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## On Thin Ice

Londonderry Firefighters Brian Schofield and Riley Northorp took advantage of what was left of the ice on Winding Pond to brush up on their ice extraction training last week. *Photo by Chris Paul*

## Packard Bill Would Make REAL ID Possible in State

KATHLEEN D. BAILEY  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

**A** Londonderry state representative is the primary sponsor of a bill that would facilitate the transition to REAL ID driver's licenses and non-driver ID cards for New Hampshire.

Rep. Sherman Packard, R-Londonderry, is sponsoring HB 1616 in the

New Hampshire legislature.

Packard said that under current law, any American citizen who wants to board commercial airlines or enter Federal buildings or nuclear power plants must show a REAL ID card or present a passport. Packard said in a phone interview last week, "This affects probably close to 700,000 of our

citizens who do not have passports."

Packard explained that REAL ID came out of the government's concern after the terrorist attacks on Sept. 11, 2001.

"They decided that the states should have secure driver's licenses and secure forms of identification," he said. A decision was made to have states

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## Contested Races Face Voters at the Polls on March 8

KAITLYN G. WOODS  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

**L**ondonderry voters will head to the polls on March 8 to cast their ballots in both the Town and School District Election.

The Supervisors of the Voter Checklist will meet at Londonderry Town Hall on Saturday, Feb. 27 from 10 a.m. until noon to register voters and correct the checklist. Anyone who has not previously registered may do so for the Town and School Election. Proof of citizenship,

identity and residency is required, or residents may sign an affidavit.

Saturday, Feb. 27 is the last day for anyone who has not registered to vote to do so before the Town and School District Election.

Registration will be accepted at the polls on Election Day with proper documentation.

### Candidates

In contested races, Londonderry voters will have a chance to re-elect representatives they believe have served the

Town and District effectively or instead choose new leaders with a different vision for the future.

Running for two open positions on the Town Council for three-year terms are incumbents Tom Dolan and John Farrell and challenger Edward "Ted" Combes.

Pauline Caron, Robert J. Collins and John A. Curran are running for three seats open as Trustees of the Leach Library, all three-year terms. An error on the ballot stated that

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## Handwritten Fix Made to Town Ballot Proofreading Error

MATT RITTENHOUSE  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

**L**ondonderry voters on Tuesday, March 8 will see a slightly amended ballot following a proofreading error made in the elected officials section.

There are three candidates and three open library trustee positions, but the ballots were printed stating that voters were to choose not more than two of the candidates.

According to town manager Kevin Smith, the cost for running new, cor-

rected ballots was unjustifiable at more than \$1,000. Instead, each ballot has been marked up, with the "two" replaced by a handwritten number "3."

"In the grand scheme of things, this is really a small deal in that even if the ballot wasn't corrected, assuming every voter didn't vote for the same two people" – which he termed a very unlikely scenario – "while it states vote for not more than two, all three candidates would still be elected regardless of how many

votes each of them received," Smith said. "That said, I believe the solution remedies the problem."

New Hampshire Deputy Secretary of State David Scanlan said that while the state does not have control over town votes, the phone in Concord typically "rings off the hook" in the lead up to the March election with concerns from town leaders and questions on

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# Voters Face Money Questions on Town Warrant March 8

KAITLYN G. WOODS  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

**L**ondonderry voters go to the polls March 8 to cast their ballots in both the Town and School District Election (see related story pages 1 and 9).

If the Town's entire FY17 Warrant were to pass as proposed, the tax rate impact would be \$5.04 per thousand, which includes veterans' exemptions, according to Finance Director Doug Smith.

The District's FY17 Warrant as passed to the ballot by the voters at the Town's Feb. 6 Deliberative Session is as follows:

- **Article 1:** To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year or until another is chosen or appointed and qualified.

- **Article 2:** To raise and appropriate \$210,000 to be placed in the Town's Expendable Maintenance Trust Fund, with funds to come from the June 30 Fund Balance. The article has no tax rate impact. The Council and Budget Committee voted 5-0 each to recommend the Article.

- **Article 3:** To raise and appropriate \$29,591,028 as the Town's operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately. If the article is defeated, the default budget is \$29,594,363. If passed, the article will require the Town to raise \$17,924,670 in property taxes, resulting in a tax rate impact of \$4.87 based upon projected assessed values. The Council and Budget Committee voted 5-0 each to recommend the Article.

- **Article 4:** To raise and appropriate \$494,678 to fund Police Outside Details, to come from the Police Outside Detail Special Revenue Fund. The services are funded through user fees and the Article would have no tax rate impact. The Council and Budget Committee voted 5-0 each to recommend the Article.

- **Article 5:** To raise and appropriate \$6,307,524 to defray the cost of construction, payment of the interest on any debt incurred, management, maintenance, operation

and repair of constructed sewer systems. The fund will not accumulate from year to year and will not be commingled with town tax revenues, and the fund will be deemed part of the municipality's general fund accumulated surplus, all in accordance with RSA 149-I. The services are funded through user fees and have no tax rate impact. The Council and Budget Committee voted 5-0 each to recommend the Article.

- **Article 6:** To raise and appropriate \$38,000 to resurface the Town's basketball and tennis courts on Nelson Road, with said funds to come from the June 30 unassigned fund balance. The Article would have no tax rate impact. The Council and Budget Committee voted 5-0 each to recommend the Article.

- **Article 7:** To raise and appropriate \$650,000 to be placed in the Roadway Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund, with said funds to come from the June 30 Unassigned Fund Balance. The Article would have no tax rate impact. The Council and Budget Committee voted 5-0 each to recommend the Article.

- **Article 8:** To raise and appropriate \$350,000 for improvements to the Londonderry Senior Center, with funds to come

from the June 30 Unassigned Fund Balance. The Article has no tax rate impact. The Council and Budget Committee voted 5-0 each to recommend the Article.

- **Article 9:** To raise and appropriate \$724,000 to be placed in the following capital reserve funds: Highway Trucks, \$50,000; Highway Heavy Equipment, \$30,000; Fire Equipment, \$149,000; Fire Trucks, \$380,000; Pillsbury Cemetery Expansion, \$75,000; and GIS (Geographic Information Systems), \$40,000. The funds are to come from the June 30 Undesignated Fund Balance and the Article would have no tax rate impact. The Council and Budget Committee voted 5-0 each to recommend the Article.

- **Article 10:** To raise and appropriate \$350,000 to expand the Route 102 sewer system from Home Depot to the intersection of Mammoth Road, with those funds to come from the June 30 Unassigned Fund Balance. The Council and Budget Committee also voted 5-0 each to recommend the Article.

- **Article 11:** To, pursuant to the provisions of RSA 79-A:25 IV, place annually the first \$100,000 from the Land Use Change Tax and 40 percent of the revenues received from the

Land Use Change Tax in the Conservation Fund and 60 percent of the remainder of the revenues in the General Fund. The Article would not change the formula being used to distribute Land Use Change Tax. The Town Council voted 3-2 to recommend the Article; the Budget Committee voted 5-0 to recommend it.

- **Article 12:** To authorize the transfer of all supervision, management duties and responsibilities of the land surrounding the Town Common and fronting on Mammoth Road and Pillsbury Road, which is sometimes referred to as the Town Forest, from the Conservation Commission to the Town Manager, with the advice and recommendations from the Historic District/Heritage Commission and Town Council. The Article has no tax rate impact. The Council and Budget Committee voted 5-0 each to recommend the Article.

- **Article 13:** To raise and appropriate \$50,000 to establish an addiction and counseling program for families in need, with the funds to come from the June 30 Fund Balance

and to be placed in the general fund. The Council and Budget Committee each recommended the Article with a 5-0 vote.

- **Article 14:** A citizen's petition to raise and appropriate zero to re-establish the Family Mediation Program for Londonderry families in need. The article would result in a tax rate impact of \$.01.

- **Article 15:** A citizen's petition to recommend the Town Council propose an amendment to the Town Charter to set term limits on all non-land use boards, non binding on the Town Council. The Article has no tax rate impact. The Council voted against the Article 1-4.

- **Articles 16-21:** To authorize the Town Council to call one special meeting, at its option, to address cost items included in a collective bargaining agreement between the Town of Londonderry and Londonderry Administrative Executive Association-Public Safety, should a collective bargaining agreement be reached between the Town and Londonderry Administrative Executive Association-Public Safety. The Town Council and Budget Committee voted 5-0 to recommend the Articles.

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# Little Help Available from State for Agribusiness Activities

PENNY WILLIAMS  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

By the end of its meeting last week, the Master Plan Implementation Committee had resolved to focus its efforts on making the Master Plan a document to move Londonderry forward.

At the Wednesday, Feb. 24 meeting, Chairman Deb Paul introduced Gail McWilliam Jellie, director of the State's Division of Agricultural Development. Paul, who is publisher of the Londonderry Times, explained that the Master Plan Committee had created the Implementation Committee to bring life to the Master Plan. One piece of the Master Plan speaks to the development of the center of town, another is the introduction of agritourism to that area.

Paul asked what resources, support services and information the state would be able to provide to help this process.

Jellie said not a lot was available, as Londonderry is unique in having a town committee working on the

process. She said the state could supply examples of agritourism, maps, brochures and themes that are being implemented in other towns, as well as the history of agriculture. She discussed the use of farms for visits and educational opportunities, and Paul noted that the Londonderry Grange is interested in greater use of its grange hall.

Jellie said the state provides a definition of a Farmers' Market and what has to be in place for it to be certified and included in the state directory, but by and large she admitted the Department of Agriculture is "just a cheerleader" for towns.

She said her efforts are directed toward keeping agriculture part of town discussions through seminars, meetings and Farmers' Markets, and noted two bills currently in the Legislature on agritourism that seek to define it more specifically.

Agritourism, she said, is designed to attract visitors with agriculture-related activities such as farm visits.

In other business last week:

- The committee discussed at length whether the Implementation Committee should remain under the umbrella of the Planning Board or seek to be under the Town Council.

Councilor Joe Green, liaison from the Town Council, and others, however, said the appropriate link for the Implementation Committee was the Planning Board. The committee was created by the Master Plan Committee and the Master Plan, which are traditionally under the purview of the Planning Board, and members said changing that would not accomplish anything substantial.

Green pointed out that Paul had grown the committee membership and the group was demonstrating its interest in dealing with the issues before it. He said that perhaps the best way to go forward was to check with the Planning Board to see if it would support the Implementation Committee's continuing to

gather information.

- An environmental water baseline study, development of the Town Center and looking at the North Village area were cited as the issues the Committee would like to pursue. Members of the committee said cooperation and partnership with the Planning Board are necessary for the Implementation Committee to accomplish its goals.

- The committee discussed the town center development, encouraging the development of foot and bike trails and a Farmers' Market at the Town Common pavilion, and looking into what

could and should be done to assist the economic development of the North Village. At that point, Dottie Grover, who lives in the North Village, agreed to join the committee and work on that issue. A list of ideas and issues was passed around and members noted which ones they would be willing and able to work on.

- A suggestion was made that a member of the Implementation Committee should serve on the town's CIP (Capital Improvement Plan) committee. The committee also thought it was critical that liaisons from town committees such as

the Conservation Commission and Planning Board be urged to attend Implementation Committee meetings so there would be input from all town government areas focused on Master Plan goals.

- Paul said she is to make a presentation to the Planning Board on March 9 as to the focus of the Implementation Committee and where it wants to go. She said she would seek input from the Planning Board on what it would like to see happen moving forward, and encouraged all members to attend the March 9 Planning Board meeting.



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# Editorial

## Celebrating Reading

The first week of March is recognized in many local schools as Read Across America Week, and celebrates children's author Dr. Theodor Geisel, better known as Dr. Seuss.

Read Across America Week was created by the National Education Association and focuses on the importance of reading - and of reading to children - early and often.

Whether it's dressing up as the Cat in the Hat, cooking up green eggs and ham, serving as a "celebrity reader" in a local elementary school, or just cuddling up to your child to read a bedtime story, Read Across America events remind us of the importance of what could easily become a lost art in the rush of life today.

Yet there's not a much more important factor in future success than the ability - and the desire - to read. Most of us take it for granted and don't remember how we learned the skill, but we use reading every day. Research shows that kids who spend time reading do better in school. And whether it's by reading traffic signs or employment applications or college textbooks or exam questions, reading ability follows us through our lives. As does the enjoyment of sitting by a warm fire and

reading a book to relax.

If your child's school asks you to spend a little extra time reading at home this week, go for it. In the midst of busy, out of control schedules, it will be time well spent. While you're at it, schedule a trip to the children's room at your local library. Seeing an entire building filled with books can open up yet another memorable reading experience for your youngster.

So whether it's from Drop Everything And Read (DEAR) time in class, or awards given to students "caught" reading during the school day, Read Across America Week underscores the importance of the simple act of picking up a book and getting lost in the story that awaits. You can read on a Kindle, you can read on a computer, but best of all, you can read in a book. And when you read to a child, you're building memories for both of you. Think back to those moments with "The Runaway Bunny" and "Goodnight Moon."

As Dr. Seuss wrote, "You're never too old, too wacky, too wild, to pick up a book and read to a child."

And because March is also National Reading Month, don't forget to carve out some time for yourself and a good book as well.

# Letters

## Election Day Traffic

To the editor:

On Feb. 3, I received an email from the Londonderry Police Department regarding the traffic pattern to be used during voting on Feb. 9. It was anticipated that it would be a very large voter turnout and this pattern would make things easier.

When I drove up to take the north entrance as I was instructed to do, I noticed that there were cars going into the south entrance, which caused a bottleneck down at the end of the parking lot. Cars that were coming around the back of the school (the proposed route) were running into issues because some people were coming down the side entrance.

I sat in the back of the school for several minutes because these people didn't follow the directions. I can't understand why the police allowed cars to come down that entrance when they had told people to use the north entrance. It seems to me that those who followed the correct patterns were penalized when the traffic attendants allowed others to go ahead of us.

It was a mess and this was at 12:30 p.m. I can't imagine how this played out later on in the day when more people were voting.

Why put a plan in place if it isn't going to be followed? Just saying!

Carol Flint  
Londonderry

## Thanks for Donations

To the editor:

My family and I would like to send a heartfelt thank you for the tremendous support and generosity of so many that

responded to my health-care crisis and the need for help in affording an expensive, but vital treatment option.

Your kind words, prayers, and offers of help have provided much needed support and comfort; hearing from extended family members, numerous co-workers, hundreds of friends and neighbors, and those that just wanted to help, let us know that we were not in this difficult fight alone.

I would especially like to recognize those that gave of themselves in organizing and running fundraisers, including Barbara and Roger Woo, Brittany O'Brien, the members of the Woo Kickboxing Academy, the Kirkpatrick family, the Londonderry High School Pay-It-Forward Club, the Londonderry High School Chorus, Kayla Ferria and Mike Warburton, Sigma Sigma Sorority, Mike Simpson and Kara Salvucci. Jodie Tsekrekas, and BAE organizers: Judy Frank, Liz Turner, Tom Pucciarello, Laura Joubert, Steve Gallerani, Kevin Flynn, George Kalil, Donna Pucciarello, Gwyn Furtado, Deb Whitney, June Hicks, and Suzanne Neylon.

My children started this GoFundMe in the hope that we would be able to afford my best treatment option; the kindness and goodwill of so many has made this a reality for our family. I started my treatment this week and feel blessed, not only by being able to have this advanced therapy by a highly skilled team, but also by the willingness of so many that reached out to help our family.

As we will be closing this GoFundMe account at [www.gofundme.com/ellenstreatment](http://www.gofundme.com/ellenstreatment) shortly, please know how much each of you has impacted

our family and how much we appreciate the caring community that has surrounded us.

Ellen Sanborn  
Londonderry

## No Pipeline

To the editor:

It becomes more evident that while risks to health, water and air may primarily affect those living along the actual pipeline route in the southern tier of New Hampshire, other costs will be shared by the entire state.

The pipeline will affect everyone in New England. Kinder Morgan wants residents of New Hampshire, Massachusetts and Connecticut to pay for the pipeline construction - \$5.2B-plus.

This cost will begin showing up on our utility bills from energy companies that sign up to use the piped, fracked gas. It has been approved by the state Public Utilities Commission.

Asking consumers to bear these risks is unconscionable. It turns the notion of capitalism on its head by socializing losses while privatizing gain. Kinder Morgan has nothing to lose if we pay for the pipeline and they reap profits derived from selling space on "their" transmission pipeline. If LNG (liquefied natural gas) prices become too high, if climate temperatures continue to rise, if more people move to renewable energy sources and there is less demand on our grid, what happens to our pipeline investment?

What happens when less and less pipeline capacity is sold and the 30-inch pipe lies dormant, decaying in our back yards while we keep pay-

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# F.W. Webb Distribution Center Gets Conservation Nod

PENNY WILLIAMS  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

Jim Petropulos, president of Haynor Swan-son, the developer for the F.W. Webb project, informed the Londonderry Conservation Commission about F.W. Webb's plans for a 750,000 square-foot central distribution facility on Pettengill Road. In a presentation Tuesday, Feb. 23, he said site plans have been presented to the Planning Board, as previously reported by the Londonderry Times, and a dredge and fill permit has

been filed with the state.

Petropulos said a connector road will be constructed from Pettengill Road to access the property and will go completely around the building. The site will include a fuel island and a trucking site, with separate parking areas for trucks and employees. The employee parking area will be near the administration portion of the building.

He said there would be a "slight" wetland impact near the employee parking area. The previous use

of this site was a gravel pit that has been largely stripped.

The proposed construction would have 35 acres of impervious asphalt and roofs, and the plan is to construct two storm water basins south of the building to handle storm water run-off. The proposal includes restoration of a disturbed area south of the building with a conservation area-type seed, to eliminate the need for mowing or cutting.

The plan also includes planting 100 trees of vary-

ing types for a buffer.

The commission members noted that ash trees are vulnerable and asked that they not be used, and Petropulos agreed. Asked about filtering of run-off, he said there would be filters and the depth of the storm water basins would do the job.

He was also asked about snow storage, and showed on the plan the locations the proposal has for snow storage. Petropulos said that would be part of the storm water system and that treatment meas-

ures and filtering systems would be in place to take care of gas and oil impurities in the snow and run-off. He said no one downstream would be impacted by the runoff.

Another question was about a snake passage and Petropulos explained how it would work, adding that biodegradable matting material would be used to further protect snakes.

While neither the dredge and fill permit nor the conditional use permit have been approved yet,

the Conservation Commission after discussion recommended sending a letter to the Planning Board advising that the Conservation Commission approves of the conditional use. The Commission also approved sending a letter to the state on the dredge and fill permit application, to say the group had no objections.

In other business:

• The Commission unanimously re-elected Marge Badois as chairwoman and Eugene Harrington as vice-chairman.

## Letters

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ing for it in our utility bills?

This scenario is not unrealistic, with some energy experts predicting peak shale gas by 2017. The cost of extracting fracked gas will become more expensive, making it

less attractive as an energy source around the world.

Energy companies are frantically attempting to build infrastructure to export and sell fracked gas as quickly as possible. With ratepayers funding their pipelines, they lose nothing if we're left with useless infrastructure and the stranded

costs that go with it.

Over the past two years, Kinder Morgan spent more than \$100,000 lobbying in New Hampshire. In 2014, they spent \$50,000 - more than any public interest, nonprofit or labor organization.

The New Hampshire Secretary of State has failed to publish the mandatory lobbying dis-

closures for the second half of 2015. Long before our state leaders heard a word from their constituents about a proposed pipeline, they had already been contacted by lobbyists who gave thousands of dollars to help fund lawmakers' campaigns. While Kinder Morgan touts its policy of political neutrality by saying the company does not make campaign contributions, many of its top exec-

utives do precisely that.

The only counterweight to this rigged system is the voice of the people; if you don't think a private company should ask the public to bear the risks of its investments, if you don't think New Hampshire stands to gain from a gigantic investment in fossil fuels as we're perched on the cusp of a renewable energy revolution, don't buy the unsubstantiated and

patently untrue claims that this pipeline will bring "cheaper energy costs" to New Hampshire ratepayers.

Please contact your governor, your PUC, your state and federal representatives - they all have web sites soliciting feedback - and tell them: No pipeline! No pipeline subsidy!

Cherylann Pierce  
Londonderry



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As a member of the Londonderry School Board for the past six years and a member of the Londonderry community for nearly twenty years, I ask you to consider me for reelection to the school board when you vote on March 8th.

As a member of the current board I take great pride in ensuring Londonderry provides the best quality education and services for all our children while maintaining fiscal responsibility to the community. With the issues of an ailing economy, down-shifting of funding from the state, and a declining enrollment, I have helped lead the Londonderry School District to be able to maintain its dedication to the children, the district, and the tax payers. While we have seen costs continue to rise in our everyday lives, the cost of education has been no different. However through thoughtful planning and financial management, the development of creative revenue plans which will generate over \$1.2 million next year, and cost avoidance programs resulting in \$8.2 million in annual savings, these impacts have been kept to a minimum.

We all should take pride in a 99.8% graduation rate and a 92% college acceptance rate, a College and Career Ready Program that includes the SAT which has been accepted at the state and federal levels as a replacement for Smarter Balance, on campus college credit courses which assist college bound seniors and their family to curb the costs of college, the proliferation of technology to provide all grade levels access to electronic learning tools, the successful piloting of a local lunch program, hundreds of after school programs, and a special education system which provides some of the best services in the state, making Londonderry Schools among the top 6 in the state and top 4% of school districts in the country according to the NICHE ratings.

As we see new development in both commercial and home building, I believe there will be an upturn in our school population and an increase in demand for our educational services. As a result there will be new and exciting challenges for our district, which need to be well understood and addressed in order for Londonderry to continue its outstanding delivery of education to all its children while maintaining fiscal responsibility to the taxpayers of Londonderry. I believe I am well positioned for these challenges.

On March 8th, please consider me, John Laferriere, for re-election to the Londonderry School Board, it's about our children, our district and our taxpayers.

It's about "Education That Works For Everyone."  
Thank you, John H Laferriere

# Londonderry High Engineering Program Gets National Certification

MATT RITTENHOUSE  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

Londonderry High School's Project Lead the Way (PLTW) Engineering Program has earned national certification.

PLTW provides curricula for students and training for instructors, aimed at applying engineering, science, math and technology to solve complex, open-ended problems in a real-world context. According to the national organization, "students focus on

the process of defining and solving a problem, not on getting the 'right' answer. They learn how to apply STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math) knowledge, skills, and habits of mind to make the world a better place through innovation."

Londonderry High School has put the effort into demonstrating a commitment to PLTW's national standards.

"We've seen how PLTW inspires students to think critically and prob-

lem solve," said Diane Malley, Curriculum Coordinator of STEM. "We are extremely proud to be PLTW certified."

As part of the recognition process, Malley submitted a self-assessment of the school's implementation of PLTW Engineering, followed by a site visit from a PLTW-affiliated team. PLTW's team met with teachers, school administrators, and students.

"We've seen how the PLTW program draws more students to engi-

neering, math and science and gets them thinking about college and their careers," Malley said. "We are extremely proud to be PLTW certified and ecstatic that our students are eligible for college-level recognition, which may include college credit, scholarships and admissions preference."

Malley explained that the program offers a great foundation for future studies in engineering but is also valuable for allowing students to get their

feet wet in the disciplines and gives them the opportunity to know whether they want to continue along that path. Students taking engineering classes, said Malley, sometimes learn that they want to pursue a career in the field while others learn that it's not for them.

In addition to benefits in college preparations, Londonderry's PLTW is affiliated with the New Hampshire Technical Institute and students have the opportunity to earn

college credit through their engineering classes.

The high school offers three foundation courses, Introduction to Engineering Design, Principles of Engineering and Digital Electronics and an optional class, Civil/Architectural Engineering design.

The school has been implementing PLTW for 12 years, and its recent certification is good for another five years of engineering studies, explained Malley.

## Town Ballots

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how to fix errors.

Proofreading errors are a fairly common occurrence, said Scanlan, noting that for example, names are often spelled wrong.

While he said the state could not force any changes, when municipalities seek information, his office can offer advice. In

the Londonderry situation, the first thing that a town ought to do is contact legal counsel, he said.

If the error leads to complaints from voters or candidates, legal counsel is going to have to defend the action, and thus should fully understand the mistake and sign off on any corrections made.

Second, said Scanlan, the best course of action

is to reprint the ballots, if time and resources permit. But if that option is deemed unworkable, there are provisions in election law that go back years and years that allow for "pasters" or stickers covering the error with a correction.

These can't be used with modern voting machines, however, as they gum up the works. So Londonderry's choice of

physically making a correction is the option left to election officials.

But it's important that all changes are uniform, said Scanlan. It is inappropriate for any ballot to be distinguishable from its peers.

Asked to weigh in on the Londonderry matter, Scanlan said any harm from this mistake is small, but there are similar issues that could cause major harm to an election.

According to the Londonderry Town Charter, it is the town clerk's responsibility to prepare the ballots. In Chapter I, section 2.6 Preparation of Ballots, the charter reads, "The Clerk shall prepare sepa-

rate ballots to be used at all local referenda and at elections at which Town officers are chosen."

Some have noted concern that this mistake is the second election-related one this cycle, the first an omission of the Treasurer as an open position during the filing period, leading to the position having to be filled by write-in.

Town clerk Sherry Farrell said she was confident that the correction on the library trustees would work for voters and noted that the state was comfortable with the fix and the election should go off smoothly regardless.

Farrell agreed with

Smith that the issue was a minor one in the scheme of things. Asked about how the mistake occurred, she said many good people work behind the scenes to put an election together, but there were opportunities for such missteps.

Farrell said those focusing on blame were not focused on the important things or the larger picture of quality town work in Londonderry.

The ballot that appears on page 16 is a corrected version but is not what voters will receive at the polls. That version will have a hand-written correction of the library trustees candidates.



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# Kids Coop Prepares 'Alice in Wonderland Jr.' for Stage



Cast members of the Kids Coop production of "Alice in Wonderland Jr." pose during the group's media day rehearsal at the Upper Village Hall in East Derry. Photo by Chris Paul

PENNY WILLIAMS  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

Kids Coop Theatre is readying "Alice in Wonderland Jr." for the stage at 7 p.m. Friday, March 11, and at both 1 and 7 p.m. Saturday, March 12 at the Derry Opera House in downtown Derry.

Now in rehearsal, the play is the fifth annual Young Directors Show, part of a program that gives the theater group's older teen members an opportunity to take the helm of the creative process under the guidance of professional directors.

Teens directing this production of 40 young actors from the local area include Director Ruthie Vinson, 15, of Derry, the youngest director in the history of the program; Mackenzie Ozaroff of Windham, directing the

music; and Londonderry's Sammy Honeywell as choreographer. All three are veteran Kids Coop actors.

The young directors are mentored by professional directors Maureen Mansfield and Marilyn Olbricht.

Vinson is a sophomore at Pinkerton Academy and this is her fourth season with Kids Coop. She has participated in eight shows, including "Peter Pan, Jr.," in which she played Wendy. Vinson also performs with the Pinkerton Players.

Vinson said of her initial directing role, "It is lots of fun. I get to see everything from a different perspective and it is different from acting in a show. I am able to see all the different aspects of the play that go into it and how a show should function."

"It has been pretty easy," she added. "The hardest part is trying to

get the kids to be quiet when they are having a noisy day. The energy the kids bring to this show takes it to a new level and audiences will be engaged by this."

Ozaroff is a junior at Windham High School. She has been in 14 musicals and plays and performs with the Windham High School Drama Club as well as Kids Coop.

Honeywell is a junior at Londonderry High School, where she is involved in LHS Drama and the LHS Chamber Choir. She started with Kids Coop at age 8 in "The Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat" and has participated in 20 Kids Coop productions.

Playing the smallest flower, Avenley Allen of Londonderry, a third grader at Mount Zion School, said she is excited about her role because she is expected to be a leader of the next generation of

flowers. "It is a pretty good role," she said, adding the role is "very interactive" and bigger role than her previous role. "It is really lots of fun and I like to mess with my role a lot and I can."

Joshua Iannuzzi, 9, of Hampstead is enthusiastic about his role as an oyster in the show and about acting in general. "I was a raccoon in 'Peter Pan' and now I am an oyster," he said with a huge grin. "I liked 'Peter Pan' better because there was more dancing and I really like the dancing, but this is fun."

Kids Coop was founded in 1997 designed to provide children ages 8 to 18 with a theater experience focusing on developing talent, improving self-esteem, encouraging teamwork, and increasing lead-



Simone Labell, left, plays "Small" Alice and Maddison Sylvain takes on the role of the Caterpillar as they rehearse a part recently for the Kids Coop play.

ership skills.

Tickets are \$12 and are available at [www.kidscoop-theatre.org](http://www.kidscoop-theatre.org) or at the door. Kids Coop Theatre now has a reserved seating ticket system.

Members of the cast include:

Hampstead: Joshua Iannuzzi and Angelina Gonzalez.

Chester: Samuel Maher.

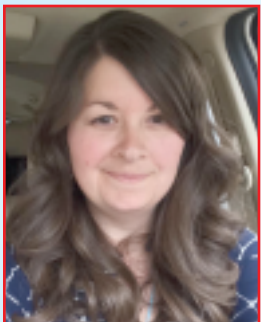
Sandown: Logan Young.

Derry: Samantha Griffin, Morgane Vigroux, Hei-

di Krantz, Olivia Mason, Ryan Carrigan,, Jennifer Michaud, Mia Trainor, Lily Barrett, Annika Bridge, Brenna Kimball, Megan Lautieri, Jillian Pooler, and Scarlet Soucy-Dawicki.

Londonderry: Simone Labell, Hannah Gagnon, Evelyn Brunette, Joseph Cain, Martin Dormer, Avenley Allen, Claire Dormer, Lindsay Greco, Zeld Howard-Martin, Jason Cain and Maya Lincoln.

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# Go Fund Me Page Brings Cancer Treatment to Local Woman

KATHLEEN D. BAILEY  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

A Londonderry woman is undergoing cancer treatment at Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston after a successful fund raising campaign initiated by her children.

Ellen Sanborn, a 20-year resident, was diagnosed with brain cancer at the end of September, according to her daughter

Elizabeth Rios of Brookline. Doctors recommended a technique called "proton therapy," Rios said, explaining, "Instead of going through your head, it focuses directly on the tumor." But Sanborn was on her husband's insurance with BAE Systems of Nashua, and the procedure wasn't covered.

"She was supposed to start treatment Nov. 16, but we had to pay for it

ourselves," Rios said in a phone interview last week. The family was on the hook for \$200,000.

Rios and her siblings Catherine, 25; Matthew, 23; and Erin, 21, couldn't let that happen. So they created a Go Fund Me page, and at press time they had collected \$140,000. Her parents took the rest of the money from savings, according to Rios, and her mother is now undergoing the proton therapy.

Rios said she and her siblings weren't surprised at the generosity of friends and family. They have deep roots in the area, she pointed out, with all four children graduates of Londonderry High School. Donations also came from extended family, their work colleagues and college friends.

And strangers came on board from newspaper articles and a Facebook page, she said, for a total

of 1,000 units of donors.

Ellen Sanborn was on her sixth day of proton therapy the day of the interview, and was "doing well," according to Rios. Sanborn is living at home and family members take turns driving her to Boston each day, Rios said.

Sanborn is a registered nurse working at the Southern New Hampshire Medical Center and also teaching nursing at Saint Anselm College, Rios

said. Despite her diagnosis, Sanborn finished graduate school and received her doctorate in nursing in December.

"She is selfless and willing to help others - her family, friends, her students," Rios said. "She loves passing on knowledge and helping others succeed."

Those who still want to contribute may visit [www.gofundme.com/ellenstreatment](http://www.gofundme.com/ellenstreatment).

## OBITUARY

### Sandra G. Holbrook

Sandra G. Holbrook (Griffin) of Londonderry passed away Feb. 4, after a long and courageous battle with cancer. She was the beloved wife of A. Kendall Holbrook. Beloved mother of Evan DiPhillips and daughter of the late Dr. William Mead Griffin and Shirley Watts Mayforth. Sister of Patricia Mead Griffin of VT; David Watts Griffin of NJ; Meg (Griffin) Reign of FL and the late William Mead Griffin. Sandra was born in 1946 in Oklahoma and grew up in northern New Jersey. She received her B.A. in sociology from the University of Vermont; MSW from Boston University and her M.Ed. from Northeastern University. She was a psychotherapist in Derry and Londonderry NH for the past 30 years. She loved the creative arts and was an accomplished seamstress, knitter, quilter, gardener and accomplished cook. She was most inspired by her mother Shirley and grandmother Mabel Mayforth, who were both creative, frugal and industrious Vermont women. Her cats over the years brought her great companionship and will miss her greatly. A celebration of life will be held for Sandra in the Cota Funeral Home, 335 Park St. (corner of Park St. and Rte. 28) North Reading, at Reading line on March 5th at 2pm. Relatives and friends may visit at the funeral home and share personal memories with the family from 12-2pm. Interment will be private. [www.cotafuneralhomes.com](http://www.cotafuneralhomes.com).

PAID LISTING

## Charter School Students Present 'Pirates of Penzance'

PENNY WILLIAMS  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

Students at the Granite State Arts Academy, a public charter school in Derry that opened in the fall of 2014, are performing the Gilbert and Sullivan classic "Pirates of Penzance" on March 4, 5, and 6 at Pinkerton Academy's Shepard Auditorium.

Performances are at 7:30 p.m. Friday, March 4 and Saturday, March 5, and 2 p.m. Sunday, March 6.

The play is directed by William Viau, with Fallon Mullane as assistant director and Taylor Conlon as stage manager.

The 16-member cast includes Noah Tompkins of Londonderry, Kianna Schofield of Hampstead, and Derry residents Sarah Cullinane, Mathieu Dubios and Abby Van



Among the cast of the Granite State Arts Academy play "Pirates of Penzance" are Jack Russell of Danville, Madysen Derushia of Amherst, Sarah Cullinane of Derry, Briannette Villa of Lawrence, Mass., Kianna Schofield of Hampstead and Maddie Zambello of North Reading, Mass. Courtesy photo

Dixon.

Cullinane has acted before with Kids Coop Theatre.

Tompkins said, "I love performing, whether it's music or acting. I started

performing in music theater when I was in second grade. I also help work with little kids during the summer in summer theater with music direction. My goal is to perform for

my career."

Tickets are \$12 for adults and \$7 for senior citizens and children age 12 and under. The tickets will be sold at the door.

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# School District Election on Warrant Arrives March 8

KAITLYN G. WOODS  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

Londonderry voters go to the polls March 8 to cast their ballots in both the Town and School District Election (see related story pages 1 and 2).

In the School District election, the voters will be asked to approve a proposed \$70.7 million budget, which represents a 2.5 percent increase over last year's budget, an \$.80 increase per thousand to the tax rate.

Remaining warrant articles total \$900,000, with a total tax rate impact of \$.22 per thousand.

The total local education tax rate if the School District's entire FY17 Warrant passes is \$13.82. For

a \$300,000 home, that means a local education property tax bill of \$4,146.

The District's FY17 Warrant as passed to the ballot by the voters at the District's Feb. 5 Deliberative Session is as follows:

• **Article 1:** To choose to serve as School District Officers one School Board member (three-year term), one District Clerk, one District Treasurer and one District Moderator (see story page 1).

• **Article 2:** To raise and appropriate as an operating budget for the FY2016-2017 school year, not including appropriations by special warrant articles, the School Board's amended budget of \$70,778,003 (estimated tax impact is

\$13.60) or the Default Budget of \$70,932,073 (estimated tax impact is \$13.65). The School Board and Budget Committee each recommend Article 2 with a 5-0 vote.

• **Article 3:** To accept and receive federal grants and other such funds to support the school lunch program and federal projects; further to raise and appropriate such funds in a special revenue fund - school lunch program, \$1,546,577; and federal projects, \$1,389,000; for an estimated total appropriation of \$2,935,577. The funds are self-supporting through local, state or federal revenue sources. There is no tax impact. The School Board

and Budget Committee each recommend Article 3 with a 5-0-0 vote.

• **Article 4** (Special Article): To raise and appropriate \$500,000 for the School Buildings Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund, previously established and approved at the March 1995 School District Meeting. The funds would be used for major one-time capital costs for District facilities, including a digital camera upgrade for video security at a cost of \$30,000; an emergency generator at a cost of \$65,000; field improvements at a cost of \$160,000; and LED lighting retrofits at a cost of \$40,000. The tax impact is \$.14 cents. The School Board and Budget Committee

recommend Article 4 with a 5-0 vote.

• **Article 5** (Special Article): To raise and appropriate \$100,000 for the School District Equipment Capital Reserve Fund, established in 2013 to provide funds to procure essential small equipment for classrooms, offices, technology and buildings and grounds. The sum is to come from the June 30, 2016 fund balance available for transfer on July 1, 2016. There is no tax impact. The School Board and Budget Committee each recommend Article 5 with a 5-0 vote.

• **Article 6:** To raise and appropriate \$300,000 to fund the necessary costs to improve the

School District's network infrastructure, including wireless capabilities to address the curriculum and administrative needs of the School District. The appropriation would be non-lapsing until all necessary infrastructure improvements are completed or by June 2020, whichever is sooner. The estimated tax impact is \$.08 cents. The School Board and Budget Committee each recommend Article 6 with a 5-0 vote.

• **Article 7:** To amend the Londonderry School District Charter to remove the quorum requirement for amendments at the School District Meeting by amending relevant sections of the Charter.

# Severely Neglected Dog Takes Steps on Long Road to Recovery

LESLIE O'DONNELL  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

A dog now named "Puppy," found in a severely neglected state at a Londonderry apartment Feb. 8, continues on what Police describe as his long road to recovery while under 24-hour monitoring.

In an update to the public, the Londonderry Police said the dog remains under the care of a local family. "His recovery thus far has been nothing short of remarkable, given the dire situation he was in when found," Police said in a press release, but cautioned that he is not out of the woods.

"Last week he became very sick for several days

while being reintroduced to normal food," the press release stated Friday. "It was even recommended that he be put down if he did not start showing signs of recovery soon. He is a resilient little guy and pulled through that obstacle.

"Puppy" is extremely friendly and loving," the press release continued. "He has no signs of aggression and loves to be held. He has adapted very well to his foster home and family."

Beyond the man-hours in the initial response and pending court case, other Londonderry Police resources have been allocated to the dog's recovery.

"This case has garnered an unbelievable



amount of positive attention and support for both 'Puppy' and the Londonderry Police," Detective Christopher Olson said. "I put out this press release and attached photos to

keep the public informed about a case that they have shown is near and dear to them, based on the outpouring of requests for updates. The Londonderry Police Department is truly touched and grateful for all of the kind words and support we have received regarding the case of 'Puppy.'"

As previously reported in the Londonderry Times, Londonderry Police responded to a call to an apartment at 112 Rockingham Road on Feb. 8, after the landlord entered what she thought was an abandoned rental unit and found a small, severely neglected Shih Tzu liv-

ing in what police called deplorable conditions. The responding officer said he could not see the dog's face, as it was covered in severely matted fur, with the dog basically walking on its bones. He found brown water left for the dog, but no food.

According to the police report, the dog was walking into walls and attempting to eat random, small items.

Police have charged Jada Demas and Jennifer Moscardini with three counts of Cruelty to Animals, Dog License Re-

quired and Rabies Vaccine Required. They were released on \$2,000 Personal Recognizance bail and were scheduled to face their charges in Derry District Court on March 21.

According to the veterinarian who initially treated the animal, the dog was suffering from severely matted fur, an ulcerated and infected skin mass on its forehead, blindness, deafness, dermatitis, anemia, a displaced knee cap, fleas, infections in its ear canals and a lame hind leg.

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# REAL ID

**Continued from page 1** implement three security features in their licenses and non-driver IDs. The security features are a photo, Social Security number and proof of residence, and those featuring all three are REAL ID compliant.

Currently, Packard said, an applicant can have their photo and Social Security number deleted from the system after their license or ID card has been processed. Under REAL ID, he said, they would agree to leave the two items in the system.

In New Hampshire 3 percent of applicants ask for their photo to be deleted and 8 to 9 percent ask for their Social Security numbers to be deleted. That leaves 97 percent who are fine with having their photo in the system,

and 90 percent on board with having their Social Security number in the system, he said.

## Background

The REAL ID Act was established in 2005 as an Act of Congress modifying Federal law pertaining to security authentication and issuance procedures for state driver's licenses and non-driver ID cards. The law sets forth requirements for state driver's licenses and ID cards to be accepted by the federal government for "official purposes," as defined by the Department of Homeland Security. The Secretary of Homeland Security defines "official purposes" as presenting state driver's licenses and identification cards for boarding commercially operated airline flights and entering Federal buildings and nuclear power plants, although the law

gives the Secretary the unlimited authority to require a "federal identification" for any other purposes that the Secretary shall determine.

Components of the REAL ID Act include the following:

- Title II of the act establishes new federal standards for state-issued driver's licenses and non-driver identification cards.
- Changing visa limits for temporary workers, nurses, and Australian citizens.
- Funding some reports and pilot projects related to border security.
- Introducing rules covering "delivery bonds," which are similar to bail bonds but used for aliens who have been released pending hearing.
- Updating and tightening the laws on application for asylum and deportation of aliens for ter-

rorist activity.

• Waiving laws that interfere with construction of physical barriers at the borders.

The act was planned to be implemented in four phases. Three apply to areas that affect relatively few U.S. citizens, including Department of Homeland Security headquarters, nuclear power plants and restricted and semi-restricted Federal facilities.

Phase 4 applies to boarding Federally regulated commercial aircraft. On Jan. 8 of this year, Homeland Security issued a revised implementation schedule, stating that by Jan. 22, 2018, "passengers with a driver's license issued by a state that is still not compliant with the REAL ID Act (and has not been granted an extension) will need to show an alternative form of acceptable identification for domestic air travel to board their flight." Starting Oct. 1, 2020 "every air traveler will need a REAL ID-compliant license, or another acceptable

form of identification, for domestic air travel."

As of January 2016, 23 states or territories are compliant, 27 have been granted extensions, and six are noncompliant.

## Taking action

New Hampshire has been under a waiver from REAL ID for several years, Packard said, and that's because of a "tremendous amount" of push-back originating in 2006-07. At that time, he said, the then-Legislature was reluctant to participate in REAL ID because it feared that residents' information would go into Federal data bases. But that has since been clarified, according to Packard.

"There will be no Federal data bases, no Federal access," he said. "This will not be a 'national ID card,' as people feared. It's issued by the state."

If New Hampshire or any other state is not REAL ID-compliant by January of 2018, passengers will be subject to an extensive screening process before boarding a commercial flight, entering a

Federal building or nuclear power plant, Packard said. The citizens affected will have to spend \$25 to \$30 million on passports, a "severe inconvenience," he said.

Packard's bill will not "give" applicants a REAL ID-compliant license, but will allow applicants to opt into the three security measures. It would be strictly an opt-in measure, he said, and not an opt-out.

If his legislation passes, the Department of Motor Vehicles would set up a protocol, Packard said.

His bill has passed the House and is currently under review in the Senate, Packard said. No hearing date has been set. However, he said, he thinks that due to the opt-in nature, the bill has a good chance of passing the Senate.

"We are giving people the option," he said. "If you're flying on a plane and you don't want to carry a passport, this would be the way to go."

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# Lancer Wrestlers Have Five Grapplers Medal at MOC's



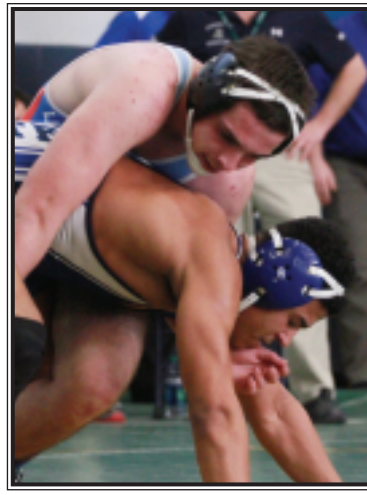
Ryan Cabezas snared fourth-place finish at the MOC's.



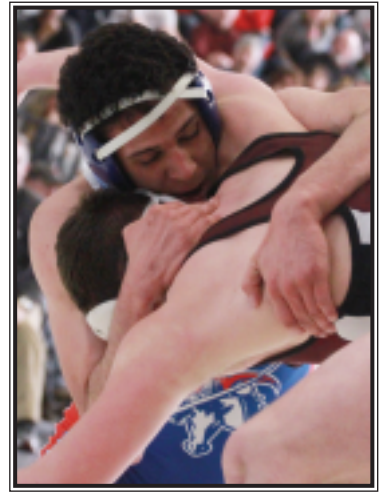
Tyler Byrd claimed a fifth place at the MOC's.



Andrew Chase was good for a fourth at the Meet of Champs.



Colin Reardon took a sixth at the Meet of Champs.



Mahdi Achab was sixth at the MOC's. Photos by Chris Paul

CHRIS PANTAZIS  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The good news that came out of the 2016 New Hampshire Meet of Champions (MOC) wrestling championships for the Londonderry High School grapplers last weekend was that the local squad had five skilled grapplers earn medals at that major competition.

But that good news was tempered by the fact that the Lancers didn't have any athlete finish higher than fourth in their weight class at the Meet of Champs, which was held last Saturday, Feb. 27 at Nashua High School North.

And seeing how only the top three finishers in each weight class at the state's Meet of Champs qualifies for the New England Championships - which will be held this Friday and Saturday, March 4 and 5, in Providence, R.I. - the Lancers strode away

from the North High gym feeling as though they'd missed out on some great opportunities to compete at a higher level again this year.

Londonderry - which won the Division I team title last winter - had two wrestlers finish fourth, one finish fifth, and a pair finish sixth at the Meet of Champions as they tried to advance athletes back to the New Englands again this year.

"We brought eight kids and five of them made it into the finals, so from that standpoint we did pretty well," said LHS coach Jason Cucolo. "But you always like to see your kids go as far as you feel they can."

A week earlier at the D-I meet in the Nashua North gymnasium, the Lancers had 170-pound standout Mahdi Achab finish first for the second consecutive year, 126-pound stalwart Ryan Cabezas take runner-up honors in his

weight class, 132-pounder Tyler Byrd snag a third, and fourth-place finishes go to Andrew Chase at 138 pounds and Craig Santos at 145.

The locals also got fifth places from Colin Reardon at 152 pounds and Ben Psaledas at 182, and the lone Lancer to finish sixth was 120-pound grappler Dave Donnelly.

Then last Saturday at the MOC's, Cabezas took fourth place in his division with a 3-2 record for the day, Chase grabbed fourth in his class with a matching 3-2 mark, Byrd finished fifth (4-2 record),

and Reardon and Achab both had to be content with sixth places. Reardon went 2-3 on the day, and Division I champ Achab went 1-3 in having a tough day after going undefeated exactly a week before.

Cucolo and his athletes advanced into championship-round action knowing that they wouldn't be having a champion crowned out of their ranks at the MOC's. But he still held out hope that Cabezas and Chase - who were both facing battles for third places - had a shot at going to regionals.

But both young men finished one spot away from qualifying.

"There's still a chance that they could go to New Englands if one of the top three finishers in their divisions can't attend for some reason,"

said Cucolo.

Londonderry finished eighth out of 36 squads at the MOC's (59.50 points) after taking fifth at the D-I championships. The Timberlane Owls took the titles at both of those events.



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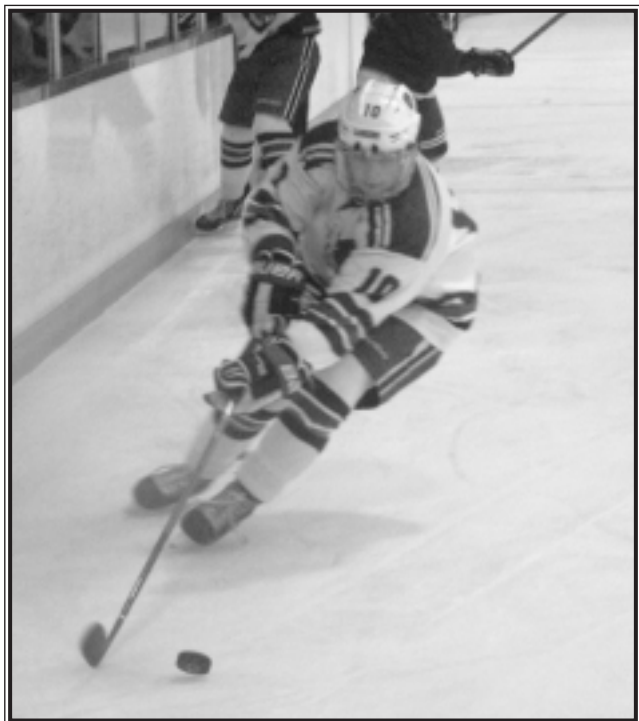
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# Lancer Icemen Stumble Badly But Rebound in Finale



CHRIS PANTAZIS  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

After suffering a humbling and lopsided defeat in its second to last game of the 2015-16 regular season last week, the Londonderry High ice hockey squad regained its footing and ended the campaign with a shutout victory on its home ice.

The Lancers' second to last regular season game was entirely forgettable from the standpoints of the local icemen and their fans.

The LHS skaters took an 11-0 throttling on the chin from the tough Bedford High Bulldogs at Saint Anselm College on Wednesday, Feb. 24, and

as a result saw their five-game winning streak end and their Division I record slip back closer to the .500 mark at 9-8.

Bedford made its D-I record 14-2 with its fourth straight victory that night and tallied the 10th win in its last 11 matches.

"Bedford is a phenomenal team, but we couldn't keep thinking about that loss. We had to forget it and just move on," said coach Dan Legro.

And that's exactly what Legro's Lancers did, returning to the winning track with a 2-0 blanking of the Salem High Blue Devils at the Salem Icecenter last Saturday night, Feb. 27. The Icecenter is the home facility for both the

Lancers and Blue Devils.

The regular season-ending victory - on Senior Night - gave Londonderry its sixth win in its last seven games and a solid, 10-8 Division I record on the cusp of the tourney. Salem, meanwhile, finished up at 6-12 with a weak 1-7 record in its final eight contests.

Bagging the win was pleasing for the local icemen, but it didn't come easy, primarily due to the strong play of Salem goalie Paddy Capsalis.

The first and second periods were scoreless despite the fact that the Lancers put 11 shots on Capsalis in period one and 18 more in stanza two.

Londonderry finally

netted a goal on its 38th shot of the night on Capsalis with 5:15 to go in the third period when Patrick Maloney set up Nick Donnelly alone in front of the Blue Devils' cage.

It then became a 2-0 game with just 1:32 showing on the game clock when Maloney was set up on a goal of his own by Troy Muldoon.

The victorious Lancers finished the productive evening with a 40-16 advantage in shots on net, with LHS keeper Cody Baldwin stopping every Salem blast to help his side bag its sixth shutout of the D-I season.

"I'm glad we were able to get the seniors a win on Senior Night, and I'm glad we were able to have a winning (regular) season rather than just a .500 season," said Legro.

Despite the Lancers having completed their regular season, other D-I squads entered this week with one or more games yet to play. So at Londonderry Times press time the locals were still waiting to find out where they'd end up in the D-I tourney standings and who they'd play in round one Wednesday, March 9.

Andrew Morrisette and the Lancer ice hockey team closed out their regular season with a shutout win over Salem. Photo by Chris Pantazis

## Ball Trophy Battle Comes Down to Spirit Event Again

CHRIS PANTAZIS  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

For the second consecutive year, ownership of the Ball Family Trophy between the Londonderry High School and Pinkerton Academy winter varsity sports teams is coming down to

the spirit championships.

With the local schools' recent split of skiing successes in that sport's state championship - with the LHS boys finishing higher than the PA males and the Astro girls placing higher than the Lady Lancers - the Ball Family

series is all knotted up and will require busting by the spirit squads from the schools during mid-March.

To date, the Pinkerton Astro varsity squads have won head-to-head battles with LHS teams in wrestling, girls' gymnas-

tics, boys' swimming, boys' track and field, boys' basketball, and girls' skiing for a total of six victories.

LHS Lancer contingents have won ice hockey, girls' swimming, girls' track and field, unified basketball, girls' basketball, and boys' skiing contests over PA squads to

also tally six Ball Trophy victories.

The 2016 state spirit championships will be held Sunday, March 13 at Pinkerton. The academy's spirit squad won last year to break the 2014-15 deadlock and hand its school the Ball Trophy for the fourth straight year.

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# LHS Boy Cagers Climb Over .500, Then Slip Back To It

CHRIS PANTAZIS  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Londonderry High boys' basketball squad's plans of ending the 2015-16 regular season with a confidence and record-building winning streak continued last week with a lopsided win over a Manchester opponent but then hit a bump in the road with a frustrating defeat in Nashua.

The Lancers drove their season record back up over the .500 mark to 8-7 with their fourth consecutive victory in the form of a 72-44 drubbing of a quality Manchester Memorial High squad at LHS Tuesday, Feb. 23.

The Lancer cagers scored 20 or more points in three of the four quarters, leading 22-14 after one period, 31-21 at the half, and 52-36 going into

the fourth stanza.

Matt Corey paced the formidable Londonderry charge with his 23 points, and Jake Coleman contributed 19 including a trio of three-pointers. Cole Britting was good for 11 points, and Cam Reddy contributed nine. All in all, the victorious hosts had seven players net points.

But things didn't go as well Friday, Feb. 26 when

the locals made the road trip to Nashua High School North to face a Titans' team that had won seven consecutive games. And the home-standing Nashuans made it eight victories in a row with a 60-58 edging of the pesky Lancers.

The first half was extremely close, with the opening period ending with the hosts grasping a 15-14 lead and the half

ending with the score deadlocked at 23-23.

The Lancers had an excellent third quarter, outscoring their hosts by a 23-14 margin to carry a 46-37 advantage into the final period. But North outscored Londonderry by a 23-12 tally in the fourth and ended up winning by a deuce.

Corey netted 22 points and Coleman collected 21 - including a total of four three-point buckets - with Reddy tallying eight

points in the tough defeat. The loss sat the Lancers right back on the .500 mark at 8-8 while the Titans advanced to 14-3.

The Lancers will close out their regular season this week by playing a pair of sub-.500 squads, starting with a trip to Hudson to play the Alvirne High Broncos on Tuesday, March 1, after Londonderry Times press time, followed by a home game against Spaulding of Rochester this Friday.

## LHS Grad Running Marathon to Support Hospital

CHRIS PANTAZIS  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The 2013 Boston Marathon and the horrific events that took place at its finish line left a great many people with raw and ugly memories, and a tremendous number of folks wondering what they might be able to do to show that good can come out of a tragedy.

Londonderry High School 2011 graduate Erica LeBlanc had two dear friends injured that day, and now the local woman is utilizing an opportunity to help the hospital that cared so well for those friends by running in this year's 120th Boston Marathon and raising funds for the Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center (BIDMC).

LeBlanc, who was a standout tennis player at LHS before graduating and moving on to get a media degree at Suffolk University in Boston, received an invitational bib to run Boston for the first time after deriving enjoyment from cheering Boston Marathon runners on during her years at Suffolk.

"Since I received an invitational bib to run, I didn't have to sign up with a charity at all, I just had to pay a fee to the Boston Athletic Association," she said. "I felt as though I was missing out on a major part of the Boston Marathon experience by not raising money to support an organization and getting the support of a team. So I contacted Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center because the day following the bombings I saw firsthand how phenomenal their staff was in a situation where no one really had any comprehension of what was happening. I had no choice but to reach out to this incredible organization in hopes of helping them continue to do the amazing work they have been doing for years."

To date, LeBlanc's BIDMC marathon fundraising account contains a bit more than \$1,000 and was buoyed in mid-February by funds collected during a special event at the comedy club at which she's the assistant general manager - The Improv Asylum - in Boston.



Ex-Londonderry High tennis stalwart Erica LeBlanc is running this year's Boston Marathon to raise funds for a Boston medical center. Courtesy photo.

But the LHS grad and local folks wishing to help out may do so by accessing her fundraising page at [www.crowdrise.com/BIDMC-Boston2016/fundraiser/ericaleblanc](http://www.crowdrise.com/BIDMC-Boston2016/fundraiser/ericaleblanc).

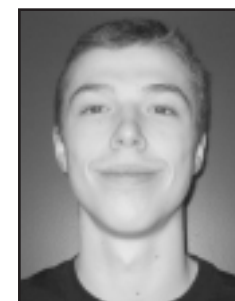
## Athletes of the Week

For the Week of Feb. 21



**Jackie Luckhardt,**  
**Senior, Girls' Basketball**

This superb athlete has had an amazing season, and recently she helped lift her Lady Lancers to a 53-44 win over Nashua North by scoring 22 points, snagging 10 rebounds, and dishing out six assists.



**Matt Corey, Sophomore,**  
**Boys' Basketball**

This young big man has been a big asset for his LHS crew - especially in its last five games - in which he averaged 19.8 points per game. He tallied 23 points and 17 rebounds vs. Memorial.

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ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION  
LONDONDERRY, NEW HAMPSHIRE  
MARCH 8, 2016

BALLOT 1 OF 2

Sherry A. Farrell  
TOWN CLERK

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Three Year Term      Vote for not more than Two

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☐ (Write-in)

☐ (Write-in)

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THE CHECKLIST

Six Year Term      Vote for not more than One

☐ (Write-in)

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Two Year Term      Vote for not more than One

BOB SAUR ☐

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BUDGET COMMITTEE

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☐ (Write-in)

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☐ (Write-in)

☐ (Write-in)

TREASURER

Three Year Term      Vote for not more than One

☐ (Write-in)

ARTICLES

ARTICLE NO. 2: [APPROPRIATION TO EXPENDABLE MAINTENANCE TRUST FUND]

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **TWO HUNDRED TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$210,000)** to be placed in the Town's Expendable Maintenance Trust Fund with said funds to come from the June 30 Unassigned Fund Balance.

(If passed, this article will require the Town to raise \$0.00 in property taxes, resulting in a tax rate impact of \$0.00 in FY 17 based upon projected assessed values.) YES ☐ NO ☐

The Town Council by a vote of 5-0 recommends a YES vote; the Budget Committee by a vote of 5-0 recommends a YES vote.

ARTICLE NO. 3: [FISCAL YEAR 2017 TOWN OPERATING BUDGET]

Shall the Town raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling \$29,591,028? Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be \$29,594,363, which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town or by law; or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only.

(If passed, this article will require the Town to raise \$17,924,670 in property taxes, resulting in a tax rate impact of \$4.87 in FY 17 based upon projected assessed values.) YES ☐ NO ☐

The Town Council by a vote of 5-0 recommends a YES vote; the Budget Committee by a vote of 5-0 recommends a YES vote.

TURN BALLOT OVER AND CONTINUE VOTING

# SAMPLE BALLOT

## ARTICLES CONTINUED

**ARTICLE NO. 4:**      **[POLICE OUTSIDE DETAILS]**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **FOUR HUNDRED NINETY-FOUR THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED SEVENTY-EIGHT DOLLARS (\$494,678)** for the purpose of covering Police Outside Details with said funds to come from the Police Outside Detail Special Revenue Fund.

**YES** ☐  
**NO** ☐

(These services are funded through user fees and require no property tax support.)

*The Town Council by a vote of 5-0 recommends a **YES** vote; the Budget Committee by a vote of 5-0 recommends a **YES** vote.*

**ARTICLE NO. 5:**      **[FUND SEWER FUND]**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **SIX MILLION THREE HUNDRED SEVEN THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED TWENTY-FOUR DOLLARS (\$6,307,524)** for defraying the cost of construction, payment of the interest on any debt incurred, management, maintenance, operation and repair of constructed sewer systems. Such fund shall be allowed to accumulate from year to year, shall not be commingled with town tax revenues, and shall not be deemed part of the municipality's general fund accumulated surplus, all in accordance with RSA 149-I.

**YES** ☐  
**NO** ☐

(These services are funded through user fees and require no property tax support.)

*The Town Council by a vote of 5-0 recommends a **YES** vote; the Budget Committee by a vote of 5-0 recommends a **YES** vote.*

**ARTICLE NO. 6:**      **[RECREATION COMMISSION – COURT RESURFACING]**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **THIRTY EIGHT THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$38,000)** for the purpose of resurfacing the Town's basketball and tennis courts located on Nelson Road, with said funds to come from the June 30 Unassigned Fund Balance.

**YES** ☐  
**NO** ☐

(If passed, this article will require the Town to raise \$0.00 in property taxes, resulting in a tax rate impact of \$0.00 in FY 17 based upon projected assessed values.)

*The Town Council by a vote of 5-0 recommends a **YES** vote; the Budget Committee by a vote of 5-0 recommends a **YES** vote.*

**ARTICLE NO. 7:**      **[APPROPRIATE TO THE ROADWAY MAINTENANCE ETF]**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **SIX HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$650,000)** to be placed in the Roadway Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund with said funds to come from the June 30 Unassigned Fund Balance.

**YES** ☐  
**NO** ☐

(If passed, this article will require the Town to raise \$0.00 in property taxes, resulting in a tax rate impact of \$0.00 in FY 17 based upon projected assessed values.)

*The Town Council by a vote of 5-0 recommends a **YES** vote; the Budget Committee by a vote of 5-0 recommends a **YES** vote.*

**ARTICLE NO. 8:**      **[SENIOR CENTER IMPROVEMENTS]**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **THREE HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$350,000)** for improvements to the Londonderry Senior Center with said funds to come from the June 30 Unassigned Fund Balance.

**YES** ☐  
**NO** ☐

(If passed, this article will require the Town to raise \$0.00 in property taxes, resulting in a tax rate impact of \$0.00 in FY 17 based upon projected assessed values.)

*The Town Council by a vote of 5-0 recommends a **YES** vote; the Budget Committee by a vote of 5-0 recommends a **YES** vote.*

**GO TO NEXT BALLOT AND CONTINUE VOTING**



# SAMPLE BALLOT



## ABSENTEE OFFICIAL BALLOT ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION LONDONDERRY, NEW HAMPSHIRE MARCH 8, 2016

BALLOT 2 OF 2

*Sherry A. Farrell*  
TOWN CLERK

### ARTICLES CONTINUED

**ARTICLE NO. 9: [APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS TO EXPAND CEMETERIES, TO REPLACE HIGHWAY HEAVY EQUIPMENT, HIGHWAY TRUCKS, FIRE EQUIPMENT AND FIRE TRUCKS, AND TO MAINTAIN GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEMS (GIS)]**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **SEVEN HUNDRED TWENTY-FOUR THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$724,000)** to be placed accordingly in the following capital reserve funds, with said funds to come from the June 30 Unassigned Fund Balance: Highway Trucks \$ 50,000, Highway Heavy Equipment \$30,000, Fire Equipment \$149,000, Fire Trucks \$380,000, Pillsbury Cemetery Expansion \$75,000, GIS \$40,000. TOTAL APPROPRIATION \$ 724,000.

YES ☐  
NO ☐

(If passed, this article will require the Town to raise \$0.00 in property taxes, resulting in a tax rate impact of \$0.00 in FY 17 based upon projected assessed values.)

*The Town Council by a vote of 5-0 recommends a YES vote; the Budget Committee by a vote of 5-0 recommends a YES vote.*

**ARTICLE NO. 10: [FUND SEWER EXPANSION]**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **THREE HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$350,000)** for the specific purpose of expanding the Route 102 sewer system along the commercial district from the area of Home Depot to the intersection with Mammoth Road with said funds to come from the June 30 Unassigned Fund Balance.

(If passed, this article will require the Town to raise \$0.00 in property taxes, resulting in a tax rate impact of \$0.00 in FY 17 based upon projected assessed values.)

YES ☐  
NO ☐

*The Town Council by a vote of 5-0 recommends a YES vote; the Budget Committee by a vote of 5-0 recommends a YES vote.*

**ARTICLE NO. 11: [APPROPRIATION OF LAND USE CHANGE TAXES TO THE CONSERVATION FUND AND THE GENERAL FUND]**

To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to the provisions of RSA 79-A:25 IV, to place annually the first **ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND (\$100,000)** from the Land Use Change Tax in the Conservation Fund, then 40% of revenues in excess of \$100,000 with the balance deposited into the general fund; currently, the first **One-Hundred Thousand (\$100,000)** from the Land Use Change Tax and Forty percent (**40%**) of the remainder of the revenues received from the Land Use Change Tax are placed in the Conservation Fund. The change shall be effective April 1, 2016. This article would not change the current funding formula.

YES ☐  
NO ☐

(If passed, this article will require the Town to raise \$0.00 in property taxes, resulting in a tax rate impact of \$0.00 in FY 17 based upon projected assessed values.)

*The Town Council by a vote of 3-2 recommends a YES vote; the Budget Committee by a vote of 5-0 recommends a YES vote.*

**ARTICLE NO. 12: [TRANSFER OF MANAGEMENT OF TAX MAP 6-97-1 FROM CONSERVATION COMMISSION TO TOWN MANAGER]**

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the transfer of all supervision, management duties and responsibilities of the land surrounding the Town Common and fronting on Mammoth Road and Pillsbury Road, **Tax Map 6-97-1**, which is sometimes referred to as the "Town Forest," from the Conservation Commission to the Town Manager, with the advice and recommendations from the Historic District/Heritage Commission, Conservation Commission and Town Council.

YES ☐  
NO ☐

(If passed, this article will require the Town to raise \$0.00 in property taxes, resulting in a tax rate impact of \$0.00 in FY 17 based upon projected assessed values.)

*The Town Council by a vote of 5-0 recommends a YES vote; the Budget Committee by a vote of 5-0 recommends a YES vote.*

**TURN BALLOT OVER AND CONTINUE VOTING**

# SAMPLE BALLOT

## ARTICLES CONTINUED

**ARTICLE NO. 13: [APPROPRIATION TO ESTABLISH AN ADDICTION AND COUNSELING PROGRAM]**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$50,000)** to establish an addiction and counseling program for families in need with said funds to come from the June 30 Unassigned Fund Balance.

**YES** ☐

**NO** ☐

(If passed, this article will require the Town to raise \$0.00 in property taxes, resulting in a tax rate impact of \$0.00 in FY 17 based upon projected assessed values.)

*The Town Council by a vote of 5-0 recommends a YES vote; the Budget Committee by a vote of 5-0 recommends a YES vote.*

**ARTICLE NO. 14: [APPROPRIATION TO ESTABLISH A FAMILY MEDIATION PROGRAM]**

To see if the Town of Londonderry will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **ZERO (\$0)** and re-establish the family mediation program for Londonderry families in need. Also, establish a special revenue fund to allow and accept any and all gifts, donations and grants to support the Family Mediation Program. If approved; such funds shall be incorporated in the annual default budget calculation and only a vote at Town Meeting can defund the program. **(BY CITIZENS PETITION)**

**YES** ☐

**NO** ☐

(If passed, this article will require the Town to raise \$0.00 in property taxes, resulting in a tax rate impact of \$0.00 in FY 17 based upon projected assessed values.)

*The Town Council by a vote of 5-0 recommends a YES vote; the Budget Committee did not vote on this item as it is non-monetary.*

**ARTICLE NO. 15: [TERM LIMITS FOR ALL NON-LAND USE BOARDS – ADVISORY VOTE]**

To see if the voters will recommend to the Town Council to propose an amendment to the Town Charter to set term-limits on appointments to all non-land use boards. This question shall be non-binding on the Town Council. **(BY CITIZENS PETITION)**

**YES** ☐

(If passed, this article will require the Town to raise \$0.00 in property taxes, resulting in a tax rate impact of \$0.00 in FY 17 based upon projected assessed values.)

**NO** ☐

*The Town Council by a vote of 4-1 recommends a NO vote; the Budget Committee did not vote on this item as it is non-monetary.*

**YOU HAVE NOW COMPLETED VOTING**



# AROUND TOWN

**Around Town Policy:** This section is meant to be used to announce free events to the communities. If your group or non-profit is receiving money for what they are publicizing, there will be a charge of \$30.00/week per paper. All Around Town/Calendar Items will be held to 100 words maximum; anything over will incur a charge of \$30.00/week for up to another 50 words. All free announcements in the Around Town/Calendar section can run a maximum of 3 weeks. Deadline for submissions is Monday at 5 p.m.

**Additionally:** We will run the full versions of any calendar items online free of charge at [www.nutpub.net](http://www.nutpub.net). Please send items to [calendar@nutpub.net](mailto:calendar@nutpub.net).

## Marvels of the Sky

Children are invited to visit the Leach Library on Monday, March 14 from 4 to 5 p.m. for a program dedicated to the marvels to be found in the sky, from balloons to jets. During the program a clip of the Wright Brothers' first flight will be shown, and each participant will receive a paper airplane to decorate and fly at home. Advance registration is required and begins Monday, March 7 at 9 a.m. To register, call 432-1127 or visit the Children's Room.

## Writing Bug

The Leach Library presents a Young Adult "Follow the Writing Bug" program on Thursday, March 10, from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. All participants in grades 6 through 12 will explore following their creative ideas and discover how successful writers develop their craft. Snacks and drinks will be served, and there will be a raffle for door prizes. No sign-up is necessary.

## Isinglass Voting

Young Adult voting on New Hampshire's Isinglass award-winning book titles is ongoing through March 31, and is open to all students in grades 6 through 8. The Isinglass Award nominees are books recommended by middle school students. Lists of the titles are avail-

able in the Young Adult area of the Leach Library. Everyone who votes will receive a Barnes & Noble gift certificate. Youths may vote for more than one title if they consider them worth recommending to other teens.

## Visit with Peter Rabbit

Visit the Leach Library on Monday, March 21 from 4 to 5 p.m. to explore the world of rabbits, with stories ranging from Peter Rabbit to a bunny that loves chocolate cake. Participants can try their hand at a rabbit guessing game, and there will be time for a hug and picture with Peter. Advance registration is required and begins at 9 a.m. Monday, March 14. To register, call 432-1127 or stop by the Children's Room.

## Free Clothing

Renew opens March 12 from 8 to 10:30 a.m. at Calvary Bible Church, 145 Hampstead Road, Derry. Arrive by 10 a.m. Derry residence not required. Renew offers free, gently-used apparel. Each household is limited to 20 of the newest items, plus a reasonable number of older items. Enter at the church marquee sign. Donations of good condition, modern clothing are welcome in the donation bin by the door at any time. No money is

accepted. For details, search for "Renew Derry" on Facebook, email [renew-clothing@yahoo.com](mailto:renew-clothing@yahoo.com), or call the church secretary at 434-1516.

## Clothing Drive

Boy Scout Troop 426 is holding a clothing, coat, and shoe drive on March 8, with drop-off at Londonderry High School from 10 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. Look for the Boy Scout trailer. For those who can't make the drop-off date, email [scouting@troop426.org](mailto:scouting@troop426.org) for pick-up arrangements.

## Free Meals

The Free Community Meals program offers the following meals. Everyone is welcome. March 12, St. Patrick's Day Dinner, 5 to 6:30 p.m., Church of the Transfiguration, 1 Hood Road, Derry; March 17, dinner, 5 to 6:30 p.m. West Running Brook Middle School, 1 West Running Brook Lane, Derry; March 18, dinner, 5 to 6:30 p.m., First Parish Church, East Derry Road, Derry; March 19, dinner, 5 to 6:30 p.m., St. Luke's United Methodist Church, 63 East Broadway, Derry; March 20, dinner, 5 to 6:15 p.m., Etz Hayim Synagogue, 1-1/2 Hood Road, Derry; March 27, lunch, 1:30 to 2:30 p.m., St. Jude Parish Community, 435 Mammoth Road, Londonderry, and Sonshine Soup Kitchen, dinner, 4:30

p.m., Mondays through Fridays, Derry.

## Garden Club

The Derry Garden Club of Greater Derry meets Friday, March 4, at 10 a.m. at the Boys and Girls Club of Greater Derry, 40 Hampstead Road, Derry. The speaker will be Fern Doucette, Past Co-First Vice President of the New Hampshire Federation of Garden Clubs, past club President of Ashland and New Hampton and secretary of New Hampshire Design Guild. The program will be "Basic Floral Design for Your Home." Some designs will be raffled. The luncheon will be provided by the board. The club is a member of the New Hampshire Federation of Garden Clubs and National Garden Clubs.

## Lenten Services

First Parish Congregational Church, UCC, 47 East Derry Road in East Derry, is holding Lenten services Wednesdays through March 16. A soup supper will be served each Wednesday during Lent at 6 p.m., followed by a service at 7 p.m. in the church's Currier Hall. All are welcome to join the congregation for food, fellowship, worship and community. For more information, contact 434-0628 or [officemgr@fpc-ucc.org](mailto:officemgr@fpc-ucc.org).

## Fuel Assistance

Fuel assistance is available from Southern New Hampshire Services, which is taking applications through April 30 to help renters and homeowners in Rockingham County pay past or future energy bills. Fuel assistance pays for oil, propane, wood, pellets, kerosene, natural gas or electric heat costs, with payments going toward a past due balance or credit for future use. To qualify, one person can earn up to \$1,935/month, with a family

of four earning up to \$3,986/month. Fuel assistance may also be applied to rent if heat is included in rent. To make an appointment, call the Derry office at 965-3029.

## LEEP

Londonderry children who turned 3 as of Sept. 1, 2015 may enroll in the Londonderry Early Education Program (LEEP) preschool offered by the Londonderry School District. Three-year-olds meet 8:45 to 11 a.m. two or four days per week; prekindergarten students meet noon to 2:30 p.m. three or four days per week. Tuition is: \$145 per month for two days/week and \$195 per month for four days/week. Prekindergarten costs \$180 per month for three days/week and \$195 per month for four days/week. For details or to apply, call Kathy Kelley at 437-5855, ext. 7223. Applications are available at [http://www.londonderry.org/documents/moose/leep\\_inclusion\\_app.pdf](http://www.londonderry.org/documents/moose/leep_inclusion_app.pdf).

## Kindergarten

Pre-Registration for the 2016-2017 school year is going on now for Moose Hill School Kindergarten. Anyone who has a child who will be 5 years old by Sept. 30, 2016 and who lives in Londonderry can enroll the child at Moose Hill School. Call Moose Hill at 437-5855, stop in between 8:30 a.m. and 4 p.m. or email the director, Bonnie Breithaupt, at [bbreithaupt@londonderry.org](mailto:bbreithaupt@londonderry.org) to request a registration packet. Include child's name, birth date and Londonderry address when making a request. Registration packets are mailed in January.

## Baseball Fundraiser

Training Effects of Londonderry joins the Londonderry Diamond Dawgs in a

fundraiser to help the Dawgs travel in summer 2016 to Cooperstown, N.Y. Former Londonderry High football standout Bill Eacrett's Training Effects fitness business is hosting a pair of sports conditioning classes for youngsters aged 10-16 at Training Effects' Derry location inside Derry SportsZone. All proceeds go toward the Diamond Dawgs' Cooperstown trip. Camp sessions are Saturday, March 19 from 9 to 10 a.m., and Thursday, March 24, from 5 to 6 p.m. Cost is \$10 per class; for details or registration, contact Jenny Marshall at 493-7421 or [jennymarshall225@gmail.com](mailto:jennymarshall225@gmail.com).

## Personal Emergency Response

Rockingham Community Action (RCA) partners with MedLine to provide emergency response systems for aged and/or disabled individuals to ensure their safety and maintain their independence and quality of life. Contact the Community Action Center, 9 Crystal Ave., Derry for more information or to apply for a Personal Emergency Response System at [www.medlinesys.com](http://www.medlinesys.com). The Derry Community Action Center serves Derry, Londonderry, Auburn, Chester, Hampstead, and Sandown.

## Girl Scout Cookies

Girl Scout Cookie Booths are now open across New Hampshire and Vermont. Cookie booths can be found at shopping centers now through early April. To find a cookie booth, visit [girlscoutsgwm.org](http://girlscoutsgwm.org) and click on the Cookie Locator. Seven Girl Scout cookies, including the iconic Thin Mints and top-selling Samoas, and Tagalongs, are available at \$4 per box. Gluten-free Toffee-tastic Girl Scout cookies retail for \$5.

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# Candidates

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residents should vote for no more than two candidates. An inked in correction says to vote for no more than three candidates (see related story page 1).

Christine Patton and Donald Moskowitz are running for two open positions on the Budget Committee, both three-

year terms, and Robert Saur is running for Town Moderator.

There is only one position for which no volunteers declared their intent to run - Supervisor of the Checklist.

Town Clerk Sherry Farrell said when no one runs for an open position, the position is offered to the write-in candidate with the most votes. In the event there is no write-in

candidate, the Town Manager may appoint a volunteer.

Due to an oversight by the town a write-in candidate will be the option for the position of Town Treasurer as well. Town officials left off the Town Treasurer seat during the announcement for the candidate filing period.

"It was an oversight on my part," Town Manager Kevin Smith said. "The

position itself will be on the ballot, but because no one signed up during the filing period, it will work in the way we have had in the past where the top write-in vote-getter will get the position."

Current Town Treasurer Kathy Wagner said she hadn't initially planned to run for another three-year term, but has since decided to mount a write-in campaign for the posi-

tion. Also mounting a write-in campaign is Melanie Tamburello, who is an employee of the Londonderry Times.

On the School District side, incumbent John Laferriere and newcomer Jenn Ganem are running for one open three-year seat on the School Board.

John Conley is seeking re-election as School District Treasurer, a three-year term; Mary Soares is

seeking re-election as School District Clerk, also a three-year term; and Cindi Rice Conley is running for School District Moderator, a three-year term.

In addition to electing representatives to serve the Town and District in a variety of roles, the voters will weigh in on both the Town and District's warrants (see stories pages 2 and 9).



## Around Town

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All proceeds support local Girl Scout programs and serve as a major funding source for troop activities, including field trips, camping, and community service projects.

### Cellar Holes

On Thursday, March 24 at 7 p.m., the Leach Library will host the free program "A Walk Back in Time: The Secrets of Cellar Holes" with author and historian Adair Mulligan in the library's lower-level Meeting Room. She will explore the stories of what can be discovered

in the remains of long-forgotten structures in New Hampshire, and how one town has helped stimulate interest in its future by creating an inventory of its cellar holes. The program is sponsored by the Friends of the Londonderry Leach Library. Light refreshments will be served.

### Reflections

The state Parent Teacher Association-sponsored Reflections student art contest has been judged and a celebration and exhibit of the state winners will take place at Gilbert H. Hood Middle School, 5 Hood Road in Derry from 6 to 8 p.m. March 9. Snow date is March 10.

### Model Railroading

The Seacoast Division of the National Model Railroad Association holds Derry Fun Night on March 11 from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Marion Gerrish Community Center, 39 West Broadway, Derry. Derry Fun Night is held the second Friday night of each month. Topic is "Modular Railroad-

ing" with Erich Whitney, who will show the HUB Division modular standards (2x4 module). Fred Hessler will discuss planning for Freemo modules. Always a part of the program is Model Showcase, where modelers bring in their projects to show and discuss. For details, visit seacoastn-

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#### HU Chant

A community HU chant will take place at 9:30 a.m. Sunday, March 13 at the Holiday Inn, 2280 Brown Ave., Manchester.

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#### Eckankar Worship

An Eckankar (ECK) worship service takes place Sunday, March 13 at 10:30 a.m. at the Holiday Inn, 2280 Brown Ave., Manchester. It

consists of a discussion of the current theme and a short HU chant. Music is often included. Spiritual experiences and questions are welcomed. This month's topic is "Past Lives - Lessons from the Past for the Present."

## I-93 Widening Project Heads North

The New Hampshire Department of Transportation (NHDOT) has announced the start of the next phase of the Interstate 93 widening project.

This portion will entail widening of I-93 between the Windham weigh station and the bridge over

Kendall Pond Road in Derry, just south of Exit 4 and Route 102. The project is expected to kick off in spring 2016 and to be completed by fall 2019. The widening will be sequenced to minimize traffic disruption, to the greatest extent possible.

Derry abutters of I-93 may notice survey markings and other preliminary work along the I-93 right-of-way over the next few months. The initial work scope for 2016 will include tree clearing, construction of detention ponds, blasting and ledge removal, and fill work within the median.

Abutters in the areas in proximity to blasting have already been contacted to participate in pre-blast surveys, which generally are conducted within 1,000 feet of an anticipated blasting site. The pre-blast surveys serve to record the pre-blast condition of each property as a protective measure, should there be any concerns at a later date.

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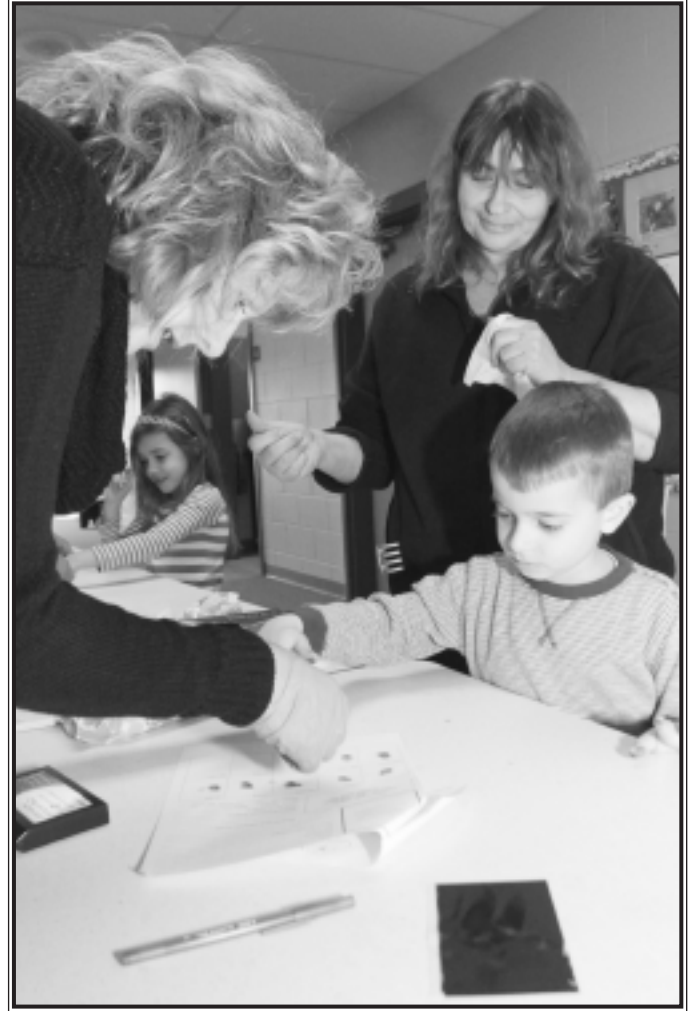
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## Women's Club Fingerprints Students

Members of the Londonderry Women's Club were at Moose Hill Kindergarten recently to fingerprint students, as they've done annually since the 1970s. Their efforts will be part of an overall Emergency Identification Packet supplied to parents to keep pertinent information about their child in case they are lost.

*Photos by Chris Paul*



## Londonderry Police Log

Selections from the Londonderry Police Logs

### Monday, Feb. 22

**7:39 a.m.** Caller near Young Road and Cross Road reports suspicious device taped to stop sign, possible explosive device. Appears to be bottle rockets. Officers will canvass area.

**10:14 a.m.** Theft reported on West Road.

**12:43 p.m.** Theft of diamond ring reported on Faucher Road.

**1:30 p.m.** John Gerossie, 47, Candia Road, Chester in custody in Sandown on Londonderry warrant for Theft by Deception. Per-

sonal recognizance bail set, with March 2 Derry Circuit Court date.

**2:16 p.m.** Caller on Lafayette Road reported neighbor harassing her and egged her house this morning.

### Tuesday, Feb. 23

**2:44 p.m.** Caller at Mill Pond construction site on Old Derry Road reports kids on dirt bikes in new construction area.

**3:24 p.m.** Caller on Constitution Drive reports firearm missing. Last seen two or three days ago in vehicle trunk.

**7:05 p.m.** Mark Samuel Aprea, 45, South Road, Londonderry arrested for Disorderly Conduct, Reckless Operation, Speed – Basic Rule, Yellow Line, and Harassment. Bail set at \$3,000 personal recognizance, with Derry Circuit Court date set.

### Wednesday, Feb. 24

**10:19 a.m.** Possible burglary on Jefferson Drive.

### Thursday, Feb. 25

**1:57 a.m.** Tree in road on Mammoth Road at Windham town line.

**2:17 a.m.** Tree in road at Mammoth Road and Pine

Street.

**2:24 a.m.** Large tree on Chase Road.

**2:31 a.m.** Tree on South Road at Kendall Pond Conservation Area.

**2:26 a.m.** Tree in road at south and Ringe roads.

**2:40 a.m.** Tree on Pillsbury Road.

**2:52 a.m.** Tree down on wires on Stonehenge Road.

**2:54 a.m.** Tree down on Mammoth Road.

**4:12 a.m.** Tree down blocking eastbound lane of Litchfield Road at Litchfield town line.

**7:16 a.m.** Several mailboxes and trash cans in neighborhood of Cherokee Court damaged overnight.

**6:39 p.m.** David Alan Reed, 53, Platts Avenue, Manchester arrested in call to Newbury Street in Londonderry for Domestic Violence: Assault and Criminal Threatening. He was released on personal recognizance bail, with Derry District Court arraignment Feb. 29.

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### Saturday, Feb. 27

**8:05 p.m.** James M. Elliott, 56, Conifer Place, Londonderry arrested for Criminal Mischief (vandalism), Criminal Threatening (use of deadly weapon) and Disorderly Conduct. Bail set at \$4,000 personal recognizance, with Derry Circuit Court date of Feb. 26.

**7:30 p.m.** Subject in station to report many political signs in different areas of town were knocked down.

**10:57 p.m.** Caller reported kids in a top floor apartment on Stonehenge Road directed a laser in driver's eyes as he drove by.

### Friday, Feb. 26

**9:25 a.m.** Joshua K. Elli-



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