting.

Landau said he thinks that if they don't do anything about it they can have major issues in the future.

"It led me to start to think that we need to handle this," said Landau.

Landau said that he spoke with their accountant and said that all their employees either contribute 10 or 15% for their health insurance depending on if they have a family plan or single plan. He said that the total they contribute is around \$64,000 per year.

He said that he thinks they could eliminate the employee's contribution for a year or two and also look at the pay matrix.

Landau said that he

thinks if they made it effective July 1 when the new budget begins they could get a handle on it.

"I think we may be able to even do it for two years," said Landau.

Selectmen Steve Couture said he would want to see something formal in writing before making a decision on it.

Selectmen Jeremy Owens said he agreed that they have to do something but said if they try to add an incentive it may be difficult to take it away in the future.

"That's my only con-

cern," said Owens.

Selectmen Stephen D'Angelo said he would be more in favor of looking at the matrix and inflation.

He also said that it would be good to look at a comparison to similar towns as Chester to see what they have for compensation and benefits.

Berube said he is already looking into it.

Another concern that Berube pointed to is that based on what they see nationally not many people want to become a first responder.

"If we don't think out-

side the box we're going to be behind the eight ball," said Berube.

Berube said that they also face the challenge that other departments across the state are paying more than they are. He said for example a patrol officer in Nashua would make about \$6,000 less than Berube does after four years on the job. Berube said he has been on the job for 21 years.

"If we're not progressive with this it's hard to catch up," said Berube.

One example that Berube pointed to is for

their detective position which they are currently trying to fill. He said that they had a candidate that was interested in working for them that they wanted to hire, however, it would be a major pay cut for them.

"He would be losing money to do a transfer," said Berube.

It was decided that they would put it on the agenda again for an upcoming meeting to discuss more and possibly make a decision.

The next Chester Board of Selectmen meeting is slated for April 28 at 7 p.m.

Hampstead School Board Approves 2022-2023 School Calendar

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HAMPSTEAD - The Hampstead School Board had its second reading for the 2022-2023 school calendar during the April 12 School Board meeting.

When the proposed calendar was presented during the first meeting Nicole Tomaselli, Director of the 21st Century Learning, Assessment, and Technology explained that they have eight early release days spread throughout the calendar for professional development. She said that they had early release days

for professional development a few years ago.

Tomaselli said for the early release days the buses will be leaving Pinkerton Academy at 12:35 p.m. and getting to Hampstead Middle School around 1:15 p.m. She said that the Hampstead Middle School route takes about 45 minutes to complete meaning they will arrive to Hampstead Central School around 2 p.m.

"That will allow us about an hour and fifteen minutes of professional development time," said Tomaselli.

Tomaselli said that

there are many benefits to having professional development time spread throughout the year.

"There are so many benefits that I could go on and talk about," said Tomaselli.

Tomaselli said that one of the benefits is that they will already have their paraprofessionals onsite and they can get the training as well.

School Board Vice Chair Jason Giard asked if they think that 75 minutes will be enough time for their professional development sessions.

"Do we really think

that is enough time to get some good quality professional development for our staff," said Giard.

Tomaselli said she thinks it's enough of a time block. She said that they have a lot of trainings that is required that are an hour long session. She said that some of the training that they need requires them to figure out their own internal procedures and the extra time will allow them to do so.

Tomaselli explained that they have been able to

do them this year at the expense of other things.

Superintendent Robert Thompson said that the amount of hours they are proposing throughout the year still isn't as much as they would like but it is a good start.

"At least it's a starting point," said Thompson.

Thompson also noted that some districts do it weekly. He said he thinks it's going to be effective and they may even look to expand it in the future.

"Our teachers just need

time to collaborate," said Thompson.

School Board Chairman David Smith said he thinks it would be a good idea to get an evaluation after the school year to see what parents and staff think about how it went with the new way of doing professional development days.

"We can do that," said Tomaselli.

The School Board ultimately approved the 2022-2023 school district calendar.

Some of the highlights in the calendar include the first day of school being Aug. 30 for students, with Thanksgiving break being Nov. 23 to Nov. 25. The holiday break is from Dec. 26 to Jan. 2.

Winter break will be Feb. 27 to March 3 and spring break is scheduled for April 24 to April 28.

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Hampstead School Board Gets Update On Central School Addition

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HAMPSTEAD - During the April 12 Hampstead School Board meeting Superintendent Robert Thompson told the Board that in early March the School District got a safety audit from the Department of Homeland Security.

Thompson said that it is recommended that the schools get an audit every three years and said the last one was done in 2016.

"Covid sort of put their schedule off a little bit," said Thompson.

Thompson said that

they were impressed with the progress that the school district has made between 2016 and now.

He noted that in 2018 the school district got a state grant for safety improvements.

"The Hampstead School District took full advantage of it," said Thompson. He added that in those six years the school district made a number of different improvements for security.

"There have been significant changes, and improvements and upgrades in that time," said Thompson.

Despite that, there were some areas identified that

the school district could improve on. He said that it is not supposed to be discussed publicly.

"The Department of Safety does not want us to publicly talk about items we are going to work on," said Thompson.

Thompson said that he recommended that they go into non public after the meeting and they could talk about some of the deficit areas that they are already working on.

He also pointed out that there have been some public conversations already about safety deficits at Central School.

"We need to discuss those and we need to come up with a plan," said Thompson.

Also during the meeting Thompson gave the school board an update regarding the Hampstead Central School addition.

Thompson said that last meeting the Board directed the district administration to look at an alternative approach to the addition project after the bond vote failed again this year.

Thompson said that the top concerns that were identified by the school board were a lack of space

for special education and regular classrooms and the safety for the main office.

He said that they have had meetings about it and they hope to bring a design concept to the next meeting or may have a special meeting for it.

Thompson said that the deadline to apply for state building aid for projects is June 30.

School Board Vice Chair Jason Giard said he is looking forward to being able to see the new design.

"I'm looking forward to looking at the new design," said Giard.

Chairman David Smith

said that they are going to have a plan in order to get community feedback on it. He said that will be able to discuss the feedback and can incorporate it into the final design.

In other news, Smith updated the Board about the process for the superintendent evaluation.

Thompson said that the plan is to have a non public discussion during their March 10 meeting and possibly again on May 24.

He said they are expected to give their formal evaluation review to Thompson no later than June 10.

Derry Planning Board Approves New Aspen Dental Office

ALEX MALM
NUTFIELD NEWS

DERRY - During the April 6 Derry Planning Board meeting one of the agenda items was in regards to a site plan for the redevelopment of a lot at 38 Manchester Road.

The proposal was to turn the existing building into a 3,500 square foot Aspen Dental office.

It was explained by

Derry Planning Director George Sioras that the applicant applied for an amended driveway permit which is currently being reviewed by the NH Department of Transportation since Manchester Road is a state road.

Representing the owners was Paige Libbey from Jones & Beach Engineering.

She explained to the Board that their plan is to tear the building down that

they have there right now. She said that the proposal is to have parking in the front, side and back of the property.

Libbey said that there will need to be some regrading of the site in order to make all the parking work.

It was noted by Libbey that their plan is to have an onsite septic system which they have received a permit for. She said that they

originally were looking to have a sewer connection as part of the project but they learned that it wouldn't work out.

"It ended up not being feasible for this project," said Libbey.

Libbey told the Board that the plan is to keep in place all the wooded buffers between their office and Aldi and Ocean State Job Lot.

Planning Board Vice Chair Jim MacEachern said that he thinks its a good project.

"This is a welcome change to the area," said MacEachern. He said that Aspen Dental Buildings generally look nice.

The Board ultimately unanimously approved the site plan.

Another agenda item during the meeting was for a lot line adjustment for 288 Island Pond Road and 292 Island Pond Road.

Sioras said that they were requesting a number of waiver requests.

"We won't require that on a lot line change," said Sioras.

Representing the owners was Neal McCarthy from Promised Land Survey.

"There's really not much going on with it," said McCarthy.

McCarthy said that they previously went to the Zoning Board of Adjustment in order to allow the garage to remain where it is since it is too close to the real lot line. The reason why they were seeking a

lot line adjustment was in order to be able to access the garage still.

The Planning Board ultimately approved the lot line adjustment.

The Board also heard a lot line adjustment request for 114 Island Pond Road and 128 Island Pond Road.

"We have no issue with the lot line change," said Sioras.

McCarthy said that the larger lot which is 114 Island Pond Road is transferring close to an acre of land to the smaller lot 128 Island Pond Road. He said that 114 Island Pond Road is about 24 acres while the other is around 3 acres in size.

"Both of them are oversized," said McCarthy.

The Board approved the lot line adjustment.

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said that when they discussed the plan no one liked the idea of having cars back out onto Franklin Street.

Zoning Board Vice Chair Craig Corbett said that while he thought it was a better proposal than the

original one discussed he didn't like the idea of granting a second waiver for it being non conforming.

"I see both sides," said Corbett.

Chairman Lynn Perkins said he wasn't in favor of it.

"I'm not so keen on this request," said Perkins.

Burgess said that the

parking situation is better with the proposal which was previously his biggest concern.

"The parking situation seems to be better," said Burgess.

The ZBA voted to reject the variance with Corbett, Perkins, and member Crystal Morin voting against the variance.



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Editorial

Make Earth Day Everyday

Earth Day is celebrated on April 22 every year. The day aims to raise awareness and inspire more and more mindfulness, and to protect the environment as well as focus on the need for conservation.

The earth provides us with everything we need to grow food and live healthy lives. These are our natural resources like; land, water, animals and plant's, this day is meant to be spent celebrating the planet's natural resources.

From space earth, looks like a big, blue marble, with all it's blues and greens, wrapped in swirls of white. From our vantage point, the Earth still has beauty, but it is often marred by smoke in the skies, or ruined waterways, or trash stuck to the side of the streets. It sometimes seems that humans have treated the earth not so much as a garden but as a dump.

Our planet is referred to as "Mother Earth" why it gives us food, water and shelter. Earth Day is a reminder to keep our eye on the big, blue marble, a reminder that Earth is neither a garden nor a dump, it is our home, and it is our life-support system.

Earth Day began April 22, 1970, as a time for all people to celebrate the planet Earth and renew our dedication to making the world safer, healthier and cleaner for ourselves and all of the generations yet to come.

There are a few simple tips on

improving environmental conditions. You can do them every day and contribute to the positive effect on the planet.

Sort the trash, and follow the "R's" reduce, reuse, recycle, repurpose, repair, unnecessary things to have a usefulness.

Take part in the improvement in your town and home, by reducing expenditure of gasoline, reduce energy usage, pick up and clean roadsides, and think sustainability taking a peace of your lawn and letting be a garden.

The water, as amount of fresh clean water become less and less. Scientists ask everyone on the planet to take care about the resources of water and to spend water only reasonably, lowering usage. By the way, you will not only save the water resources.

We have to make efforts about care of the planet not only once a year, but also every day. You can easily take part in this operation. Our future, also as future of our descendants, depends on it.

These acts may well save the life-support system for our children and their children and all of our descendants to come.

We should do all that we can to be good stewards of our planet.

Long journeys are comprised of small steps, one after another.

Enough small steps, by each one of us, may well save the Earth ... yesterday, today and tomorrow.



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barello said that it is a lot of work and that he was appreciative of her helping for so many years.

"I don't know how she pulled it off," said Tombarello.

He pointed out that the voters voted this year saying that they wanted it but they need Committee members in order to make it happen.

Selectmen's Office Assistant Paula Gulla said if things don't move soon it won't happen because things need to be booked soon. She said that she would encourage people in town to get involved with it.

"It's a fun committee to be on," said Gulla.

In other business, the Selectmen got an update from Finance Director

Gayle Hamel in regards to their fuel budget.

Hamel said that they have a contract for 5,000 gallons of number two fuel oil at a contracted price but have already used that amount for the year.

"We have exceeded that already," said Hamel.

She said that the last two deliveries that they got for Town Hall and at the Fire Department were delivered at a different price which is based on the daily price. She said that one of the prices was \$4.899 per gallon and the other was \$4.799. Hamel said it was about double than what the contracted price was.

Hamel said that the 5,000 gallons is divided by town hall, the fire station, highway garage and the library.

Hamel said that they

should be good until the fall. She said that the price of gas continues to be a variable.

"Gas is still a variable," said Hamel.

Additionally Hamel said that diesel is also something they have to keep an eye out on as it fluctuates.

Selectmen Eric Olsen asked how they did last year compared to this year in terms of the amount of fuel they used.

Hamel said that they likely went over last year but the extra was only a few cents more per gallon than the contracted price.

Olsen asked if they should go for a contract with 6,000 gallons next year.

"I definitely think that should be discussed next year," said Hamel.

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Hampstead Lions Celebrate Easter With Bunny Breakfast



After having to take two years off, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Hampstead Lions Club restarted their annual Pancake Breakfast with the Easter Bunny at Hampstead Central School on Saturday, April 16. There were lots of activities for the participants to enjoy as well as a hearty breakfast and photo opportunities with the Easter Bunny. Activities included face painting, holiday crafts, games and raffles. See additional photos on page 4.

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Sandown Heritage Commission Appraisal Event Set For May 10

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SANDOWN - The Sandown Heritage Commission held its regularly scheduled meeting on April 7.

During the meeting one of the agenda items was in regards to their upcoming appraisal event.

The event is scheduled to take place on Tuesday

May 10 from 6:30 - 9:30 p.m. at Sandown Town Hall. It is designed for people to be able to bring in items to the event to be appraised.

The cost is \$10 per item and three items for \$25.

Heritage Commission Vice Chair Frances Rosenau said some antique shops that she has talked to are willing to put up

posters for them of the event.

One question that was asked was if there was a limit on how many items someone can bring to be appraised.

Rosenau said that there isn't.

"You can bring as many as you want," said Rosenau.

Rosenau said that aside from being able to

get different items appraised the event will also be a chance for people to see what others have.

"It's showing what others have," said Rosenau.

Rosenau said that they wouldn't be having pre ticket sales for it. She said that some people have already been asking her about the event.

Heritage Chair Pam Gaudreau told the Commission that she is going to invite the Sandown Historical Society to the event so they can display some of their historically significant items and possibly have their items appraised.

Gaudreau said that it is going to be a fun event and that the appraiser Ron Wackowski is also making

it a show.

"He is an experienced appraiser," said Gaudreau. "He makes it fun."

Rosenau said that there is no admission fee for those who just want to go to the event and watch.

"There's no charge for anyone to come and observe," said Rosenau.

Another event that was discussed during the meeting was their "History of Agriculture as Told by Barns A Presentation by John Porter" event.

It was explained by Rosenau that the event is scheduled to take place on Thursday, May 19 from 7 - 8 p.m. at Sandown Town Hall.

The presentation will be made by Porter, who is a third generation farmer, a UNH Extension specialist, a professor emeritus and author of "Preserving Old Barns." He is going to talk about the importance of preserving farming and old barns.

The event is sponsored by the Heritage Commission and is funded by a grant through NH Humanities.

Rosenau said she was going to talk to Channel 17 about recording the event.

The next Sandown Heritage Commission meeting is slated for May 5 at 7 p.m.

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for the school district.

"I'm sure they are up there too," said Morse.

Morse said that his proposal is to establish an energy committee with the mission of evaluating what their needs are for the town and for the school district.

He said that their goal can be to identify if there are areas for solar or alternative energy that can pay for itself through savings. Morse said he thinks it should be in cooperation with the School District.

Board of Selectmen Chairman Sean Murphy said he wasn't opposed to it.

"I'm not opposed to looking for ways to save money, especially on electric costs," said Murphy.

It was pointed out by Morse that they have done some things in town like replacing the lights in town with LED lights.

Administrative Assistant Theriault said that a full audit was done on all the buildings in 2008.

Morse said that some of the groundwork has been done but the committee would look further at what can be done and what might have changed in the past decade.

"Essentially the groundwork has been laid with that," said Morse.

Morse said that he thinks that it is likely that there is still room for improvement in their town buildings on how to save on energy. He said that the committee can determine what is feasible to do and

what isn't.

Smith pointed out that they are already seeing some of the benefits since they send their high school students to Pinkerton Academy.

The Board of Selectmen ultimately approved creating an Energy Committee.

OBITUARY

Laurie Jean Loader



Laurie Jean Loader, 43, of East Hampstead, NH passed away on April 11, 2022, after a lengthy illness. She was born Aug. 1, 1978, in Lawrence, MA and was the daughter of Richard and Dianne (Couture) Loader. Laurie was raised in Sandown, NH and was a graduate of Timberlane Regional High School and NH Technical Institute with a degree in Social Services. Laurie enjoyed cooking and following/creating recipes. She will forever be remembered for her love of family, especially her nephews. Laurie is sadly missed by her family and friends.

In addition to her parents, Laurie is survived by her brothers and their wives, Christopher & Amy Loader and David & Melissa Loader and her two nephews, Michael and Ryan Loader.

Memorial calling hours will be held Friday April 22, from 9 - 11 a.m., at the Peabody Funeral Homes and Crematorium, 15 Birch St., Derry, NH. A Catholic Prayer Service will be held at 10:30 a.m., and services will conclude with burial at Immaculate Conception Cemetery in Methuen, MA. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to: Sonshine Soup Kitchen, 6 Crystal Ave., Derry, NH 03038. To send a condolence, please visit www.peabodyfuneralhome.com.

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OBITUARY

Andrew P. McInnes



Andrew P. McInnes, 56, of Derry, NH, passed away Wednesday, April 13, 2022, in the Portsmouth Regional Hospital, Portsmouth, NH. He was born on April 8, 1966, in Beverly, MA, the youngest child of the late William and Barbara (McCarthy) McInnes. Andrew was raised and educated in Groveland, MA, and has spent the last 25 years in Derry where he was the proud owner and operator of Steven's Auto Service in Derry.

He is survived by his wife and sweetheart of 22 years, Judi McInnes of Derry; two sons, AJ McInnes and Justin McInnes, both of Derry; four grandchildren; Cami, Vivienne, Anna, and Elise, four brothers, William Jr. and Anne McInnes of Limerick, ME, Barry and Diane McInnes of Dracut, MA, James McInnes of Groveland, MA, and Peter McInnes of Clearwater, FL; one sister, Judy Legacy of Haverhill, MA. Andrew was predeceased by four siblings: Robert, Bruce, Jon and Sandra. He was adored by his many nieces, nephews, and in-laws.

For those lucky enough to know Andrew, you would know he loved time with his wife and family (especially his "grandbabies"), friends, and virtually everyone who had the pleasure of his company. He was a true sports fan, but the New England Patriots were a particular favorite. He was an avid golfer and recently took a "bucket list" trip to hit the links on the finest courses there are. He loved his time at home living the "lake life" at his fire pit and on his deck boat, and the many hours he snuggled his dogs, Rocko and Titus. He will be forever known for his humor, his helping hands, his sheepish smile, and his endless love of all things fun.

Calling hours was held on Monday, April 18, in the Peabody Funeral Homes and Crematorium. Funeral services will be held on Tuesday at 10:30am in the funeral home with cremation to follow. In lieu of flowers or in addition, memorial contributions may be made to American Stroke Association in Andrew's memory.

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Conservation Commission Discusses for Business' Proposed Expansion

HENRY GREENBAUM
NUTFIELD NEWS

DERRY - The Derry Conservation Commission discussed an expansion to a Family Dentistry at their Mon. Apr. 11 meeting.

Tucker McCarthy of McCarthy Properties presented a project to the Commission for discussion. "What I am here to discuss with you this evening is a conceptual plan we have put together for 30 Pinkerton Street.

My client, [Ahern, Nichols, Hersey, and Butterfield Family Dentistry], operates out of this property," said Mr. McCarthy. "They are looking at doing a small building expansion. It is about 30 by 30 feet, two stories, and it has a small vestibule area."

McCarthy continued to explain that one of the reasons for this expansion has to do with the parking. He said, "They are very short on parking. The way the lot is configured is not ideal and they really have a big need for more parking. This building expansion does also give them more space to operate

their business."

He also explained that they have not filed with TRC or done a sight survey as they want to get feedback from the Conservation Commission before moving forward with the expansion.

McCarthy said, "There are some wetlands that run along Peabody Road and [Corwin Drive]. As you can see, there is a piece of this wetland that the parking lot would impact...I would ask if the Commission would be open to scheduling a sight walk. We will get the wetlands scientist out there and we can take a look at this area and give any feedback that

you may have."

Mr. McCarthy sounded very open to all feedback the Commission would give as he wishes to complete this expansion without it being a detriment to the surrounding wetlands. He also estimated that the wetland impact could be up to 1,200 Square Feet.

One member of the Commission pointed out that the site needs to be flagged if they are to survey the property. Chris Danforth of Keach-Nordstrom Associates is the wetland scientists and survey engineer who put the flags around the site.

Commission Member Bob Boonstra asked Mr. McCarthy about the drainage area at the bottom of the slope on the property that leads into Pinkerton Street. "I think this area has been created wet based on drainage coming down [from the slope] to this low area truthfully," said Mr. McCarthy. "Obviously, it is deemed wetland now, but it has never been created as a drainage area. I believe they had come and gotten a permit to clear that area out a number of years ago just as a maintenance thing."

Mr. McCarthy explained

ed that the proposed parking lot was designed to minimize wetland impact while addressing the drainage as much as possible. He also clarified that the design is not set in stone, and they will gladly change it accordingly once they get feedback from the Conservation Commission after they survey the land.

The Conservation Commission is going to conduct the land survey and member Riccardo Buzzanga informed Mr. McCarthy of what specifically he will need to know prior to it. He said, "We would like you to identify where your snow storage area is going to be and how you are going to deal with either removing that snow or where it is going to melt...Secondly, we have some invasive language that we can give you that is going to need to be added to the plan at some point."

The Conservation Commission aim to survey the land on April 29 and will provide feedback once it is complete.

The Conservation Commission will meet again on Monday, April 25 in the Derry Municipal Center at 7 p.m.

OBITUARY

Bill Mannion



William (Bill) Mannion, 77, passed away on Friday, April 15, at Birch Heights in Derry after a long illness. Bill and his wife Patricia, were long time residents of Alton and Wilmot.

Bill was born in the Bronx, received a BA in History from St. John's University and an MA in History specializing in Russia, China, and Japanese economic development.

He worked at the New York Times from 1962 to 1974 as Metropolitan Clerk, News Assistant to the National Desk and Culture Obit Desk, News Summary writer, which appears on the second front of the paper, and Broadcast News for WQXR, the radio station of the Times.

Bill moved to Manchester, NH to operate a printing company, where he met his wife Patricia of 42 years. He attended Southern NH University studying for an MBA specializing in information technology.

While at the SNHU he was adjunct professor of computer studies for the Upstart Program designed to aid the unemployed to return to the workforce. He was managing editor of the Journal of Educational Computing, under the editorship of Dr. Robert Seidman. The magazine published refereed articles on the effect of computers on education.

In 1986 Bill accepted the position of Academic Computing Director at Colby-Sawyer College from President Peggy Stock with the intention to modernize computer facilities and studies at the liberal arts college.

He established a computer classroom with IBM PCs to replace outdated TRS-60s where he taught his computer classes and created computer pods throughout the campus. Bill worked with the faculty to integrate computer technology into their various disciplines and curriculum. He opened his computer classes to the local community and participated in Elder Hostile programs.

After Colby-Sawyer, Bill worked briefly as a contracted computer analyst for the Federal court in Concord, a senior tech writer, and eventually joined the fulltime faculty at McIntosh College in Dover, teaching computer studies and economics, and from where he retired in 2010.

Concerned about community and civic affairs, Bill took an active interest in the communities where he resided. While residing in Londonderry he served as president of the MidRidge Condo Association. In Wilmot he was a member and chair of the ZBA and president of the Wilmot Community Association. In Alton, he served many years on the Milfoil Committee and the intertown Cyanobacteria Mitigation Steering Committee. He was a frequent contributor to the local newspaper, the Baysider. Many of his articles informed the community of the growing danger from invasive species, particularly variable milfoil, in our water bodies.

As a resident on Halfmoon Lake, Bill created and was webmaster of the lake association's website. He was for ten years Vice President and President of the Halfmoon Lake Association.

Bill and Pat enjoyed their lakefront living on Halfmoon Lake and over many years hosted annual road parties and family reunions.

He is survived by his wife of 42 years, Patricia (Condict) Mannion; two children, David DeCosmo and his wife Michelle, and Darren DeCosmo and his wife Lisa, both of Derry; four grandchildren, Nathan, Kaylie, Meghan, and Brittany, all of Derry; a brother Martin of Atlanta, two nieces, Jane Mannion-Henderson of Arlington, MA, and Maureen Mannion of Atlanta, and a nephew Martin Mannion of Suwanee, Ga. He is predeceased by his parents Martin and Margaret Mannion of the Bronx, and a brother John of St George, UT.

Following cremation, a funeral mass was held Thursday, April 21, in St. Thomas Aquinas Church.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to hospice care at the Visiting Nurse Association of Manchester and Southern NH.

OBITUARY

Arthur G. Maurice

Arthur G. Maurice, 76, of E. Derry NH, died Tuesday, April 12, 2022 at his home. He was born in Marlborough, MA on Jan. 14, 1946. Arthur had been a resident of E. Derry since 1981, formerly living in Auburn, NH.

He was born to Arthur G. Maurice and Bertha Y. Seymour and raised by his paternal aunt, Alice (Maurice) Touchette and her husband Raymond in Claremont, NH. He served for a brief period with the US Air Force. He loved drag racing, working on cars, hunting for car parts at flea markets near and far, and running his excavator for his business.

He is survived by his beloved wife, Diana (Warner) Maurice of E. Derry, two sons, Paul Arthur Maurice and his wife Jennifer of Auburn, and David Michael Maurice of Londonderry, NH and two grandsons, Samuel and Benjamin. He is also survived by two stepchildren, Rhonda O'Dowd of Hudson, NH, and Brad Kluchnick of Goffstown, NH. He was predeceased by his first wife, Joanne (Latulippe) Maurice.

The Peabody Funeral Homes and Crematorium of Derry and Londonderry is assisting the family with arrangements. The family will hold private memorial services at a later date. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Wounded Warrior Project.

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Local families were invited to stop by the Chester Public Library on Saturday afternoon, April 16, to have their pictures taken with the Easter Bunny. A rather steady stream of residents got the opportunity to sit on the bench outside the library for a photo with the bunny before he set out for Easter Sunday. Everyone who stopped by was given a grab bag before they left. *Photos by Chris Paul*

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DERRY SPORTS

Pinkerton Academy Baseball Off To A Smashing Start

CHRIS PAUL
NUTFIELD NEWS

The Pinkerton Academy Baseball team strung together four straight wins to start the 2022 spring season, outscoring their opponents by 46 to 10 runs.

In the Astros season home opener, against Bishop Guertin, PA got their first shutout of the season with a 10-0 win.

Senior Liam Doyle only needed to be on the mound for five innings after his team put up 10-runs by the second inning and the mercy rule ended the game after five innings.

Doyle allowed just one hit in those five innings and struck out 12 in the win.

In the PA teams second game of the week, the win didn't come as quickly.

Despite mounting a six run lead by the second inning, their South Portland opponent got four runs back in the fourth inning and



Jacob Albert went 3-3 with five runs, two doubles and three RBIs against Bedford.

shaved the Astros lead for a 7-5 win.

Tom Rioux was the winning PA pitcher, going six innings with 11 strikeouts, eight hits and five runs.

The Astros only managed four hits in the game, two by Rioux and two by Jackson Marshall, but the team took advantage of mul-

tipple walks and errors by Portland.

Marshall drove in three runs on a triple to right in the second inning and Rioux helped his own cause with two singles and three RBIs.

On Friday afternoon, April 15, Pinkerton put another notch in the win column with an 11-5 victory over the Merrimack Tomahawks.

Jake Cooper was the winning pitcher, allowing four hits and two runs in two innings after coming in to relieve Leo Boucher who started the game and gave up three runs in two innings.

Casey Watson finished the final three innings with five strikeouts, no hits and no runs given up.

The Astros had 12 hits in the game with Rioux and Doyle getting three each, with each collecting a double.

The Pinkerton squad finished the week with

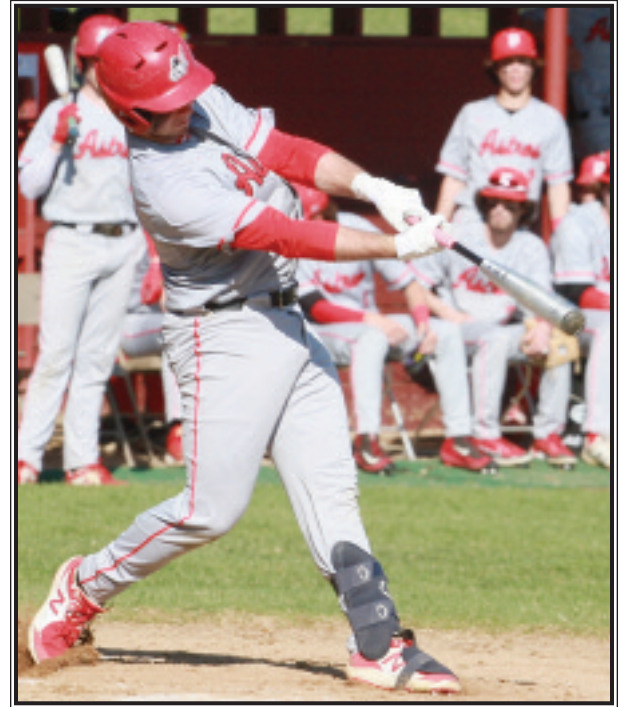
another dominating performance at Bedford High School, where they blanked the Bulldogs 18-0 in another five-inning game.

Doyle got his second one-hit win of the season and say down 14 Bedford hitters on strikeouts.

Jacob Albert and Cole Yannaco each had an exceptional day at the plate. Albert went 3-3 with five runs, two doubles and three RBIs. Yannaco was 4-4 with four RBIs and two doubles.

Overall the team had 14 hits and 14 RBIs and struck out just three times.

The Astros will try to continue their winning streak this week with a game at Manchester Central-West on Wednesday and Game at home on Saturday with Nashua South.



Cole Yannaco was 4-4 with four RBIs and two doubles in Bedford.
Photos by Chris Paul

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Lady Astros Lax Team Underway with New Head Coach

CHRIS PAUL
NUTFIELD NEWS

For the first time in 10-years, the Pinkerton Academy Girls Lacrosse team started the season without the name Daziel on the ros-

ter or on the sidelines.

Coach Rob Daziel retired last year and the leadership reigns were handed over to new head coach Kate Bourque-Blair this year.

During his ten-year stretch, Daziel was able to

win three state championships and coach his four girls, who were all exceptional players.

Bourque will be trying to continue his success and she started the season with a very strong 19-1 victory over Manchester Central, followed by a tough 13-6 defeat to the Bedford Lady Bulldogs.

In the first game of the season, in Manchester against Central, the team scored 13 unanswered goals in the first half and finished with a 6-1 second half for the overwhelming victory.

The scoring came from the virtually the entire team.

Ali Lamphere had four goals and one assist; Hailey Schnider, three goals and an assist; Bella Pinardi got two goals; Hannah Lisauskas had a goal and three assists; Piper Knowlton, Peyton Knowlton and Emma Thompson each had a goal and an assist; Tate Howe, Anna Perkins, Emma Madden, Ashlyn Ledoux, Tina Packowski and Elise Saab each had one goal.

Cait Seleny added four assists.

In goal, Lauren Sweeny managed eight saves on eight shots; Sarah Di-Clemente had one save on one shot; and Brenna Hines had a save and a goal to finish the game.

In the team's home opener against the Lady Bulldogs of Bedford, the Lady Astros were forced to

play a lot more defense and suffered a 13-6 loss.

Bedford commanded many of the face-offs and the score reflected that, with PA trailing 9-3 by the end of the half.

In the second, Pinkerton added three more while the Lady Bulldogs added four.

Ally Lamphere inched closer to her 100th career point with three goals in the

game.

Hailey Schinder added two goals and Hannah Lisauskas had a goal and two assist.

Seleny tacked on two more assists.

Sweeny had 13 saves in goal for the Astros.

The team was scheduled to play Exeter on Monday, Keene on Tuesday and travel to Salem on Friday.



Hailey Schnider battles for position in front of the Bedford net on Friday afternoon. Photo by Chris Paul

Astros Boys Lacrosse Starts with a Victory and a Defeat

CHRIS PAUL
NUTFIELD NEWS

The Pinkerton Academy Boys Lacrosse squad started their season with a 5-2 win over the Bedford Bulldogs, but dropped their second game 14-2 in Longmeadow, Mass.

The Astros began their 2022 campaign on Thursday, April 14, at Bedford High School where they outlasted the Bulldogs in a rather low scoring game.

PA blanked BHS in the

first quarter, 2-0 and gave one back in the second for a slim 2-1 lead by the half.

Pinkerton scored once more in the third and two in the fourth for the 5-2 victory to start the season.

Ryan Lynch had two goals and Riley Spellman, Michael Uber and Matt Feole each had one goal.

For assists, Liam Prescott had two and Michael Uber and Colby Gagnon had one each.

Curtis Michaud made eight save in goal for PA.

Cole Frank went 7/9 on

faceoffs in the win.

Two days later, on Saturday, April 16, the PA team traveled to Longmeadow, Mass., and suffered 14-2 drubbing.

Michael Uber and Liam Prescott each had a goal and an assist.

Curtis Michaud had eight saves and Tyler Leblanc made two saves for PA.

Cole Frank won a majority of his faceoffs, going 11/18 in the game.

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Pinkerton Track Teams See Success at Haverhill Meet

CHRIS PAUL
NUTFIELD NEWS

The Pinkerton Academy Track and Field team's traveled to Haverhill Mass., on Saturday and finished with some good results for both the boys and girls.

The Ottaviani Meet featured over 15 teams from both Massachusetts and New Hampshire. The girls finished in third while the boys finished in the number three spot.

GIRLS

Junior captain Briana Danis outdistanced her school record in Discus

again, this time by over 5'6", winning the event with a 133' throw. She also finished fourth in Shot Put with a personal record of 34'1.5", over 30 feet past her nearest competitor.

Sophomore Eva Roberts finished second in the 100-meter (13.12) and sixth in High

Jump with a personal best of 4'8".

Fellow sophomore Hannah Sippel took first in the 200-meter with a personal record of 26.85.

Sophomore Tess Silva and senior Makenna Alden beat their own records in the Mile-run for fifth and

sixth place (5:29.82 and 5:37.34).

Junior Jordan Wheaton set another personal record and won the 100-meter Hurdles event with a time of 15.58.

The 4x100m relay of Jordan Wheaton, Hannah Sippel, Maddie Connors, and Eva Roberts ran a superb time of 51.06 and finished to take second place.

The 4x800m squad of

Izzy Groulx, Makenna Alden, Olivia Welch, and Tess Silva also finished in second with a time of 10:18.

Junior Kayla Franks finished third in the Javelin with a throw of 92' 7".

BOYS

Alexander LeBlanc took second in the 200-meter with a time of 23.24 and Matt Devine took second with 23.50.

In the Two-Mile race,

Luke Brennan took first place with a time of 9:51.67 and Ethan Charles was fifth with 10:24.20.

Landon Mackiernan finished in sixth place in the 400-meter hurdles with a time of 1:05.51.

The team of Matt Devine, Alexander LaBlanc, Zack Smith and Jacob Spezzaferri had the fastest time in the 4x100 Relay, scoring ten points with their 44.54 time.

In the 4x400, Theodore Davis, Cooper Michaud, Cameron McMahan and Travis Henry took sixth (3:53.78).

Jamison Issac took fourth in the Long Jump (18'10") and Nicholas Harrington had a Triple Jump of 38'5" for fourth place.

In the Shot Put, James Melendy took third with a throw of 44'1".

Astros Volleyball Squad Starts at 1-2

CHRIS PAUL
NUTFIELD NEWS

The Pinkerton Academy Boys Volleyball team began its season with a tough home opening loss, dropping its first match in straight sets 3-0 to the Salem Blue Devils.

In their second home match of the season, to Dover, they were able to win the opening set

But then dropped three for their second loss.

The Astros first win came on the road, against Souhegan High School, with a 3-2 victory.

In the home opener, on Monday, April 11, newcomer Quinn Hammer lead the team with four blocks

and returning starter Tate Thompson had seven kills.

Salem's straight set victories were: 25-17; 25-13; and 25-17.

Statistical leaders were: Kills - Tate Thompson with seven; Blocks - Quinn Hammer had four; Assists - John Collins got five; Digs - Zach Youkstetter managed four; and the Ace leaders were Adam Freiburger and Trey Baker with two each.

In game two of the season, Pinkerton hosted Dover on Wednesday, April 13 and despite having a nice come from behind victory in set number one, the Astros lost 3-1.

After Pinkerton won set one, 25-23, Dover took

the next three 25-19, 25-13 and 25-14.

The Astros boys got their first win of the season on the road against Souhegan to end the week on Friday, April 15.

Souhegan took game one 25-17, Pinkerton won 25-20 in game two and 25-15 in game three.

Souhegan tied the match up with a 25-18 victory in game four, but PA was able to come out on top in the fifth a deciding game with a 15-11 victory.

Thompson had 14 Kills and 19 Digs and two Aces; Freiburger added two Blocks; and John Collins had 23 assists in the win.

Athlete of the Week

Week of April 11



Hannah Sippel
Sophomore, Girls Track

Sippel won the 200-meter dash with a personal best time of 26.85 and also contributing to the 4x100 relay that ran the team's fastest time in three years at 51.06 and finishing second at the Haverhill Invitational.



Liam Doyle
Senior, Baseball

Doyle had an incredible week both on the mound and in the batter's box, throwing two complete game wins, 10 innings pitched, 26 strikeouts allowing 0 runs on two hits and 0 walks (in the Bedford game 14 of the 15 recorded outs were strikeouts), batting .364 with two doubles and three RBI.

Athletes are chosen by the Pinkerton Academy Athletic Office

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Lady Astros Softball Squad Gets Off to Slow Start



Maddie Schoenenberger puts the bat on the ball in the Astros home contest against Merrimack on Friday afternoon.
Photo by Chris Paul

CHRIS PAUL
NUTFIELD NEWS

The Pinkerton Academy Varsity Softball Team started their spring season with one win and two losses, but hope to bounce back from the tough beginning.

In the first official game off 2022, coach Tom Wall and his Lady Astros traveled to Hudson, where they weren't able to overcome an early, three-run deficit by the Alvirne Lady Broncos.

Ashleigh Lemay suffered the 7-4 loss, allowing seven hits and seven runs with five strikeouts in six innings.

Lemay started strong, sitting down her first three batters in the game, but in the second inning, Alvirne scored three times on two singles, a walk and two errors.

PA got one back in the

top of the third inning, driving in Jaydn Childs with a double to left by Lily Mason.

The Broncos quickly erased that run with one of their own in that inning.

The AHS squad added two more in the fourth for a 6-1 lead and despite a three-run push in the sixth inning, the Lady Astros dropped the first game of the season.

Child was two for three at the plate with one RBI. Mason had one hit and one RBI with a double. Maddie Schoenenberger also had a double in the game and one RBI.

Pinkerton bounced back nicely from that loss to get a 4-2 win over the Bedford Bulldogs in PA's home opener.

Paige Murray was the winning pitcher, tallying 13 strikeouts and allowing just four hits.

The Lady Astros got all the runs they would need in the first inning, scoring three to start the game.

Mason led off with a double and Lemay drove her in with a single, as the number two hitter.

Schoenenberger continued the attack with a triple to left field for the 2-0 lead. Two ground-outs ended the inning, but Schoenenberger was able to cross the plate for the third run in the first.

Bedford scored once in the fourth and again in the sixth with PA adding one in the fifth for the first win of the young season.

The Astros needed just five hits for the win and were struck out five times by Bedford.

In the team's second home game of the year, against the Merrimack Lady Tomahawks, the two teams went back and forth until

Merrimack eventually edged out PA with a 6-5 final score.

Lemay suffered her second loss of the season and got just one strikeout and allowed 11 hits against a tough lineup.

PA was down early, giving up three runs in the first, but climbed back with three of their own in the second inning.

The Lady Tomahawks took a two-run lead in the top of the fifth with PA getting two of their own in the bottom half of the inning.

Merrimack got the win with a double and a sac fly in final inning of the game.

The PA squad will try to even their season record this week with another home game. They play Manchester Central-Memorial on Wednesday, April 20 at 4 p.m.

Astros Tennis Teams See Some Success in Second Week

CHRIS PAUL
NUTFIELD NEWS

After dropping two matches to start the spring season, the Pinkerton Academy boys and girls tennis teams managed

three wins in the second week.

The girls had solid victories over Merrimack and Bedford High School, while the boys were 1-1 against those teams.

The Lady Astros were

6-3 winners over Merrimack, on Friday at home, with four singles wins and two victories in doubles.

Skyelar Levesque, Madeline Donahue and Mia Rivard all had 8-0

wins in their singles matches and Sydney Pelletier won 8-2.

In Doubles, the team of Amelia Coyle and Rivard had an 8-0 win as well as Maddie Donahue and Calli Matarozzo getting the same total.

The Lady Astros got their second win of the season on Saturday, April 16, with a slim 5-4 victory over Bedford High School.

Maddie Frank and Amelia Coyle had 8-2 singles wins and Mia Rivard had an 8-1 victory.

In Doubles, the teams of Coyle/Rivard and Donahue/Calli Matarozzo defeated their opposition 8-2.

For the PA boys, the team had their first victory with a 6-3 win over the Merrimack Tomahawks, but suffered their third loss

when they faced the Bedford Bulldogs, losing 9-0.

In the Merrimack win they had five singles wins and one 8-4 double win.

James Andrews won 8-4, Ethan Flaherty had an 8-6 win and Joshua Roux, John McGarrahan and Riley Couture all won 8-0 in singles. The team of Roux and McGarrahan had the lone doubles win.

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DERRY

Into the Breach

The Knights of Columbus at St. Thomas Aquinas Parish in Derry will host "Into the Breach", eight weekly sessions on what it means to be a Christian man and how to embrace masculine virtues in a world in crisis. The sessions will run Tuesday evenings from April 26 to June 14. Learn more: two-minute video and info at bit.ly/itb-video. Register at bit.ly/itb-sta.

Kids Fish Derby

The Derry Lions are hosting the 32nd annual Kids Fish Derby at Hood Pond on Rollins St., Derry on May 7. Registrations will be available pre derby day on line at the Recreation Department website or at 7:30 a.m., on Saturday May 7. Fishing begins at 8 a.m. - noon. Participation is free for kids 15 or under. Donations are welcome. Participant ribbons will be given to the first 100 participants. Trophies will be awarded in several fish categories including longest and shortest fish. There will be refreshments, soda, water and coffee for purchase. Worms will also be on sale if needed. Raffle prizes include fish gear from Charlie Moore the Mad Fisherman. This year for the first time we will have background music provided by a NH vendor demonstrating a Fish Holster. Derry Lions look forward to seeing you rain or shine on May 7 at Hood Pond for a healthy outdoor activity.

CHESTER

Family Movie Night

To kick off April Vacation Chester Library invites you to join a Family Movie Night on April 25 at 6 p.m. Bring your blanket and snacks and cozy up for the heartwarming story of Babe. This is an indoor event. Please register by sending a message or calling the library at (603) 887-3404.

Make a Bookbag

Join Ms. Grace in the Chester Library's Children's room on April 27 at 4 p.m. to decorate your own canvas book bag. Spots are limited so please register by calling (603) 887-3404.

Macramé Hanger

The Chester Library will be creating macramé planters with glass jars on April 28 at 4 p.m.. All materials included. This activity is for tweens and teens 9+. Space is limited. Please register by sending a message or calling the library at (603) 887-3404.

Teddy Bear Sleepover

Bring your favorite stuffed friend (it does not have to be a bear) to the

Chester Library on April 29 by 5 p.m.. Your friend will spend the night at the library having a great time. They can be picked up Saturday from noon - 2 p.m., or any other time next week. They'll have lots to tell you and a memory book documenting their adventures too! No registration required.

Chester Lions Club

The Chester Lions Club invite all Chester Seniors (55 & up) to their annual Senior Banquet on April 23, at 5 p.m., located at the Multipurpose Room, 84 Chester St., to a free turkey dinner, plus awards & entertainment.

Foundation Meeting

Join the Foundation to help the Chester library's renovation efforts for their

monthly meeting on Tuesday, April 26 at 6 p.m.. New members are needed and always welcome.

Ruth Ray's Birthday

Come celebrate the Chester Library's benefactor's birthday at the Library all day on Wednesday, April 27.

HAMPSTEAD

Temp Room Closure

The Hampstead Public Library's Children's Area is closed from April 25 to the end of May. This includes the children's Program Room and the children's book and DVD shelves. A limited number of picture books (E-books) and Early Readers will be located in other areas of the first floor. Until April 23, families can check out as many books and movies as they want, and the due date is extended to May 31. Critter crates, games, STEM kits, microscopes, and other Tools & Toys continue to be available during the section closure.

Autism Presentation

Meet Carrie Cariello, author of What Color Is Monday, How Autism Changed One Family for the Better on Tuesday, May 3 at 7 p.m., at the Hampstead Public Library. She discusses her personal experience with the colorful world of autism, and takes questions from the audience. Please register in advance for this event via the Events Calendar on HampsteadLibrary.org.

Stonehenge Presentation

On Saturday, May 7 at 11 a.m., Mary and James Gage give a presentation about America's Stonehenge at the Hampstead Public Library. This mother and son team have been investigating stone structures for decades. Please register in advance via the Events Calendar on HampsteadLibrary.org. All attendees at this event are eligible to win a copy of the Gages' book, The Architecture of America's Stonehenge.

Meditation Class

Virtual Meditation Classes continue in May on Wednesdays, May 4, 11, and 18 at 7:30 p.m. Plus, Saturday mornings at 10 a.m., on May 7 and 21. Certified instructor and Library Associate, Sue Crump, leads participants in these sessions via Zoom. Newcomers are always welcome to class. Please register in advance via HampsteadLibrary.org.

Hampstead Eats

The Hampstead Congregational Church is hosting its second annual food truck festival "Hampstead Eats" rain or shine on Saturday, April 30, from noon - 5 p.m., at 61 Main St., Hampstead. There will be a variety of food trucks including Crescent City Kitchen, Mr. B's Tacos, Boogalow's Island BBQ, Kona Ice, The Whoo(Pie) Wagon, Pat's Cider Donuts, Chubb's Fries and Dough,

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Nonfiction Book Club

This Hampstead Library Book Club will discuss Facing the Mountain: a true story of Japanese American heroes in World War II by Daniel James Brown on Tuesday, May 3 at 1 p.m. All

readers are welcome to the discussion. Copies of the book are available at the Library.

Healthcare Workers For Climate Action

Learn about the health effects of climate change from the NH Healthcare Workers for Climate Action on Wednesday, April 27 at 7 p.m. This is a virtual event hosted by the Hampstead Public Library. All who are interested are welcome to attend. Register in advance via the Events Calendar on HampsteadLibrary.org to be sent the Zoom link and optional audio/phone number.

Kids Fishing Derby

On Saturday April 23, from 7 a.m. - noon. Come on down to Shop Pond 166 Main St., Hampstead for some free family fun. Open to kids of Hampstead and surrounding towns ages 1 - 15. No entry fee required. Each child receives a small gift. Pond stocked with 500, 8-14 inch. Prizes will be awarded. Masks optional (If you or a family member has Covid-19 symptoms, please stay home). Go To: Hampste-

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SANDOWN

Old Meeting House

Sandown's Old Meeting House will be open on Sunday, May 1, between 1 - 4 p.m. Hosting the open house will be Life Scout Ben Winter. Ben will conduct tours and answer questions. Admission to the meeting house is always free, but a donation toward Ben's Eagle Scout project would be very much appreciated.

Celebrate Earth Day

To celebrate Earth Day and to bring this awareness town's residents, the Sandown Garden Club will be in the parking lot at the Sandown Public Library on Main Street on Saturday, April 23 from 10 a.m. - noon. There will be a special free project for children to plant a seed in a pot and then take it home to plant in their own gardens once it has grown into a plant.

Exercise Class

Free - 6-Week Exercise Class for Mature Adults Aged 60+. This 60-minute

session on Tuesdays from 11 a.m. - noon starting May 3, and ending June 7, at the Edward Garvey Recreation Facility located at 25 Pheasant Run Dr., Sandown. This program is open to residents and non-residents. Registration is free, but mandatory as space is limited. Registration deadline is April 28. Registrations forms can be found on the town website at www.sandown.us/recreation or forms can be picked up at the Sandown Town Hall or Recreation Office during business hours. Please call 603-887-1782 or email recreation@sandown.us for more information or if you have questions.

Earth Day Bingo

On Wednesday, April 27, from 10 - 11 a.m., Come play Earth Day Bingo with the Sandown Library. Bingo card kits will be available at the front desk if you would like to create your own card and bring it with you to the Bongo game.

Graphic Novel Book Club

Do you love graphic novels? Join our Graphic Novel

Book Club on Wednesday, April 27, from 4 - 5 p.m. This group meets once a month at the Sandown Library to discuss a graphic novel and do some fun activities. This month: InvestiGators, by John Green, copies of the graphic will be available at the front desk. Registration is required for this program.

Story Hour at the Town Forest

On Thursday, April 28, from 10 - 11 a.m., come join the fun with stories, songs, puppets and more at the Sandown Library. The 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 12 children with their parent/caregivers. Registration is required and will close at 9 p.m., the evening prior to the program.

Game Day - Mahjong

Thursday, April 28, from 1 - 2:30 p.m., come join the Sandown library's afternoon game day. Our instructor Cathy will teach us this beautiful, fun, and ever challenging game played with tiles.

American Mahjong is similar to the card game rummy. No registration is required - just stop in.

Super Samsh Brothers Tournament

On Thursday, April 28, from 4 - 6 p.m., come to the Sandown Library for the first Super Smash Bros. tournament. Put your skills to the test. Registration is required. The library has two Nintendo Switch pro-controllers, but feel free to bring your own from home. Snacks will be provided.

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