



Hampstead Selectmen Discuss Budgets With Department Heads

NUTFIELD NEWS

HAMPSTEAD - Hampstead Selectmen held a meeting on Monday, Oct. 14, where they heard from different department heads about their proposed budgets for next year.

Department was Deputy Fire Chief William Warnock.

He said that the biggest increase they are going to have if their proposed budget is approved is for salaries.

Warnock explained that they hired two additional full-time firefighters because they have had a hard time finding per diem fire-

scheduling issues because they don't have enough people on the fire trucks.

"That represents the vast majority of the increase of \$148,838," Warnock said about the budget increase.

Some of the other in-Presenting for the Fire creases he pointed to is vehicle maintenance, which he said is needed because they have older vehicles. He said however, that they are in good shape for their age.

'We just want to maintain them that way," he said.

Selectmen Joseph Guthrie said that because of the improvements they made to the department he does-

fighters, which has led to n't see the proposed budget increase as shocking.

> "I don't think that's a surprise to anyone," he said.

> It was also pointed out that they were able to decrease their per diem line item by over \$50,000 because they have two new full-time firefighters which account for a total of 84 hours per week between the two of them.

> Also presenting their budget was Hampstead Public Library Director Rosemary Krol.

> "A lot of our line items are staying the same," she told the Board of Selectmen.

> She said that some of the things that went up in-

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SEEING URANGE Danielle Enes of Hampstead was one of many creative children to take part in the Pumpkin Decorating Contest held at the Marion Gerrish Community Center in Derry on Saturday morning. Prizes were given in a number of categories to participants. Photo by Chris Paul

Net Zero Group Aims High with Solar Power Initiatives

JEROME REUTER **NUTFIELD NEWS**

In Aug. of this past year, NH Gov. Chris Sununu signed a clean energy bill which granted municipalities and towns more control over their own renewable energy sources. On the heels of this new legislation was an announcement that the town of Derry would be moving forward with the construction of a 10-acre Solar farm capable of generating 2.2 megawatts of electricity. One of the driving forces behind this endeavor is Joshua Bourdon, town councilor and founder of the Net Zero Task Force, who says his role in the task force is "having a vision and bringing in the to generate self-sustaining

right people to make it hap-

The solar farm is only the beginning of an ambitious undertaking by Bourdon, who has his sights set on completely changing the way energy is generated throughout NH. "The ultimate goal for next year is for the town of Derry to produce more energy and partner with the school district to become independent and not have to rely on the electric company." "The next step is to partner with Pinkerton Academy and help them live up to their potential." The solar farm in Derry is expected to generate enough solar energy to sustain the towns' municipal buildings, and eventually allow the school district

power as well. Bourdon's long-term goal is to have Derry be a fully functional Net Zero municipality by the year 2025.

These new initiatives aren't limited to the township of Derry alone, and Bourdon feels strongly that the entire state can benefit from moving forward with an eco-friendly energy solution. "Compared to New England and rest of the country, NH is decades behind. We're overpaying for our electricity more than any other state in the country." Bourdon explained that because of its location and vast rural areas, the state has a large potential to benefit from solar power. "There's solar everywhere in NH...

Chester Selectmen Question Police Chief on Holiday Pay

ALEX MALM NUTFIFI D NEWS

CHESTER - During the Oct. 14 Chester Board of Selectmen meeting they heard from different department heads about their proposed budgets.

One of the biggest issues discussed was the proposed budget for the police department was in regards to holiday pay which had a procontinued on page 3 posed line item of \$14,000.

Selectmen had previously asked Chester Police problematic because it Chief Aaron Berube to do a breakdown of how much of the overtime usually goes towards holiday pay.

It was explained by Berube that over the years they have been paying 24 hours for each holiday out of their overtime line item, which will leave them this year with about \$11,000 out of the \$28,000 they have for overtime.

Berube said that's been needs to pay for when officers go to court, for training and for any open shifts.

This month alone Berube said that they have had 17 court appearances for officers which totaled about \$3,500 in overtime.

"That's 12% of my overtime line," he said.

As courts were closed for so long there is an influx of continued on page 4

Home to School Coordinators Provide a Helping Hand in Derry

JEROME REUTER **NUTFIELD NEWS**

DERRY - Ever since the No Child Left Behind Act passed in 2001, educators have been doing their best to make sure that the benefits of an education are available to everyone. At the most recent meeting of the Derry School Board, a presentation from Alicia Triplett and Lee Holder explained the function of the Derry Home to School Program, and the benefits it offers to the students and parents of the school district. As the coordinators of the program, both Holder and Triplett

shared experience in therapeutic counseling and assisting families.

The services the program offer extend beyond academic assistance and focus on alleviating some of the factors that hinder a child's performance in school. When it comes to these matters. Holder explained that "Sometimes it's invisible and we don't know what's happening. It's easy to make assumptions about behavior and why students are doing something or not doing something." The pair touched upon some of the mitigating factors that have had a severe

mental health and the backlash that comes with poverty. Holder went on to give specific examples of one family who were struggling with domestic violence and one who lacked proper winter clothing.

Both Triplett and Holder reassured the members of the board that they have the flexibility to meet with families in person and build a repour with them as they help with matters of housing, food, and medical care. The pair specifically mentioned the 68 Hours of Food program, which aside from offering free school

have almost 30 years of impact on students such as lunches and breakfast to grades, as this can be a ber of families will be students, will also be sending bags of nonperishable food items to homes via the students on Fridays. Parents will also be given a calendar that lists places to obtain food on certain days of the week. To help provide winter clothing for those who don't have resources, a winter coat drive is currently being held from Oct. 18 -Nov. 12.

Holder also mentioned the importance of maintaining a compassionate environment within the classrooms of Derry. She assists children who are transitioning between students. "I'm one person who can help them with the change of going into sixth grade from fifth grade because it's such a huge school to them. It's a cool thing to be able to follow these kids for years."

When asked about the number of families in Derry who were currently using the services offered by the Home to School program, it was revealed that the current number is approximately 60. Holder reaffirmed that the real number is hard to track, and that by May the num-

stressful experience for much larger, as the school year is only in its second month. The board was unanimous is offering their gratitude to the pair for all the help they've contributed to the families of Derry. "These procedures are in line with our pillars of learning and growth in our district." Stated Assistant Superintendent Mary Anne Connors-Kerkorian. "Mental health and social wellness are very important...it all goes back to what's best for the students, and with tonight's presentation, I think we're getting there."

ALEX MALM **NUTFIELD NEWS**

DERRY - During the Derry Zoning Board of Adjustment meeting the Board heard an application for a variance for 4 Lenox Rd., which is owned by Kenneth and Tunde Eyring. Their variance request was to allow the conversion of the existing two family dwelling into a three family dwelling.

One of the major things

that was discussed regarding the proposal was the parking situation, which has been a concern at the property for many years.

Zoning Board member Allan Virr said that by having another unit rented there is a potential for two more drivers living there.

It was explained by Eyring that it wouldn't be the case because they are reducing the number of bedrooms they have.

house there were eight people living there of driving age. We do not intend to rent out this house to where there's going to be that many cars parking on the property," he said.

He said that when they first bought the house people were parking everywhere including on the front lawn saying it looked like a frat house. Since buying the property he said that they have "When we bought this changed that situation.

'We have not allowed that we will not allow that," Eyring said.

It was explained by Tunde Eyring that at least one adult was living in each bedroom before they bought it.

"There were alot of people living in the house," she said.

Tom Murray who was helping the owners with the application process that many of the surrounding properties are multi-family properties which are defined as three or more units in a building.

Lynn Perkins Chairman of the Board said that those properties are non conforming as well.

Virr said that he thought it was an issue to increase the number of units for the property since it's already non conforming.

"To make it a three It was pointed out by family is certainly not a permitted use for that zone," he said.

During the meeting no one spoke against or for the proposal but the Board did previously receive a letter of support for the application.

Board member Craig

the Corbett said that he felt that it would be difficult to find a family to rent a six bedroom house and thought it made sense for them to have the three units.

> "Ultimately I think enhancing to three helps the property. I'm going to vote yes," he said.

The Board ultimately approved the variance request with a 3-2 vote, with Perkins and Virr voting against it. The two conditions they need to meet is having a review done by the Planning Board and obtaining all local and state permits.



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Sandown Planning Board Sends Budget Proposal to Selectmen

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SANDOWN - During the Oct. 5 Sandown Planning Board meeting the Board finalized its budget proposal for next year.

changes for the proposed budget is for the engineering consulting line item.

It was explained at the previous meeting by Planning Board Administrative Assistant Colleen Olsen that she had emailed Steven Keach the

and asked if he sees any future changes to the stormwater or zoning regulations which he thinks would require the line item for his consultant fee to be increased.

He explained to Olsen One of the biggest that if the Board anticipates moving forward with the previously discussed rewrite of the site plan regulation then he said he anticipates he would need to dedicate significant time towards the endeavour.

Keach explained that engineer for the Board he contributed a full and

Deerfield site plan regulations that he previously prepared for the Board for them to consider.

He explained that if they plan on changing all or some of the document in a meaningful way then he anticipates spending time helping them to tailor it to their needs. He said that to best protect everyone the line item should be around \$3,000 so the Board has something meaningful to work with for his consulting

consulting fee line item up from \$750 to \$3,000.

Planning Board member Amanda Knight, who is also a member of the Budget Committee recommended that when they present their budget to the Committee they should make sure it is clear that the increase would only be for one year.

Olsen also told the Board that she received a letter from the Rockingham Planning Commission which stated that the dues were going to be The Board agreed that \$6,548.00 based on the

It was pointed out by Olsen that since the Board of Selectmen are still in the process of determining possible pay raises for its employees next year she said that she didn't have a number for the salary line item.

"The pay raise is still being negotiated," she

The Board ultimately approved the budget which will be sent to the Board of Selectmen for their review.

Also during the meetupon the Board's request complete draft of the it was best to move the United States Census ing the Board was given a

package of different site plan landscape requirements from different surrounding towns for the board members review since they are looking at updating their site plan regulations.

Because the whole Board wasn't at the meeting Planning Board member Tricia Edris recommended that they discuss it more about what they like from the different plans at their next meeting. The rest of the Board members present agreed.

NH DOT to Hold Informational Meeting on Exit 4A Project

Transportation (NHDOT) is asking the public to join them for a Public Informational Meeting on the Derry-Londonderry 13065 I-93 Exit 4A Project, on

The NH Department of Thursday evening, Oct. 28, the Derry-Londonderry I-93 at the Derry Municipal Center, on Manning Street on the Third Floor Meeting Room starting at 6 p.m.

> The NHDOT will be advancing their final design for

Exit 4A project. According to the DOT, the project is expected reduce congestion, improve safety, and promote economic vitality in the project corridor.

Bourdon and his task force are hoping these new measures accompanied by recent changes in legislation will not only reduce the taxes paid by residents of NH, but also play a major role in impeding the number of dangerous emissions that lead to global warming. "The desire to assist climate change and reducing taxes allows us to move forward. We have the technology to eliminate this all together."

The Public Informational Meeting has been scheduled to present a project overview and design update with a focus on the 13065A interchange area.

The meeting is expected to begin with an Open House, where participants can view project plans and ask questions of project team members.

A formal presentation will follow the Open House and the public will have an opportunity to ask questions or make comments then also.

The organizers are inviting residents, business owners, commuters, elected officials, and others with an interest in the proj-

The meeting will also be broadcast live on DerryTV 17, livestreamed, and will be available ondemand. To watch, visit DerryCAM at https://derrycam.org/tune-in.

For more information about the project, those interested can visit www.i-93exit4a.com https://i93exit4a.us5.list-manage.com/track/click.

Those who have comments or questions about the project but will unable to attend the meeting may

Wendy A. Johnson, P.E., Project Manager NH Department of Transportation

P.O. Box 483, Concord, NH 03302

Or Exit4A@dot.nh.gov for further information about the meeting, or to provide comments and questions.

Any individuals needing assistance or auxiliary communication equipment should contact the NHDOT Bureau of Right-of-Way by calling 603-271-3222; TDD Access: Relay NH 1-800-735-2964. Notification of the need for assistance should be made at your earliest convenience.

The DOT is asking concerned residents to share this information with anyone you think will be interested in learning more about the project.

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it's so simple."

Moving forward with a solar initiative has been an uphill battle for many states and municipalities. "There's many things behind the scenes that come into play." Bourdon explained, referring to the lack of a bipartisanship on the issue. "Up until now we've failed to move people forward, we've failed to move the environ-

ment forward." Bourdon expressed his personal frustration regarding NH., not being on par with other states and their implantation of solar energy. "We have the opportunity to improve the environment, we have the opportunity to lower taxes. I find myself rolling my eyes, because this should have been decades ago. When I drive around VT., and MA., I see so many areas benefitting from this technology."

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Editorial Trick-Or-Treat

Lets step back from the real horrors of the world; the economy, covid and the government.

Halloween is Sunday night this year, for many of us, regardless of age; Halloween is a holiday we look forward to. A day filled with treats for the young, and memories of trick or treating, going door to door for candy with a pillowcase and having more candy than we could easily consume. The scary rusting of fall leaves, the fun of dressing up and wearing masks, posing as witches, superheroes or fairy tale characters. Trying to scare ourselves just a little. Carving pumpkins with scary faces. It's the stuff that makes good childhood memories

Halloween is not about horror, it's about having fun.

There will always be people who caution that Halloween is too scary for kids. What's really scary is not the makebelieve; it's some of the real life events happening all around us. Want to talk about scary.

Police will be out in force on that night, as the little ghosts and goblins, witches and princesses, devils and zombies, and let's not forget all the super heroes parading along local streets. Helping make sure everyone is safe.

A Quick reminder to everyone is to drive especially carefully on Halloween, both during the day and night, and to pay close attention to pedestrians. We also want to remind parents that children's costumes should feature bright colors or

reflective tape so they can be seen in the early darkness that the season brings, and to make sure young children travel in groups, under adult supervision, with everyone carrying flashlights or glow

Use make-up instead of a mask, so it won't obscure vision. Instruct children to stop only at familiar homes where the outside lights are on. Tell children not to enter the homes or cars of strangers. Remind children not to eat any of their treats until they return home.

Keeping safety and common sense in the forefront, and focusing on having FUN on what we hope will be a crisp and clear fall night is after all, what makes good memories.

There's something special and very New England about the sight of a lit pumpkin on the porch in the Halloween dark. Go ahead, put on a mask or a witches' hat as you prepare to answer the door when it rings. If you want to get especially spooked, just remember what happened a few years ago, when trick-ortreating was postponed while we shoveled out from an early and damaging snowstorm.

So as the winter holidays near, take a brief but welcome break from the real and indulge in some Halloween magical thinking. Dress up, carve a pumpkin and roast the seeds with your family, stock up on candy for trick-or-treaters and sample some yourself, and as the sky turns dark tomorrow night, celebrate Halloween.

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Letters

Strange Decision

To the editor,

Why on earth would the four Republican NH Executive Councilors vote to reject \$27 million in federal funding meant to improve NH's efforts to stop the spread of the Covid-19 pandemic in our state? It is senseless, dangerous, and disgusting for them to do so, and it appears that they dren, and those whose

are cozying-up to and placating far-right extremists who recently stopped our **Executive Councilors from** meeting.

This decision clearly hurts the people of NH, as this will seriously impact the efforts to continue with vaccinations and to begin booster shots to senior citizens like myself, first responders, school chilimmune systems are compromised. It is completely unacceptable that our NH elected officials should turn our public health system into a political tug of war and risk our health.

I ask my Executive Councilor, Janet Stevens, to explain herself and work to overturn this outrageous decision.

Corinne Dodge, Derry

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clude internet services and electronic materials. She said that the electronic materials line item went up because people were staying home during the pandemic and they wanted to provide people with materials while they weren't visiting the Library in person.

"During COVID we started getting alot of new electronic resources since many people weren't coming to the library," Krol said.

Joseph Beaudoin, Jr. in his budget presentation to the Board of Selectmen ex-

\$40,180 proposed increase for labor costs over \$25,000 was part of the union employees contract.

He also noted that they are expecting to have a significant increase in the cost of overtime for court hearings because they were closed for a year and a half and are now open again.

Their legal services are also expected to go up \$2,000 because of the increased amount of cases that will now be in court.

"We're expecting a tre-Hampstead Police Chief mendous amount of more work this year," he said.

Beaudoin said that their prosecutors asked for an

plained that out of the additional \$500 per quarter which he thought was reasonable.

> Also during the meeting the Board of Selectmen approved a number of different appointments including, Cameron Smith as a per diem firefighter, Robert Beaulieu, Connor Lonergan, and Zachariah Sylvester as full-time firefighters, Alan Davis as a member of the Highway Safety Committee, Robert Weimar as a member of the Water Resource Committee, Michael Buggy as a member of the Stormwater Management Committee, and Stephen Wentworth as a member of the Stormwater Management Committee.

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officers needing to appear.

"Court isn't going to change at all," he said. "It's going to get worse."

Berube also explained that due to the limited amount of overtime they receive after factoring in holiday pay he said that he's had to modify officers shifts to make it work which has led to some weeks where an officer doesn't get a full day off.

"We have to give them time off," he said.

Selectmen Stephen D'Angelo said he was concerned about the increases for all the different departments saying that combined it will be nearly \$850,000 worth of proposed budgets compared to last year.

"That's going to be an interesting discussion with folks and whether or not they want to buy into that type of increase in their taxes," he said.

One question asked by Selectmen Chairman Chuck Mystte was in regards to vehicle maintenance. He asked why it went from \$3,500 last year to \$16,500 in the proposed budget.

Berube stated that he combined all the line items into one for their vehicle maintenance to make it easier for accounting purposes.

He said in total it's actually \$1,500 less.

D'Angelo also asked who would be the supervisor for the ranger since they moved the position to the recreation department.

It was explained by Berube that since the ranger works with the recreation on a day to day basis more they decided to have the recreation department supervise the position. However, he said that when it comes to law enforcement issues the police department works with the ranger.

Central Street Subdivision Denied by Planning Board

ALEX MALM **NUTFIELD NEWS**

HAMPSTEAD - The Hampstead Planning Board held a meeting on Oct. 4, where the Board once again discussed a Central Street subdivision plan.

One of the issues regarding the subdivision plan is whether or not it has the required frontage needed.

The issue is whether or not the portion of the road in front of the property is considered a Class V road or better, which would mean it is a public right of way.

It is why James Lavelle, the applicant for the project retained the services of attorney Bernie Campbell.

"Believe me I'm not expecting anything to get sorted out frankly at this level because I think the issue is significantly a technical legal one," said Campbell, who said that at some point it's probably going to be sorted out in a different venue.

He explained that after speaking to the Town Attorney he was asked to research records to find any documentation about the reclassification of the road.

Campbell explained that up until 1996 Central St., was a Class II State Highway. That year the Town of Hampstead took it over.

He said that the question is whether or not the portion of the road that would be used as the needed frontage is considered a public road or not. Originally it was part of Central St., before it was redone.

been asked to opine on taken. has to do with whether or not the area that is essentially within the stone walls which is a grass covered surface directly adjacent to the Hadley Street Cemetery is still considered a public way," he said.

Campbell explained that New Hampshire law is very clear that if any road or part of a road is discontinued there would need to be a public vote taken by the Town to do

so and he said that there is Planning Board asked if it and wanted them to take a "The issue that I have no record of a vote being would need to be discon-

> portion of the road is used as access for the cemetery and is maintained by the Town at least for a portion of the year then it should be considered a public road.

Sean Murphy who serves as the Board of they have had the plan in

tinued for only part of the He said that since that road, and was told by Campbell that it would need to be.

> After discussion concluded the question became whether the Board continue it once again.

> Campbell said that

vote on it during the meeting.

"We would like the Board to take action on it," he said.

The Board voted 7-0 against the application.

Campbell said that should take a vote on it or they understand they have the right to appeal the decision.

"We understand our Selectmen liaison for the front of them for months appeal rights," he said.







Hampstead School District Receives Petition for Special Meeting

ALEX MALM **NUTFIELD NEWS**

HAMPSTEAD - During the Oct. 12 Hampstead School Board meeting Superintendent Robert Thompson told the School Board that he received a petition to have a special school district meeting.

He said that after receiving it he sent it to the Supervisor of the Checklist to verify that it had the 50

hold a special meeting.

Thompson said that the petition had the valid signatures required.

"It does in fact meet the standard," he said, noting that overall it had 72 verified signatures.

Thompson read the petition to the School Board. If they went forward with the special meeting the questions the petitioners want on the ballot is "To see if the voters of the Hampvalid signatures required to stead School District will

vote to adopt the following provisions pertaining to requirements to wear face coverings within the Hampstead School District:

1. The use of face covall students at the sole discretion of their parent or guardian.

2. The use of face coverings shall be optional for any employees and visitors on school district facilities and attending school sanctioned events."

During the meeting Thompson also told the School Board what the RSA states regarding special meetings.

"A special meeting of a ed the official ballot referschool district shall be held endum form of meeting whenever, in the opinion of the school board, there is occasion therefor, or whenever 50 or more voters, or erings shall be optional for 1/4 of the voters of the district, whichever is less, shall have made written application to the school board therefor, setting forth the subject matter upon which action is desired," it states. "No special school district meeting shall be held in conjunction with the biennial election, except when a special school district meeting has been approved by the court and a school district has adopt-

pursuant to RSA 40:14."

A question that was asked was what the next steps are now that they received the petition and it has been deemed valid.

Thompson said that normally special meetings are for raising and appropriating funds so this petition is different.

"I think the question becomes a matter of policy. Matters of policy are typically afforded to a local school board and not to a legislative body," Thompson said.

He said as far as what to do next he thinks they should ask the School District's legal counsel to tion.

School Board Chairman David Smith said that there have been questions asked across the State about what different boards can and can't do and said that he thinks it would be best to get an opinion from the School District's legal counsel.

"I think that's the best course of manner for this," he said.

Smith said that they should be able to get a legal opinion from the legal counsel by their next School Board meeting. The School Board unanimously agreed to have Thompson reach out to their legal counsel regarding the peti-

OBITUARY

Gerald William McCutcheon Sr.



Gerald William McCutcheon Sr., 78, of Derry, NH, passed away Monday Oct. 11, 2021, at Parkland Medical Center in Derry, NH. He was born on Oct. 1, 1943, in Lowell, MA, a son of the late George W. and Rose (St. John) McCutcheon.

Gerald worked as a janitor for the West Running Brook School in Derry for over 10 years, formerly working at Empire Linen in Lowell, MA. He was an avid fan of the SyFy channel and often spent time watching it with his granddaughter. He enjoyed watching football while enjoying a cold beer and the occasional cigarette. Gerald also enjoyed fishing and wrestling.

He is survived by his beloved wife of 56 years, Judith (Butterfield) McCutcheon, two daughters and their husbands, Sharon and Matthew Bassett and Christine and Douglas Zukowski; his granddaughter, Alina Zukowski; one sister, Ida Richardson, as well as many nieces, nephews, family and friends. He was predeceased by his son Gerald McCutcheon Jr in 2018, as well as his three brothers, George McCutcheon, Richard McCutcheon and Arthur McCutcheon.

There are no calling hours. Following cremation, private services will be held by the family at a later date.

OBITUARY

Joyce Ann Hall



Joyce Ann Hall, 66, of Derry, NH, passed away Friday, Oct. 8, 2021, in Parkland Medical Center, Derry, NH surrounded by her family. She was born in Philadelphia, PA, on June 6, 1955, a daughter of the late Frank and Helen

(Ennis) Domanski.

She married James Hall on Sept. 27, 1981 in Warrington, PA. They just celebrated their 41st Anniversary. She was a stay-at-home mom and made sure her children had the best childhood possible.

Joyce was avid in her volunteer work around Derry. She was the past president of the Humane Society, helped at the St. Thomas Aquinas school, assisted in the local nursing homes and even helped with dog obedience classes, which she took a lot of pride in all of them.

She is survived by her loving husband, James Hall of Derry. four daughters, Amy Shepherd of Cockeysville, MD, Bridget Schurick of Port Saint Lucie, FL, Rebecca Scipione of Derry, and Alexandra Hall of Derry, NH; Joyce loved all twelve of her grandchildren; Camden, Malia, Logan, Ailyn, Evan, Kai, Philomenia, Owen, Glory, Felix, Matilda and Luna. Also her sister, Marie Kraus of King of Prussia, PA.

Joyce is predeceased by her parents and her granddaughter Glory.

Calling hours were held on Wednesday, Oct. 13, in the Peabody Funeral Homes & Crematorium. A Mass of Christian Burial was held on Thursday in St. Thomas Aguinas Church.

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OBITUARY

Jeanne L. Cooke

Jeanne L. Cooke, 98, of Hampstead, NH, died Tuesday, Oct. 12, 2021, at the Parkland Medical Center in Derry, NH. She was born in Mclean, IL on Dec. 13, 1922, a daughter of Louis and Gladys (Sperry) Morin. Following her schooling, Jeanne worked for 15 years in Illinois and for Hale Hospital in Haverhill, MA for 30 years as a registered nurse. After retiring in 1984, she continued to work as a hospital volunteer for many years. She enjoyed playing and teaching Marimba, in addition to singing in the church choir. She was preceded in death by her husband of 53 years, Warren S. Cooke, in 2012.

While living in Illinois, Jeanne was a member of the Marimba Orchestra in Chicago. After moving to New Hampshire, Jeanne was very active in her community, in addition to working and raising 3 children. She was a past chair member of the Hampstead Mother's Club, Massachusetts Nurses Association, founded Hospital Employee Health Nurses Association of New England, member of Hampstead Congregational Church since 1960, and formed a social group of friends called Magicals. Jeanne and Warren loved camping with their family, spent winters in Escapee Park in Florida, and RV'd extensively throughout the United States following retirement in 1984.

Jeanne is survived by two daughters Jean Anne Hunt and her husband Bob formerly of Hillsboro, NH; Susan Cooke of Hampstead, NH; son, Roger Cooke and his wife Kara of Ripon, WI; eight grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; one great great-granddaughter; four nieces, and six grandnieces and grandnephews.

Calling hours were held on Friday, Oct. 15, in the Peabody Funeral Homes & Crematorium. Following cremation, private burial will be in West Hampstead Cemetery, Off Rt. 121, Hampstead, NH. Memorial contributions may be made to Hampstead Congressional Church, 61 Main St, Hampstead, NH 03841 in lieu

Chester Public Library Holds Renovations Reveal Night

NUTFIELD NEWS

The Chester Public Library Renovation project was completed back in March of 2020, but due to COVID-19 the official unveiling was held off on.

Last week, Library staff and trustees held the official ribbon cutting to announce the completion of the project.

Retired Library Directhe honor of cutting the ribbon to kick off the evening.

The new Children's Room was also official named after Balk and a plaque was revealed during the event that evening.

According to Library Director Kandace Knowlyears in the making and excited to see this project completed.

The children's room has moved downstairs, and been redesigned, eliminat-

has expanded space for their popular story times and numerous children's programs. The teens have their own area upstairs, with a comfortable seating area to gather with friends. A new, enlarged meeting room has been built downstairs, with an exit that will allow groups to stay in the library past closing time. The new Meeting Room offers more seating to meet the needs of the growing tor Judy Balk was given use of the facility. The director's office is at the entrance to the Library with the new entrance being the area off the porch. A new built-in wall book drop has been added at the front entrance. The Circulation Desk and book processing area has been ton, this effort had been redesigned to provide more room and space to process everyone was eager and books, and perform the day to day functions of the library.

The stairway has also



Former Chester Library Director Judy Balk had the honor of cutting the ribbon to officially reveal the library's renovations. Photo by Chris Paul

ing an existing ledge and to stop in anytime during safety hazards. New carpeting and flooring has been added and the interior has been painted throughout.

The public is welcome the building more user-

We want to be able to provide a welcoming, comfortable place for the residents of Chester to bond socially and provide them with special programs that peak their interests and hobbies, where they will meet others with the same interests. We want to continue to provide vital resources, services, knowledge and technology to anyone who needs it."

friendly and more efficient.

The renovation plan was done by Dann Norris Batting Architects with Moriah Gavrish assisting on the project. The renovation plan reflects the library's mission - to improve and enrich the lives of patrons and to foster a love of reading. Knowlton stated that these planned renovations are each an improvement in itself and taken as a whole will make the library more effective and allow it to operate in a more function-

efficient manner. Maintaining the primary architectural structure of the building is an important component given the history of the library but the need for expanded program areas is being met within the strictures of making no exterior alterations.

The original library was a gift to the town from resident Ruth Ray. Ray was the daughter of store keeper John Webster and the wife of garage owner Herbert Ray. She taught school for 17 years and was postmaster for 25 years. When her will was read she had left her estate to the town which included \$250,000 to establish the Ruth Ray Library Fund, her home which is now the Post Office and was once the Webster Brothers Store and the former grain barn of Webster Brothers store which is now the Library."

ibrary Holding Student Essay Competition

Library with Salem State University Center for Childhood & Youth Studies (CCYS) is hosting an essay contest for students from grades 5-12. It is inspired by a 2012 Lincoln Museum student essay contest called If I

The Chester Public Were Santa. Students in 273, Chester, NH 03036. grades 5-8 and 9-12 will be in different categories. The 200-250 word entries must be postmarked by Nov. 12. Entries must be typed and submitted by U.S. Mail to: Santa Spirit Essay Contest, c/o Yvonne Vissing, P.O. Box

their normal hours and take

a tour of the facility show-

Knowlton, "was to make

"The purpose," said

ing what has been done.

The theme for this essay contest is "If YOU were Santa, how would you share the Santa Spirit with your family, friends, community, or the world?'

Winners will receive gift cards, books, opportunity to read their work at a SSU CCYS conference, news promotion, and top essays will be published on Medium Santa Spirit site at https://medium.com/santaspirit. Contact Yvonne Vissing at yvissing@salemstate.edu for more info.



Steve Tornberg



Steve Tornberg, 75, of Derry, NH, passed away on Oct. 10, 2021, at Merrimack Community Hospice House in Merrimack, NH. Steve was the loving husband of the late Patricia Tornberg. He was born in Roxbury, MA, Feb. 2, 1946,

and was the son of the late Henry and Mary (Freiburger) Tornberg. Steve was also the step son of the late Mary (Stringer) Tornberg. Steve was raised and educated in Roxbury, MA and was a longtime resident of NH.

Steve served in the US Air Force from 1963-1967 and was a Vietnam veteran (1967). He was a technician, production manager, business manager and project manager with Digital Equipment/Compaq/Hewlett Packard for 39 years.

He is survived by his brothers, Robert Stringer and Thomas Tornberg of Boston, MA as well as his niece Danielle Pfeil and her husband Dave and their children, Addison and Joseph, and his "adopted daughter", Faith St. Gelais and her husband Matt and their children, Broch and Rease. He also leaves his extended family, Jason Fish and his children, Brandon and Elizabeth.

Please NO flowers. In lieu of flowers Steve would appreciate any donations be made to the NH Veteran's

Following cremation, a private committal will be held by the family and closest friends at the NH Veteran's Cemetery in Boscawen, NH. The Peabody Funeral Homes and Crematorium of Derry and Londonderry is assisting the family with arrangements.



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Derry Rotary Clubs Combine to Help Build 20 Beds





Members of the Derry Village Rotary, the Derry Rotary, the Pinkerton Interact group and a number of volunteers joined together on Saturday, Oct. 16, for a "Build a Bed Day" at the Greater Derry Boys and Girls Club parking lot. All the tools necessary to build the beds were provided by the Sleep in Heavenly Peace (SHP) organization, which was the group that organized the event. The wood needed to build the 20 beds was donated by Bensons Lumber and Hardware. Members of the End 68 Hours of Hunger organization also attended the event to accept non-perishable food donations and gift cards or cash that can be used toward food purchases. Anyone wishing to apply for a bed can do so through the organization's website at shpbeds.org. The SHP organization is a national program and has chapters throughout the country.

Photos by Chris Paul







DERRY SPORTS

Astros Football Squad Clips Cardinals for Sixth Win

NUTFIELD NEWS

The Pinkerton Academy Football squad advanced their record to 6-1 with a strong 22-12 win against the Bishop Guertin Cardinals at Stellos Stadium in Nashua on Saturday night.

Both teams were coming into the game with similar 5-1 records and both squads' only loss of the season came from the undefeated Londonderry Lancers who currently stand at the top of the Division I standings.

Right from the start of this game, the Astros made their presence known with a kick-off returning touch-Terrio who put the PA squad on top 6-0 just 10-seconds into the game.

Campos ran the ball in to the right side fro two points.

The BG boys responded with a very lengthy drive that ended at fourth down and five at the Pinkerton 20vard line.

The Cardinals pass attempt into the end zone was incomplete and the Astros took over on downs.

The Astros responded with a long drive of their own, suffering two penalties during the drive but finishing with a touchdown run by junior Cole Yannaco from the one-yard line.

Senior kicker Picasso Bates puts the score 15-0 at 9:51 in the second quarter.

The Cardinals answered down run by senior Don back very quickly, putting their first points on the board with a quarterbackkeeper by Matt Stanosuosso The team followed that who ran 60-yard for a touch-Pinkerton offense resulted in up with an extra-point fake down. The extra-point six more points on the PA

Quarterback Nate attempt failed putting the side of the scoreboard. score at 15-6 at 8:42 in the second quarter.

> The following drive ended with a punt into the end zone by Bates at the 35yard line with five minutes left in the half.

The Astros had another promising drive headed into halftime, but another long run by Campos to the BG 10-yard line wound up being called back on a holding penalty and PA finished at the 15-yard line with a blocked field Goal attempt.

The Cardinals received the kick-off to start the second half, but their drive ended with a punt from their 35-yardline.

the Astros starting their first the third best record in the drive of the second half at their own 45.

Another big run by the

On third down, sophomore Caden Michaud took a double reverse run 56-yards for a touchdown at 8:12 in the third period. Bates added the extra point for the 22-6 lead.

The BG squad responded with a touchdown in their next drive. A 31-yard touchdown pass into the end zone making the score 22-12 and that's where the scoring ended. Bishop Guertin's two-point conversion failed with a pass attempt.

The Cards had two drives in the final quarter, but were unable to put points on the board.

The sixth win of the sea-A short punt resulted in son put PA at 6-1 and have division. Londonderry and Winnacunnet are the only teams with better records, at



Versatile senior Picasso Bates as been a big part of the Pinkerton offense with his kicking as well as running the ball. Photo by Chris Paul

their fourth straight win on against the Nashua North The Astros will try for Thursday night, Oct. 21 Titans (3-4) at home.



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Pinkerton Boys Soccer Gets Three Goal Win Over Cardinals

NUTFIELD NEWS

The Pinkerton Academy Boys Soccer team had a much-needed victory over a Division I rival to end last week, but started the week with a slim loss on the sea-

coast at Winnacunnet High School.

The Astros boys' soccer squad heads into the final week of the fall season at 7-6-2 and sit in the middle of the DI pack as teams start to prepare for the fall playoffs.

The PA team started the

playing the Warriors who started the week at 7-5.

In that game, Pinkerton suffered a tight 1-0 decision on Columbus Day and wound up with their seventh loss of the year.

Three days later the result was much better for the Astros when they hosted the Bishop Guertin Cardinals who have only been able to capture three wins.

Pinkerton scored twice in the first, and two more 4-1 victory over the Cards.

Goals in the first half went to Jake Spezzaferri with and assist from Nathan Landan Villanueve made it 2-0 when he scored from a pass by Zack Smith in the 38th minute.

The Bishop Guertin boys cut the lead to one point as the half ended.

In the second half the Astros added to their lead with two more goals, both were assisted by Gio Iob.

Tyler Sullivan scored in the 49th minute for the 3-1 lead then Nathan Hall finished the scoring in the game in the 62nd minute.

Pinkerton's keeper Will Paganini made five stops in the victory.

The Cardinal's Joshua

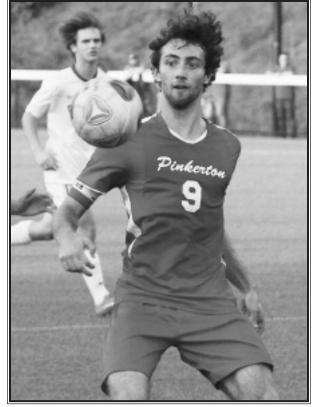
week on Monday, Oct. 11, Ozarof was able to make 12 saves in the loss.

Longtime head coach Kerry Boles was happy to see the scoring, "It was great to get on the scoreboard first, which we have struggled with lately. But then to keep up the pressure throughout the game was great to see. We still need to clean up some messes as we head into the tournament but this was a satisfying performance today."

He added times in the second for the thought Romar Couture, Giovanni Iob and Adam Freibrurger all played extremely well.

This was the third four-Hall in the 21st minute. goal game of the season for the Astros, their highest goal-scoring total was in the first game of the season against Timberlane Regional High School.

> The Pinkerton Academy boys will play their final game of the season at home against a tough Manchester



Jake Spezzaferri started the scoring in the 4-1 win over BG last week at home. Photo by Chris Paul

on Crusaders stand at 10-2-2 at Memorial team Thursday, Oct. 21. The the start of the week.

Athletes of the Week

Week of Oct. 10



Caitlin Seleny Senior, Girls Soccer

Seleny is a senior center defender for the Astros, helped the team get two shutouts this week against Winnacunnet and previously undefeated Bishop Guertin. Against BG, Caitlin had to play relentless defense, and was willing to sacrifice her body in order to prevent shots getting off. She also had to make a goal line save to preserve the shutout.



Ethan Doherty Senior, Golf

Doherty was the low score for the team on Thursday, Oct. 14, at the team championship and made it through an 8 for 3 qualifier to make it to the individual championship. Ethan finished the season T-19 in DI out of more than 180 golfers who competed this year.

Athletes are chosen by Pinkerton Academy Athletic Office

PA XC Teams Race in Two States

CHRIS PAUL **NUTFIELD NEWS**

The Pinkerton Academy Cross Country teams traveled in different directions to race in two different states last week and finished

BOYS

with mixed results.

The Long Red Line traveled to Boston to compete in the 60th Annual Catholic Memorial Invitational on the historic Franklin Park course.

The team put in a fine performance and they were able to bring home the second place trophy.

Lexington was the first place team with 46 points; Pinkerton tallied 49; Lowell took third with 73 points and Methuen finished in fourth with a score of 81.

Leading the way for the Astros and winning his first Invitational race of the sea-

son was senior Luke where they took fourth place Brennan. He finished with a time of 16:45 on a rather hot and humid day. Ethan Charles followed close behind to take fourth place with a time of 17:26.

Also managing to get into the top ten was senior Jack Cameron, who placed eighth with his time of 17:46.

Rounding out the Astro's scoring five were Theo Davis and Finn Christensen Kraft placing 17th and 22nd respectively.

The top seven included Nathan Binda and Cooper Michaud placing in the top 31 finishers.

GIRLS

The Pinkerton Academy Girls Cross Country traveled north and competed at the Black Bear Invitational at Coe-Brown Northwood Academy, in Northwood,

on a challenging 5K course.

The fifth ranked Ovster River High School team won the meet with 70 points, followed by fourth ranked Dover High School with 87 points Concord finished third with a 125.

Pinkerton finished fourth with 135 points.

Astros sophomore Izzy Groulx earned a top-10 finish, grabbing the ninth spot with a time of 20:26. Fellow Sophomore Tess Silva finished 11th in 20:38. Senior captain Makenna Alden was 27th in 22:10, followed by sophomore Gigi Rufo in 22:38 and junior captain Grace Jellow in 22:51.

The sixth runner to finish for the Trailblazers was Freshman Althea Leblanc in a time of 22:53 and senior captain Mimi Preble had a time of 23:26.

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Pinkerton Girls Soccer Hands BG Its First Loss of Season

CHRIS PAUL **NUTFIELD NEWS**

The Pinkerton Academy Girls Soccer team will be heading into the final game of the regular season on great head of steam, as they narrowly defeating the top team in the Division I standings on that team's own turf and finished the week with an eight game winning streak.

In that game, the Lady Astros traveled to Nashua on Thursday night, Oct. 14,

where they faced the unde- made a key goal line save to feated Bishop Guertin Lady Cardinals and handed them defeat of the season and a 13-1 season record.

The only goal in the game was scored in the second half, off a corner kick delivered by Sofia Crnilovic and headed in by Maddie Connors.

Libby Williams was able to stop the five shots by the Bishop Guertin offense in the uplifting victory.

Defender Caitlin Seleny

avoid the tying goal.

The Lady Astros came the upset loss for their first into that game riding a seven game winning streak after beating Winnecunnet High School Lady Warriors in Derry on Tuesday, Oct. 12.

> The Hampton team had only managed to win three games to that point in the season, but the end result was just as tight as the win against the division's number one team.

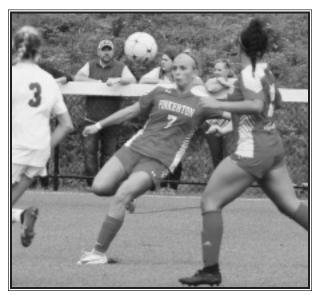
> > Emily Hood scored the

lone goal of the game in the second half, unassisted.

Linsey Blum had five saves in the narrow win and helped her team finish the week with a 10-2-2 season record.

The Lady Astros will try to finish the regular season riding a nine-game winning streak when the travel to Manchester Memorial to face the winless Lady Crusaders on Thursday.

Caitlin Seleny played a key role in the BG win.



Astros Field Hockey Team Edged Out of Playoff Picture

CHRIS PAUL **NUTFIELD NEWS**

The Pinkerton Academy Field hockey team had a tough time finding the back

season and as a result they did not make the cut in the upcoming NHIAA Division I Tournament Pairings.

The team finished the

and in the twelfth spot in the division standings. The playoff picture included 11 of the top teams in the divi-

sion and Manchester

Pinkerton Academy Golf Team Finish Seventh in State Tourney

CHRIS PAUL NUTFIFI D NEWS

The this fall, finishing the season with 22 wins and just was hoping to shoot low in the NHIAA Division I Tournament. team Championship last week.

with wins Londonderry, Salem, Concord, Bedford and Nashua South in two Doherty

matches on the road.

After that very solid finish to the season the Pinkerton team headed to the Par 71, Academy Golf team had an Overlook Country Club in impressive overall record Hollis for the Team Championship.

The PA team scored six losses and the squad 417 total (+62) and took Seventh Place in the

Bedford High School came in first with a score The Astros golf squad of 388 (+33); Exeter was finished the regular season second with 395 (+39); and against the Concord team placed a 93 for a 174 total, tying third with a 396 (+41).

> Pinkerton's Ethan and

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Megan were the team's top golfers, each carding a 10over, 81. Jeremy Burke shot an 83; Robbie DeFeo came in at 85; and Gavin Urnek carded an 87 for the team.

Doherty was able to make it through an eight for three qualifier to advance to the individual championship at Beaver Meadow on Saturday, Oct. 16, where he tied for 19th.

Doherty shot an 81 and Nolan McKivergan from Londonderry High School.

finished the season with a 6-10 record. The two teams had the same point total in the standings but because of the head-to-head loss by PA, Central West moved into the bottom spot in the playoffs.

The Lady Astros final game of the regular season was played at home against

grab the last spot. The and the result was a 2-1 loss Pinkerton team lost 2-0 to to the Lady Warriors who Central-West on Oct. 8 and finished the season at 12-4 and the fourth seed in the upcoming tournement.

The only Pinkerton goal of the game came in the fourth period with the team trailing by two goals. Natalie Paradzick scored the Lady Astros final goal of her team's season at 10:42 in the final period.

the Winnacunnet High Littlefield commented on the Lady Warriors win.

of their opponents goal this year with a 4-8-4 record Central West was able to School on Tuesday, Oct. 12, the final game, "A hard fought game with many players stepping up on the Astros and having stand out performances. Natalie Paradzick had a great game and scored, while Abby Shawley had a great game at the midfield position.

Elise LeBlanc also had a great game with nine saves from a very talented Winnacunnet team."

The Winnacunnet goal Head coach Katie tender made seven saves for



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Hollis-Brookline Ends Astros Volleyball's Win Streak

NUTFIELD NEWS

The Pinkerton Academy Girls' Volleyball team had their six-game winning

they faced the tough Hollis-Brookline High School team in Derry Friday night.

Leading up to that tough defeat last week, the Lady

their five game streak with a straight set victory over the Lady Blue Hawks of Exeter High School on the road.

That game took place on

streak end last week when Astros were able to add to Wednesday night, Oct. 13, and the PA squad easily got by Exeter, who have only won six matches this season.

> Pinkerton commanded two of the three sets in the match winning 25-12, 25-13 and 25-21. The win put the team at a solid 11-3 record and in fourth place in the division.

Senior Astros setter Ella Koelb had another stellar game collecting 18 service points, eight aces, 17 assists, and five kills to help lead the team in the victory.

Senior outside Lily Heywood added 11 service points, 16 digs, and five kills, while senior middle Abby Leppart led the team in kills with six.

Senior libero Sierra Edgecomb had 13 digs, Senior Lexa Galler had nine service points and three kills, and freshman middle Cali Miller added three kills and a block.

The result wasn't as

Senior Lexa Galler had nine service points and eight kills last week.

Photo by Chris Paul

good two nights later at home on Friday, Oct. 15,

when they met the second

place Hollis-Brookline Lady

The game got off to a rather late start that night, due to some transportation issues, but that delay didn't seem to play into the Lady Astros favor.

Pinkerton couldn't manage a set win in the contest. losing in straight sets 25-18, 25-20 and 25-19.

Koelb dished out 18 assists, and Heywood and Edgecomb each had 13 digs in the loss.

Leppert had six kills and a block, Galler and Sarah Bolduc both contributed five kills in the game.

The Lady Astros will take their 11-4 season record into the final week with three games left in the regular season.

They played at Keene High School (10-6) on Monday, travel to Hudson on Wednesday to play Alvirne (6-10) and then finish up on Thursday at home against Manchester Memorial (0-

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Humanities Living History

Amoskeag Mills Questers hosts NH Humanities living history program, "If I Am Not For Myself, Who Will Be for Me?" presented by Gwendolyn Quezaire-Perutti as Oney Judge, George Washington's runaway slave who settled in Portsmouth, NH. Oney tells of her escape and her life in the new nation. The program, free and open to the public, on Nov. 3 at 10 a.m., at the Marion Gerrish Community Center, 39 West Broadway, Derry. For more information, contact Meredith Hatch 603-260-8642.

Free Documentary

Communities and Consequences II: Rebalancing NH's Human Ecology is a sequel project to 2008's award-winning Communities and Consequences: The Unbalancing of NH's Human Ecoogy. The Greater Derry-Londonderry Chamber of Commerce, Derry's Economic Development Department, and the Regional Economic Development Center are partnering to bring a showing of this documentary to the Derry Opera House. We encourage leaders from business community, local leaders serving on through Nov. 30, virtually so 12:45 p.m. This series is by calling 603-887-3404.

boards and committees, housing industry professionals, and anyone interested in New Hampshire's economy and demographic trends (now and into the future) to join us on Thursday, Nov. 4, at 6 p.m.

Parenting of Teens Class

The Upper Room is offering a class for parents and caregivers of Teens. Active Parenting of Teens is a course that covers; respectful discipline, skills for clear and honest communication, strategies to prevent risk behaviors, and how to be an encouraging parent as the framework. This Free course is being offered they are able to at home. To register call Michelle Moraros at 603-437-8477 x122, to get a link for the class.

Mystery Play/Dinner

Hosted by the VFW Auxiliary Post 1617, 18 Railroad Ave., Derry A Murder Mystery Play with Dinner will be held on Sat Oct. 23 with cocktails at 5 p.m., Dinner at 6 p.m., and Play at 7 p.m. This event is \$25 per person, all profits to benefit way and Means.

Recovery Capital

Building Your Recovery Capital, is designed to create positive steps to your recovery capital. This series offers education & guidance on recovery topics to help you successfully manage early recovery. Build skills in resilience, enhance your skills toolbox, and deepen your self-awareness. Oct. 22, it will be on zoom at 12 -

that parents can take it when FREE of charge and hosted by the Upper Room. To register, call Beth O'Connell at 603-437-8477 x124 or email boconnell@urteachers.org For more information about support and services for young adults 18 - 30 please call x124.

CHESTER

Scary Haunted House Tour

A haunted tour will be held at the Chester Library at 3 Chester St., Chester, on Saturday, Oct. 23, from 6 - 8 p.m. This is a Chester Library Fundraiser, tickets are \$2 Per Person At The Door for adults and brave kids. Parents discretion is advised. Please note: strobe lights may be used

Halloween Costume Party

Come in costume for a spooky time with prizes and goodie bags at the Chester Library on Thursday, Oct. 28 at 6 p.m. Registration is required

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Library Closure

The Chester Library will be closed to the public Saturday, Oct. 23, for the Haunted House

Tarot 101

Monday, Oct. 25, from 6 -8 p.m., at Stevens Hall: Let's talk tarot with Kate Sheridan, a.k.a. The Laundress will lead this event for anyone who wants to learn more about tarot cards, using the classic Smith-Rider-Waite deck as a guide. We will cover basic tarot theory, giving you the bird's eye view of all 78 cards and how they work together. The goal is to demystify the tarot in order to empower you to use the cards for selfreflection and personal growth. At the end of the evening, you'll be guided in conducting a mini-reading for yourself, and you'll leave with personalized, practical next

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HAMPSTEAD

Story Time In Woods

The Hampstead Conservation Commission with help from the Hampstead Public Library, invites families to a Story Time in the Woods on Sunday, Oct. 24 at 11 a.m. Meet at the West Road parking lot for the Conservation Land. Erin O'Neill leads everyone on a short walk through the woods to read a story about hibernation, followed by a nature treasure hunt. Please bring water, a blanket to sit on, a snack and bug spray if you wish. This is geared toward kids ages 3 to 7, but all ages are welcome. If you have any questions please email Erin at erinmurray1511@gmail.com.

Blooms For Friends

The Friends of the Hampstead Public Library are the beneficiary of Hannaford's Bloomin' 4 Good fundraising campaign during the month of October. The Friends will receive a \$1 donation for every \$12 Bloomin' 4 Good Bouquet purchased at the Hannaford location in East Hampstead now through Oct. 31. Treat yourself or someone you love! Bouquets that are part of this program are marked with a large circular red sticker with Bloomin' 4 Good information. Thanks to the local Hannaford leadership for selecting the Friends of the Library.

Senior Social

On Thursday, Oct. 28, Hampstead will be having a Senior social at the town meeting house. It will be open to seniors from 9:15 -11:45 a.m. Coffee, pastries and snacks will be served.

Craft & Movie @ Library

A Halloween Double Feature: Craft & Movie takes place at the Hampstead Public Library on Friday, Oct. 29 at 1 p.m. Adults of all abilities are welcome to come make a spooky decoration and enjoy treats from 1 - 1:30 p.m. Then

at 1:30 p.m., watch Mel Fremont Rd., on Saturday Brooks' spooky comedy about young Dr. Frederick Frankenstein (Gene Wilder) who learns he has inherited his infamous grandfather's estate in Transylvania. Feel free to come for either or both craft and movie

Free Trunk or Treat

All are invited to a Free Trunk or Treat event at Island Pond Baptist Church, 26 North Salem Rd., Hampstead, on Saturday, Oct. 23, from 1 - 3 p.m. There will be a blow up jousting arena, a blow up bouncy slide, food trucks, balloon twisting, games, and lots of candy. An afternoon of fun for the whole family. For more information, contact us at info@islandpondbc,com, 603-329-5959. Visit us on the web www.islandpondbc.com

Jacobs Brothers

The Jacobs Brothers will be at Island Pond Baptist Church, 26 North Salem Rd., Hampstead, on Friday, Oct. 22, at 6 p.m. All are invited as they share the gospel of Jesus Christ through song and testimony. There is no charge for this event. Contact our office, info@islandpondbc.com, 603-329-5959, for more information. Visit us on the web at www.islandpondbc.com

Library Mystery

Stop by the Hampstead Public Library to help solve a mystery. The premise: a rare book was stolen, and we need your help to figure out who did it. There are 12 clues hidden in the Library, and each clue narrows down the list of suspects until you're left with a final culprit. Stop by the front desk to pick up a list of suspects and clue #1. After solving the mystery, you'll be given a raffle ticket to enter a prize drawing. This program runs through Oct. 31. For more information contact the Hampstead Public Library 603-329-6411.

SANDOWN

Halloween Trail Walk

Sandown Girl Scout Troop 10765 will be doing a Halloween Trail Walk (AKA not so spooky walk) through the Sandown Town Forest on

Oct. 23, from 3 - 6 p.m. Come dressed up with your trick or treat bags. \$5 per person. All money raised will go to Josie West Geary's Girl Scout Gold Award project.

Essential Oils 101:

Are you looking for a safe, effective and affordable health solution? Join the Sandown Library and learn options that may be an effective health care option in your home on Tuesday, Oct. 26, from 6 - 8 p.m. Registration is required for this event.

Drop In Halloween Obstacle Course

Join the Sandown Library for some Halloween fun; Spider web crawl, pumpkin hurdles, ghost bowling and more. Come in your costume for a special treat! This is a drop-in outdoor program on Thursday, Oct. 28, from 11 a.m. - 2 p.m., weather permitting. Please call ahead to confirm if the weather looks questionable.

Game Day - Mahjong

Sandown Library group will focus on the ancient game of Mahjong. Instructor Cathy will teach about this game played with tiles on Thursday, Oct. 28, from 1 - 2 p.m. American Mahjong is similar to the card game rummy. No registration is required.

Halloween Scavenger Hunt

Drop in for a fun scavenger hunt throughout the Sandown Library on Saturday, Oct. 30, from 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. Choose your hunt, Spooky Riddles or Can you find it? Get a surprise. Dress up in costume for an extra treat.

Open Farm Day

On Oct. 23, from noon - 4 p.m., Patch Wood Farm will hold an open house. There will be a raffle, food, arts and crafts and pony rides. Hooves, Paws and Claws 4H Club will have a bake sale to support their club as well. They will also showcase our rescue horses and do a demo.

Senior Exercise

Senior Exercise resumes on Tuesday mornings from 11 a.m. - noon at the Sandown recreation building. now -

Nov. 16. Gentle stretches, better ways to balance, and some laughs are on tap. Free to seniors age 60 and above. Space is limited. Call the recreation office at 887-1872 to register and then fill out a waiver the day you begin. Visit www.sandown.us to print off the information and registration on the recreation page under Senior Activities.

REGIONAL

Reiki & Energy Healing

On Oct 22, from 6:30 -8:30 p.m. This Free event is hosted by Awakening Moments Center. Advance reservation is requested due to Covid 19 attendance limits at this time. Contact Angie at 603 321-4818 to register or for more information.

Tea Leaf Reading

Awakening Moments Center will hold an Old Fashioned Halloween Tea Leaf Reading Social on Saturday Oct. 23 and Sunday, Oct. 24 at 1 p.m. Entry fee is \$33. Contact Angie at 603 321-4818 to register or for more information.

Paranormal Gathering

Awakening Moments Center will hold a Paranormal Awakenings Gathering on Oct. 28, from 7 - 8:30 p.m., registration is \$10. Contact Angie at 603 321-4818 to register or for more information.

42nd Annual Country Christmas Fair

St. Jude Womem's Guild will host the 42nd Annual Country Christmas Fair on Saturday, Nov. 6 from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m., at 435 Mammoth Rd., Londonderry. It will feature hand crafted items, table centerpieces, wreaths snowmen & ornaments. Once again there will be a queen size quilt raffle, as well as our amazing raffle table. Our Country Cupboard Room will feature a bake sale as well as tasty edibles, table linens & kitchen accessories. Come join us for "Fair Day"! Questions or Donations, please call Co-Chair Denise Pratt at 423-1854 or Helene Staley at 867-1178.

Free Meals

Please join us for free,

family-friendly meals. Meals are generally held as posted below, but may be rescheduled for holidays. Dinner on Oct. 29 at First Parish Church from 5 - 6 p.m., drive up to side door; Lunch on Oct. 31

at St. Jude's Parish from 1:30 2:30 p.m.; Sonshine Soup Kitchen willbe serving drive by to go meals on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 4:30 - 5 p.m.

OBITUARY

Robert E. Introne Jr.



Robert E. Introne Jr., 79, of Londonderry, NH, died unexpectedly Monday, Oct. 11, 2021, while travelling in Phoenix, AZ. He was born on April 27, 1942 Weymouth, MA, son of the late E. Margaret 'Peggy" (Laine) & Robert E. Introne Sr.

Bob devoted his life to a career of service. He served 21 years in the U.S. Air Force, ultimately achieving the

rank of Lt. Colonel. In 1968, he did a tour of duty in Vietnam stationed in Saigon and Pleiku in the Central Highlands. He came under frequent rocket attack & had several harrowing experiences helping the Montagnard against the Viet Cong. He was a senior meteorologist at Cape Canaveral from 1969-1973 during the heyday of the Space Race, supporting the launches of Apollo 11 through 17, as well as early planning for the Apollo-Soyuz mission. When Apollo 11 made its famous ascent to land a Man on the Moon, Bob was on the tarmac at Patrick AFB, supporting ARIA aircraft operations which enabled spacecraft voice and telemetry data to get back to Mission Control. Bob would go on to provide weather forecasting for over 100 Defense Department mission launches from the Cape.

Bob had various assignments across the country and Europe, where he was a key member of Air Weather Service & supported development & operations of sophisticated air & space systems including the F-117A stealth fighter & various weather & reconnaissance satellites for the Secretary of the Air Force Special Projects. He had a command role as a Weather Squadron Commander for a fighter wing at England AFB from 1979-1981; & survived a Baader Meinhof Gang terrorist car bombing of HQ USAFE at Ramstein, Germany in 1981 just after arriving in country. Bob was a highly decorated officer, who received both the Purple Heart & the Bronze Star Medal.

Upon his Air Force retirement in 1987, Bob transitioned to the private sector, taking a job at TASC. In this capacity, he continued to contribute to National Security, eventually retiring from there as a Division Director after 13 years of providing vital technical analysis & studies for the Intelligence Community and Department of Defense. At this point, he transitioned into politics, when he was elected to the NH State House of Representatives. Bob represented Londonderry from 2000-2016 & was considered an integral and influential member of the state's Republican Party. With his education, experience & background, he was a natural choice for Chairman of the Science, Technology & Energy Committee.

Bob was a proud graduate of Penn State University, earning a Bachelor of Science in meteorology. He followed the Nittany Lions as a staunch supporter his entire life & regularly could be found on Saturdays cheering for the team. He also received his Master of Science in meteorology from Colorado State University. In all facets of life, Bob was truly "The Weatherman" & all looked to him for his views on the short- & long-range forecast.

Besides his love for meteorology & all Boston sports teams, his greatest personal passion in life was sports car racing. He spent over forty years volunteering within the Sports Car Club of America (SCCA). He was a driver, nationally licensed Corner Marshall, and Chief/Operating Steward. Once again, he rose through the ranks as a recognized leader. He served as the Regional Executive for the New England Region, Area Director, & was ultimately Chairman of the SCCA National Board of Directors from 2006-2008. Through his leadership, he helped facilitate the development of new tracks in the northeast. Bob was a constant presence at local track events & was a regular face for over thirty years at the annual National Championship Runoffs. Hundreds of drivers can credit their introduction & growth in competitive motorsports to his mentorship.

Additionally, his dedication to fellow veterans & his community included support & membership in the Military Officers of America, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Lions Club, American Legion, & the American Meteorological Society.

Bob is survived by his beloved wife of 56 years, Carol (Kuryloski) Introne of Londonderry, NH; 2 sons, Robert E. Introne & wife Wendy of Centreville, VA, & Steven D. Introne & wife Melissa of Windham, NH; daughter, Christina Introne of Derry, NH; 6 grandchildren; & one brother, Douglas Introne of Orono, ME. He was preceded in death by his sister, Carol (Introne) English of Chatham, MA.

Funeral services will be held on Friday Nov. 5, at 10 a.m., at the Orchard Christian Fellowship Church, 136 Pillsbury Rd., Londonderry. Friends are welcome to attend to pay their respects and offer condolences to the family. A private interment with Military Honors for the family only will follow at the NH State Veterans Cemetery in Boscawen, NH.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made in Bob's name to the Disabled American Veterans (DAV), P.O. Box 14301, Cincinnati, OH 45250-0301. The Peabody Funeral Homes and Crematorium of Derry and Londonderry are assisting the family with arrangements. To send a condolence, please visit, www.peabodyfuneralhome.com.



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