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Much to Remember in Londonderry About 2016

t was, a year to remember. Here, in no particular order, are the topics Londonderry talked about in 2016:

Worth the wait?

The Londonderry Planning Board approved the site plan and took jurisdiction of the first phase of the Woodmont Commons mixed-use development.

The 600 acres on former apple orchard soil will encompass a retail center and "walkable The expansion of the Mar-

this year. It was an early Christmas present for the developers, Realty LLC, when the proj-Board's Nov. 30 meeting.

While the developers still have 24 checklist items to complete, the 17 Old Derry Road will be overall plan was approved, with Chairman Art Rugg calling the meeting "an historic occasion."

Looking north

With the notable and 4. downtown," living units, a exception of Woodmont, brew pub, an entertain- residential housing was raised some eyebrows ment center and more. concentrated in the north part of town. Construcket Basket plaza, with tion was begun on Wal-

more parking and stores, lace Farms, a 50 percent was completed earlier workforce housing project, on Perkins Road near Exit 5 to I-93. The 240 Pillsbury units will be spread among 10 apartment buildect received conditional ings on a 25-acre complex. approval in the Planning Half the units will be designated as workforce housing.

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Lorden Commons at the first Conservation Community in town, with 50 house lots developed in Phase I and 83 lots along with 147 acres of open space in phases 2, 3

The burgeoning North among the School Board and administration, as

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Committee Looks To Needs of Seniors in Community

KATHLEEN D. BAILEY

mittee (SRC) is reacha number of initiatives.

At its Dec. 20 meeting, the committee discussed several programs they hope to implement after the first of the year.

and Susan Haussler and alternate Doug Thomas will be visiting 10 55-plus communities to explain the mission, current accomplishments and fualong with concerns, foods found in most food

ideas and suggestions.

Chairman Bonnie Rob-Seniors, which will parting out to others through ner with local grocery stores to offer a discount on fresh produce for a limited time to registered participants. Roberts wrote in an explanatory letter that the SRC has Members John Goglia become of "a need of fresh produce for some financially-challenged senior residents." Roberts explained that while some residents make use of local food pantries, othture plans of the commit- ers have special diets or tee, or SRC. The members medical conditions that will ask seniors what they preclude the consumpwant the SRC to focus on, tion of the processed

pantries.

Roberts said that pro-The Londonderry Senerts also discussed an inividing discounted fresh ior Resources Com- tiative called Fresh For produce would be a way to give back to the community, "especially as it will serve those residents who built and developed our town into the successful community we enjoy today."

> Member Dolores Stokcontinued on page 5

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AFC South Elementary fifth-grade students invited other students and familiy members to their classrooms just before the holiday break to participate in the school's annual Proability Fair. Participants were given tickets and tried their hands at the many games of chance Photo by Chris Paul that were set up. See more photos page 2.

School District to Present 2018 Budget Requests to Taxpayers

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public hearing on the proposed 2018 Londonderry School District budget will be held Thursday, Jan. 12, at Conference Room, Municipal Center.

The working budget and one in reserve to see for 2017-18 is \$71,733,909. Five warrant articles have a total budget impact of \$1,113,474, if approved.

In response to current and projected growth, the administration is request-7 p.m. in the Moose Hill ing four new elementary teaching positions, one an increase of \$126,412 for each elementary school

where the next growth spurt is. Also requested is an assistant Pupil Services Coordinator.

Other drivers of the budget include Pupil Services with a working budget for 2018 of \$3,469,466,

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South School Holds Annual Probability Fair to End Year





One of the last assignments completed for fifth grade South Elementary School students was to build a game of chance for their annual Probability Fair. On Thursday, Dec 22 students set up their games for other students and family members to demonstrate the challenges of chance and probability. Tickets were handed out to participants and prizes were awarded for correct guesses and Photos by Chris Paul achievement accomplished.





School Budget

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trict realizes a "cost ble for educating more avoidance" of \$77.8 mil- than 100 children on the lion from bringing stu- autism spectrum and dents back to the district more than 70 with emoand is on target to save tional or behavioral disor-

on the rise. Director Kim over FY 17. While the dis- Londonderry is responsi-\$9.3 million in FY 18, the ders, both of which are

She has also seen an Carpinone has said that increase in children with vision problems, deaf/ hard of hearing students, and ESOL, with 26 Londonderry students not having English as their primary language and speaking nine different

numbers of students are above the state average. languages at home. She last year's \$710,323. has also seen an increase in children requiring oneon-one nursing services, from two to three, she said, and Londonderry notebooks and laptops. Early Education Program (LEEP) increased from 108 children in August to 122 on Dec. 13.

budget of \$762,650, an schools and add a sixthincrease of \$52,327 over grade lab at the Middle

The IT budget requests include the follow- moving the infrastructure

• 299 devices, mostly Of these, 159 units are new and 130 will replace gy or IT is asking for a in the three elementary

School.

• Increase speed by from Cat 5 to Cat 6 in one eighth-grade section of the Middle School.

The last day to submit Citizens Petitioned warolder units. The IT depart- rant articles is Jan. 10, ment wants to set up and all articles must be Information Technolo- additional computer labs submitted in writing to the district office.





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LHS Gears Up For Annual Pantene Hair Collection

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↑ teve Juster strolled along the corridor outside his English classroom, stopping to point out the inspirational quotes painted on the walls above the lockers. In any other school the quotes, which come from young women who have donated their hair for cancer wigs, would be scrubbed off after the annual campaign for Pantene Beautiful Lengths. But not at Londonderry High School. "It is," he said, "part of our culture."

On Jan. 6, approximately 200 of LHS's female students will take to the gym floor to have their hair snipped off by volunteers from local salons and in some cases, family members. The hair will go toward wigs for women who have suffered hair loss from chemotherapy. It's the kindest cut of all, according to Juster and some of his former donors, and a huge portion of Lancer spirit goes with each strand.

The school has been partnering with the Pantene family of hair products for 11 years, according to Juster. The Pep Rally Aides, a group he supervises, are heavily involved in the program, and most of them have given hair at least once.

"We average 200 donors down on the floor each year," Juster said during a poster-making session after school. "This year we have 140 registered."

Shea Robinson, a senior and co-captain of the Aides, said that many girls decide to give at the last minute. "They've been hearing about it from friends, and they realize that their hair is long enough to donate," Robinson said.

stats, reported that 2,500 people have donated at least eight inches, the minimum for the program, since its inception.

Maddy Laudani, a junior, said she first gave as a sophomore. "In freshman year, I remember sitting in the bleachers and watching the cut," she said. "It was such a great thing, for so many people to be involved." Laudani began growing her hair, and by sophomore year she had not eight inches, but 10.

To be down on the floor. having her hair cut before loud music and the screaming of her peers, was an 'overwhelming" experience, Laudani said. "I kept thinking, what is it going to look like?

Robinson began donating in sixth grade. Her sister was at the school and her mother Karen is a teacher there, so she was familiar with the program. She gave eight inches that first year. eight in her freshman year and eight in her sophomore year. The first time she wasn't scared, she said, noting, "I felt like I was a part of Lancer Nation." She did wonder, "What have I done?," she recalled. But in her second two cuts, she became less concerned about how it would look and more concerned about how soon she could do it again. "It's a cycle," Robinson said with a shrug.

She doesn't get trims between Pantene events, she said, so when the inches come off, "It feels healthy," Robinson said.

Anna Gauchet, a fellow senior and Pep Rally Aides co-captain, has donated to Pantene five times, she said as she joined the group. "I've done it twice at the high

Robinson, keeper of the school, and twice in elementakes her picture and puts it tary and once in middle school at my salon," she said.

Several of the Pep Rally Aides have qualified for the cutting four or five times, she added. A light blonde, she said, "I am blessed with a unique color of hair. If someone's unique trait is gone, it makes me want to help.'

Jill Hansen, a junior, learned about the program in her freshman year. "My dance teacher told me about it," she said, adding, "I was not ready." But she kept growing her hair, and by sophomore year it was down to her navel. "I knew it was for a good cause," Hansen said.

"And it always grows back," the other girls cho-

It's sometimes hard for the oldest girls, who are facing prom and graduation. "It's a big issue for a lot of people," Robinson said.

It's also an issue for juniors when their yearbook pictures are taken, Juster contributed. "But, incredibly, these are the years when people donate," he added.

"I've heard freshman girls make a pact, that when they're seniors they'll all donate," Robinson said.

High Londonderry School has one of the biggest Beautiful Lengths programs in the country, Juster said.

It is definitely part of the LHS culture, Hansen said, noting that she's heard people say to girls, "Your hair's so long - are you going to donate?

When a girl pledges to donate, she gets an LHS Tshirt certifying she is part of the program, and Juster

on Twitter. Posters of real LHS girls, before and after, also line the hallways. "We use students to motivate other students," he said. On the day of the event, she receives an official Pantene shirt.

The girls said they often think about the women who will receive their hair. "Mr. Juster calls it the other side of the rainbow," Robinson observed. "On one side there's you cutting, and on the other side there's the person receiving the wig."

"We all think, 'My hair is going to someone with cancer," Laudani said.

And sometimes it's more than one Lancer's hair. Juster keeps a couple of sample wigs in his classroom, and as he brought it out, the girls noted that it takes more than one color of hair to make a wig. The hair on the wig was basically dark brown, but as she held it gently Robinson observed, "There could be some of mine in there, and those blond streaks could come from Anna.'

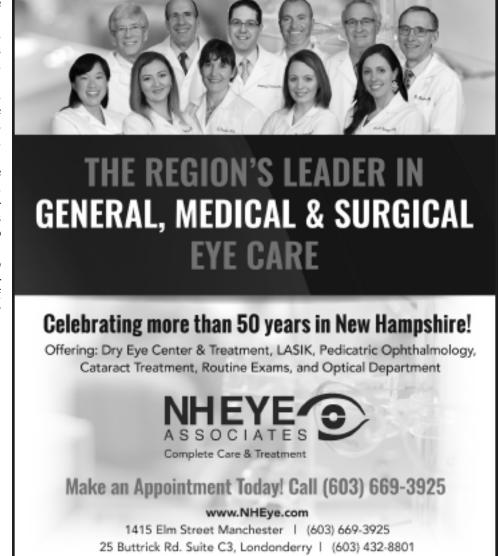


Londonderry High School Pep Rally Aides get ready for the Pantene hair donation event scheduled for Friday, Jan. 6. Front row, from left: Shea Robinson and Anna Gruchot; and back row, from left: Jill Hansen and Maddy Laudani.

"It dawned on me one begin at 8:30 a.m. in the gym time," Robinson said. "You on Friday, Jan. 6. The even never know who your wig is going to, and you never bers of the LHS community know whose hair is in it."

The hair cutting will ors, Juster said.

will also honor other memand their charitable endeav-



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Editorial

This town 'ain't' Big Enough

A number of years ago, Nutfield Publishing came out with an editorial on economic development and growth in our communities, saying that it was "the belief that it is the magic pill towns need to curb rising tax rates." It wasn't then, and it isn't now, particularly because just as it was the case at the time, if salaries and the cost of taxpayer-paid benefits continue to rise, aging infrastructure may continue to fail, and the demand for services will remain unchecked.

But regardless of the hard work required to craft budgets that respect the taxpayers' dire financial straits, the beacon of economic development, growth, and change still shines as a goal for our communities. However, pouring money into development staff salaries may not be the way to go during tough times.

In Derry, the economic development committee struggles to create a downtown without a clear vision or mission, except to make it "better". It wants to be defined by its downtown, but doesn't seem to have a plan to do so.

The next town over, in Londonderry, the Woodmont project is well on its way to seeing fruition, along with the construction of high-density apartments, traffic issues, etc causing it to follow in Derry's footsteps. But bigger is not always better.

Sure the more businesses that spring up may create more jobs and apartments will bring in more residents who could help stimulate the town's economy, but the bigger our towns get, the more money it will require to sustain them. Like a teenager going through a perpetual growth spurt, they may never be satiated no matter how much we feed them. And so our taxes will continue to rise to try and compensate for our growing pains.

On the surface, it may seem that all this development is for the benefit of the towns' residents, but as hundreds if not thousands of residents struggle to heat their homes and put food on their tables, but pay for municipal employees' cost of living raises year after year, along with covering the cost of development through all of their rising taxes, one has to wonder who really comes out on top.

Change is like fire; it can be the fuel that keeps us going and the source of light to guide us into the future, or if left unchecked, it can really burn us. At some point we need to stop and really consider what flames we as taxpayers are fanning.

As we said before, the wellbeing of our communities in the long run depends on far more than one or two new developments. It will take a lot of longstanding planning, consistent improvements to our existing foundations, and a regard for the taxpayers' billfold.

Authoritarian Regime Could Imperil US

President-Elect Trump is setting the stage for a rocky Presidency filled with conflict, bickering, turmoil, miscalculations, and potential diplomatic and military confrontations.

So far, with his disdain for intelligence briefings and his lack of intellectual curiosity, I fear we could be in deep trouble in the world, and our adversaries, including Russia and China, could take advantage of Trump's ego and his lackadaisical attitude towards the intelligence briefings.

Trump's children, Donald Jr., Ivanka, Eric, and his son-in-law Jared, are on the President-Elect's transition executive committee. They are involved in the decision making process that determines who will be in the Trump administration, and it appears they will continue to be involved in the affairs of state when Donald takes the helm at the White House. The American people did not elect a Trump family committee to run our country.

Another major concern is the conflict of interest Trump's vast business interests and the presidency. Trump is handing the reins of his businessily involved in providing advice during his Presidency.

It appears Trump is

who were loyal supporters during the Presidential campaign, but they are not necessarily qualified and fit to fill the positions. He is loading up his regime with former military personnel, including three former generals, and others who are part of the wealthy business elite. His administration appears to have the trappings of the military/industrial/financial complex, and it does not bode well for our country. The media reported

the CIA conducted an investigation of Russian interference in our Presidential election and found significant hacking of Democratic information. The CIA analysis showed the Russian hacking negatively impacted Clinton and helped Trump win the election. Trump and his transition staff subsequently denounced the CIA report and referenced the CIA's past supposed mistake about Iraq having weapons of mass destruction. It is incredible to me that a President is taking the side of Communist Russia and criticizing a U.S. intelligence agency that is responsible for our that exists between national security. This can only alienate CIA personnel who Trump must rely on to provide critical es to his sons, but it and other adversaries in appears they will be heav- the world. He is setting himself and the country up for huge problems in the world.

The big question is, going to have an arrogant does Trump and any rogue authoritarian ad- potential cabinet memministration. He is filling bers and advisors have a

positions with people relationship with Russia that would adversely impact decisions made by the Trump administration and endanger our national security? It doesn't look good right now. Trump admires Putin; Tillerson, the potential Secretary of State, has a number of joint ventures in place between Exxon/Mobil and Russian oil companies; Flynn, potential National Security Advisor, is pro-Russian; and Bannon, senior consultant to Trump, is inspired by the views of Lenin, the founder of Russian Communism. Trump invited Russia to hack into Clinton's emails and they responded by hacking into our election for President.

All of these issues loom very large in a Trump Presidency and could create chaos, constant controversy, and national and world insecurity in a potential authoritarian administration. Our Democracy and freedom could be in peril.

P.S. My family and my wife's family have a long patriotic history in the US. My wife, the former Elizabeth Jones, and I have had a close family member serve in every war from the Civil War through the Gulf War, and I have voted in every election since 1960. This is intelligence on Russian the first time I have been concerned for the safety and security of our coun-

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Grant Protects Rabbits, Establishes Contiguous Land

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derry and its Musquash Conservation Area will be one of 20 New Hampshire Department of Environmental Resource Mitigation (ARM) grant, out of funds totaling \$2,403,740.

The ARM Fund, established by law, is a mitigation option for certain lands Council. projects impacting wetlands and not able to provide other forms of miti- nently conserve two gation.

press release, an ARM the Musquash Conserva-Fund Site Selection Committee is charged with

The town of London- high-priority projects that most effectively compensate for the loss of functions and values from the projects to benefit from a projects that paid into the fund. According to the law, the projects deter-Services (NHDES) Aquatic mined to be appropriate for receipt of ARM Fund monies are subject to approval by the US Army Corps of Engineers and the New Hampshire Wet-

Londonderry will receive \$400,000 to perma-According to a DES 149+/- acres adjacent to tion Area.

This project is a part-

identifying proposals to nership between South- cel #1 has more than 500 cottontail rabbit, an en- migrate and expand their be funded by selecting east Land Trust which feet of road frontage along will hold the easement on the residential developthe property and NHFG which will own the property. The property is located in a focus area identified for recovery of the New England cottontail (NEC), a state-endangered species. Parcel #1 has the potential for the creation of high-quality habitat for the species through management in the upland forest present on the property. Nearly the entire property is identified as either Tier 1 parcels of land totaling or 2 in the WAP. Both parcels are located in an area of dense residential development and could easily be developed. Par-

ment to the south including direct access to Preserve Drive.

Marge Badois wrote in an bits have been found. e-mail, "Conserving this property will result in approximately 1,550 acres of contiguous conservation land."

The grant will allow an important piece of land to be protected, and accessible to the public, without were cleared to promote the need to spend conser- the growth of rabbit habivation funds or town tax dollars for the purchase. according to Badois.

will allow Londonderry to ing the power lines that protect the New England

has been identified as one Stonyfield Farm." of the last locations in Conservation Chair England Cottontail rab-Fish and Game has been working for years on plans to create habitat that will help the cottontails thrive and re-establish colonies. Several years ago approximately 25 acres in the Musquash tat. Another cut was just completed this month off Davis Drive. The plan is Accepting the grant to create a corridor utiliz-

dangered species. Badois colonies. There is currentexplained, "Londonderry ly a colony located at

The land in question is New England where New owned by the Mathes family, Badois wrote in a subsequent e-mail. She wrote. "We have been trying for vears to work out deal to purchase this land, but kept running into obstacles. The addition of this land to the Musquash will give us another trail head entrance on Preserve Drive. Fish and Game will have restrictions, but has agreed to allow us to add parking and a trail that connects to the other Musquash trails from the Preserve entrance.'

Seniors

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losa observed that offering the produce on a certain day, between certain Alliance for Regional hours, would get seniors Transportation. into that store that might not otherwise go there.

the program could be gone back in the minutes developed after participating stores sign on. "There is no point in were on the agenda severgoing deep into the 'how' unless we know we have participants," she said.

Interested store man-426-5438 bbrooksroberts@gmail.com. Town one of the issues is Manger Kevin Smith is aware of the program and may be contacted through townmanager@londonderrynh.or g or 432-1100 ext. 120.

efforts of the Town Council explore alternatives to CART, the Cooperative CARTboard member Martin Srugis was a guest at the Roberts said details of meeting and said he had of the SRC and noticed that CART discussions al times.

issues in the past, and I know we don't currently agers may contact her at have a director," he said.

CART's availability. The service is available from 9 seniors need rides to dial-

committee discussed the can get rides to the VA in Manchester, but if their appointment or service goes beyond 2 p.m. they are stranded, members said. Other members pointed out that CART's two-week notice requirement doesn't work if one has a procedure and a follow-up is booked for the next day.

But members also agreed that many of the "I know we had driver previous "issues" with CART had been resolved. Member Sherry Farrell said, "A couple of years Members noted that ago there were a lot of issues. A new director came in and it was like a breath of fresh air." But a.m. to 2 p.m., and some services such as CART tend to go in cycles, Farysis and other appoint- rell added, and "We need

In other business, the ments at 6 a.m. People to look to the future looking better, Srugis agency to cut back on before we get in another down cycle."

pressed concern that tion and "is on top of observed. CART drivers don't get out things." The agency is Srugis said he would of the van to help people looking at contracting bring their questions to up or down steps. "It could be a liability issue," Roberts speculated, and Srugis said he would ask

Other members ex- taken temporary direc- to stop with a school bus company to run daily operations, he said.

will allow the rabbits to

the agency about its policy. shortage, Srugis said, and service. The future of CART is that has forced the

said, noting that Scott runs. "When there aren't Vogel of the SNHPC has enough drivers, you tend calling," he

CART and report back.

The SRC took no position on CART or on the There is also a driver town starting its own



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already expanding popudonderry Elementary School.

In late fall Greenberg told the board the district has 4,442 students this year compared to 4,383 at this time last year and that the increase is 65 percent elementary, 20 percent middle-school and 15 percent high school. Of the elementary increase, 19 to 20 percent are firstgraders. Moose Kindergarten has 283 students compared with 239 last year, according to Greenberg.

In August he wrote a letter to the Town Council opposing a zoning change Road. Evans was requesting that the town rezone a portion of his land from Industrial I to Residential III. Based on projections by GIS Director John Vogl, Greenberg posited that if dents for the elementary/middle school level and 15 high-schoolers. A

multi-family generate as many as 51 they grappled with an students for elementary/middle and 27 for lation at the North Lon- high school. Greenberg time for completing the new role July 1, 2017. wrote, "From an educational capacity view alone, the School Board the opposes zoning change."

The Council indefinitely tabled the request for rezoning.

I-93 and Exit 4

A process that began back in the 1970s got its final impetus this past February when the New Hampshire Department of Transportation (DOT) signed a contract with both Londonderry and Derry for the Interstate 93 and Exit 4-A projects. The DOT took over responsito land owned by Charles bility for the projects and Evans on Rockingham will begin construction after completion of an environmental Both towns voted to authorize the DOT to take over the project and to limit each town's financial responsibility to \$5 mila multi-family market rate lion. The towns' shares complex were built, it are capped at \$5 million would generate 37 stu- after a lawsuit in the 1990s with Boston North, the original developers.

The exit has been pro-

workforce posed to alleviate traffic riculum housing complex could through downtown Derry and on Route 102.

DOT engineer Keith Cota said the estimated environmental study was 18 months.

The estimated project cost is \$57 million. Funding is part of the state's 10year transportation plan.

Changing of the guard

Longtime Superintendent of Schools Nathan Greenberg announced his retirement this fall, and endorsed the board's choice for his successor, Assistant Superintendent Scott Laliberte.

Board chair Nancy Hendricks cited Laliberte's "clear focus on student success, and he is considered a leader in the field of public education, with expertise in STEM curriculum and college prep for students.'

Laliberte serves on the New England Regional Council of the College Board as the New Hampshire representative, on the SNHU Academic Advisory Board, and the SERESC STEM Advisory Board.

Greenberg said of his successor, "Working closely with him each day, I have seen an unparalleled work ethic, a deliberate but decisive approach to challenges, and a cool head during crisis. In addition, Scott has extensive experience in cur-

which will serve our community and our students well into the future."

Laliberte assumes his

Greenberg, a native of Brooklyn, N.Y., began his teaching career as an elementary school teacher in 1968 in Beacon, New York. He also taught middle school in Beacon. He began his career as an administrator in 1974 as an assistant principal in Simsbury, Conn. In 1979 he became principal of Hopewell School in Glastonbury, Conn., moving into the roles of Assistant to the Superintendent and Director of Elementary Curriculum. He served as Assistant Superintendent of Schools for SAU 16 in Exeter from 1983 through 1987. He accepted the job superintendent Somersworth in 1987, worked in the Portsmouth School District and in Arizona, and came to Londonderry in 2000.

He holds a master's in education from State University of New York and a Professional Degree in Educational Administration from the University of Bridgeport. He and his wife Nancy live in Londonderry and have three children.

Greenberg was leader in a 2005 lawsuit seeking to change the state's education funding formula. In addition, Greenberg was the point

development person in 2015 when the Rep. Frank Guinta and district fought the Federal then-Gov. Maggie Hassan and eventually removed the high school from Federal requirements.

The New Hampshire School Administrators Aswith the American Association of School Administrators, named him New Hampshire Superintendent of the Year in 2008-09.

Dr. Mark Joyce, Executive Director of NHSAA, called Greenberg "a wonderful example of a true 'Champion for Children,' working tirelessly on behalf of the children and citizens of his communi- August.

Development in Pettengill area

The town and some special guests celebrated the grand opening of Pettengill Road, the symbol and engine of Londonderry's economic development. Three companies, FedEx, Milton CAT and UPS/Pratt Whitney, committed to relocating in the area. The area's development is expected to bring 5,000 to 15,000 jobs, \$200 million to \$300 million of new assessed value and \$7 million of net annual property taxes. roughly 1,000 acres of industrial land are situated near the airport and major highways, making it prime for development.

Construction began in summer 2014 and involved building 4,000 feet of road and 8,000 feet of sewer systems, most of which was funded by developers and landowners.

school lunch program were among the dignitaries attending the opening.

Plans for 300th

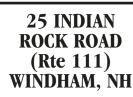
Along with Derry and Windham, Londonderry sociation, in conjunction has begun preparing for the 300th anniversary of "Nutfield," the colony established by the Rev. James MacGregor in 1719. The three towns were part of the original settlement. Plans call for each town to hold its own town-specific festivities, with the culminating event being the Londonderry Old Home Days in

The March election

In the March election, incumbents John Farrell and Tom Dolan won their Town Council seats back, with Ted Combes losing to Dolan by 119 votes. Kathy Wagner was reelected Treasurer on write-in votes after a slip-up left the position off the ballot.

Parent and college professor Jenn Ganem won the open School Board seat from incumbent John Laferriere, 1.135 to 689.

In uncontested races. Christine Patton and Donald Moskowitz were elected to the Budget Committee; Bob Saur was elected Town Moderator; John Curran, Robert Collins and Pauline Caron were re-elected Leach Library Trustees; Cindi Rice Conley was elected School Moderator; Mary Wing Soares was elected School District Clerk and John Conley was elected Sen. Kelly Ayotte, then-School District Treasurer.





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Farm With Rich History Looks to the Future

MELISSA BETH RUIZ LONDONDERRY TIMES

ndy Mack Senior drove his first tractor between the ages of 5 and 6, clocking in at a whole one and a half miles an hour, carting to New Hampshire, where hay. Fast forward to his junior year at UNH, while he was majoring in horticulture, he was offered the chance to take a job with the United Fruit Company, growing bananas in South America.

his mother had spoken him, telling Mack that his father would like for him to come back to the farm he grew up on. Naturally, Mack chose to return to the farm.

really left it." Mack said fondly.

In 1732, John Mack and his family made the journey from one Londonderry to another, from Ireland he first established the land that would be Mack's Apples. In those nearly 300 years since, the land has grown everything that can be grown in New Hampshire. According to Mack, legend has it that It was around this time the first Mack had passed away in his hops field.

> According to Mack, the farm had grown corn 40 years ago, but they had to stop as the apples were keeping staff too busy to maintain the secondary

devastating the supply.

Mack said that his father and grandfather were famous for their strawberries 100 years ago. During those times, they had helped a lot of families get their start in the orchard business for \$27 an orchard

Today, Mack's Apples has become a town landmark. Hundreds flock to the ice cream stand every spring and summer, to the hills for sledding in the winter, and of course, to the market in the fall for their flagship crop -Mack's Apples.

In the years to come, Mack said he would like to grow corn again, specifically Silver Queen corn.

think of new things to do on the farm, such as hopeful couples requestimproving on their current cider press to make more fresh apple cider, and finding more efficient ways to use the fallen apples from u-pick customers that are otherwise useful.

He mentioned that Mike Cross, the farm manager, had a particular skill and love for growing the farm's vegetables, and that they might like to see more squash and tomatoes in the future, and would one day like to introduce berries again during the appropriate season.

Cross mentioned that they have had a couple of weddings on the property He also said that they in the past, and that they

"Of course, I'd never crop, along with raccoons were always trying to are always inundated with in your blood." calls and emails from ing to have their ceremonies there. Mack and Cross agreed that farm weddings could be a lucrative venture, provided they had someone at the farm to put all efforts into coordinating the endeavor.

> Mack also noted that he would love to incorporate a section in their market for bird lovers like himself during the slow season, with seeds, houses, and other supplies, on the condition that there would be enough demand for it to satisfy the initial costs.

Until now, the farm has been managed by generations of Macks, but according to Mack, Andy Mack Jr. and his siblings have no plans to taking their father's place, though his granddaughter, Sandra, has visions of having an important role.

Cross said that they have been on the lookout for "young minds with an interest in the farm. Someone with energy and ideas Mack kindly asked that who wants to do this type of work."

As the senior staff approaches their time for making plans for retirement, they will be on vigilant lookout for individuals of the next generation who, in Mack's words, "Have dirt under your fingernails (or)

According to Cross, due to this year's drought, Mack's Apples Farm Stand will be closing earlier than it has in years past. Where it is normally open until at least February and other years through May, because the lack of precipitation has yielded a smaller crop, the stand will likely only be open for a matter of a couple more weeks. Those who would like to make their holiday apple pies with fresh, locally grown apples should act fast, as some types of apples are getting down to their last bins.

During the next few months, the staff at Mack's Apples will be hard at work preparing the apple trees for the next year's autumn season. According to Mack, it takes all of the winter season to prune all 100 acres.

To tide over until then, residents may enjoy sledding on the hills and crosscountry skiing on the snowmobile-made trails. there be no walking on the trails, and explained that there is an access route from the parking lot of the Reverend Morrison House. After the snow has, for the most part, melted, Mack's Apples's ice cream will be open in April.

OBITUARY

Jean C. Baxter

Jean C. Baxter, 84, of Londonderry, passed away peacefully Saturday, Dec. 24, 2016 after a period of declining health.

She was born in Needham, Mass. on Nov. 28, 1932, a daughter of Walter G. and Mary (Ferguson) Carre. Following her retirement, Jean volunteered at the Elliot Hospital of Manchester. She was a member of Carter Memorial United Methodist Church of Needham and later attended the Londonderry United Methodist Church, Londonderry. She was a loving mother, grandmother, and greatgrandmother, and enjoyed spending time with her family at the beach in York, Maine.

She is survived by her daughter, Linda J. Ryan and husband Joseph of Londonderry; granddaughter, Kyle J. Ryan Lontine and husband Bernie of Maine, and grandson, Dennis J. Ryan and his fiancé, Carlie Vanasse of Maine; three great-grandchildren, Bernie IV, Lucy, and Briggs Lontine, as well as several nieces and nephews. Jean is predeceased by her son, David S. Baxter in 2002 and by her five siblings.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to Compassionate Care Hospice, 25 Nashua Rd., #3, Londonderry, NH 03053. To send a condolence or for more information, please visit, www.peabodyfuneralhome.com

OBITUARY

Mark E. Flanders

Mark E. Flanders, 66 of Manchester died on Sunday Dec. 25, 2016 at the Catholic Medical Center, Manchester. Mark was born in Manchester on November 5, 1950 a son of Rita R. (Boisvert) Flanders and the late Alfred E. Flanders. He was a graduate of Pinkerton Academy in Derry Class of 1969. Mark served in the US Army during the Vietnam Era as a mechanic. He had resided in Manchester for the past seven years, formerly living in Londonderry, most of his life. Mark was employed as a truck driver and a carpenter.

He is survived by his son, Shawn Flanders, and his daughter, Kimberly Laforge both of Tennesee, eight grandchildren, one great-grandchild, his mother, Rita R. Flanders of Okatie, S.C., three brothers, Alan Flanders of Bluffton, S.C., David Flanders of Weare, N.H., and James Flanders of Pelham, NH, three sisters, Ann Mary Dinsmore of Weare, N.H., Julia A. Flanders of Bluffton, S.C., and Lisa Flanders of Lyman, ME, as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be held in the spring and will be announced at a later date. To send a condolence or for more information, please visit www.peabodyfuneralhome.com

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Citizens Urged To Give Input On 2018 Town Budget

LONDONDERRY TIMES

ing on the pro-**L**posed Londonderry town budget will be held Monday, Jan. 16, at 7 p.m. in the Moose Hill Conference Room.

budget for 2017-18, including warrant articles, is

\$19,848,948, which if on approved would be a 9.48 second public hear- percent increase and result in a town portion of the tax rate of \$5.22.

The proposed operating budget is \$32,316,194, with anticipated revenues of \$13,811,736, resulting in The total proposed an amount raised by taxes of \$18,504,458.

for police, fire and public works. The Town Council has entertained a number of options for funding the upgrade, including bonding or leasing the infrastructure, and most

warrant is the Unassigned Fund Bal-tery. \$4,200,000 to fund an ance and reducing the upgrade to the town's amount of UFB originally communication systems planned to subsidize several other warrant articles, including the Roadway Maintenance Trust Fund, the Capital Reserve for Fire Equipment, the Expendable Maintenance Trust Fund and the expan-The biggest-ticket item recently considered using sion of the Pillsbury Ceme-

Two departments are requesting new personnel. A warrant article for two new police officers asks for \$198,545, and a war-Works truck drivers asks for \$158.070.

At press time, two petihad been received. One, Jan. 10...

asking for \$12,000 for new lighting for the softball field, is from the Londonderry Men's Softball Association.

An article sponsored rant article for two Public by resident Mike Byerly is asking for \$100,000 to fund a town roadside clean-up.

The last day for petitioned warrant articles tioned warrant articles is

Safe Fireplace Practices Emphasized For Winter

KATHLEEN D. BAILEY LONDONDERRY TIMES

rian Johnson, diviprotection with the Londonderry Fire Department, appreciates the sentiment behind a family towering pine tree next to a crackling fire leave him, ally well, cold.

wood burning. Whether of heat, Johnson said. it's practical home heat to the romantic fireplace, sion chief for fire this year of all years, homeowners must exercise safety and caution.

The first rule for fire safety is to have the chim-Christmas, as portrayed ney cleaned, according to in popular magazines. But Johnson. "If it's your main the full-color photos of a source of heat, you should have it professioninspected and cleaned before the burn-In a phone interview ing season and again this past week, Johnson halfway through," he said. spent time reminding resi- This is especially true if dents of the dangers as you use the woodstove

Those who use unseaparticularly vulnerable, according to Johnson. 'The 'wetter' wood creates more creosote, and leaves the opportunity for more chimney fires," he said.

Whether you're using a fireplace, a woodstove or both, it's essential to keep combustibles, including that glittering tree, at least 3 feet away, Johnson said. "The tree looks nice, but it dries out so fast," he said. "All it well as the delights of for your primary source takes is one little ember."

seconds for a Christmas soned or "wet" wood are tree to become a fullyinvolved fire, he added.

> Some homeowners keep their log holder near the fireplace, for convenience, and that's also a bad idea according to Johnson. "The wood will dry out quicker," he said.

> Those who use electric heaters should make sure their units are more recent models, with the "no-tip" factor. "Do not buy a used one," he advised.

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And it only takes 30 burn wrapping paper in marshmallow or a hot dog either a woodstove or fireplace, he added. It particularly with a fireplace, the burning paper can come back into the house. Or it can float out themselves. through the chimney and float through the air, and possibly cause an outdoor fire, he said.

> Londonderry has a recycling program, and Johnson strongly advised that gift wrap be disposed of this way.

> A bonfire during skatlar New England tradition. Johnson reminded resito obtain a permit from the department.

They need to keep the fire away from vegetation, the months-long drought, he said. And forget the cuteness of a rosycheeked child toasting a department at 432-1124.

over the open flame. "Keeping children away," may be convenient, but he said, "is the best idea. Have the adults do the toasting.'

Unless they're toasted Johnson added. "Adults who are under the influence of alcohol should not be anywhere near a bonfire,' he warned.

Bonfires may still be held, but in light of the drought, smaller ones are better, Johnson said. "Make sure the area It's also not wise to ing or sledding is a popu- around it is clear, and don't start one under a tree with dry leaves," he dents that first they need said. "If you get a stray ember, you can have a fire through the canopy of the tree.

Bonfires should also which may be dry after be 50 feet from any structure, he said.

> For more information or a permit, call the

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Because They Served: Londonderry Man Has No Regrets

KATHLEEN D. BAILEY LONDONDERRY TIMES

ohn Powers Sr. sifted through a pile of yel-Jowed news clippings and black-and-white photos. There were Army newsletters, maps and one color photo of Powers and his wife Gertrude, the reason he didn't make the army a career. "I don't know why I kept this stuff," he said.

"For this moment," his son John Powers Jr. said, while his daughter-in-law Suzanne nodded vigorous agreement.

Powers, who turned 99 on Dec. 20, volunteered for U.S. military service twice and saw combat in the Philippines during the Second World War. He looked forward, not back, for most of his lifetime. But on a chilly December day he agreed to meet at his son's Londonderry home and go through the experience of one member of The Greatest Generation.

Arlington, Mass., joined up for the first time in November 1940. He was working part-time in a drugstore, helping to support his widowed mother and siblings. "Things were not good at home," he said, with a family and country still reeling over the network of caves from the Great Depression. He joined under a special program, "Goodbye Dear, Back In a Year," which allowed young men a one-year enlistment.

For that first hitch, Arlington and the world were both smaller then and Powers smoothed the edges of a faded news clipping announcing his enlistment, along with three other Arlingtonians, and came back into town," he an "enlistment celebration" in the Town Hall.

The Army released him on Dec. 3, 1941, and he

year-old Powers had barely had time to unpack when Japan bombed Pearl Harbor, and he was back in the Army by Jan. 3, 1942. There were no public celebrations or hoopla for that second enlistment, but Powers didn't care. He had a country to protect.

He went first to Fort Devens, Mass., where he had spent his earlier hitch, and he worked first for the post fire department, later training as an MP. "It was the coldest place on earth," he said of the post. You could see through the cracks in the tarpaper

The mood of the country was, "Everyone was mad at Japan," according to Powers. And the mood of the military was, "Let's go get 'em."

He eventually left Devens for a post in Louisiana, then Seattle, and then training in Hawaii in 1942. By 1944 he was in the Philippines, in Guam, Powers, a native of Leyte and Cebu. He moved on to Okinawa and was based on a small island. IE Shima. at the same time as famed war correspondent Ernie Pyle.

All the islands had civilians still living there, and Powers still marvels they constructed to protect women, children and the elderly. "Their families were in the caves with them," he said, noting that the island was already at war with China.

The women were skittish around the GIs, he noted, due to unfounded rumors. "Little by little they got the feeling we were not so bad, and they said.

He was part of the invasion of Okinawa in 1945 and saw combat, though came home. But the 24- he was uninjured, Powers



John Powers just celebrated his 99th birthday. He lives in Londonderry with his children and took time to relive some of his time in the military. Photo by Chris Paul

said.

What was going through his mind? "We anticipated getting the job done," he said. That rather than fear was what characterized the GI in the Pacific, he said. "We looked at it like, you go to work Monday morning, you come home Monday night," he

He was ill and resting in his tent when he heard about the Japanese surrender. "A guy named Davila came in to the tent and he said, 'The war is over.' He was holding a bottle of Saki," Powers said.

He could have gone home, with eligibility decided on a point system. but when he found out GIs had a chance to go to Japan he took it, Powers said. He traveled to Hokkaido, a northern island of that war-torn country, "It was just across the ocean

from Siberia, and the weather was atrocious," Powers said. "It snowed seven months of the year. We had a two-story barracks, and they had to put

blinders on the windows." "It was time to say 'sayonara' and go home," Powers said

He met Gertrude, a that was it, Powers said.

had three sons: John, of Charles. Londonderry: also of Londonderry and with whom he makes his home; and Richard, who died in 2009.

He didn't join the American Legion and VFW, and though he kept everything, he didn't dwell on his war memories. "I just went on with my life," he said with a shrug.

"He only signed on to the Veterans Administration last year, at 98," his son said admiringly.

Does he have any regrets? No, Powers said. And if his country were threatened again, he'd go. Only I'm too old," he said.

Powers moved to New Hampshire to be closer to his sons, and lived for a while at Birch Heights in Derry. But the constrictions of apartment life didn't appeal to him, and he eventually moved in with Charles and his daughterin-law Linda. He can do things at their home, Powers explained. "I do my own laundry, I paint the trim on the deck, I shovel snow," he said.

His voice is still firm, his mind clear, and all his stories have a point. Powers rated his health as, on friend of his sister's, and a scale of 1 to 10, "9 and 3/4." He doesn't drive any He decided not to reenlist. more, giving up his license He worked for the MBTA in at the age of 98, but with Boston and the couple set- two sons and their wives

tled in Brewster, Mass. and in Londonderry, rides are "only a phone call away," he said. He keeps his mind sharp by reading a newspaper every day, and by doing the Jumble puzzle. He, Charles and Linda all do the Jumble and discuss their answers at dinner, Powers said

> What does he want for his birthday? "Another 364 days," Powers said.

But he's aware of how short life is, and how fragile. During his first Army stint in 1940, he was an MP working in Boston at the time of the notorious Coconut Grove nightclub fire. "We had to take the bodies from the Coconut Grove to the morgue," he said, adding, "It was kind of a tough detail."

He's cheated death many times, and remembers the Hurricane of 1938, which came upon a bewildered New England without warning. "I was selling newspapers on the corner, and there was a church across the street," he recalled. "The winds were 108 miles per hour. I saw them whip the steeple around."

"You wonder," Powers mused, "why you're still here."

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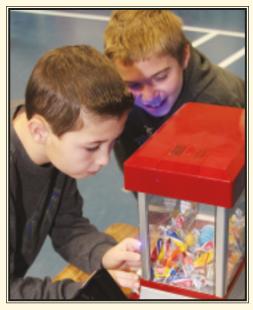


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School track and field, Sunday, with 1,150 comcross-country, and bas- petitors taking on the The 18th running of ketball star John Mor- mile-long run from in front the Millenium Mile timer and several friends of Londonderry High School down Mammoth Road to St. Peter's.

Runners from every New England state and as far away as California competed, with Middleboro, Mass. 24-year-old Andrew Sukeforth finishing first overall in 3 minutes and 55 seconds.

The race champ was followed by 19-year-old Loudon resident Warren Bartlett in second (4:06) and 28-year-old Peter Gurney from South Burlington, Vt. in third (4:07).

The first female across the finish line was Sanwound up 13th overall in (4:54), Carter Letalien in and Ryan Young in 45th was 82nd overall.

The first of the many Londonderry residents to complete the sprint was Londonderry High crosscountry and track and field stalwart Declan Hotter, who was 14th overall right behind female winner Schneider - in

There were 10 Londonderry racers who finished among the top 45, with



Andrew Sukeforth

that crew being paced by 32nd (4:55), Kerry Daley place (5:13). Declan Hotter and includ- in the 33rd spot (4:55), ing Noah Schrank in 23rd Tyler Kraft in 37th (5:07), Rachel Schneider, who Hotter in the 31st spot wak in 44th place (5:13), ished the run in 5:39 and

Rachel Schneider

The first Londonderry female to sprint across place (4:38), Connor Kee- Matt Griffin in the 38th the line was 14-year-old ford, Maine. 25-year-old ley in 29th (4:53), Dylan position (5:07), Eric No- Caitlin Boufford, who fin-



More than 1,100 competitors of many different ages took part in the 18th Millenium Mile in Londonderry on New Year's Day. Photos by Chris Paul

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Girl Cagers Stumble Some After 3-0 Start, Londonderry

LONDONDERRY TIMES

ictories over Manchester Memorial, Nashua North, and Spaulding enabled the youthful Londonderry High girls' basketball squad to begin its 2016-17 in tough Division I.

But then came a tough loss to unbeaten Bedford in its final divisional contest of the calendar year. followed by a lopsided loss to a Massachusetts opponent in the first round of the Commonwealth Motors Christmas Classic in the Bay State just before Christmas, with those two defeats leaving the team at 3-2 though its first five conearly, with Kelsey opening

67-25 win over the Spaulding 11 by herself in the ing High Red Raiders at first," said coach Nick LHS on Tuesday, Dec. 20, LHS owned every quarter.

The local troop kept its season record perfect

opponent by tallies of 22-8 in the first quarter, 14-5 in the second, 18-6 in the third, and 13-6 in the

Senior Kelsey Coffey sank a trio of three-pointers in the first quarter to season with a 3-0 record help her team out to its early lead, and she finished the night with a team-high 15 points and six assists. Courtney Shay contributed 13 points and six rebounds, Amanda DeAngelis collected 12 points, and Emmy Dumaresq nearly bagged a double-double in scoring 10 points and dealing out nine assists.

"We jumped on them up the floor by getting her In the Lady Lancers' three-pointers and scor-Theos. "From there, the entire team scored and played well. Emmy Dumaresq was great, leading

by outscoring its weaker the team scoring in double figures and dishing out nine assists. As a team we had 17 steals, and Coffey led the way with five. A great team win from the first girl to the last one off the bench."

What's more, that win was important for the team because they knew they'd have their hands full with an unbeaten opponent in its own home gym several nights later.

"We needed a good showing tonight to get the confidence up for Bedford on Thursday," said Theos.

The Bedford Lady Bulldogs got all the way to the Division I championship game this past March but fell to Bishop Guertin of Nashua by a small margin.

But in this early-season battle with Londonderry, Bedford would bounce it record up to a perfect 5-0 in handing the Lady Lancers their first defeat in a 39-28 decision.

The Bulldogs were up cut the lead to three at game down in Massachuby eight points at the half, but Coffey helped lead her team to a 7-0 start of the third period to tighten things right up. Bedford outscored its guest by a 16-8 margin over the final 12 minutes of play.

DeAngelis led the Londonderry offensive effort by scoring half of her their second game in the It makes the regular seateam's points (14).

Then in round one of the Massachusetts tourney in Andover on Friday Dec. 23, the Lancers were dealt a 22-point loss of 67-45 by Andover High in suffering their second consecutive defeat.

They were very big and talented, and we were pretty tired after the Bedford battle," said Theos. "They came out strong and scored on their first four possessions, putting us in an early hole. We woke up in the second quarter and put up 19 points in that frame. We

before they regained their form and finished strong."

DeAngelis led the locfey had 11 but struggled to get her shot off consistently.

The Lancers dropped tourney on Wednesday, Dec. 28, losing a 52-44 deci-West Newbury, Mass.

"They played the best man-to-man defense I have seen all year," said Theos. "They took us out of what we wanted to do offensively and held Coffey to five points. DeAngelis led with 11, but it was a hard 11. Delaney McGurn after one quarter, 38-27 at finally got going from the outside, knocking down three, three-pointers and Hannah Hagearty had eight points in her best game of the season."

one point in that quarter setts, so I think it will pay off in the end for us going down there to play," he said. "I hope my kids als with 18 points, includ-remember how hard it's ing 14 in the first half. Cof- been down here when we head back to New Hampshire. That's the whole idea of coming to good tournaments like this one. son a little easier.'

The locals then sufsion to Pentucket High of fered their fourth straight loss on Friday, Dec. 30 with a 69-45 loss to the Winnacunnet High Lady Warriors in tourney play.

> The seacoast side won every quarter but the third, in which both sides netted 13 points.

> Winnacunnet led 22-16 the half, and 51-40 after three periods.

DeAngelis was the top LHS scorer with 14 points and Courtney Shay netted 13, while Coffey con-"It's a more physical tributed eight of her own.

Before and After Holiday

CHRIS PANTAZIS LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Lancer wrestling squad experienced team success before Christmas and had its individual members seven weight class victogain some important experience at the huge annual Lowell Holiday Tournament after that the 145-pound bout, Anmajor holiday.

had every reason to feel action, and Ben Psaledas good about their final pre-Christmas New Hampshire match on Wednesday, Dec. 21 when they forfeit victories.

bested the Manchester City opponent's home

Londonderry snagged ries, with pin wins coming from David Donnelly at 132 pounds, Tyler Byrd in drew Chase at 152 pounds, The Lancer grapplers Taylor Dyer in 182-pound at 195 pounds. Craig Santos (138) and Blaine Hopkins (220) both claimed

Central Little Green by a began competing in the 42-30 score on that Queen massive Lowell Holiday Tournament which included 73 teams - in that Massachusetts city on Tuesday the Dec. 27.

At the end of day one, the Lancers had Santos. Byrd, Chase, and Colin Reardon advance as quarter-finalists.

And at the end of day two on Wednesday the 28th, the Lancers had scored 56 points and placed 32nd overall, placing two of the nine

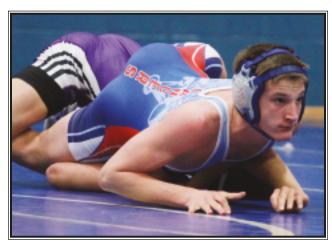
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The Lancer crew then wrestlers who competed. Senior captains Chase and Byrd placed sixth and eighth respectively.

Byrd and Chase both managed overall records of 4-3, Reardon went 3-2 at 160 pounds and Ben Psaledas was 3-2 at 195, and Santos ended up at 2-

The Lancers return to competition against Division I opponent Exeter at Londonderry High on Wednesday, Jan. 4, after **Londonderry Times press**



Andrew Chase was one of several LHS wrestlers to go 4-3 at the huge Lowell Holiday Tournament.

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Londonderry High Icemen Skate Into 2017 With Unbeaten Status

come up with a significantly better story than by racing out to a 2-0 lead the 5-0 start his London- over Memorial. And when derry High ice hockey the second stanza was team tallied in Bedford's over the Londonderry return to his coaching lead sat at 3-0. post after a year away.

started their New Hampshire Division I campaign by winning their first three contests - against Jared Hanover, Bishop Brady of Concord, and Manchester Memorial - and outscoring those opponents by a total tally of 11-4.

latter two of those con- kept her contingent in the shots, and we need to do tests during the week of fray the whole way by Dec. 19, and they beat both Brady and Memorial by matching 4-1 margins.

Brady took place in the Lancers' home-opener at the Tri-Town Arena in Lancers turned a domi-Hooksett on Wednesday nant first-period performthe 21st, and Londonderry grasped a 2-1 lead after two periods which they'd add to in the third stanza.

back there on their home If he'd scripted it, Peter sheet the Lancers closed Bedford couldn't have out the pre-Christmas segment of their schedule

The victorious hosts The Lancer icemen received a goal and an mere nine shots all game assist from Patrick Murphy, and Bryan Murphy, Mike McCormick, and Tuccolo each scored once.

LHS goalie Cody Baldwin contributed 19 saves to the resounding Lancer success, and Memorial The locals played the keeper Lauren Calnan have more goals on 41 making a total of 29 stops.

In the first round of the 17th Annual Blue Icenter on the night of Wednesday, Dec. 28 the ance into a 6-2 thumping of the Timberlane Regional Owls of Plaistow.

od and led 4-1 at the completion of that stanza, the second period was scoreless, and the Lancers added two more markers in the third period to Timberlane's one. All in all, Londonderry's forechecking and defensive work held the Owls to a while the Lancers pelted 41 on Timberlane goalie Tim Bedard.

"Our fore-checking is strong, defensively we're sound, but we still have some things to work on offensively," said coach Bedford. "I'd expect us to a better job of finishing. We manufacture a lot of our goals."

Billy Croteau potted The besting of Bishop Devil Classic at the Salem the first two Londonderry goals - with Patrick McKinnon assisting on both in the first eight minutes of the opening period.

> Timberlane netted a marker on a break-away with 2:38 to go, but the Londonderry potted Lancers answered with

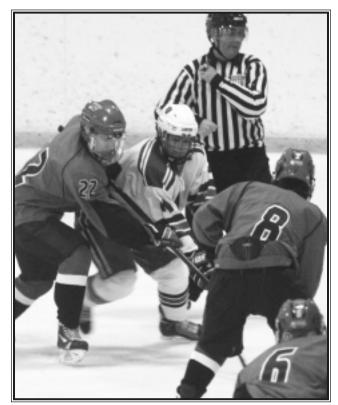
Two afternoons later four goals in the first peri-tallies from Patrick Murphy just 20 seconds later and Dom Federico a mere 40 seconds after that. Tuccolo assisted on the first of those, and he and Nick Pitarys assisted on the other.

> LHS The skaters capped off their scoring with third-period tallies by Troy Muldoon (from Danny Bears and Merrill Neiman) and Patrick Murphy (from Pitarys and Ryan Watts).

> The third day of tourney play - Thursday, Dec. 29 - was cancelled due to the snowstorm, so the Lancers closed out their involvement in the event by playing Windham on Friday, Dec. 30.

And the locals had good news come out of that contest as well, with Londonderry claiming a 4-3 victory in overtime thanks to the late goalheroics scoring Croteau. Bears and Muldoon had potted earlier tallies.

The Lancers returned to New Hampshire Divi-



Lancer forward Patrick McKinnon battles a Manchester Memorial opponent for possession of the puck following a face-off. LHS bested that Queen City opponent in Hooksett. Photo by Chris Pantazis

Jan. 2. with what could be but the answer didn't termed "a barometer wind up being a positive Bedford High contingent overwhelming, 8-0 defeat. at Saint Anselm College. the team was hoping to derry moved to 3-1 in the see just how well they'd division while Bedford be able to stack up advanced to 2-0-1.

sion I play on Monday, against that opponent, game" against the tough one for the locals in an

As a result, London-

HS Swimmers Continue to Compete Well

CHRIS PANTAZIS

LONDONDERRY TIMES

Londonderry he High boy swimmers tallied a record of 3-1 and the Lady Lancers went 2-2 in their final 2016 meets in their own pool on the evening of Thursday, Dec. 22.

The Lancer males tallied no less than eight the 100-yard breaststroke, top-three performances in defeating Campbell of freestyle relay and 200 Litchfield by a command- medley relay quartets. ing score of 131-18,

and Merrimack by a 113lone team to beat Londonderry was the Dover High Green Wave group (108-

were bagged by Nick Byrne in the 500-yard freestyle, Minsoo Kim in Alvirne (90-80) and Dover and the Lancers' 400-yard the night.

Alvirne of Hudson by a lected by Jack Stuart in (time of 58.29 seconds)

100-yard butterfly, Byrne 49 tally that night. The in the 200 individual medley, and the Londonderry 200 free relay team.

Lady Lancers defeated Second place finishes Campbell (132-12) and Merrimack (90-79) but were bested by both (106-64) in going 2-2 on

The locals received a win from Anna Gruchot in Third places were col- the 100-yard freestyle

lopsided margin of 111-55, both the 50 free and the and second places from Madison Martin in the 500 free and their 200 free relay quartet.

> The Londonderry High In the girls' action, the teams will begin the 2017 segment of their 2016-17 campaigns on Thursday, Jan. 5 with a road meet at the Goffstown YMCA against multiple opponents.



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Lancer Boy Hoopsters Endure Difficult Start to New Season

CHRIS PANTAZIS LONDONDERRY TIMES

s the new year begins, the Londonderry High School ty rough start to the 2016-17 season.

their first five contests of up being losses.

the campaign, which included New Hampshire Division I and holiday tournament action.

The Lancers got their boys' basketball squad is 2016-17 campaign officiallooking to find its footing ly under way with a pair after experiencing a pret- of New Hampshire Division I contests, both of which were on the road The locals went 1-4 in and both of which ended



Youthful Londonderry High hoopster Ethan Garofalo takes the ball right at a Bedford opponent in LHS hoop road action just before Christmas.

things started with a lengthy road trip to Spaulding High School in Rochester on the night of Tuesday, Dec. 20 which didn't have a pleasing ending for the locals.

The Lancers took a 57-28 loss on the chin from the Red Raiders, with Spaulding holding Londonderry to single digits in scoring in the four quarters as it went on to win all of the four periods quite comfortably.

The Red Raiders led 12-6 after one quarter, 25-13 at the half, and by a pretty commanding margin of 43-20 rolling into the final stanza. Brandon Radford led the struggling LHS offense by scoring 10 points, with standout guard Jake Coleman being held to just seven.

In Londonderry's second contest of the new season, the locals made a shorter road trip to Bedford High to take on a tough Bulldogs' bunch on the night of Thursday, Dec. 22.

Coleman netted 15 points for the night - and equaled his output of seven in Rochester in the fourth quarter of the game - but when the final buzzer sounded the Lancers had suffered a 66-57 defeat.

The LHS cagers got try three points at halftime, but they built their advantage up to a dozen in the third period before the Lancers whittled it all the way back down to three. But Bedford managed to pull back away before the contest came to its close.

Radford claimed another 10 points for the locals in the loss, but 2-1 Bedford finished up with three cagers in double figures where points were concerned.

The Lancer squad's fortunes didn't get any better the next evening in Massachusetts in game two of the Fourth Annual Commonwealth Motors Christmas Classic Methuen High School.

The Lancers faced off against the Lawrence Central Catholic crew and suffered a lopsided, 90-55 defeat.

The local bunch received 14 points from Coleman, 11 from Cole Britting, eight from Cam MacDonald, and seven from Ethan Garofalo.

We have a great group of kids who are still learning to play with each other," said coach Nate Stanton. "We are getting better every day. The biggest thing right now is learning to put a full game together and building the team chemistry. We The hosts led by a pal- have multiple threats and



Londonderry High point-guard Cole Britting drives the baseline against a Bedford opponent during the Lancers' road loss to that opponent before Christmas. Photos by Chris Pantazis

we will continue to grow as one unit throughout the season."

And the LHS males tallied their first win of the winter in consolationround tourney play on the afternoon of Tuesday, the Salem High Blue Devils a 64-61 defeat.

Salem led 17-14 after one quarter, but the Lancers had a strong second period and outscored their opponents by a 19-8 margin and carried a 33-25 advantage to halftime.

The Blue Devils won the third quarter by outscoring LHS 18-12, leaving the game score at 45-43 in the Lancers' favor. And Londonderry in the end.

The victors had four players collect double digits in points, with Garofalo leading the charge with 17 including four three-point buckets, Dakota Bertrand collecting 16, Cole Britting bag-Dec. 27 when they dealt ging 15, and Radford notching 10.

However, the Lancers were defeated again in the fifth-place game against Lawrence on Friday the 30th, with the Bay Staters bagging a 63-42 success.

Londonderry won the first quarter (12-11) and the fourth (13-12) but got outscored by a 40-17 total margin in the middle two stanzas.

Nine Lancers netted points, with Radford pacsqueaked out the victory ing that crew with 14



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Volunteers Keep Clothes on Backs

KATHLEEN D. BAILEY LONDONDERRY TIMES

atherine Butterfield, istry of Calvary Bible dren. Volunteers moved Church, never ceases to in and out of the cheerful be amazed by the service chaos, replenishing racks and its clients. During the and giving advice on Dec. 10 session, she saw a sizes. In an adjacent little boy who was finally room, volunteers checked able to take off his sister's clients out, carefully foldwinter jacket. "He found a ing the new-to-them garboys' coat here," Butter- ments. field said, adding, "If you're cold, that's what rack of jeans, volunteer you do."

They don't necessarily give the shirts off their own backs, but the Renew bers wanted to do somevolunteers, both from the thing for their own lesschurch and outside, will fortunate. Member Jess rear. give the shirts, coats and Seaman was the originajackets from someone tor. "Originally it was a else's to make sure their swap." Stillwell said. "We clients don't leave with- had five boxes of clothout clothes. The six-year- ing." But the clothing kept old ministry began, appropriately, in a closet. Now it spreads out over several rooms, to make public once a month. sure every client has the clothing they need.

Saturday of the 2016 sea- distribution is once a

showroom floor, taking clothes from racks and a volunteer with the holding them up against Renew Clothing Min-themselves or their chil-

> As she replenished a Susan Stillwell said the service originally began because Calvary's memon coming, and during the past couple of years, they decided to be open to the

"We try to focus on families in need," Stillwell On Dec. 10, the last said. Though the formal son, people of all ages month, on a Saturday,

milled about the main they're not above taking the other chairperson, referrals and outfitting a sort with other volunanother crisis.

ly, according to Stillwell.

Children played in a special alcove filled with donated toys as their paris set up like a regular thrift store, with shoes in one corner (limit four pairs), handbags (limit 2), women's pants and shirts, skirts, dresses, and coats for all ages and genders. Baby and toddler clothes

Coats are limited to one new and one gently used per family, according to Stillwell. And yes, people do bring in new coats, so the restriction is necessary.

in amazing clothing," Stillwell said, including Abercrombie and Fitch, Gloria Vanderbilt, Ann Taylor and L.L. Bean items.

She and Sue Hancock,

family bereaved by fire or teers two times a week. They have their stan-They serve between dards, they said. Anything 80 and 90 families month- they don't like goes to another thrift shop.

The current need, Stillwell said, is for girls' clothing sizes 4 to 7. "And ents browsed. The facility we'd love to get more women's plus sizes," she added.

A small boy with a toy truck crawled through the men's pants and shirts, show floor and Stillwell moved out of his way. "Hi, how are you?" she said with a smile.

Butterfield is a double hang from a rack in the volunteer, with Renew clients' choices with a ting a coat on a kid and and the Lazarus House in Lawrence, Mass. She became involved in Renew because she was a friend of Sue Hancock's, she said.

The items are colorcoded, Butterfield ex-"We have people bring plained, and stay on the racks for two months before being upcycled to another facility. "Today's color is green," she said. She takes leftover items to :"I'd tell them how satisfy- want the community to Lazarus House, where they are welcomed by the homeless shelter's clients, she said.

bins kept track of the to choose between put- programs.



Co-chair Sue Hancock straightens a rack of pants at Calvary Bible Church's Renew Clothing Ministry.

Photo by Kathleen Bailey

there are rules."

a winter hat on her son. outgrow it. "That matches your jackfind one for your brother."

recruit a new volunteer? ing it is," she said. "After miss us." all the work we put in, it's gratifying to see the smiles on the clients'

card system. "In the past, food on the table - this we've had a couple of takes the burden off." And people take advantage of some families complete us," she said. "But now the circle, she said, bringing back donated clothing A young mother fitted when their own children

"There was a need," et," she said, adding, Hancock said as she "Now let's see if we can straightened a rack of clothing. "Calvary looks How would Hancock to make a difference. If we were not here, we would

This story is part of a series, "On Their Own Time," spotlighting local Volunteer Candace Rob- faces. Some of them have volunteers and volunteer



Cycling Standout

Londonderry Middle School eighth-grader Luc Lafond will be testing his considerable mettle by competing in the USA Cycling Cyclocross National Championships in Hartford, Ct., this Saturday the 7th. The talented local, who competes for State 9 Racing, won a silver medal at the New Hampshire championships in October to qualify. He is currently ranked 18th in New England in his age group. Cyclocross courses are typically off-road and include barriers, hills, sand pits, and muddy sections which require a racer to hop on and off their bike and run while shouldering it. Courtesy photo

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Celebrate Work of Mo Willems

The work of Mo Willems will be the subject of a children's program Monday, Feb. 6, from 4 to 5 p.m. in the Leach Library Children's Room. Children will hear the adventures of Elephant and Piggie, help find Knuffle Bunny and find out why pigeons should not drive. There will also be a chance to help Duckling find his cookie. All participants will receive a goody bag and will be entered into a raffle to earn one of two special Mo Willems-themed prizes. This program is open to 90 participants of all ages and registration is required. To register, call 432-1127, or stop by the Children's Room.

Italian Gardens

The Leach Library will host a program on "Iconic Italian Gardens" Thursday, Feb. 16, at 7 p.m. in the Leach Library, Londonder-ry. Presenter Laura Campbell will explore the history of several well-known Italian gardens including Ninfa, Villa Lante, and Villa D'este. She will present her own photographs of the gardens and offer her observations Library

as well as professional insights. This program is free and open to the public with seating limited to the first 90 individuals. It will be held in the library's lowerlevel meeting room. Light refreshments will be served. For more information, call 432-1132.

Live Animals

Children are invited to join staff members of the Squam Lakes Natural Science Center Tuesday, Feb. 21, from 4 to 5 p.m. to hear the stories of three native New Hampshire animals who returned from the edge of extinction. Participants will encounter three live animals, learn about their habitats and characteristics, and then learn about a person who has helped the animals to thrive. Live animals may include a Peregrine falcon, Broadwing hawk and porcupine (live animals). This program is open to 90 participants of all ages. Registration is required and begins Monday, Feb. 13, at 9 a.m. To register, call 432-1127 or stop by the Children's Room. This program is sponsored by The Friends of the Londonderry Leach

Middle-schoolers' **Opinions Sought**

Young Adult voting on New Hampshire's Isinglass award-winning book titles is ongoing through the end of March, and is open to all students in grades six through eight. The Isinglass Award nominees are books recommended by Middle School students. Brochures listing the titles may be found in the young adult area. Everyone that takes part in the voting will receive a chance to win a Barnes & Noble gift certificate. Students may vote more than once for any title from the list.

Christmas Eve

Christmas celebrations will be Dec. 24 at 5 and 11 p.m. and Dec. 25 at 11 a.m. at Londonderry Christian Church, 372 Mammoth Road. The public is welcome and child care will be available during the two Christmas Eve services.

Annual Tree Burn

The annual Christmas Tree Burn sponsored by Londonderry Boy Scout Troop 521 will be held Saturday, Jan. 7, at Mack's Apples in Londonderry. Treres will be collected from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. The troop requests that trees not be left any earlier.

At dusk a bonfire will be lit and a concession stand opened. The Tree Burn began as an Eagle Scout project more than 20 years ago. For more information, contact Joanne Iovino at joanneiovino@gmail.com.

Blizzard Basketball Tournament

A Lancer Nation threeon-three basketball tournament will be held Saturday, Jan. 14, at Londonderry High School. Registration deadline is Jan. 5 and cost ios \$60 per person. Divisions include 3rd and 4th grade, 5th and 6th grade, 7th and 8th grade and high school. Both girls and boys teams are welcome. For more information or to register online e-mail lancerbasketballnation@gmail.co

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Surprise

After going through basic training with the U.S. Army, Londonderry High School graduate Zach Madison swung by Matthew Thornton Elementary School to pick up his sister on the last day of school before the holiday break. Fourthgrade student Olivia Madison was overwelmed with joy when she saw her brother. The two embraced and headed off for the holiday.

Photo by Chris Paul

Estates

Estates of New Hampshire ' will be the topic of a program to be held Thursday, Jan. 19, at 7 p.m. in the Leach Library. Cristina Ashjian will be the speaker. Ashjian is an art historian and independent scholar, and is currently chair of the Moultonborough Heritage Commission. She holds a master's in the History of Art from the Courtauld Institute of Art, University of London, and a Ph.D. in Modern Art and Architecture from Northwestern University. The program is free and sponsored by Friends of the

Leach Library. Light refreshments will be served.

Missing Ring

One of our readers contacted us reporting a girl's ring found in the Londonderry Walgreens parking lot on Thursday, December 15th around 6pm. If you or someone you know is missing a ring, please contact the Nutfield Publishing office at (603) 537-2760 and we will forward the message to the reader and help you retrieve it!

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LONDONDERRY SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Bob Hoover, regarded by many as the greatest aviator of his time, will be the subject of a program at the Aviation Museum in Londonderry. The presentation will be Thursday, Jan. 12, at 6 p.m. For more information contact Jessica Pappathan, Executive Director, at 669-4820 or jpappathan@nhahs.org

Winter Session Programs

The Children's Room at the Leach Library will be offering the following programs: Craft Time, Shake, Move & Read, and Toddler Time. Winter Session 1 will run Jan. 11 through 19. These dates include a break for the winter holidays. Advance registration is required and began on Monday, November 28. To register, call 432-1127 or stop by the Children's Room.

Holiday Library Hours

The library will close at p.m. on Saturday, December 24, and re-open at 9 a.m. on Tuesday, December 27. The library will also close at \$195/month for four days/ 1 p.m. on Saturday, December 31, and re-open at 9 a.m. on Tuesday, January 3, 2017.

LEEP Preschool

The Londonderry School District's Londonderry Early Education Program (LEEP) inclusion preschool is accepting applications for the current school year. Londonderry children who turned 3 by Sept. 1 are eligible. Programs for 3-year-olds meet from 8:45 to 11 a.m. two or four days per week; prekindergarteners meet from noon to 2:30 p.m. three or four days per week. Tuition is \$145/month for the two-day/week preschool and

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The following free meals are offered in January: Jan. 8, Dinner at Church of the Transfiguration, 5 to 6:30 p.m., 1 Hood Road, Derry, 432-2130; Jan. 15, Dinner at Etz Hayim Synagogue, 5 to 6:15 p.m., 1 Hood Road, Derry, 432-0004; Jan. 19, Dinner at West Run-

ning Brook Middle School, 5 to 6:30 p.m., 1 West Running Brook Lane, Derry, 432-1350; Jan. 21, Dinner at St. Luke's United Methodist Church, 5 to 6:30 p.m., 63 East Broadway, Derry, 434-4767; Jan. 29, Breakfast at Church of the Transfiguration, 9 to 10 a.m., 1 Hood Road, Derry, 432-2130; Jan. 27, Spaghetti Supper at First Parish Congregational Church, 5 to 6:30 p.m,., 47 East Derry Road, Derry, 434-0628; and Jan. 29, Lunch at St. Jude Parish Community, 1:30 to 2:30 p.m., 435 Mammoth Road, Londonderry, 432-3333. In addition, the Sonshine Soup Kitchen serves a free meal every weeknight from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m.

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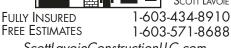




















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Londonderry Police Log

Selections from the Londonderry Police Logs

Tuesday - Dec 27

1:30 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop and Arrest made at Route 93, Exit 5 southbound on-ramp. Andrew Parker, 27, Derry arrested for Driving Under The Influence of Drugs or Liquor.

2:35 a.m. Motor Vehicle Complaint and Citation Issued at McDonald's on Nashua Road.

5:20 p.m. Shoplifting arrest made at Hannaford Food & Drug on Hampton Drive. Jennifer Rahilly, 21, of Pelham Charged with Theft/ Shoplifting.

8:05 p.m. Assisted Londonderry Fire Dept. on Rockingham Road.

9:23 p.m. Domestic Disturbance on Old Derry Road. Peace restored.

10:49 p.m. Overdose Investigated at Taco Bell/K.F.C. on Nashua Road.

11:19 p.m. Motor Vehicle Accident Investigated at Willow and Harvey Roads.

Wednesday - Dec. 28

12:27 a.m. Disabled Motor vehicle on Harvey Road near Webster Road.

12:44 a.m. Domestic Disturbance investigated at Birchwood Drive.

11:05 a.m. Burglary investigated at Hong Kong Taste on Mammoth Road.

2:44 p.m. Criminal Mischief investigated on Hovey Road at Pillsbury Cemetery.

4:40 p.m. Motor Vehicle accident reported at High Range and Litchfield Road. **6:10 p.m.** Motor Vehicle Complaint results in arrest made at Nashua Road near Garden Lane. Daniel Weeden, 65, of Derry charged with Driving Under the Influence of Drugs or Liquor, Two counts of Possession of Controlled/Narcotic Drugs, Possession of Drugs (in A Motor Vehicle), Traffic Control Devices.

8:24 p.m. Domestic Disturbance results in arrest on Capitol Hill Drive. Ernest Meuse, 30 of Londonderry charged with Criminal Mischief (vandalism)

and Possession of Controlled/Narcotic Drugs.

10:14 p.m. Domestic Disturbance reported. Peace restored at Elijah Hill Road. 11:38 p.m. Motor Vehicle Check. Warning Issued on Navigator Road at Aviation Museum.

11:42 p.m. Motor Vehicle Check. Warning Issued on

Museum.

11:45 p.m. Motor Vehicle Check. Warning Issued. on Navigator Road at Aviation Museum.

Thursday - Dec. 29

11:17 a.m. Serve Warrant. Arrest made at Valley Street Jail. Frank Hampson, 36, of Manchester charged with Theft from a Motor Vehicle.

12:51 p.m. Motor Vehicle Accident Investigated on Nashua Road.

1:08 p.m. Motor Vehicle Accident Boyd Road at Parmenter Road.

1:09 p.m. Motor Vehicle Accident Investigated on Orchard View Drive.

1:11 p.m. Motor Vehicle Accident Investigated on Rockingham Road at Mammoth Road.

1:28 p.m. Motor Vehicle Accident on High Range Road and Litchfield Road.

1:32 p.m. Motor Vehicle Accident investigated at Mammoth Road and Fieldstone Drive.

1:47 p.m. Motor Vehicle Accident on Buttrick Road. **1:49 p.m.** Motor Vehicle Accident investigated on Orchard View Drive.

1:51 p.m. Motor Vehicle Accident on High Range Road and Harvey Road.

2:13 p.m. Motor Vehicle Accident on Gordon Drive. 2:18 p.m. Motor Vehicle Accident Hardy Road.

6:57 p.m. Motor Vehicle Accident on Airport Road Manchester Boston Regional Airport.

7:23 p.m. Motor Vehicle Accident on Webster Road. **8:37 p.m.** Motor Vehicle Accident on Rockingham Road north of Page Road. **8:42 p.m.** Wires Down Action on Mammoth Road

near St. Jude Church. 9:06 p.m. Motor Vehicle Accident on Old Derry Road.

9:12 p.m. Motor Vehicle Accident on Airport Road Manchester Boston Regional Airport.

9:18 p.m. Motor Vehicle Accident on King Arthur

9:24 p.m. Motor Vehicle Fire Extinquished on High Range Road near Rolling Ridge Road.

9:41 p.m. Motor Vehicle Accident at The Stumble Inn on Rockingham Road. **10:42 p.m.** Wires Down

Navigator Road at Aviation reported on Mammoth Road near Windham line. 10:51 p.m. Wires Down reported on Ross Drive.

Friday - Dec. 30

12:12 a.m. Wires Down Action reported on Auburn Road.

9:22 a.m. Motor Vehicle Accident on High Range Road.

9:28 a.m. Wires Down reported on Pillsbury Road.

3:50 p.m. Motor Vehicle Accident on Nashua Road. 9:27 p.m. Motor Vehicle on Garden Lane at Park and

9:53 p.m. Motor Vehicle Accident on Mammoth Road near Windham Line. 11 p.m. Wires Down on Pillsbury Road.

Saturday - Dec 31

12:25 a.m. Domestic Disturbance Investigated on Fieldstone Drive.

4:02 p.m. Larceny, Forgery, Fraud reported at N.H. State Liquor Store on Garden Lane. Bernard Saumaro, 24, of Malden, Mass. charged with Possession of Controlled/Narcotic Drugs. Joseph Aby, 25, of Milton, Mass. charged with Possession of Controlled/Narcotic Drugs. Julce Stanley, 24, of Somerville, Mass. Charged with Possession Of Controlled/Narcotic Drugs, Possession of Drugs (in a Motor Vehicle) and Operating Without a Valid License. 10:11 p.m. Fireworks Complaint on High Range Road near Rolling Ridge Road.

Sunday - Jan. 1

12:02 a.m. Disturbance at Sleep Inn on Perkins Road results in arrest. Troy Eafrati, 33, of Waterville, Maine arrested on two war-

3:22 a.m. Disturbance Investigated on Danbury Court.

7:56 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop results in arrest on Nashua Road. Joseph Medaglia, and Possession of Drugs (in a Motor Vehicle). 8:32 p.m. Neighborhood Dispute reported on Constitution Drive.

2:10 p.m. Domestic Disturbance results in arrest on Woodhenge Circle. Jodie Garinger, 37, of Amesbury, Mass. charged with Domestic Violence Simple As-

Group Looks to Save Some of the Granite States Barns

KATHLEEN D. BAILEY LONDONDERRY TIMES

asked the age of the barn on his property. "It's actually three barns," he said. barn, or a barn you love late 1700s, and the newest is from the late 1800s."

Preservation Alliance has announced an initiative, to help homeowners and ry," Goodman added. communities preserve these architectural and agricultural treasures, to the Granite State's earliest days.

Staff member Jen cific barns. Instead, they

ob Morris of Hamp- ty members to identify stead had to stop the barns they feel are and think when endangered, or worth preserving.

"It could be your own "The earliest dates to the that is worth preserving," Goodman said. "We want to showcase the barns The New Hampshire that need to be preserved, throughout 2017."

"We have been work-52 Barns in 52 Weeks, for ing on barns throughout 2017. The Alliance hopes this organization's histo-

Why barns?

"They are a wonderful some of which date back symbol of hard work and community," Goodman said.

As people move away Goodman said the pro- from farming, their barns gram is not targeting spe- often fall into disrepair, Goodman said. "They are

an alarming rate," she said.

Because some barn owners have deferred maintenance, "There is a big bubble of need," according to Goodman.

How it works

Preservation Alliance history of New Hampshire: from hardscrabble beginnings to the sheep and dairy booms in the the crisis in the dairy 19th century. Virtually every rural homestead and village property included a barn. As you through New travel Hampshire today, it's impossible not to see that this legacy of hard work and community is crum-

want property owners an endangered species, bling around us with and interested communi- and we are losing them at missed opportunities for the Preservation Alliance Historical Society has investment and stewardship.

> Program director Beverly Thomas said, "We are losing historic New Hampshire barns at a rate of nearly one per day. The Preservation Alliance has seen increases in public In a press release, the awareness of the significance of barns and the noted that "Barns tell the benefits of preservation over the last decade, but we want to do more in the coming year because of industry and what experts see as a big bubble of need because of deferred maintenance of 19th century barns."

and expanding use of a of the house. state barn easement program that can offer tax dents also take care of relief to property owners who preserve their historic agricultural struc-

Londonderry

cal Society President Roger Fillio acknowledged that there were vation.org. some barns in his town

To meet its objectives, deserving attention. The plans to expand three of been busy with other its programs; assessment issues, he said, including grants that help owners an historic house that is prioritize and complete still in two trucks waiting barn repair work, educa- to be put up. "All our tional programs for barn resources have been owners and enthusiasts, focused on that," he said

> But Londonderry resitheir own, he said, noting. "Most of the barns I know about are already being worked on."

Those wanting further information may visit Londonderry Histori- http://nhpreservation.org /52-barns-in-52-weeks or e-email barns@nhpreser-

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beginning at 7:00 PM in the Moose Hill Conference Room, Town Hall, 268B Mammoth Road, Londonderry, N.H. The Warrant under consideration includes:		
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Article 3	General Fund Operating Budget	# 40.000
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	Public Works Dept.	3,326,851
	Solid Waste	1,947,371
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	Recreation	152,814
	Library	1,408,690
	Senior Affairs	61,726
	Community Development	458,631
	Debt Service Total General Fund Operating Budget	2,310,065 \$32,316,194
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Article 4	Special Revenue Fund – Police Details	\$506,306
Article 5	Sewer Fund	\$5,246,992
Article 6	Roadway Maintenance Trust Fund	\$650,000
Article 7	Capital Reserve – Fire Dept. Equipment	\$164,000
Article 8	Capital Reserve – Geographic Info. Systems	\$28,000

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