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## **Derry Town Council Gets Update On Council Goals**

ALEX MALM NUTFIELD NEWS

DERRY - During the Oct. 4 Derry Town Council meeting, the Council received an update from Town Administrator, Dave Caron, regarding the Council's goals for FY 2023.

He explained they have an obligation to return to the Town Council once every quarter to give an update on the goals and objectives they had made previously.

One of the goals was in regards to the recreational facility plan. Caron explaned they signed a contract with TF Moran for the design aspect of the recreational area at Hood Park.

"That is underway,"

said Caron.

by Caron that the skate park at Alexander Carr Park is now completed.

"We're very proud of the work that they've done," said Caron .

It was pointed out by Town Council Chairman, Joshua Bourdon, that now the skatepark is open, anyone in the public is allowed to use it and people don't need to get permission.

"Anyone can go, you don't have to ask for permission," said Bourdon.

put forward by the Town Council was to encourage Pinkerton Academy to go with solar for their facilities. It was noted by Caront during the meeting by previously that they approved sending a letter

to the headmaster and It was also pointed out Board of Trustees to move forward with it.

> "Thats off to the headmaster and the board of trustees," said Caron

It was also noted that Police Chief, George Feole, has been looking at buying hybrid cruisers this year after it was encouraged that the Town looks at buying electric vehicles as they begin to replace their fleets. Caron stated it is being endorsed by the Net Zero Task Force.

Caron added that due to Another goal that was the supply chain issues, they are hopeful to be able to get the vehicles if they go in that direction.

> Other goals pointed out Caron includes expanded continued on page 5

## **Hampstead Selectmen Approve ARPA Funds For Library Pavilion**

#### ALEX MALM NUTFIELD NEWS

HAMPSTEAD - The Town's American Rescue Plan Act funds were in discussion at the Sept. 26 Hampstead Board of Selectmen meeting.

It was explained by Administrative Assistant, Theriault, they Sally received \$450,000 in funds from the first round and about \$450,000 in the second round.

Theriault said for the second round of funds, they looked at all the proposals in-depth.

"We met and went through every item, line by line," said Theriault.

second round of requests which is more than the approximately \$300,000 they have left.

"That exceeds what we have left," said Theriault.

Theriault stated that as part of the review some of they can order it, the soonthe proposals were dropped or modified.

"This is where we are right now," said Theriault.

One of the items that was pointed to was an ATV in order to do rescues out on the trials. Fire Chief, Michael Carrier, explained that right now they have to carry people manually if there is an emergency.

"That's very labor in-

Theriault added that the tensive," said Carrier.

Selectmen, Joseph Gutcame in at about \$538,000, hrie, asked if it's something that should be moved to the top of the list.

> "It would seem to me to give them some priority," said Guthrie.

> Carrier said the sooner er they can get it.

> Another item that was brought up is the library pavilion project.

Guthrie explained that the Library needs to know if they would be getting any funds from the ARPA funds in order to determine how to move forward with their pavilion project. He was hoping for the Selectcontinued on page 2

### Familiar Faces The Chester Village People have been out in full force again this year carrying on the annual fund raising tradition for the Chester Historical Society. This friendly farmer sits along Chester Road on the way to Auburn. See more photos page 8. Photo by Chris Paul

# **Budget Discussions Begun by Sandown Selectmen**



SANDOWN - The Sandown Board of Selectmen began their budget process during the Oct. 3 Selectmen meeting as they began to discuss budgets for FY 2023.

Presenting the budget Minton Building.

for debt expense and tax anticipated note Sandown Finance Director, Gayle Hamel.

For the debt service budget, Hamel told the Selectmen they have no revenue from it and a net expense of \$50,000. She added that it was for the

"That's the principal was payment," said Hamel.

For the tax anticipated note, the Board of Selectmen approved sending a favorable recommendation to the Budget Committee with the budget being \$5,000.

For the Trustees of the continued on page 4

## Hampstead Planning Board Addresses Hazel Project Delay

PAUL CONYERS NUTFIELD NEWS

HAMPSTEAD - The Hampstead Planning Board met on Oct. 4 to address a delayed, ongoing project on Hazel Drive.

James M. Lavelle Associates sent a letter to the Planning Board asking for a thirty-day extension to the Board's initial approval of an ongoing business project requiring land redevelop-

### Hampstead

continued from page 1 \$59,700 needed.

"The library has to know how they are going forward," said Guthrie.

Selectmen, Laurie Warnock, asked if that was the latest estimate for the pavilion.

"That's what they gave

applicant originally requested a ninety-day extension last July, hoping that planting trees in the fall would lead to a higher success rate.

Abutting residents have expressed concerns since the beginning of 2022. The Hazel property already has initial approval for construction.

Karen Gray, a Hampstead resident living behind

me at the Department Heads meeting," said Theriault.

Guthrie explained one men to approve the of the main reasons why he was in favor of granting the funds is because the library helped out with different needs during Covid.

> "I think they picked up the ball and did as much as they could for the town," said Guthrie.

Board of Selectmen

ment at the property. The the Hazel property, wanted less, to see the work either finished or canceled. She was frustrated at the prospect of an even longer delay with the requested extension.

> "This Board put forward specific requirements for our neighbor, for future business plans. Requirements to keep in compliance with this municipality's codes and bylaws," said Gray with an emotional response. "The count-

Chairman, Sean Murphy, said he wants to have a more concrete look at how much they have spent, how much they have, and how much is earmarked before making a decision.

The Board of Selectmen approved granting funds for the library pavilion with Murphy voting against it.

requested delays, noncompliance, where is the accountability?"

Gray also complained that dust in the air, noise, and fire from the construction made it impossible to open windows in her house throughout the summer. "No more postponements or excuses," she added.

The original applicant cited a recent hospital stay when applying for the most recent extension.

Planning Board Chairman, Robert Weimar, apologized for the continued delays. "I regret that we have not been able to get the applicant to finish the work that they agreed would be done by the end of September."

The Board eventually approved the thirty-day extension, but promised to conduct a site inspection

any violations. Board member, Bob Villella, raised the possibility of revoking the conditional use permit if delays continue.

Jenn Rowden, the Land Use Program Manager, of the Rockingham Planning Commission, was in attendance to give the Board an update on the Hampstead Master Plan.

"During the course of the Master Plan update, there have been four major outreach and public engagement events. It started in June of 2020, where we did a primarily online survey with 800 responses," according to Rowden. "We got in the vicinity of 80,000 comments from those who took it."

The Program Manager asked Board members if they had any questions about the vision, goals, and

postponements, with possible citations for actions of the Master Plan. Weimar believed the Plan was a "departure" from past documents. "There are a number of issues here that, in my opinion, we absolutely cannot require." He worried some suggestions are beyond the power of the Planning board to implement. Many recommendations in the Master Plan are broadly defined, without a strong guide for implementation.

> Rowen went over some goals of the Plan, such as clean water, safe roadways (even without sidewalks), and ways to encourage better civic engagement.

The next Hampstead Planning Board is scheduled for Monday, Oct. 17. The next public hearing is scheduled for Monday, Nov. 7. Hearings are at the Hampstead Town Hall, 7 p.m.

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### **Derry School Board Approve Donation to Children's Dental Health Network**

#### ALEX MALM NUTFIELD NEWS

DERRY - One of the agenda items during the Sept. 27 Derry School Board meeting was in regards to a proposed donation to the Children's Dental Health Network, which provides dental services for students who qualify.

It was explained by Superintendent, Garofalo, it is a common practice for school districts to make that type of donation. As examples, Londonderry and Salem both is a \$10,000 donation,"

have it as line items in their said Garofalo. budget.

Garofalo said he compared it to things like physical and occupational therapy, or other services that they offer in the school setting that not all students use.

'This is another service that we can provide for those who have this type of a need," said Garofalo

Garofalo added they Austin have more than double the amount of students that use the services than Salem who donated \$7,500 last year.

"My recommendation

It was pointed out by School Board Chair, Erika Cohen, they previously gave them space in lieu of cash, which they no longer need.

"They are now asking for support in cash, not space," said Cohen.

School Board member, Brenda Willis, said while she supports the program, she doesn't know if she could support using school district dollars on it.

"I still have concerns and it's not about the program. I value the program

greatly," said Willis.

She explained there are other important services they have that they don't pay for like school lunches and while they do support other services that not all students use like physical therapy or occupational therapy those things are required as part of IEPS.

"I am just struggling with how we balance this," said Willis.

School Board member, David Clapp, said he was in complete support.

"I fully support this and hope fellow board memClapp.

School Board member, Paul Lutz, pointed out they should be helping out with different things like this if they can and also noted they set a precedent with helping with the particular program when they previously provided them with office space as an in kind donation.

Lutz said he calculated what Londonderry and Salem pay per student based on how many students use it and how much they donated and it comes

bers will as well," said out to between \$40 to \$50 per student.

> Lutz said he ultimately thought they should help them with what they can.

> School Board member, Jessica Ring, said she also thought it was something they should do because it has a benefit for their students.

> "Our students benefit greatly from this," said Ring.

> The School Board ultimately voted 5-1 in favor of authorizing a \$10,000 donation with Willis voting against it.

## **Chester Planning Board Gives Approval For 11 Lot Subdivision**

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#### ALEX MALM NUTFIELD NEWS

CHESTER - At the Sept. 28 Chester Planning Board meeting the subdivision plan for the 181 Haverhill Rd., which is also known as Colby Farm was in discussion.

The proposal is for a 11 lot subdivision.

It was explained by Jason Lopez, who was representing the owner, that he has been calling the wetland bureau of the NH

were raised. Lopez said he not the edge of the beaver hasn't heard back from them yet.

The main question was whether or not the reference line is determined from the banks of the river and it isn't from any artificial structure and if a beaver pond is within that Lopez was able to get perdefinition.

Based on the RSAs Lopez said the high water mark of a river is used to determine a reference line. It was requested by the

Department of Environ- Board previously that Lopez mental Services to find out contact NHDES to get a

ponds need to be used to define the reference line. If that is the case the question is would a permit be required since the proposed structure would be within 250 feet of the setback.

At the last meeting, mission from the abutter in order to have a surveyor survey the land and for the wetland consultant to further investigate the property by entering the abuting property.

Since then, Lopez said

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answers to questions that decision about whether or the surveyor was able to go response," said Lopez.

Lopez explained once "We now have a good they put the request in point of where the beaver writing they will have to impoundment is," said respond within 30 days Lopez. He said it is 204 otherwise it is considered their approval he said.

"It will pretty much The issue, however, that Lopez pointed to is force their hand to make a they still haven't heard decision," said Lopez.

Selectmen Chairman, "We've reached out, no Chuck Myette, stated they

are looking for the professional opinion regarding the issue, which could also be given by their wetland scientist.

"We're asking for that professional opinion," said Myette.

The Planning Board ultimately gave conditional approval for the subdivision plan.





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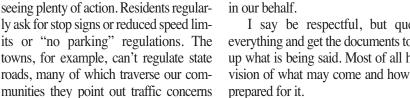
Can we as towns accommodate the growth at this fast paced? Are we removing a lot of farmland that yield us sustainability? Are stop signs sufficient to regulate traffic from residential neighborhoods into larger and higher speed roads? How reliable are traffic studies? Are we taking into account the questions and costs of residential and business growth in neighboring areas?

The towns need to make sure we have strong infrastructure growth plans in place for traffic, water, sewer, air, and light pollutants plans that align with the population growth in a smart way.

Town and school officials are responsible for the people of the towns to make sure the greater good is being carried out in our behalf.

I say be respectful, but question everything and get the documents to back up what is being said. Most of all have a vision of what may come and how to be prepared for it.

"Change is inevitable growth is



serious enough to get people off their couches and seeking help from public optional" John Maxwell



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## **Chester Selectmen Set New Policies in Setting Agenda**

#### ALEX MALM NUTFIELD NEWS

CHESTER - One of the items discussed during the Thursday, Oct. 6, Chester Board of Selectmen meeting was in regards to their procedures for meetings.

It was explained by Board of Selectmen Chairman, Chuck Myette, there has been discussion about potentially changing the deadline for putting things on the agenda and also for people to provide clarity for why something is being put on the agenda.

"What we are seeing is last minute additions to it," said Myette.

It was pointed out by Selectmen, Stephen D'Angelo, they had problems in the past where things would get added to the agenda sometimes an hour before the meetings began.

"We used to get things an hour before the meeting and it was problematic," said D'angelo.

Town Adminsistrator.

Deb Doda, said they still Selectmen continue to get people who decided to end the use of want things added at the last minute.

D'Angelo stated he thinks it would be sufficient to make the deadline Monday at the end of the day to get things on the Thursday agenda.

Myette said he wants more information to be provided as well for agenda items so they can be more prepared on different topics before they discuss it during the meeting.

It was ultimately decided to make the new policy that agenda items must be put on the agenda by the end of the day on Monday for the week of the meeting. If something needs to be put on the agenda at the last minute then it would be at the discretion of the Chair.

Also during the meeting, the Board of Selectmen discussed how to use Zoom going forward for their meetings.

Doda explained the priate to do so.

previously Zoom for their meetings and asked if they wanted to reconsider it.

She said for some people who don't like to drive in the dark or may live further away the Zoom option could be helpful.

D'Angelo stated he thinks Zoom is good for when there is inclement weather or if someone is out of Town, but didn't think it should be used regularly.

The rest of the Selectmen agreed with him, citing different issues they had when they used Zoom throughout the pandemic.

It was pointed out by Doda that not all department heads live in Chester, which makes it more difficult when having employees go to meetings in person.

It was agreed by the Selectmen to only allow Zoom in emergency situations and when it is appro-

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Trust Fund, Hamel said they were looking for a Hamel. budget of \$523.

level fund their budget," said Hamel.

For the street lights budget, Hamel said they were looking for an increase of 21 percent compared to last year for a total of \$3,200.

Board of Selectmen Chairman, Jonathan Goldman, asked what the increase was for.

"I'm just guessing that's due to the rise in electricity costs," said Goldman.

Hamel stated she thinks the rates would be around there due to prices continuing to increase.

"That's a guesstemate, I think the rates will come out a little bit later," said

Hamel added that she "They are going to expects the new rates would come out by the end of October or the beginning of November.

For Patriotic Services, Town Administrator, Lynne Blaisdell, said they put the funds needed for the fireworks in the budget, but they could choose to do it as a warrant article instead.

"If not I will just stick to the \$250 request," said Blaisdell.

It was ultimately decided to recommend putting it into the budget.

The Board of Selectmen voted to recommend ing is slated for Oct. 17.

favorable action by the Budget Committee.

Building Inspector and Code Enforcement Officer, Paul D'Amore, said overall he expects any departments he is in charge of to come in at level funding this year.

"All level funding for all my departments this year," said D'Amore.

For electrical, the budget came in at \$16,700, septic came in at \$10,795, code enforcement came in at \$3,947, and the proposed cemetery budget came in at \$5,001.

The Board of Selectmen gave a favorable recommendation for the budgets.

The next Sandown Board of Selectmen meet-

iams.

ago, probably in part because of their rural

location. In many cases trees kept the

house from full display to the road, and

the road itself was often a winding coun-

try byway. Southern New Hampshire

towns have grown in population since

then, and those rural byways have in

many instances become alternative routes

to get to the highway, or back-road speed-

ways for drivers to avoid daily traffic

increasing steadily for a few years now.

With this growth comes multiple vehicles,

adding up to more traffic and other grow-

ing concerns. Intersections that were once

easily traversed using a stop sign now

need lights, and have turn into nightmares

at certain times of day. They require driv-

ers to exercise patience and self-control.

nomic development, residential neighbor-

hoods traffic, safety and noise situations

tees to address residents' and businesses'

concerns, and as we've reported, they are

are only get worse.

With the renewed emphasis on eco-

Towns have Traffic Safety Commit-

The population of our towns has been

PAUL CONYERS NUTFIELD NEWS

#### CHESTER - The Wat-

son Pond Commission met on Oct. 3 to discuss the ongoing development of the recreation area. One yet." issue involved a problem with the monthly budget Commission requested that report.

rent budget, there's a dollar amount for beach maintenance of \$1,060," said Chair, Chris Hadik. "That has never appeared on one of our monthly reports

Hadik clarified that the money for the beaches to keep an eye on that

2022.

One suggestion was the Chester Board of Selectmen removed beach maintenance from the budget, though this did nothing to explain why the expense was suddenly put back in. Members decided



Floral Award Members from the Derry Garden Club attended a floral demonstration in Atkinson recently and Derry member Mary Hartley won an award for her arrangement. Member from left are: Holly Talbot, Rose Halloran, Mary Hartley, Christine Carr and Lolly Flemming. *Courtesy photo* 

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included in the federal working with developers budget.

He stated they also the area. municipal sewers to the have the goal of proceed-Ryans Hill area which ing with the Abbott Court Council meeting is slated they found out is being development, they are for Oct.18 at 7 p.m.

on long term planning for

The next Derry Town





## Watson Pond Commission Talks Beaches and Bridges

were happy to report that the Watson Commission has a surplus of \$1,600 higher than expected. Even Hadik confirmed the Commission is doing well from a budgetary standpoint.

Members discussed using the extra money to improve Watson Pond beaches by the end of Spring 2023, before the end of the 2022-23 budget would prevent them from encroachment of plants. spending the surplus.

Beach replenishment will require finding new sand for the beaches, something members note could be difficult with the colder weather and the requirement for a state permit for renovation.

Watson Pond is getting a new bridge as the Commission will be meeting up with engineers to decide ing the park bridge to improve water flow has been a priority for months.

"If we're going to have with higher utility costs, a new bridge put in, there's no need to go wood. Why not have something permanent like concrete?" Hadik asked. The Commission floated the idea of painting the new bridge to look like it's made of stone if the cost isn't too high.

Another issue was the Alternative member, John Dalrymple, walked through Watson Pond to report back.

"At the west end of the field, there are a bunch of autumn olives that are growing, they've got a pretty big base to them and the problem is they don't grow straight or vertically, they grow all over the

place," according to Dalrymple. He also noted

"If you look at the cur- every month for much of expense going forward and on a design style. Widen- autumn olive plants are difficult to cut back the with tools Commission members have on hand.

The agreed solution was to rent a heavier mower used by Chester's highway Department for stubborn weeds. This would require an annual rental with a volunteer to keep the baseball field clear of plant life.

"Every year, once we get them cut as low as you can, we can come back and keep [the plants] down," said Dalrymple, who liked the idea.

An ongoing water advisory for the area was lifted on Sept. 15 as e coli bacteria levels have fallen to safe levels. Watson Pond is now safe for swimming and wading.

The Watson Pond Commission is scheduled to meet on Nov. 7, in the Rangeway Meeting Room.



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## **Hampstead Selectmen Discuss Content for Voter Guide**

ALEX MALM NUTFIELD NEWS

HAMPSTEAD - What to do for the Voter's Guide was in discussion during the Sept. 26 Hampstead Board of Selectmen meeting.

Selectmen. Laurie Warnock, who is the liaison for the Communication Committee, said they thought they should utilize them to make the voters guide this year.

"We felt that it would be a great thing to come

Warnock.

Matt Gillete, who is the Chairman of the Committee, said they wanted to get an idea of what the overall "voice" should be.

"What exactly do you want from us," said Gillete.

He explained they would put together a draft of the guide and then present it to the Board of Selectmen.

Warnock said she thinks the most important thing would be to have the warrant articles along with from the town," said additional links to let peo-

ple research further.

She said she doesn't think everyone should have anything from candidates unless they want to write a statement.

Selectmen, Joe Guthrie, said they need to make sure they are generic with the information they put in there to make sure they don't have any influence one way or the other.

"Anything you put in there has to be generic,' said Guthrie. Warnock stated they

should have paper copies and also they should dis- tant, Sally Theriault, said

are already on their newsletter list.

"You guys have been doing a good job with the newsletter," said Warnock.

Gillete said they have close to 1,000 people right now.

One of the questions asked was in regards to how to pay for it, saying they don't have their own budget.

"I think that would come under the election budget," said Warnock.

Administrative Assis-

district staff and Planning Board staff about including things in the guide. While they seemed receptive to the idea they needed to run it by their Boards.

"So far everyone is receiving it warmly," said Theriault.

Gillette asked how they would handle citizen petition warrant articles.

Warnock said she envisions them having the content of the warrant article, but wouldn't allow them to

editorialize it.

tribute it to the people who she spoke with the school on the document that's the intent," said Warnock.

> Board of Selectmen Chairman, Sean Murphy, said it should be handled like any other warrant article.

Gillette stated they would have to address things if someone wants to make their own website for a warrant article, for example.

Warnock added that she is glad to use the Communication Committee in another way.

"I'm glad to find another way to utilize you "We have the final say guys," said Warnock.

## **Derry School Board Get Update On Staffing Vacancies**

ALEX MALM NUTFIELD NEWS

with Center For Life Management.

most recent Derry School Joe Crowley, it was an Board meeting, one of the identical memorandum of agenda items was in understanding from last regards to their contract year that was drafted by

It was explained by

DERRY - During the Assistant Superintendent,



tration team.

Crowley explained if clients and parents want their students to receive clinical services inside the building then it can happen as long it is coordinated with the building leadership.

He added that they have to have written permission from parents and the providers need to go through a background check before they go to school.

"We didn't have any services provided in the Crowley.

School Board Chair, Erika Cohen, said she is glad they are able to offer the services during the school day for students who may need to see someone during the school day or is having trouble making it to appointments.

"I think this would definitely help our students," said Cohen.

Also during the meeting, during the Superintendent report, Superintendent, Austin Garofalo, gave the Board an update

their attorney and adminis- building last year," said regarding their hiring for to a number of full-time open positions. He explained they have been working diligently to fill their open positions, but still have a number of posi-

> tions available. For substitutes, Garofalo said they are paying on call teachers \$105 a day and for nurses they are paying \$205 a day.

Teacher assistants are currently being paid as substitutes at a rate of \$75 a day. Substitute secretaries are paid at a rate of \$11 an hour, Garofalo pointed out.

positions they have available in the schools including special education assistants, custodians, speech language pathologists and other positions.

With that said, Garofalo stated they are improving when it comes to filling the different vacancies.

"Believe it or not this is looking much better than when I read this a couple weeks ago," said Garofalo.

Garofalo added that those looking for work should consider applying for a job with the school

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## **Chester Selectmen Discuss Moving to Electronic Timesheets**

#### ALEX MALM NUTFIELD NEWS

CHESTER - During the Oct. 6 Chester Board of Selectmen meeting, members discussed possibly transitioning to electronic time sheets for Town employees.

Administrator, Town

after Selectmen, Steve Couture, asked for it to be looked at, she reviewed 15 software companies and came back with three possible companies.

Currently Doda explained they do things with just paper copies.

"Right now we basical-Deb Doda, explained that ly have paper time sheets,"

said Doda.

She said some people who have a computer, use excel spreadsheets and then print them off while some simply do it by pen and paper. From there they need to be manually put into the system by the finance department.

Chester Fire Chief,

do it once a month for the on-call firefighters.

Doda explained that through the electronic timesheets it would be more exact, saying when an employee gets to work they could sign into the app and clock in and when they leave do the same thing. It

Phil Gladu, explained they could also be set up so the employee has to be on tronic timesheets, Doda Town Hall property in order to do their clocking in and out.

> "That's almost like a timeclock mechanism," said Board of Selectmen Chairman, Chuck Myette.

It was pointed out by Doda that there is a cost that comes with it.

"It costs money though," said Doda.

Doda also noted that the software could also help keep track of things like vacation time, which would be beneficial to the Town and the employees.

By going with the elecsaid they would save about five hours of time every other week.

It was brought up by Selectmen, Stephen D'Angelo, that there is a company called Paychex and other companies that not only provide for the electronic timesheets, but also creates checks for them, which he said would save them even more time.

It was decided to have Doda do more research on Paychex and then to put it back on the agenda for a future meeting.



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### **Derry Man Sentenced or Possession of Child Sexual Abuse Material, Attempt to Transfer** DERRY - Jason Ellis, some of whom appeared to cover and expressed his

45, of Derry was sentenced be minors as young as 14 to 132 months in federal years old. Several of these prison for possession of chats included Ellis solicitchild sexual abuse material ing and receiving nude and attempted transfer of images from apparent obscene material to a minor, United States Attorney Jane E. Young announced today.

According to court documents and statements made in court, Ellis engaged in sexually graphic online conversations

minors. Ellis also sent images of his own genitalia to apparent minors. One of the individuals that Ellis was corresponding with online was actually an undercover law enforcement officer posing as a 13-year-old girl. Ellis corwith numerous individuals, responded with the under-

desire to meet her for sexual contact. His chats with the undercover took place over several months and included explicit discussions about sexual acts. Portions of these conversations, as well as the online accounts Ellis had used to communicate with the undercover, were later found on Ellis' phone during the execution of a search warrant. Also found on Ellis' phone were over

100 images of child sexual abuse material.

The case was investigated by the Federal Bureau of Investigation with assistance from the Derry Police Department. The case was prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Kasey A. Weiland.

In February 2006, the Department of Justice introduced Project Safe Childhood, a nationwide initiative designed to protect children from online exploitation and abuse. Led by the United States Attorney's Offices, Project Safe Childhood marshals federal, state and local hood.gov.

#### SAINT THOMAS AQUINAS PARISH HARVEST **CRAFT FAIR** Saturday, Oct. 22, from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. St. Thomas Aquinas Parish in Derry would like to invite you to join us for our Harvest Craft Fair. The Fair will be held in the Aguinas Center. There will be raffle baskets, bake sale tables, along with over 40 different kinds of crafters. Shaw's of Derry will be hosting a free Flu Clinic at our Fair. Lunch will be served starting at 11 a.m. Free admission and parking. Please join us at St. Thomas Aquinas Parish, 26 Crystal

**National Merit Scholarship Program** Pinkerton Academy King and Lebroda are Finalist level of the compe-Headmaster Dr. Timothy two of over 16,000 Semifi-

**Pinkerton Students Semifinalists in** 

Powers and Dean of Stuare proud to announce that two Pinkerton students have been recognized by the National Merit Scholarship Program for their exceptional academic promise. Sarah King and Jacob Lebroda, both of Derry, have been named Semifinalists and will apply to be considered as Finalists in the scholarship. ments to advance to the

nalists in the 68th annual dents Susanne Tartarilla National Merit Scholarship Program. Their application to be named Finalists will continue their consideration for some 7,250 National Merit Scholarships worth nearly \$28 million that will be offered next spring. To be considered for a Merit Scholarship award, Semifinalists must fulfill several require-

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tition. About 95 percent of the Semifinalists are expected to attain Finalist standing, and approximately half of the Finalists will win a National Merit Scholarship, earning the Merit Scholar title.

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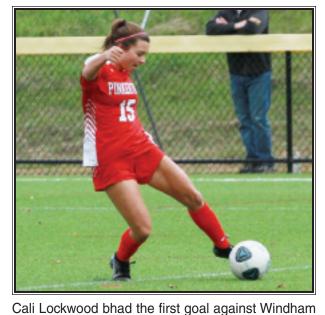
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### **Pinkerton Girls' Soccer Team Get Two Shutout Victories** teams recently, outscoring Central Little Green in the most of this one-sided con-

CHRIS PAUL NUTFIELD NEWS them 9-0.

The Lady Astros only The Pinkerton Academy game last week had them Girls' Soccer team faced two facing the Manchester



Queen City on Tuesday, test. Oct. 5, and in that contest, the PA squad pushed their season record over the .500 mark at 6-5 with a 3-0 victo-

scored by: senior Emily Hood, junior Emma Nelson and junior Hannah Sippel. Hood also had two assists in the victory.

Senior goalkeeper, Libby Williams, needed just three saves to preserve the shutout.

the PA girls made it three shutout wins in a row when they hosted the Windham High School Lady Jaguars. The home team was

able to keep their opponents away from their goalie for Freshman midfielder,

Cali Lockwood, began the scoring at under two-minutes in the game at 38:29. At 17:35, Hood put the

Goals in the game were Lady Astros up 2-0 with a shot from just inside the box.

Freshman Nicole Blake added the third goal of the half five minutes later to give the PA squad a 3-0 advantage heading into the second half.

PA scored three more times in the second half to On Monday afternoon, celebrate the 6-0 win.

Pinkerton headed to the seacoast on Tuesday, Oct. 11, to face the Winnacunnet Warriors (4-7) and will then have a tough contest with the Bedford Bulldogs (11-1), on Thursday, Oct. 13 at home.



Nicole Blake, left, and Emily Hood each scored in the first half against Windham. Photo by Chris Paul

#### ikerton G olfers Head Into 7 npionship After eam (

**CHRIS PAUL** NUTFIELD NEWS

The Pinkerton Academy Golf Team finished the regular season with an 18-8 record Hanover and Nashua North in a home match on Oct. 3.

The Astros squad buttoned up their regular season with match wins against

Country Club.

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Pinkerton golfers had a combined total of 202 and defeated Hanover on a tiebreaker. Hanover also shot

after defeating the two teams at Hoodkroft a 202 and Nashua North finished with 208.

The Astros had a number of low scores in the match.

Brady Cuneo shot a

three-over 39; Julianna Megan and Ethan Johnston both came in with a round of 40; Tyler Morin was +5 with a 41; and Ricky Wong shot a 42.

The his been preparing for the NHIAA State Championship at Bretwood Golf Course - South a par 72 course in Keene, on Thursday, Oct. 13.

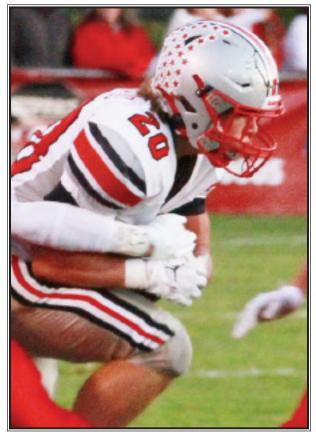
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## **Astros Football Squad Blank Warriors 38-0 on Seacoast**



Pinkerton junior captain running back Caden Michaud had a 51-yard touchdown run against the Winnacunnet Warriors. Photo by Chris Paul CHRIS PAUL NUTFIELD NEWS

The Pinkerton Academy Football team had a successful trip to the New Hampshire seacoast on Friday night, shutting out the Winnacunnet High School Warriors by a score of 38-0.

This was the Astros second shutout in a row and gave the team a 5-1 record heading into the final three weeks of the season.

Pinkerton dominated their hosts and had all five of their touchdowns in the first half of the game, scoring each on the ground, for a 35-0 lead by the half.

Senior running back, Cole Yannaco, put the Astros on the board to start the scoring with a 14-yard run in quarter one.

Fellow senior running back, Jacob Albert, made it 14-0, also in the first quar-

ter, with an outstanding 51yard touchdown run.

In the second period, Yannaco had another 14yard run to set up the third PA touchdown of the evening for a commanding 21-0 lead early on in the contest.

Pinkerton junior captain running back, Caden Michaud, put his team up by 28 when he evaded being touched for a 51-yard run down the field to pay dirt.

Albert added anoth six points for a 35-0 lead to end the second half's scoring with a 13-yard run, untouched, down the left sideline.

With the win, Pinkerton stands at 5-1 in Division I and will travel to Brockton Mass., on Saturday afternoon, Oct. 15, to play the Boxers (4-1), in a non-conference game.

The Pinkerton squad is scheduled to finish the sea-

son with two home games. followed by a game against The first, on Oct. 21, against Manchester Central (1-4)

Concord High School (5-1).

### Athlete of the Week

Week of Oct. 3

Border

tains.

#### **Isabelle Groulx Junior, Girls Cross Country** Groulx ran a season best

on Saturday in helping the

Astros win the Battle of the

Saturday. She has been run-

ning consistently well meet

after meet and shows great

leadership as one of the cap-

Invitational

on





Noah Sands Senior, Boys Soccer Sands scored three goals and had two assists last week, helping the team to a tough fought 1-0-1 record on the

Athletes are chosen by the Pinkerton Academy Athletic Office

week.



## **Pinkerton Field Hockey Head Into Final Week at 6-8**

#### CHRIS PAUL NUTFIELD NEWS

The Pinkerton Academy Field Hockey Team had a tough stretch of games last week and came up just onegoal short in two games, but also had a one-goal win. The team will now head into the final week of the regular season at 6-8

The PA team started the week at home, on Monday,

came up short, in what was an incredibly exciting game to watch.

Astros golie, Elise LeBlanc, shut down two BG's penalty strokes and did a great job organizing the defense. Natalie Paradzick and Jaelyn Crossman were persistent on the frontline.

Izzy Murphy had the

Oct. 3, playing Bishop only PA goal in the game, to Keene Blackbirds in anoth-Guertin (7-3-1), where PA tie things just before the er home contest. half.

> one-goal lead in the third period.

LeBlanc was able to make 11 saves in the game, while BG needed just six saves to preserve the win.

In another exciting game to watch, two days later, the Astros came away with a 2-1 win over the

The Cardinals took the things off for the Astros with a great finish on a pass from Jaelyn Crossman at 12:59 in the first period. Keene tied it up in the third quarter and neither team put in the go-ahead in regulation.

> Crossman got the gamewinner on a powerful shot

LeBlanc made seven Ava Bennett started saves for the PA squad and the Keene tender had six stops.

The team's week finished in Concord with a tough 1-0 loss to the Crimson Tide (9-4).

The only goal of the game was scored in the first period.

Hannah Lisauskas and with only 24-seconds left in Ava Bennett both had stand-

out performances despite the outcome.

LeBlanc had 10 saves in the one-goal game and Concord had four stops.

The Pinkerton team has just two games left in the regular season and will host Manchester Central-West (6-7) on Wednesday, Oct. 12 and will travel to Exeter High School (12-1-1) for the final game of the season on Friday, Oct. 14.

## **Astros Boys' Soccer Get a Win, Then Settle for a Tie**

#### CHRIS PAUL NUTFIELD NEWS

The Pinkerton Academy Boys' Soccer team had two games last week against tough opponents and came away with a win and a tie to Boles, commented after the head into the final stretch of the fall season at 6-4-3.

The Astros squad started their week with a home game against Manchester Central High School, beating the Little Green 3-2 in overtime.

Astros goal scorers in

who had two, and Noah Sands.

Sean Small, Sean Kelly and Hayden Marshall each had assists in the victory.

Head coach, Kerry game, "I can't say enough about how much these kids work and fight every day, game or practice. We seem to have things going in a good direction right now. Let's hope we can keep it going".

He added that Zack

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the game were Zack Smith, Viger, Ethan Bellows, Jack McNair, Sean Kelly and goalie Gabe Konopka all had exceptional games.

> In the second game of the week, the PA Boys Soccer team needed to settle for an overtime tie against the Windham High School Jaguars (now 9-2-1).

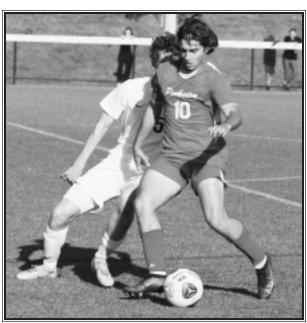
> The only Pinkeron goal came from Sands with an assist from Smith.

Other outstanding players were: Viger, Bellows, McNair Cam and

McMahon.

Boles was happy with this week's results, "The Jags are the best team we have faced thus far this season. I'm so appreciative of these kids each and every day. To get through this challenging week of games unscathed is a testament to these guys. I'm really proud of where we have come in the last couple of weeks."

The Astros were scheduled to play the Winnacunnet Warriors (7-5) at home of Tuesday, Oct. 11 and will travel to Bedford High School on Friday afternoon, Oct. 14, to play the Bulldogs (8-5).



Pinkerton senior midfielder Giovanni lob.



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## **Pinkerton Volleyball Squad Start Month with Win and a Loss**

CHRIS PAUL NUTFIELD NEWS

The Pinkerton Academy Girls' Volleyball added a win and a loss to their season record to start the month of October and now sit at 6-7 as they head into the final season and push for a spot in 25-27, and 21-25.

the playoffs.

the week at 5-6 and hosted the Goffstown Grizzlies, who came into Derry with a fairly similar 4-5 record.

The Goffstown girls edged out the PA team in straight sets in that match,

The Lady Astros began in game stats were: captains ter, Kara Porter, served up Sophia Phaneuf and Sarah Bolduc. Senior hitter, Phaneuf, had 11 kills and junior hitter, Bolduc, had nine kills, two aces and 19 digs.

Sophomore outside hittwo weeks of the regular on Monday night, 22-25, ter, Brooke Little, managed add a match win two days 11 service points and two later, on Wednesday. Oct. 5,

17 assists.

Freshman middle blocker Aaliyah Price-Gooden had three blocks and junior Savannah Dunne had two blocks.

Pinkerton was able to

Leading the home team aces, while sophomore set- when they traveled to the and 21 digs; Dunne had five State Capital.

The Astros beat the Crimson Tide in three of four sets, winning 25-16, 19-25, 25-19 and 25-23.

Bolduc led the team with 19 kills, 22 service points, five aces and 23 digs.

Phaneuf tallied 10 kills home on Thursday.

blocks; and Porter put up an outstanding 31 assists in the win.

The PA squad will travel to Nashua South (5-7) on Wednesday, Oct. 12 to face the Purple Panters, they will then will play the Portsmouth Clippers (9-3) at

## **Astros Runners Take First and Second at Border Battle**

CHRIS PAUL NUTFIELD NEWS

The Pinkerton Academy Cross Country teams competed in the Battle of the

Border Invitational at Alvirne High School on Saturday. Oct. 8, where the varsity girls team finished in first place and the boys took second.

The PA Trailblazers team was led by junior cap-

tain, Tess Silva. Silva ran in the front pack the whole way and finished fourth overall, beating her personal record (PR) by 29 seconds, breaking 19 minutes for the first time (18:45). She was also the first Division I finisher. Also placing in the top 10 was fellow junior captain, Izzy Groulx. who ran a season best 19:47 for ninth place. Gabbie

Freshman

PR (20:29), closely followed by fellow Freshman Sarah Rzasa with a 35 second PR (20:30). Rounding out the scoring was Freshman Kali Marzolf, returning from injury with a Senior Captain, 21:25. Grace Jellow, showed great leadership and persevered through some late race adversity to finish in 23:02. Pinkerton won the varsi-

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Bedard earned a 22 second ty race by three points over second place Dover, who finished with a 78. Winnacunnet took third place with a score of 108. BOYS

> The Long Red Line also had a great race at the event, taking the number two spot with a 117 team tally, behind Coe-Brown of to Northwood. Nashua South was third with a team total of 138.

was junior Finn Christensen Kraft, who placed 17th overall in a time of 16:43 on the 5,000 meter course. Following close behind was Nathan Binda and Theo Davis as they placed 19th and 20th respectively with times of 16:47 and 16:49. This marks the first time this season that Pinkerton had three runners under the 17:00 mark. Also finishing

Leading the way for PA strong was Noah Daigle, who took a fall on the course and had to dig deep to finish the race. Our fifth man was Elias Brodeur. He placed 35th with a time of 17:27. Rounding out the Astros top seven were juniors Aiden Dowd and Cody Santomassimo. As they ran times of 17:36 and 17:44. This marks the first time this season that the entire top seven were under 18:00.

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#### CHESTER

#### Halloween Costume Party!

Come in costume for a spooky time with music, games, and sugar cookie decorating at the Chester Library on Saturday, Oct. 22, at 11 a.m. Registration is required via Eventbrite. The link can be found on the Library's website and Facebook page. If anyone in your group has a food allergy please contact youthser-Grace at viceschester@gmail.com

#### **Library Closure**

The Chester Library will be closed Monday, Oct. 10, for Columbus Day/Indigenous People's day and Saturday, Oct. 29, for our annual Haunted House! Closing at 5 p.m. Halloween day.

#### Crafting Club

Calling all crafters. Bring your scrapbook, knitting, crochet projects, or anything else you may be working on to the Chester Library on Library's group at the library Monday, Oct. 17, at 6 p.m. If you'd like to learn to crochet we can help with that too! Registration is required via Eventbrite. The link can be found on our website and Facebook.

#### Afternoon Book Club

Join the Chester Library for some great reading and discussion on Tuesday, Oct. 18, at 1 p.m. Books are chosen at each month's meeting. Contact or come in the library to get your copy of the current book. New members welcome.

#### **Library Book Sale**

Meet us on the lawn behind the Chester library for the fall book sale on Saturday, Oct. 15,9 a.m. - 1 p.m. Paperbacks \$.50, Hardcovers \$1, Puzzles \$1 or Free with \$5 purchase. Cash or check only please.

#### Mahjong Club

Love Mahjong? Come and play with this Chester

every Friday from 2 - 4 p.m. Want to learn? We can teach you. Sign up at the front desk or by calling 603-887-3404.

#### **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.

#### Storvtime

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.

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Love dominoes and already know how to play? Or are you looking for something 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.

#### **Board of Trustees Meeting**

Chester The Library Board of Trustees will be meeting on Tuesday, Oct. 18, at 1 p.m. This meeting is open to the public.

#### **Reiki Information Night**

Come experience what Reiki can do for you, others, animals and plants with Marilyn Bartlett on Thursday, Oct. 20, at 6 p.m. Bring your curiosity and questions and let's explore this simple but effective system. Registration is required via Eventbrite. The link can be found on the Library's website and Facebook page.

#### Library Foundation Meeting

The Chester Library Foundation's meeting will be held on Tuesday, Oct. 25, at 4 p.m. New members welcome.

#### Babysitting Basics and **Childcare Class**

Join local postpartum doula and childcare expert, Bekah Kistler, for this musttake babysitting course at the Chester Library on Thursday, Oct. 27, from 5:30 - 7:30

health and safety, nutrition, hygiene and routines, communication, conflict resolution, and more. If you're interested in babysitting or want to brush up on your skills be sure to register via Eventbrite. The link can be found on the library's website and Facebook page. Scarv Haunted House Tour

Are you brave enough to enter the Chester Library's haunted house? This event will be a fundraiser for the Chester Library, \$5 at the door on Saturday, Oct. 29, from 6 - 8 p.m. For adults and brave kids! Parents' discretion is advised. Please Note: strobe lights may be used. No registration required

#### DERRY

**Tiny Tot** 

The Taylor Library will hold Tiny Tot's on Mondays and Fridays at 10:30 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

p.m. Topics will include: Community Center, 39 West Broadway, Derry.

#### **Active Parenting**

The Upper Room, a Family Resource Center in Derry will be hosting Active Parenting for 0 - 5 year olds, a 3 part series for parents and caregivers of children 0 - 5 years old, starting Oct. 12, 6 - 8 p.m., for 3 Wednesdays. This program will look at what a baby's cry might mean, and how to manage the "terrible two's" and so much more. Children can be our greatest joy and our greatest frustration and having some ideas about what is normal childhood behavior and how to manage the challenges helps parents and caregivers be responsive to what is going on at the moment. To register call Beth O'Connell at 603-437-8477 x 124.

#### 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.

#### 29th Annual Alumni Craft Fair

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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

#### HAMPSTEAD Trunk or Treat

All are invited to a Trunk or Treat event at Island Pond Baptist Church, 26 North Salem Rd., Hampstead, on Saturday, Oct. 22, 1 - 3 p.m. There will be food trucks, balloon twisting, petting farm, games, and lots of candy. There is no charge for this event. An afternoon of fun for the whole family! For more information, contact at info@islandpondbc.com, 603-329-5959. Visit the web at www.islandpondbc.com.

#### **Pumpkin Craft**

On Tuesday, Oct. 18, at 5 p.m., the Hampstead Library will hold a Paperback Pumpkin Craft workshop for adults and teens on Create

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paper pumpkins by upcycling a discarded paperback book. All materials are supplied. This crafting event is free and open to the public.

#### **Bagels & Bingo**

On Friday, Oct. 21, at 9:30 a.m. Adults are invited for Bagels & Bingo at the Hampstead Library. Play Bingo, win a prize, and enjoy delicious bagels, coffee and tea.

#### Paranormal Investigation

On Saturday, Oct. 22, at 1:30 p.m., Dwight and Linda Simes, investigators from the North East Paranormal Associates (NEPA), discuss what they do during paranormal investigations, including showing the tools they use and why they use them. They also show a series of photos and recordings made of sightings at the Hampstead Library. There is time at the end of the presentation for questions and for the audience to share their own stories of the paranormal. This event is free and open to the public.

#### Writing Life

In advance of November's National Novel Writing Month (NaNoWriMo,) join veteran journalist and novelist Joel Brown at the Hampstead Public Library on Tuesday, Oct. 25 at 7 p.m. There is plenty of time for Q&A. Be ready to take notes. One lucky

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attendee wins a copy of Joel's book, Mirror Ball Man.

#### Kids' Halloween Bash

Join the Hampstead Library for fun old-fashioned games (e.g. mummy-wrap, donuts on a string, etc.) on Wednesday, Oct. 26 at 3 p.m. This program is geared for students in elementary and middle school who will have early school dismissal that day. Participants leave with a goody-bag. Costumes are optional, but remember, we may get messy. Advance registration is required. Signup via the Events Calendar on HampsteadLibrary.org or call 603-329-6411.

#### Nonfiction Book Group

On Nov. 1, at 1 p.m., the Hampstead Library's Nonfiction Book Club discusses The Monster of Florence by Douglas Preston with Mario Spezi. Copies of the book are available to borrow.

#### International Dinner

St. Christopher's Episcopal Church returns to offer the International Dinner. This time it will be to-go. Sharing from a wide variety of ethnic and cultural heritages, among the offerings you can order are: French Canadian Toutière Meat Pie, Armenian Paklava, Irish Stew & Soda Bread, German Sauerbraten and

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much more. It's \$20 for a plate of 4 items of your choosing, and you can add more items for \$5 each. Funds go towards community outreach and to the mission and ministry of St. Christopher's. You can place an order on the website stchristophersnh.org by clicking on the link for The International Dinner To-Go or you can call the church phone line and leave a voicemail (603-329-4674). Please get all your orders in by Tuesday, Oct. 25, as that is the deadline to place an order and quantities are limited. Meals will be available to pick-up on Tuesday, Nov. 1 at the church (187 East Rd., Hampstead), from 4 - 6:30 p.m., and you can pay by cash or check when picking up.

#### Christmas Parade

Sign up now to have a float or car in the Hampstead Winter Wonderland Parade! It's happening on Sunday, Dec. 11 at 1 p.m. Go to our Facebook page: hampsteadchristmasparade for the most up-to-date information and link to register. Registration form is due by Nov. 1. If you have any questions, email us at: hampsteadparade@comcast.net or call Roxanne McGaffigan at: (315) 405-7905.

#### **Blessing of the Animals**

Please join us on Sunday, Oct. 16, in front of Hampstead Congregational Church, 61 Main St, Hampstead, for our yearly Blessing of the Animals! There will be a short prayer at 1 p.m., but feel free to drop by anytime between 1 - 2:30 p.m. We invite you to bring your pets on leashes or in carriers, or drive up in the car, or bring a picture of your pet to be blessed. Pets are one of our greatest gifts, especially in these challenging days, and we want to take time to celebrate and show our gratitude for them. For more information, please call (603) 329-6985 or email hcc1752@gmail.com.

#### **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 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 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.

#### **Meditation Classes**

Both in-person and virtual Meditation Classes by the Hampstead Library in October. There are in-person classes at the Library on Saturday, Oct. 15 and 29 at 9:30 a.m., in the second-floor meeting room. Virtual classes are on Wednesday evenings at 7:30 p.m., on Oct. 19, and 26. The instructor is Sue Crump. If you have not already registered for this fall class series, please do so via Events Calendar on the HampsteadLibrary.org.

### SANDOWN

#### **Toddler Tuesdays**

On Tuesday, Oct. 18, from 10 - 10:30 a.m., at the Sandown Library, Stories, songs, beginning sign language, and gross motor 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. Class size is limited to 10 children with parent/ their caregiver. Registration is required and will close at 9 p.m., the evening prior to the program.

#### **Tuesday Flix**

On Tuesday, Oct. 18, from 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. Come join the Sandown Library for a monthly movie series. This is a great program to get together with a friend or "date". This month showing: Where the Crawdads Sing. Pizza is being offered again for those registered. Donations are appreciated.

#### **Story Time**

On Thursday, Oct. 20,

from 10 - 11 a.m., come join the fun with stories, songs, puppets and more at the Sandown Library. 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.

#### Mahjong

On Thursday, Oct. 20, from 10 a.m. - noon, Come join the Sandown library's game day! Our Mahjong group meets every Thursday morning. Come play this beautiful, fun and ever challenging game played with tiles. American Mahjong is similar to the card game rummy. New players always welcome!

#### Spooktacular

Halloween is almost here. Wear a costume and come to the annual Sandown Public Library's Halloween Spooktacular on Saturday, Oct. 22, from 1 - 3 p.m. This is great for the whole family. There will be a costume parade at 1 p.m. followed by a Halloween craft, cookie decorating, and Halloween Bingo. Registration is required for this event.

#### Supervisor of the Checklist

The Sandown Supervisors or the Checklist will be holding a session on Tues., Oct. 29, from 7 - 7:30 p.m. at the Sandown Town Hall Tax Collectors Office. The reason for this session is to register new voters, voter name changes, residence changes and party affiliation changes. All new voters need to have a photo ID and proof of actual residency (street address), proof of citizenship (birth certificate or US Passport). If a Naturalized Citizen, we will need the date, name and location of the court where citizenship was obtained, will be necessary to register to vote.

#### Monster Mash

Sandown Recreation will be hosting their annual Halloween Party on Oct. 22, from 4 - 7 p.m. Events include costume contests, small fair games, tarot card readings, a haunted house, their annual Flashlight Hunt, and so much more. For more information you can contact the Sandown Recreation Office at 603-706-2931.

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"Open Farm Day" at Patch Wood Farm this year is set for Oct. 22, from noon - 4 p.m. There will be a raffle, food, arts and crafts, bounce house, face painting and pony rides. Our Hooves, Paws and Claws 4H Club will have a bake sale to support their club as well. They will also showcase the farms rescue horses and do a demo. This is a rain or shine event. Located at 42 Hawkewood Rd., Sandown For more information call 978-998-1751

#### Food for Thought

Explore recipes and cooking at the Sandown Library. Second-guess the experts and improve on their recipes. Food for Thought meets on the second Wednesdays of the month from 6 - 7:30 p.m. great way to refine your cooking skills, explore new cuisine, and gather with other foodies. This month: Cuban recipes. Registration is required for this event.

#### 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.

#### 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.

#### 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.

Do you love Legos? Come and build at the Sandown Library on Mondyas 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.

Legos and More

#### **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.

#### **Movie Magic Night**

Hocus Pocus 2 - Join Sandown Rec. as they host their last movie night of the season on Oct. 15 at 7 p.m. We will be watching Hocus Pocus 2 inside the recreation center. Admission is free.

#### 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.

#### **PageTurners Book Club**

This Sandown Library group meets on the first Thursday of each month at 5 p.m. 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.

#### 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

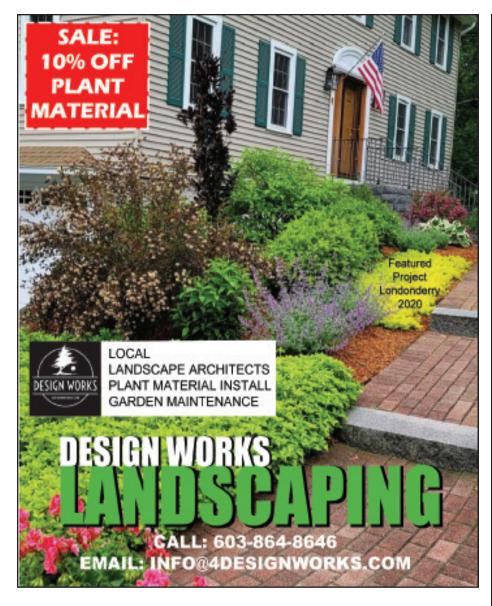
Join the Sandown Library on Monday mornings for movement, reading, rhymes, and songs. Mother Goose on the Loose is a brain-based program consisting of thirty minutes of fun, skill-building activities. Some benefits of the programs are the following: aids speech development, improves motor coordination,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

#### 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.



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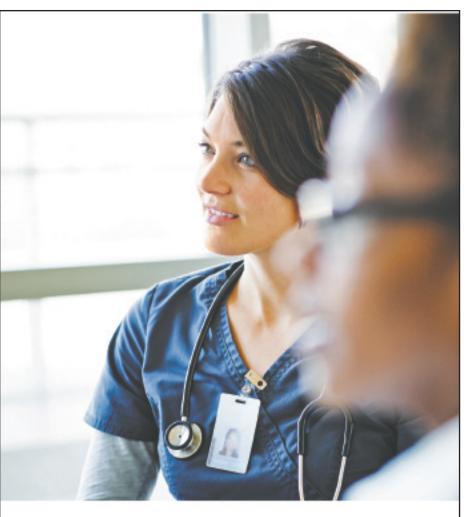
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