

# Sandown Debate Over Voting Machine Petition Continues

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NUTFIELD NEWS

SANDOWN - The Sandown Board of Selectmen met for its July 11 meeting to discuss several longstanding issues, notable a petition related to a proposed ban on voting machines for local, state, and federal elections in Sandown.

Chairman, Jonathan Goldman, already denied an earlier petition requesting a special election on the issue, calling it inappropriate and "not correct" at the June 6 Selectmen meeting. worries about discrepancies caused by voting machines have been a problem since an audit uncovered incorrect counts in Windham more than a year ago.

Town Moderator, Kevin Major, previously

addressed the problem, assuring everyone that the counting errors in Windham were unique to Windham, with no issue in Sandown.

The Board of Selectmen nonetheless received a new petition on June 26, requesting a more direct ban on voting machines. 51 people signed the petition to reconsider a ban on all voting machines, and several chose to attend the meeting.

Goldman agreed to a special hearing for public discussion. Advice from the town attorney regarding the last petition on the issue led him to emphasize that the Board of Selectmen was only granting a "hearing for advisory purposes." Goldman noted that public sessions related to these petitions have typically been attended prima-

rily by those looking to ban voting machines. Deliberation over the reluctance to either hold an immediate vote on the issue or to approve a special election drew criticism from petition supporters.

"It's the people in charge, not you!" Resident and petition signer, Alan David, said, frustrated at the lack of a special election on the voting machine issue.

"A lot of Sandown residents are mad with the election process" added Linda Brown, another resident in attendance. Brown worried that her vote did not count when done through a voting machine. She also counted herself as one of the 51 voters who signed the initial petition and like David, expressed frustration over the lack of

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# Spring Hill Committee Deals with Invasive Species Control

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CHESTER - The Chester Spring Hill Advisory Committee met on July 18 to discuss several issues related to pest control at Spring Hill Park. The issue of invasive species is ongoing, one that has dominated the past few meetings with the outstanding solution for using goats as a form of plant control.

Nick and Christy Ortins attended the meeting to expand on their idea to introduce goats to

Spring Hill Park. Christy described the idea as a "passion project," using goats instead of chemicals reduces the spread of invasive species at Spring Hill.

"Ideally, we would want to start with six goats, the ones that we have looked at and lined up if we get approval are dwarf goats, so it wouldn't be an overwhelming start" Christy stated, hoping to start small. "The idea would be to start with the beginning of the field and have them jump to different sections of the park."

The Ortins' have

researched the effectiveness of biological control with invasive species.

Christy believes that for large, invasive trees, "if the goats can defoliate a tree twice before winter, it will kill the tree." Trees and plants too large to defoliate using the goats would require manual removal with chainsaws. Goats can be strategically shifted to new portions of Spring Hill Park as needed to eat the sprouts of invasive species.

The idea is to store the goats using a basic corral,

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**Hot Muster** Members of the Chester Fire Department competed in the Wet Hose Lay during an Old Fashioned Muster that took place at Wason Pond in Chester on Saturday. The water was not much of a relief in the 90-plus temperatures on Saturday, but teams competed in four challenges throughout the morning. See more on page 7. *Photo by Chris Paul*

# NHDOT Invites Residents to Public Meeting on Exit 4A

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The New Hampshire Department of Transportation (NHDOT) is inching closer to beginning the Exit 4A project that was conceived over 30 years ago.

On Thursday, Aug. 4,

NHDOT staff will be holding an Open House from 6 to 7p.m., at the West Running Brook Middle School Gymnasium located at 1 West Running Brook Lane. Following the Open House, a presentation of the latest advancements in the project will take place starting at 7 p.m.

The NHDOT recently announced the advancing of the final design for the Derry-Londonderry 13065 I-93 Exit 4A project, saying that the project will reduce congestion, improve safety, and promote economic vitality in the project corridor.

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# Something Rotten! Performed at Derry Opera House



"Something Rotten!" a comical musical based the rivalry between Shakespeare and a fellow writer, was presented to audiences on July 22 and 23 at the Derry Opera House by the Ovation Theatre Company. Shakespeare was played by Adam Furgal and Tony Gallo played his rival Nick Bottom. Meg Gore directed the play with musical direction by Sarah Herron. Furgal and Katy Gore combined efforts in Choreography.

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# Hampstead Planning Board Approves Accessory Dwelling Unit

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**HAMPSTEAD** - At the July 5 Hampstead Planning Board meeting, one of the agenda items was in regards to an amended site plan for 546 NH Route 111, which is proposed to be the Axe Towne businesses.

The owner, Robert Towne, who was representing himself said that he felt that all the issues that were brought up during the July 1 meeting were addressed and that he was looking for approval.

Towne explained that there are six employees in total including the other business units that they have on site.

Town Engineer, Steve Keach, explained to the Planning Board that for parking the other businesses that are on the site run non-concurrently with the proposal for Axe Towne.

Planning Board Chairman, Robert Weimar,

noted that it is a bring your own booze facility and asked about the regulations for it.

Towne said that the average rental time is 75 minutes and once they are done throwing they usually leave right after. He also noted that the employees who work there will be trained to know the signs of alcohol intoxication.

Weimar asked for Towne to check to see how other axe throwing facilities run their businesses.

Towne explained that Axe Masters runs a training program for business owners to learn more.

It was also asked by Weimar if they will limit the amount of time that people can throw axes there.

Towne said he has been approached by some other companies that would like to host half day events at the business.

Weimar said he wanted to have a commitment to

the training to make sure the employees can take action if it is needed.

One question that was raised was what the age requirement would be to throw axes. Towne said that it would be for those 12 and older with a parent present with them.

The Planning Board ultimately approved a 90 day conditional approval for the property.

Also during the meeting the Planning Board heard an application for an accessory dwelling unit at 47 Pilgrim Circle which is owned by Ben Tallberg.

It was explained by Tallberg that they were proposing an accessory dwelling unit within the existing structure and the plan is to reconfigure the finished basement into an independent living unit.

Planning Board member, DJ Howard, asked about the garage space as well as the walk out slider in the back of the house.

Tallberg said that there is a door between the unit and a garage along with a stairway to the accessory dwelling unit.

Planning Board Vice Chairman, Randy Clark,

brought up the square footage calculations.

Howard said that based on his calculation the accessory dwelling unit is 45 percent of the PDU, which is within the regula-

tion requirements.

The Planning Board ultimately unanimously approved the accessory dwelling application based on the plan that was presented.

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without adding any new structures to the park.

"In the long run, we want to turn this into a business" Christy said, hoping that the successful use of goats to control invasive species in Chester will prove the effectiveness of biological control to surrounding towns in southern New Hampshire. She conceded that there would be a learning curve to several aspects of the goat project.

The Ortins have been in contact with the Conservation Committee of Sandown and know there

is a demand throughout the region for a safe and cost-effective way to deal with invasive plants.

Logistics were a concern for the Spring Hill Committee, especially when it comes to getting water to the goats and insuring the animals along with cleanup for the fields. Christy has already insured her animals for the project while discussing the possible use of nearby wells to keep the goats supplied with a steady supply of fresh water, especially in the winter.

As a potential for-profit venture, the Committee raised the future possibility of charging rent for the use

of space on Spring Hill, though such rent would only happen if the Ortins proposal proves to be lucrative. Member, Stephen Landau, clarified "If you're making a profit off it, that's where the town would want to see a rental of the space." The debate over possible rent will only be relevant if the idea proves successful.

Members agreed to look at the proposal, agreeing to forward it to the Chester Board of Selectmen sometime soon.

The Spring Hill Committee will hold its next meeting on Monday, August 15 at 7 pm.



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# Editorial

## Summer Heat Can Be Dangerous

Boy, it's getting hot out there now. We're in our first extreme heat stretch of the summer. With temperatures being well into the 90s, add the humidity, it feels like it is 100 degrees. Sending the air conditioners into over drive and those without them looking for shade.

Time to remind everyone to take proper precautions to protect themselves, family, the elderly, and pets from this hot weather. These extreme heat conditions could lead to heat exhaustion or heat stroke. Here are some tips from the American Red Cross that may help:

- Never leave children or pets in your vehicle.
- Stay hydrated, drink plenty of fluids, and avoid drinks with caffeine or alcohol.
- Wear loose-fitting, lightweight, and light-colored clothing.
- Slow down, stay indoors, avoid strenuous exercise during the hottest part of the day.
- Take frequent breaks if working outdoors.
- Check on family, friends and neighbors who do not have air conditioning, who spend much of their time alone or who are more likely to be affected by the heat.

Excessive heat can lead to: Heat Cramps; signs are cramps in legs or abdomen.

Heat Exhaustion; signs are cool, moist, pale or flushed skin, heavy sweating, headache, nausea, dizziness, weakness exhaustion.

Heat Stroke; signs are hot red skin

that may be dry or moist; changes in consciousness, vomiting and high body temperature.

If signs get worst, call 9-1-1.

Some signs of heat stroke in your pet according to [www.akcchf.org](http://www.akcchf.org) :

- Heavy panting and unable to calm down, even when lying down.
- Brick red gum color
- Fast pulse rate
- Unable to get up.

If you suspect your pet has heat stroke, take their temperature. If the temperature is above 105 degrees, cool the animal down with water. Stop cooling the animal when the temperature reaches 103 degrees. Bring your pet to a veterinarian.

One last warning for those who want to cool off in the water, you should use places designated for that purpose. We realize it's challenging to find water recreation this year with fewer pools in operation and crowd limits on the places that are open. Avoid places off the beaten path; they can be dangerous for swimmers. If something goes wrong, there might not be anyone nearby to help. Be cautious.

Remember, in a few months we'll be talking about how much we miss these days.

Summer is normally a time of fun in the great outdoors and there should be plenty of opportunities for that once these dangerous temperatures subside.

Until then, we believe you should take the proper precautions to avoid the summer danger of extreme heat conditions.

# Letters

## Colby Farm Subdivision in Chester - Stormwater Mitigation System Concerns

To the Editor

I am a 30+ year Chester resident, living on Sandown Road. My educational background is environmental biology. We're conservation minded and believe any development must be done right.

We own 10+ acres, largely down-slope from our home, with a substantial beaver pond and wetland on the Exeter River. The upper 33.3 miles of the river, from Chester to Exeter, are part of the NH Rivers Management and Protection Program, designated as a vital resource demanding preservation.

We've endeavored to be good stewards of the property. A rich and clean wildlife area, it supports all kinds of mammals and amphibians. Waterfowl such as herons, families of ducks make their home here. I've even seen eagles. Clean wetlands are further critical for human water supply.

We abut the proposed Colby Farm subdivision, which slopes toward the river from Haverhill Road. 10 new homes on a cul de sac are planned. Due to the gradient, a stormwater mitigation system is required. This is directly adjacent to our back property line. The project overview plan shows the river and 100-

year flood line on our property, but doesn't show the beaver pond, wetland, nor how close these are to the outflow.

The mitigation system is intended for erosion control. Water is conducted through drains to a catchment basin in the rear of the property to reduce velocity and prevent soil from washing down the hill. Erosion control is crucial, but additional hazards exist with water periodically discharged from the spreader toward the wetland.

Runoff from roads and houses will contain hazards like road salt, heavy metals and other toxins from motor oil, gasoline; leaky radiator fluid (ethylene glycol, a chemical toxic to the nervous system of humans and animals); Round-Up (and its notorious key ingredient, glyphosate) from battling poison ivy, lawn and garden fertilizers, insecticides such as permethrins from mosquito and tick treatments, etc.

In the catchment basin, sediment settles, leaving water (still containing dissolved toxins) that may discharge and percolate down the slope. One concern is that the distance between the basin, the outlet and the wetland is insufficient to filter out all chemical pollutants.

Also worrisome is sediment removed from the basin during periodic maintenance. What will

happen to this material, which will no doubt have additional toxins adsorbed to the particles?

These are critical issues - I see no indication that they've been addressed.

Chester's history of ecological accountability is admirable. As the population of Chester and SNH inevitably grows, and simple opportunities for safe development of needed housing diminish, we are morally obligated to protect our wetlands and waterways from toxic runoff. I do not believe this plan meets our ethical responsibilities without comprehensively addressing pollution by human generated poisons. Some of these effluents require only ppm, ppb or less, to have adverse affects, and some move easily through soil and water, where they persist and accumulate in the food chain. Ecological history is replete with examples.

To responsibly protect us, our descendants, and the land that supports us, from this and similar future hazards, it seems essential to require and document that toxic agents are dependably excluded from the watershed prior to approving this project.

The Chester Planning Board continues the Public Hearing for this project Aug. 3 at 7 p.m. Let's stand together to protect our Exeter River.

Suzanne G. Rieter  
Chester

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# Post Cane Holder Has 106th Birthday



Above, Joe Tombarello presents Irene Blanchard with a birthday hat. Center, Phyllis Katsakiores, cuts the cake with Blanchard. At right, Councilors, Katsakiores and Josh Bourdon, present Blanchard with a proclamation. *Photos by Chris Paul*



Friends, family and Town officials attended the 106th Birthday Celebration of Irene Blanchard on Monday, July 25, at the Nutfield Heights apartments. Blanchard was born and raised in Derry and had two children, four grandchildren, and five great grandchildren. She is also Derry's current Boston Post Cane holder, as the official "oldest person in town." Blanchard is still very independent and attributes some of her longevity to the fact that she never drank or smoked. Town Councilors, Josh Bourdon and Phyllis Katsakiores, attended the celebration along with Derry Police Officers, Erin Sullivan and Chris Talbot. Silly Solutions', Joe Tombarello, added to the festivities with his balloon creations and fun with those attending. *Photos by Chris*



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# Sandown Board of Selectmen Approves New Payroll Software

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NUTFIELD NEWS

**SANDOWN** - At the July 11 Sandown Board of Selectmen meeting, one of the agenda items was in regards to the town's payroll software.

It was explained by Finance Director, Gayle Hamel, that New Hampshire Retirement is changing their software and that it would be a good time for them to do the same.

"They're upgrading their software after 20 years," said Hamel.

Hamel said that she talked to the company about updating it to a cloud base, which would allow them to report properly to NH Retirement. She said

instead of waiting she wanted to purchase the software this year.

"I would like to do it this year," said Hamel.

Hamel said that if they don't purchase it on their own then they will get it by next fall.

"I'm trying to be proactive and not be the last one on board," said Hamel.

Hamel said that it would be a cost of \$750 when they start to get the new software and \$750 when they are done.

It was explained by Hamel that she will likely go over budget for the department by purchasing it, but may be able to find the funds from the supply line in the budget.

She explained that by

getting the software now it will allow the department to make sure there aren't any issues with it now rather than down the road.

The Board of Selectmen ultimately approved going forward with the purchase of the software now.

Also during the meeting Town Administrator, Lynne Blaisdell, told the Board of Selectmen that the Conservation Commission was seeking a waiver for stumpage tax. She said that a company would be soon cutting down trees and instead of the stumpage tax going to the General Fund the Conservation Commission is looking for the Board of Selectmen to approve

sending those funds to the Conservation Commission Forestry fund.

She explained that the amount of tax is based on what kind of wood is taken, and then it is based on the linear amount taken multiplied by the stumpage rates.

"There's not an exact number," said Blaisdell.

Blaisdell said that they anticipate that it may be around \$1,200 to \$1,400 in taxes.

Selectmen, Darren Hudgins, who serves as the liaison for the Conservation Commission said that it would be good to put the funds into the forestry account because the Commission can spend the money on things that are

needed and won't have to go to the Board of Selectmen for more funds.

Blaisdell said that they have about \$6,000 to \$7,000 in the forestry fund account.

Board of Selectmen, Jonathan Goldman, said that he thinks that by putting the funds in the forestry fund it would have a much bigger impact than

by putting the funds into the general funds.

"This money will do nothing going to the general fund," said Goldman.

The Board of Selectmen ultimately approved having the funds be put into the Conservation Commission Forestry fund.

The next Sandown Board of Selectmen meeting is slated for July 25.

## Exit 4A

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The Public Informational Meeting has been scheduled to provide a project overview and design update with a focus on the 13065B project. The meeting will 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.

The state is inviting residents, business owners, commuters, elected officials, and anyone with an interest in how the project will affect the area to attend.

They are also encouraging anyone with comments or questions about the project, but are unable to attend the meeting, to contact: Wendy A. Johnson, P.E., Project Manager, NH Department of Trans-

portation, P.O. Box 483, Concord, NH 03302

Or by email at 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-

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The project is expected to affect a number of residents in the towns of Londonderry, Derry and Chester. A number of properties along the construction area on Folsom Road have already been purchased by the state and will be demolished in the coming months.

## OBITUARY

Frances A. "Fran" Meade



Frances A. "Fran" Meade, 75, of Derry, NH, passed away Thursday July 21, 2022, in the Southern NH Medical Center, Nashua, NH. She was born on Jan. 31, 1947 in Worcester, MA, a daughter of the late Richard and Isabella (Ciociolo) Leno. Fran was a resident of Derry for 2 years, formerly living in Trenton, NJ and Hooksett, NH. She was a music teacher in Somers, CT, the Dominican Republic, Venezuela and Iran. She ended her professional career as a music therapist for the state of New Jersey.

While at Birch Heights in Derry, Fran organized a Drum Circle for residents and while living in Hooksett, she was an active member of the Holy Rosary Parish & choir.

She is survived by one sister, Kathleen M. Crean and her husband Terrence of Middlefield, MA; two brothers, Richard W. Leno & his wife Kathleen of Somers, CT and Anthony K. Leno & his wife Anna of Enfield, CT, four nieces; Amy Kennedy and husband Kevin of Auburn, MA; Erica Hout and husband Steve of Vernon, CT, Shelley Drummey and husband Dustin of Enfield, CT, and Katrina Leno and Shane of Los Angeles, CA; and three nephews, Dr. Richard Leno and wife Brittany of Brooklyn, NY, Colby Leno and wife Nicole of San Francisco, CA and Anthony Leno of Enfield, CT; as well as five grandnieces & six grandnephews.

There are no calling hours. Following cremation, memorial services will be held by the family at a later date. The burial will be in the Better Place Forest in the Berkshires. The Peabody Funeral Homes and Crematorium, is assisting the family with arrangements. To send a condolence or for more information, please visit, [www.peabodyfuneralhome.com](http://www.peabodyfuneralhome.com).

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# Chester Celebrates 300th with a Firemen's Muster



The Tricentennial celebration in Chester continued on Saturday, July 23 with a 5K Race and an Old Fashioned Firemen Muster at the Wason Pond Recreational Area. Fire fighters from four towns participating in the event with each team competing in the Midnight Alarm, Wet Hose Lay, Bucket Brigade and Water Polo challenges. Fire Department teams from Chester, Derry, Brookline and Hooksett took part in the event. Derry was the first-place overall winner, also taking first in the Wet Hose Lay and the Midnight Alarm. Hooksett won the Bucket Brigade event and the Water Polo competition. Members of the Chester Fire Department won the Sportsmanship Award.

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# Annual Pet Show Brings Residents Out to the Library



Dogs, Bunnies, Birds and Hedge Hogs were all on display at the annual Pet Show at the Chester Public Library. Residents were invited to bring in their pets and were awarded certificates for competing in a number of categories.

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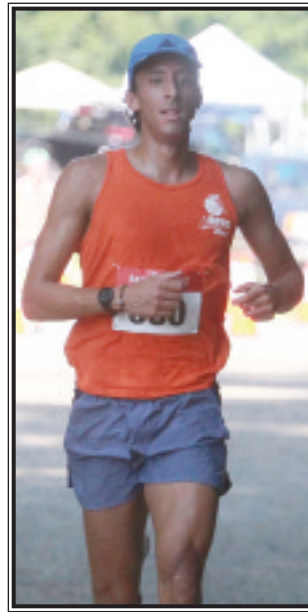




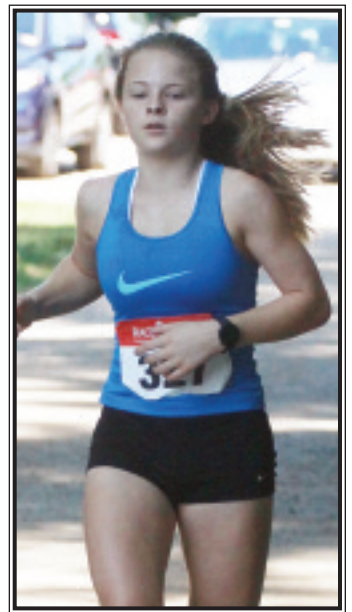
# 5K Race Helps Celebrate Chester's 300th Anniversery



Runners head out on the 5K cross-country course around Wason Pond.



Photos by Chris Paul Nico Seville-Connelly



Isabelle Groux

**CHRIS PAUL**  
NUTFIELD NEWS

About 90 runners participated in the Chester 300th Anniversary 5K Walk/Run race around Wason Pond on a very steamy Saturday morning, July 23.

The race was part of the on-going Chester 300th Anniversary celebration that has been taking place

throughout the year and 5K was immediately followed by an Old Fashioned Firemen's Muster on the Wason Pond ball fields.

The event was organized by Chester's David and Maria Veale, the couple who have been running the Wason Pond Pounder over the past decade and the race route was similar the Pounder trek but without the

obstacle course apparatus.

The top finishers in the race were both from their hometown of Chester.

Nico Seville-Connelly, 24, took first place overall and first for the male racers. Isabelle Groux, 15, of Chester, was able to outpace the field and take the top spot for the females.

Seville-Connelly finished with a time of 18:37

under extremely warm conditions and Groux had a time of 22:26.

The top ten male finishers were:

In second place overall was Stephen Connely, 19, of Chester (18:57); Nathan Huppe, 42, of Dover was third (19:47); Andrew Gallant, 33, of Chester (20:31); Steven Groulx, 21, of Chester (20:36); Joseph

Gustavson, 13, of Chester (21:27); Joseph Herling, 24, of Epsom (21:32); Jack Alizio, 16, of Chester (22:18); Isabelle Groulx, 15, of Chester (22:26); and Greg Desmararais, 50, of Chester (22:55).

The top ten female finishers were: After Groux, Tara Perrin, 43, of Lantau Island, was the second woman to cross the finish

line at 23:44. Verity Ungaro, 15, of Chester was third (24:28); followed by Jaclyn Weier, 34, of Londonderry (26:06); Roxanne Gagnon, 53, Manchester (26:27); Katie Perry, 15, of Nashua (27:35); Alana Perry, 18, of Nashua (27:41); Estelle Carr, 12, of Chester (27:56); Brittany Field, 34, of Chester (28:09); and Leslie Packard, 75, of Chester (29:59).

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# Track Club Completes Third Week of Kids Fun Runs

CHRIS PAUL  
NUTFIELD NEWS

After having to take a week off due to rain, the Greater Derry Track Club

(GDTC) Kid's Summer Fun Runs continued on Monday evening, July 15, with the third week of competition chancing to get races in before additional wet

weather.

Potential storms kept the crowd of children gathered at the Londonderry High School track a tad smaller this week, but those storms

passed by, making for a very pleasant evening.

The free races will continue into the final week on Monday night, Aug. 1, starting at 6:30 p.m.

As always, races were ran in several age groups, from two-on-up, with ages 9-13 being recorded for end-of-season prizes. In the younger age groups, every participant receives a ribbon for competing.

The top three finishers in the third week of racing are:

The boys' 9-year-old group had the same result as the first two weeks. Andrew Solovyeva of Hudson was first, Dominic Ambrose of Londonderry was second and Cooper Cimen of Londonderry was third.

The girls' 9-year-old group had the same finish as the previous week. Harper



Meghan Mullane, of Derry took first in the girls' 10-year-old group with Dannicia LeBlanc, of Freemont, taking second place.

O'Shea of Londonderry was first, Kendell Cimen of Londonderry was second and Brooke Reiff of Windham was third.

The boys' 10-year-old group; Ben Barry of Londonderry was first, Tyler Barry of Londonderry was second and Nicholas Tinay of Sandown was third.

In the girls' 10-year-old group; Meghan Mullane, of Derry was first, Dannicia LeBlanc, of Freemont, was second and Reagan Morgan was third.

In the boys' 11-year-old race; Mason Blundell of Windham was first once again, Cameron Cimen of Londonderry was second, and Jacob Tiney was third.

In the girls' 11-year-old race; Emerson Presher of Londonderry was first, Isley

Morrison, of Londonderry was second and Kelsey Santosuosso of Derry was third.

In the boys' 12-year-old race; Miles Herlicka, of New Boston was first and Logan Reiff of Windham, was second.

The girls' 12-year-old division, Emily Bugenhagen of Londonderry, was first, Madison Doherty was second, and Jocelyn McGarry of Windham was third.

For the boys' 13-year-old group; Joseph Gustavson of Chester was first for the third straight week, Blake Hollingshead of Windham was second and Quinn Morrison of Londonderry was third.

The free series begins each week at 6 p.m. with races starting at 6:30 and the final races will be on Aug. 2.

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# Chester School Board Approves Application For Security Grant

ALEX MALM  
NUTFIELD NEWS

**CHESTER** - The Chester School Board held a short meeting on July 20 in order to discuss a recently announced Security Action For Education Grant.

It was explained that the New Hampshire Department of Education Security Action For Education Grant was created in 2022 and it includes a portion of leftover funding

from the Public School Infrastructure Fund, and it also includes an additional \$10 million in funding from the American Rescue Plan Act.

The fund is set up to support school security and safety improvements for k-12 public and non-public schools across the state of New Hampshire.

The grants are going to be ranked by Homeland Security and Emergency Management.

As part of the applica-

tion process school districts are required to submit an application for each of the schools that converts only one project category.

The different categories that districts can choose from includes access control, surveillance, and emergency alerting.

The School Board voted unanimously in favor of authorizing going forward with the grant application.

Chester Superintendent, Karen Locke, submitted an application for a SAFE grant in order to support a planned 2023 project to redesign The school's front office and main entrance in hopes of improving access control to Chester Academy.

Chester School Board Chair, Royal Richardson, explained originally it was thought a school board vote and approved minutes from the meeting were required as part of the

application process; however the newest application doesn't require that provision.

Also during the meeting, the Board heard a proposal to replace and upgrade two of their high use external access doors that are adjacent to the cafeteria and lead out to the playground.

It was explained by Locke that replacing the doors were on a list of planned upgrades, but she thought the work should be

expedited, which the School Board agreed with.

The School Board ultimately unanimously approved authorizing Chester Business Administrator, Sheryl Rich, and Chester Facilities Director, Martin McFarland, to engage in a contract to replace the doors as soon as possible.

The next Chester School Board meeting is slated for Aug. 3 beginning at 7 p.m.

# Sandown Conservation In Favor of Town Land Purchase

ALEX MALM  
NUTFIELD NEWS

**SANDOWN** - One of the agenda items during the July 11 Sandown Conservation Commission meeting was a public hearing regarding the acquisition of property known as Tax Map 17, lot 4.

Conservation Commission Chairman, Brian Butler, explained he was in

support of purchasing the property since it adds to the existing land that is currently owned by the Conservation Commission on Wells Village Road and it will serve as a connection property between federal and local conservation land.

Butler said the agreed upon price for the property is \$13,000. He explained it would need to go to the

Board of Selectmen for their final approval.

No one from the public spoke during the public hearing.

The Commission ultimately went into non public to discuss the property further. The Commission voted to seal the minutes from the non public session until after the sale is completed.

Another agenda item

during the meeting was an update regarding the cutting at the Wells Village Road Town Forestry.

Butler explained the Board of Selectmen recently approved allowing the timber tax to go back into the forestry fund instead of it going to the general fund.

He also told the Commission the company who is doing the cutting asked it to be postponed until the Conservation Commission receives proper approval. He said Charlie Moreno would be helping them gain the proper approval that is needed to be allowed to do the cut.

Butler told the Com-

mission he is hopeful the cut will be able to begin in September. He also noted all the trees cut will be pulled out and chipped. It was also pointed out that the Fire Chief had been notified about the cut and he approves of it.

In other news during the meeting, the Commission discussed the community garden sightlines.

Butler asked Conservation Commission members Chrissy and Nick Ortins if they could find some gardening volunteers to help pull weeds at the entrance of the garden.

Butler stated it should be weed whacked since the brush hog does not fit in

the area. He told the Commission if they wanted him to do that he would be willing to brush hog the rest of the area.

The Conservation Commission also discussed security at the red barn.

Butler explained to the Commission that the red barn doors need some work done on them because there was a good amount of rotted wood in addition to some weak latches. He told the Commission that he would like it if they can address those issues in the near future.

The next Sandown Conservation Commission meeting is slated to take place on Aug. 11.

## Voting

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immediate action.

Hand counting all ballots every election will almost certainly cost more compared to the machines the town used in 2020. Additional costs will also be associated with organizing a special election for one issue.

"I'm not going to vote

to spend \$10,000 of the taxpayer's money for 51 people" stated Vice Chairman, Tom Tombarell.

Exactly how much a special election will cost taxpayers is unclear, depending on several different factors. Tombarell wanted the Town Moderator to weigh in on the financial issue before engaging in further discussion. A motion by the Board of Select-

men to deny the petition was narrowly rejected. Both Tombarell and Goldman expressed a desire to continue the discussion on Aug. 22, where Major will be in attendance to get a better idea about what the proposal for a voting machine ban could mean for the town. The Board hopes to solve the debate over voting machines at the August meeting.

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## DERRY

### How to Protect Yourself from Scams

On Aug. 3, at 6:30 p.m., an online St. Mary's Bank is teaming up with the Derry Public Library to let you know what to look for and how to guard against online scams and phone calls. Register at [derrypl.org](http://derrypl.org) or call 603-432-6140.

### Online Film Program

On Aug. 8, at 6:30 p.m., Werner Herzog Reference Librarian Liz and cohost Todd take a look at legendary filmmaker, Werner Herzog. Register at [derrypl.org](http://derrypl.org) or call 603-432-6140.

### Presidential Landmarks

An online Presidential Landmarks of New England presentation will be held on Aug. 10 at 6:30 p.m. A combination of history and travelogue focusing on the native New Englanders who called the White House Home. A great program for the historically minded and tourists alike. Register at [derrypl.org](http://derrypl.org) or call 603-432-6140.

### End of Summer Party

On Aug. 11 1 p.m., at the Derry Library Meeting Rooms and MacGregor Park End of Summer Party, Featuring Magician BJ Hickman DPL is celebrating a great summer reading program with a performance by Magician BJ Hickman. Event will be held in MacGregor Park. In case of inclement weather it will be held in the library meeting room. Register at [derrypl.org](http://derrypl.org) or call 603-432-6140.

### Movie Night

On Aug. 17 at 6 p.m., in the Derry Library Meeting Room B DPL Movie Night. Folks looking for a way to beat the heat, or just see a movie for free can to the Derry Library. Register at [derrypl.org](http://derrypl.org) or call 603-432-

6140.

### Family Fun Fest

On Thursday, July 28 at Don Ball Park, 14 Humphrey Rd., the Marion Gerrish Community Center will host a Family Fun Fest from 6 - 8:30 p.m. There will be Activities, giveaways, a free outdoor movie and more. See the Marion Gerrish Facebook page for a full list activities.

### Spartans Summer League

Spartans Basketball, NH's largest AAU Basketball program, will be hosting their Annual Summer League Session at the Derry Sports Center. Games will be played Tuesday through Thursday evenings from Mid-June to Mid-Aug. All practices are held on Friday nights. For more information visit [www.nhspartans.com](http://www.nhspartans.com) website, contact Chris Coates at [CoatesNew@Hotmail.com](mailto:CoatesNew@Hotmail.com), or call 603-926-2276.

### Derry Homegrown

The Derry Homegrown Farm & Artisan Market is now open every Wednesday, Rain or Shine at 1 West Broadway, Derry. Close of Season is Sept. 28. For more info, contact Derry Homegrown at: [info@derryhomegrown.org](mailto:info@derryhomegrown.org), 603-479-5918, [derryhomegrown.org](http://derryhomegrown.org), [facebook.com/derryhomegrown](https://facebook.com/derryhomegrown) or [instagram.com/derryhomegrown](https://instagram.com/derryhomegrown)

### Story and Craft

The Taylor library will be holding a Story and Craft on Tuesdays at 4 p.m., this is for all ages. Call Library at 603-432-7186 for more information.

### Tiny Tot

The Taylor Library will hold Tiny Tot's on Mondays and Fridays at 10 a.m. Call Library at 603-432-7186 for more information.

### Senior Movie Special

Free movie, popcorn & soda for seniors on the last Friday of each month at noon at the Marion

Gerrish Community Center, 39 West Broadway, Derry.

### Story and Building Club

The Taylor Library will hold a Story and Building Club on Thursdays, at 4 p.m., this group is open to all ages. Call Library at 603-432-7186 for more information.

## CHESTER

### Cultivating Compost

The benefits of composting far exceeds the initial challenge of deciding how to get started. In this presentation on Thursday, July 28, at 6 p.m., at the Chester Library will discuss basic tips for composting and common mistakes to avoid. When wrapped up, you'll be composting with ease. The evening will conclude with ample time for questions and discussion with Willa Coroka of Dillon Old Farm Nursery. Reservations required call at (603) 887-3404

### Bedtime Stories

Every Monday at 6:30 p.m., at the Chester Library, put on your PJs, bring your favorite stuffed animal, and snuggle up for evening story time and a craft with Miss Grace. Please register.

### Storytime

Bring your little ones to the Chester Library for stories, songs, and crafts with Miss Grace every Tuesday at 10:30 a.m. They will meet on the lawn behind the library (weather permitting) Please register.

### Diamond Painting Club

Find your Zen every Thursday from 6 - 7:30 p.m., at the Chester Library. Materials are provided for this drop in club. No Registration required.

### Dominoes Club!

Love dominoes and already know how to play? Or are you looking for some-

thing new and fun to try? Join Terry Armstrong for this fun new club, meeting in Chester Library conference room every Thursday from 1 - 4 pm. All skill levels welcome! For more information and to register call 887-3404.

## HAMPSTEAD

### Game Day

On Tuesday, Aug. 2, Game Day, from 2 - 4 p.m., games for all ages are set up throughout the Hampstead Library and outside. From Cornhole to Wii, cards to Giant Jenga, you are sure to find something you'll enjoy. This event is for all ages.

### Message In A Bottle

On Wednesday, Aug. 3, at 6:30 p.m., a Meditation & Message-in-a-Bottle session at the Hampstead Library. The instructor for this in-person class is Sue Crump. Participants experience the mindfulness and relaxation of meditation. Then write a positive intention on a slip of paper and place it in a glass bottle. Fill the bottle with sand and seashells to create a personal message in a bottle.

### Aquatic Critters

On Friday, Aug. 5, at 1 p.m., the Hampstead Library will hold Aquatic Critters, the Grand Finale to the Children's Summer Reading Program takes place on the front lawn. All are invited to see the live Aquatic Critters brought by a naturalist from the Squam Lakes Natural Science Center. These critters depend on New Hampshire's waters, and attendees learn all about their habitats, adaptations, and populations. This event is appropriate for all ages. Special thanks to the Greater Hampstead Civic Club for funding this program. Watch the Library Facebook page for updates if there should be questionable weather.

### Chair Yoga

On Tuesday, Aug. 9, at 12:30 p.m., at the Hampstead Library. Men, women, and teens are welcome, Maggie Grace from the Yoga Room teaches participants strengthening and stretching exercises in this 45-minute session. Please register in advance via

the Events Calendar on [HampsteadLibrary.org](http://HampsteadLibrary.org) or call 603-329-6411.

### Necklace Craft

Create a Sand Dollar Necklace at the Hampstead Public Library on Friday, July 29 at 11 a.m. All instructions and materials are provided for you to craft this beachy necklace. All levels of crafters are welcome, including adults, teens, and children with an adult. No registration is necessary. Sample pictures can be found on the Library's website in the Events Calendar.

### Sound Bath Demo

Joe Hayes of Sound Scapers leads a Crystal Bowl Sound Bath on Saturday, July 30 at 1 p.m. It's believed that a sound bath can trigger "sound healing," a remedy favored by many cultures for thousands of years. You may either sit in a chair, or if you prefer, lay down please bring a blanket/towel/yoga mat. No advance registration required.

### Donations

The Hampstead Public Library currently accepts book and media donations, specifically, adult fiction, children's books, and DVDs for all ages. Donations should be fairly recent publication, and free of damage. Please, do not contribute items that have stains, water damage, mold, mildew, dust, yellowing pages, musty smell, etc. The staff appreciates donations of no more than two boxes or bags at a time. Please bring things inside during Library business hours, do not leave any donations outside. All donations are greatly appreciated, and many will be used in the big Annual Book Sale in August.

### Senior Trip

The next scheduled trip for the Hampstead Seniors is for Sept. 15. This bus trip is to Encore Casino in Boston MA. After spending time at the Casino, the bus will stop on the return trip at Prince Pasta in Saugus Ma for a buffet dinner. The buffet will include salad, rolls, chicken broccoli Alfredo, homemade meatballs, and pasta with marinara sauce. Dessert and

coffee and soft drinks is also included. The last day for sign ups is July 28. If the bus is not filled by that date, out of town residents will be allowed to sign up. The cost for this trip is \$35 for Hampstead seniors. The cost includes round trip transportation, the buffet at Prince Pasta, and \$20 in slots given by Encore Casino. Out of town residents are \$45. For questions call Jaye Dimando at 793-329-5422 or email at [Jdimando1@gmail.com](mailto:Jdimando1@gmail.com).

### Preschool Story Time

Mondays, July 25 and Aug. 1 at the Hampstead Library. This Summer Story Time features ocean-themed stories and crafts. This program is designed for children age 3 to 6, but siblings are welcome to join as we sing, move, and read. Outdoor Story Time is at 9:30 a.m., on the Library lawn. If the weather is poor, Outdoor Story Time is cancelled. Indoor Story Time is at 11 am in the newly-renovated Children's Program Room. The same stories, songs, and crafts are featured in both the indoor and outdoor session.

### Mother Goose Story Time

On Tuesday Aug. 2 at the Hampstead Library, at 9:30 a.m. Mother Goose is designed for children age 0 to 2 with their caregivers. It is a 30-minute interactive session that uses rhymes, songs, and more to stimulate the learning process of babies and toddlers. Older siblings are welcome to attend. This program takes place outside but moves inside if the weather is poor. Please bring a blanket or chair to use outside.

### Crochet Club

Ying Zhang will be teaching in person either one on one or small private groups on Saturdays at the Hampstead Civic Club Building next to Town Hall. Email Ying at [Yzhanglai@comcast.net](mailto:Yzhanglai@comcast.net) to book an appointment. The Civic Club will still provide the material needed.

### Chess Club

Meeting on Sundays from 4 - 5:30 p.m., for players from Hampstead and their friends

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from nearby towns. There is no cost to play and all skill levels welcome. Due to Covid-19 the Chess Club will be online only. Go to <https://hampsteadcivicclub.org/chess-club> for more information.

### June Storywalk

The featured book in the Hampstead Public Library's Storywalk® for the month of June is *It's a Firefly Night* by Dianne Ochiltree. The Storywalk® is located on the Library's front lawn. The public is welcome to enjoy it at any time.

### SANDOWN

#### Summer Saturdays - Movie Magic

Enjoy evening movies at the Sandown Library recre-

ation building on Saturday, Aug. 6, from 7:30 - 10:30 p.m. Food and beverages will be available for purchase. Tonight's movie will be *Lilo and Stitch*. This event will be rescheduled in case of inclement weather. Movies will start as soon as it is dark enough.

### "Sea Glass" Lanterns

On Wednesday Aug. 3, from 5 - 6 p.m., The Sandown Library will be making "Sea Glass" Lanterns! Registration is required. This program is for ages 11+. Registration is required for this program.

### Ride the Waves Story Time

At this Sandown Summer reading ocean fun, learn about the beach, the ocean and the creatures that live there, on Thursday, Aug. 4, from 10 - 11 a.m. Registration is required.

### Paint Party

In keeping with the Sandown Library's summer reading theme, join in on Saturday, Aug. 6, from 11 a.m. - 12:30 p.m., to paint a "window to the ocean" canvas with Michelle the Painter. All materials provided.

### Tales for Tots

On Tuesdays from 10 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. at the Sandown Library. Ocean based stories, songs, and activities will be incorporated into this story time designed for busy toddlers. This program is designed for toddlers and early preschool children 3 and under.

### Ride the Waves Story Time

Come join the Sandown Library's summer reading ocean fun, learn about the beach, the ocean and the creatures that live there on Thursday, July 28, from 10 -

11 a.m. Registration is required.

### Crafting Crew

On Wednesdays from 10 - 11 a.m., at the Sandown Library an Ocean themed crafting fun for the summer. This program is recommended for children 3 years and above. Registration is required and will close at 9 p.m. the evening prior to the program.

### Mermaid Sugar Scrub

Make your own natural body scrub with a mermaid twist at the Sandown Library on Thursday, July 28, from 5 - 6 p.m. Great to give as a gift or keep for yourself. Registration is required. This program is for ages 11+.

### Game Day - Mahjong

The Sandown Library's instructor Cathy will teach this beautiful, fun, and ever

challenging game played with tiles on Thursday, July 28, from 10 a.m. - noon. American Mahjong is similar to the card game rummy. No registration is required - just stop in.

### Ukrainian Eggs

On Saturday, July 30 from 11 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Ruth returns to the Sandown Library with a special Ukrainian Egg program. She has designed a series of ocean-themed eggs for the Seacoast Science Center, and she has agreed to show us how they are done! Due to the use of candles and hot wax, this class is not recommended for children under 6. Children aged 6 - 9 may participate with an adult working as a team. Sandown residents will be given first priority for attending this program. A wait list will be maintained for out-of-town residents and

should there be available space, they will be notified.

### Citizen of the Year

The Sandown Old Home Day Committee is seeking nominations for Citizens of the Year. They are seeking a Sandown resident who has shown exceptional dedication and exemplifies the qualities of volunteerism, offer service to the community for the improvement and betterment of Sandown, and someone that you think deserves the honor of being Citizen of the Year. Nomination Deadline: July 29, a candidate form can be found at [www.sandown.us/sites/g/files/vyhlif497-6/f/news/2022\\_nomination\\_form.pdf](http://www.sandown.us/sites/g/files/vyhlif497-6/f/news/2022_nomination_form.pdf). You can return the form to the Selectmen's Office, email the signed form to [pgulla@sandown.us](mailto:pgulla@sandown.us), fax to (603) 887-5163 or drop it off at the Town Hall.

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### Old Home Day

Sandown's Old home day will be held from Aug. 12 - 13. Starting on Friday Night at 6 - 11 p.m., with the Town Hall SHSM Kick-off. On Saturday from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m., with the Downtown TLC, Library, Seeley Beach & More. Then on Saturday Night from 6 - 9 p.m.; Band & Fireworks at The Sandlot along with a Cornhole Competition - Registration due by July 1. Plus Performers, Fireworks, Food, Bounce House, Town Beach Events, Vendors, Games, and a Cornhole Competition.

### Board of Library Trustees

Sandown Library Board Of Trustees will be Meeting from 7 - 9 p.m. The Board of Library Trustees meet every month on the second Thursday. This meeting is open to the public.

### Cookie Bites & Canvas

Join Michelle's Art as she guides us through a paint project at the Sandown Library, and we enjoy a new cookie treat each month on Saturday from 1 - 2 p.m. All materials and snacks will be provided by the library. Dress in clothes you don't mind getting paint on. This program is for tweens and older please.

### Messy Monday

Join the Sandown Library for child-centered, creative exploration on Monday's from 10 - 11 a.m. Art, science and crafts will all be incorporated into this program, and you can leave the mess for us. We will provide aprons, but please dress your child in clothing that can get messy. This group is limited to 10 children (ages 2 - 6) and registration is required.

### Legos and More

Do you love Legos? Come and build at the Sandown Library on Mondays from 4 - 5 p.m. We will have building challenges, introduce some STEM activities, and have open, creative time. This program is appropriate for ages; 5+Registration is required.

### PageTurners Book Club

This Sandown Library group will meet on the first Thursday of each month at 5 p.m. There will be great snacks! At the end of each meeting, members can make suggestions and then vote for the following month's book. Please come prepared to share two things you liked about the book, two things it could have improved on, and any other thoughts you have about the book. Registration is required. Copies of the book can be found at the front desk

### Story Hour

Come join the Sandown Library for fun with stories, songs, puppets and more. This themed story and craft times are designed to encourage the development of early literacy skills and build friendships with others. This event will take place on Thursdays from 10 - 11 a.m. 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. [director@sandownlibrary.us](mailto:director@sandownlibrary.us).

### BOOK - 2 - MOVIE

Is the Book always Better? The first Thursday of each month from 6 - 8 p.m., the Sandown Library watches a movie based on a book and have a discussion comparing them. Books for the next gathering are always available on movie viewing night. This is open every month to anyone who wants to join the discussion and watch the movie. Contact: Tricia Thomas at 603-887-3428 or [pthomas@sandownlibrary](mailto:pthomas@sandownlibrary)

### Food for Thought

Come join the Sandown Library and explore recipes and cooking. Second-guess the experts and improve on their recipes. Food for Thought meets on the second Wednesdays of the month. Each month we pick a chef/recipe, prepare the food, and meet together to taste and critique. You must follow the recipe you choose. A great way to refine your cooking skills, explore new cuisine, and gather with other foodies.

Registration is required for this event.

### Crafting Crew

Crafts to make at home with the Sandown Library for ages 2-6! Each registered participant will receive a Take & Go Bag containing craft materials for each week's craft. If you did not request a bag, most crafts can be made with materials you probably have at your home, so check out the craft video! The directions for each week's craft will be pre-recorded then posted to the library's YouTube channel each Thursday 10 - 11 a.m. Find the library's channel here, <https://bit.ly/2REz5vh>. Contact: Tricia Thomas, at 887-3428, or [programming@sandownlibrary.us](mailto:programming@sandownlibrary.us).

### A Novel Bunch

Join the Sandown Library teen book club, A Novel Bunch. It will meet on the fourth Thursday of each month at 5 p.m. There will be snacks. At the end of each meeting, members can make suggestions and then vote for the following month's book. Please come prepared to share two things you liked about the book, two things it could have improved on, and any other thoughts you have about the book. Registration is required. Copies of the book can be found at the front desk. This book group is for those in grades 8-12.

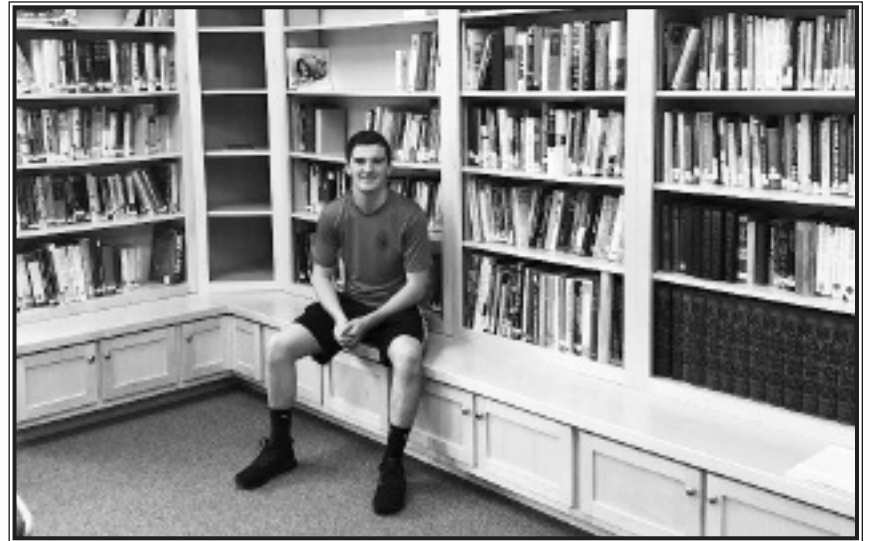
### Potter Book to Movie Club

Do you love all things Harry Potter? If so, this club is for you! On the fourth Wednesday of each month from 3:30 - 6 p.m., this Sandown Library group will watch a Harry Potter movie based on one of the books and have a discussion comparing them. Is the book always better than the movie? There will be great snacks! Registration is required. Copies of the book can be found at the front desk.

### Mother Goose On The Loose

Join the Sandown Library on Monday mornings for movement, reading, rhymes, and songs. Mother Goose on the Loose is a brain-based program consisting of thirty minutes of fun, skill-building activities. Some benefits of the programs are the follow-

# Eagle Scout Candidate Renovates Library



After two years of Covid delays and months of planning, the library of Etz Hayim Synagogue has now been renovated by resident Eagle Scout candidate, David Meyer, the talented Shawn Schuyler of Schuyler General Contractors, and guidance from David's Eagle Coach, Steph Landau. In addition to the design and carpentry work, almost 300 books were cataloged by David's home troop, Troop 136, under the direction of Temple Librarian, Cindy Landau.

David Meyer is 17 years old, and is currently the rank of Life Scout working towards Eagle Scout. He is in his 12th year of scouting with Troop 136, located in Epping, NH, where he has lived his entire life. Once David completes his board of review, his Eagle Court of Honor will be scheduled at Etz Hayim Synagogue.

Since 2009, David and his family have been members of Etz Hayim Synagogue, where he became a Bar

Mitzvah and made Confirmation. David says he loved to attend Shabbat Services and has built a bond with the community, and enjoys sitting down and spending time with other members. He feels Etz Hayim and its members have given so much to him, it only felt right for the Temple to receive something in exchange, and chose to replace the library as his Eagle Scout project.

David focused his attention on the library, as the shelves had started to bow and sway from the weight of books, resulting in limiting book inventory. The renovation provides a more robust and enduring structure, and elevates the space from a room full of books to a true library. The new shelving unit wraps a corner, is much taller, and features a bump-out to use for sitting, as a platform to stand on, or as extra storage. Birch was selected as the material for the shelving unit to match the existing Torah ark, bimah, lectern, and chairs.

ing: aids speech development, improves motor coordination, develops attention span, and encourages a love of books and book illustrations.

### Dog Man Book Club

This Sandown Library club will meet once a month on Thursdays from 4 - 5 p.m. to discuss a Dog Man book and do some fun activities. For this month, we will be reading Dog Man: A Tale of Two Kitties. Copies of the book will be available at the front desk.

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