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Area children have been getting their fill of apples this week at Moose Hill Orchards. The season is about half way through, so there's still plenty of time to pick your own apples. Photo by Chris Paul

## Apple Picking In Full Swing at Local Orchards

KATIE O'DONNELL  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

Apple picking in New Hampshire is more than just a way to spend an autumn afternoon—it's a rite of passage. Every year children travel to Moose Hill Orchards to find the largest, juiciest fruits and pumpkins they can reach before handing them off to mom and dad for the carrying.

Mack's Apples is the oldest family run farm in New Hampshire

with a long and fascinating history. Since 1732, the Mack family has been operating things along with a dedicated team of pickers and staff. Nowadays, the orchard has become one of the spots in the area for picking apples. It may have to do with the nearly 100 acres of apple trees on the property. Or, it could be that families have been coming here with their children and grandchildren for generations.

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## Town Council Looks Into Million Dollar Tax Relief

KATIE O'DONNELL  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The biggest news to come out of the Monday evening, Oct. 2 Town Council meeting was an announcement by member John Farrell that the people of Londonderry may have a million dollars coming their way.

Farrell said there was 1.6 million dollars of exceeded revenue in the unassigned fund budget (UFB) from the last fiscal year. This information can also be found on pages six

and seven of the current Town Manager's Budget on the town website. With that much of a surplus, it was proposed by Farrell to give one million of that back to the taxpayers with the intent to keep taxes from going up this year.

"We've done a nice job of rebuilding everything, it's time to give back," said Farrell.

Town manager Kevin H. Smith said reducing taxes for the next fiscal year is allowed under the budget guidelines regard-

ing excesses in the fund balance, however "it's not something we typically do." But he continued on, saying "we have a healthy balance and should have a healthy surplus as well."

The town audit is not finished yet, so Smith is still waiting on those numbers before he can report them to the council. "Once we have the hard numbers on that, we can come back on the 19th and I can report what we have in the fund

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## District Starts Year with Several Accomplishments

KATIE O'DONNELL  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

There was a lot for Londonderry High School to celebrate at the last school board meeting. Students, staff and community members enjoyed some happy news at the start of the meeting before hearing about fun activities coming soon.

Principal Jason Parent announced a major accomplishment by some of the new seniors - five of them were named National Merit Commended students, and one was listed as a National Merit Semi-Finalist. The news was even more impressive after learning that these six Londonderry students were part of the 1.6 million who took the PSAT test as juniors. Out of

those, only the top 50 thousand are considered national merit commended. To be named a semi-finalist, a student needs to score in the top 16 thousand.

The rest of the senior class settled for a win during Spirit Week at the high school. Student Council member Tyler Cullen reported that there was a lot of participation by the students. He felt it was a fantastic way to start off the year and build class comradery.

Cullen also announced the LHS Student Council will be hosting the annual craft fair in November. The plan is to split the proceeds between the Student Council and a yet-to-be-determined charity.

The Teacher Liaison, Mary Wing Soares, said

the LHS Drama Club will also be hosting the annual "Haunted Woods" at the ropes course between the middle and high schools on Oct. 17 and 18 from 6 to 8:30 p.m. "There will be free treats for those who survive the woods," Soares said. Tickets will be five dollars to brave the woods, or three dollars for the more kid-friendly "Goblin Garden."

Board Member Leitha Reilly changed topics to

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## Having Fun With History

Londonderry Times Publisher, Deb Paul had a chance last week to Reenact the famous World War II photo taken on VJ Day in Times Square with the sailor that was on the cover of Life Magazine. Carl Musarello, 91, was on his way north to speak with veterans in Tilton from his home in Florida when he was asked by State Rep. Al Baldasaro to stop in to Londonderry for a photo. Musarello was accompanied by Marilyn Walsh and his wife Shelly.

*Photos by Chris Paul*

## Tax Relief

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balance," he said.

For the last few years the council has been trying to keep the amount in the UFB to about five percent, although Smith said the recommended amount could be up to seven

percent.

Smith was corrected that the next meeting will occur on Oct. 16. He said he would have the data ready to review when the council reconvene on that date.

After the meeting, the newly appointed Budget Committee member Dun-

can Campbell said he is hesitant to give the entire million back so quickly. "We should be careful when returning funds. His thought - have a slightly smaller refund and put more money into investments like updating the town's infrastructure.

## Local Teen Faces Felonious Rape and Drug Sale Charges

CHRIS PAUL  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

Londonderry Police served a warrant for the arrest of Ethan Cullen, 18, of Londonderry on Thursday Sept. 28 for aggravated felonious sexual assault forcible rape, the sale of controlled narcotic drugs, and sale of alcoholic beverages.

Rockingham County Attorney Patricia Conway would not release details



*Ethan Cullen*

of the alleged rape when reached for comment, cit-

ing the ongoing investigation in the case.

The alleged incident happened back in July of this year, where the victim claims to have met Cullen on-line and was invited to his Londonderry home.

Cullen was arraigned Thursday, Sept. 28 in Tenth District Court in Derry, bail set at \$5000.

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# Londonderry Trailways Still On Track for Completion

KATIE O'DONNELL  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The local rail trail has been a work in progress over the past few years and residents will be able to enjoy some updates, come next spring.

Londonderry Trailways President, Bob Saur, has been eagerly awaiting the sign off on a few items for the northern part of trail system from the New

Hampshire Department of Transportation NHDOT. "I'm hoping that, any day now, we'll have that approval."

Once the approval goes through, Phase 4 of trail will be getting some pedestrian hybrid crossing signals on Sanborn Road by the North Londonderry Elementary School. Those are the kinds of crossing signals that will require walkers

or bikers to press a button, which will set off a flashing yellow light to alert cars that they are crossing the road.

The Trailways Committee had paid for a traffic study to be done to see where these signals would be needed the most. According to Saur, the state then determined which type of signal would be used where the trail intersects major roads.

The paths cutting through Londonderry are part of the larger Granite State Rail Trail. The town has 6.2 miles of trail that will eventually help connect the boarder to the capital. "The long term goal is to have a trail that runs from Salem to Manchester, then eventually Concord," said Saur. The towns on the trail have their own groups helping to coordinate with each

other but, "each town is really their own section," said Saur.

Here in Londonderry, the Trailways Committee started the project in the middle and worked their way south until construction hit a snag by the new Woodmont Commons development. Saur explained that the committee spoke with the land owners about the trail and have decided to wait until things get father along at Woodmont before they continue.

Part of the problem is the access road to the proposed Exit 4A cuts across the existing rail trail. "We don't want to put effort into something that will be bulldozed in the next few years," Saur said.

Keeping that in mind, the trail has expanded up and north towards Manchester. It will continue past Route 28 and hopefully towards the airport. This will involve some ground work before construction season ends in early December.

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The reason why the Trailways Committee needs the sign off from the NHDOT is because it gives them the rights to do the construction. With all the other work going on in town (Woodmont Commons, exit 4a, etc.), residents should be more aware of any work being done in the area while driving around.

Despite the need for expansion and signals, Saur reported that the trial in on track to be ready for spring. They just "got to get through the process." The money needed to install the signals has already been allocated to the project. The contractors are all set to go. "Everything is in place," said Saur. All residents need to do is wait and hope that the state signs off on it soon, so Londonderry can enjoy the first signs of spring on the newly updated rail trail.

## Apples

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Family is a theme at Mack's Apples. Mike Cross is the farm manager and he has seen the farm grow and develop over the years. He's been a part of the family since he was a young man. His own father worked for Mack's before him. Cross said he and some of the other staff have been there nearly 40 years. One of their pickers is the daughter of two pickers who met and fell in love at the orchard. The Store Manager, Rose Searles, is also a second-generation Mack's Apples worker. Her father, like Cross, worked at the farm for most of his life. "She's like the energizer bunny," Cross said. "Runs all day!"

Cross proudly explained that Mack's Apples is one of the only farms he knows of in the area that uses an "American Har-

vest crew" to pick the apples. Other farms may use migrant workers that only work a few seasons, but the pickers at Mack's have a lot of returning faces. "We get a lot of the same people every year," said Cross. They in turn help to recruit others to join. "It works out pretty well," chuckled Cross.

But professional pickers are not the only ones who get to handle the goods. The main draw for Mack's Apples is the "Pick-Your-Own" orchards. Mack's has been allowing guests to come and get their own apples since the 1968. "We were one of the first ones around here to do pick-your-own," said Cross. They keep things simple for the thousands or so people that show up to pick their apples. "We don't do the corn mazes and hayrides and stuff like that," that other farms and orchards do, according to Cross. Peo-

ple come and pick their fruit and maybe buy something from the farm stand on their way home.

With the season in full swing, the "PYO," as it's labeled, is open every day from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Guests can stop at the kiosks for a bag and pile in as many as they can. There are also PYO peaches and pumpkins. Last year's weather made for a terrible season across the state. Cross explained how no one had any peaches due to the harsh conditions. "They got frozen out."

This year looks to be better. The drought of last summer is gone and this year had enough rain to make the apple trees burst with fruit. "Everyone has a good crop this

year," said Cross. "Apple trees always come back with a big crop off a small crop." He even went on to call it a "100 percent difference" in how much fruit there is available.

Everyone has a favorite type of apple. Some like Macintosh for its juiciness. Others like Cortland for how well it holds up in pies. Cross said the top two sellers so far are the Honey Crips and the Macouns. There are five types available to pick right now in the orchard, and 10 available at the farm stand on Mammoth Road. There's a type for everyone, regardless of if you're using them for baking, making apple sauce like Cross, or just, good old-fashion eating.

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# Editorial

## See You at the Library

As Libraries go back longer hours and we head into next year's budget, lets make sure our libraries stay healthy for another year. The reason is simple: Patrons want more open hours at the library.

More residents are using the public library for many different reasons. While at a casual glance the action on adding money to our libraries could be interpreted as ignoring the economic hardship taxpayers face, a more accurate response is that as times get tough and money gets tight, residents are using their libraries more and more. And that's a good thing. So if there is a little extra money we should think of give to the library that only gives back to the residents.

Just as we don't believe newspapers will disappear, we don't think books will, either. But as the cost of books increase and bookstores close, libraries become even more vital. Reading a good book brings a lot of satisfaction, something that's hard to duplicate.

We've heard town officials question the usefulness of a library in recent years or a book in today's digital age. We think they're totally off base. But libraries aren't stuck in the 19th century; with audio books for the commuter, downloadable books for e-readers and computers, technology plays a major role in their offer-

ings these days, meeting the needs of both the tech-savvy and those who want to hold a book in their hands.

Think back. How many of us introduced our children to a love of reading when they were toddlers, sitting with them at library story time sessions, then, heading home with lots of picture books? That book is comfort, when snuggling at bedtime to bond or escaping the stress of the day is better with a book than a device.

These days, most of us can't afford to spend money on entertainment. But the numerous free programs offered at our public libraries ranging from movies to lectures to art shows give us options to get out of the house, spend time with others, and maybe learn something in the process. Often with a snack thrown in.

And when hometown entertainment just won't do, most libraries offer free or reduced admission passes to museums in both New Hampshire and Massachusetts.

Remember where people gather when the power goes out in winter storms? At the library. Kind of a definition of "community," isn't it?

We'd hate to see any of this go away. A library is one place where we do get our money's worth. And what we're finding is that, as money gets tight, we turn to our local library more and more. Pay one a visit today.

# Letters

## Thanks to All

To the editor:

The Grange #44 of Londonderry is pleased to thank every patron of our Mums for Meals plant sale and food drive. Your contributions will provide over One Thousand Three Hundred Fifty meals for The NH FoodBank. One generous donation of \$50.00 was received from Don and Denis Charrette. They are planning for a new business in Londonderry named "Wicked Good Scoops". We were also happy to showcase four "new to us" crafters in our Historical Hall.

Debbie Russell from Derry had unique, intricately decorated birdhouses. She was also kind enough to hold a raffle for one of her birdhouses. Debbie donated the entire raffle proceeds of \$19.00 to The NH FoodBank. Steve Cote of Manchester displayed his hand cut collages. The "Leather Guy" Peter Gallo had a huge selection of expertly crafted hand made leather goods. He produced several custom orders during the event. He was so impressed by the members of Londonderry's Boy Scout Troop

521 who were on hand to carry purchases to customer's cars that he gifted one lucky scout with a hand crafted leather vest. The fourth crafter we invited was Arianne Plehandric from Manchester, featuring original artwork and hand crafted artisan goods. During the the fair she painted a lovely watercolor titled "Mums". We plan to use her gift as the logo for our flyers for next year's fundraiser. Her work can be seen at Sunnycrest Farm.

Thank You,  
Cherylann Pierce  
Londonderry

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## Budget Committee Gets New Member

KATIE O'DONNELL  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

When the Town Council posted an opening for a budget committee member, it probably didn't expect to get three lengthy resumes and one promising rookie. This week's meeting introduced the four to the town.

Duncan Campbell is a 19-year old Eagle Scout with a desire to serve his community. He had previously run for the Budget Committee during the last round of elections, and lost by only eight percent. When he saw there was another opening, he decided to give it another try. Councilor Jim Butler asked the council if that presented a conflict of interest. Vice-Chairman John Farrell said it did not since he fully disclosed it during the interview.

Bill Mee has lived in town for the last 35 years and was on the budget committee before. When asked how he felt about how the town funds the schools, fire and police departments, Mee answered "people have more say in the town budget than the school budget." This sparked a

comment by Chairman Tom Dolan that there were two governments in Londonderry: the town and the school board. It's the responsibility of the Budget Committee to monitor and mediate how the money is split between the two.

Tammy Siekmann also came with some budgeting experience under her belt. She served the YMCA Advisory Board and worked on Londonderry's Old Homes Days for the last few years. Green asked her what she could bring to the committee. "Education. I can bring that," Siekmann responded. She's lived in Londonderry for over 15 years and wants to use her financial experience to benefit the town.

John Wilson is a retiree looking for a place to volunteer. When questioned by the council, he had a solid viewpoint of how he thinks the committee should run. "I'm a firm believer of plans driving budgets." He went on to explain that "the less you plan, the more money you spend in places you shouldn't." He said he had over 40 years of experience working

with finances and because of that he is able to spot any "unintended consequences" that could come out the budget.

Farrell said 105 million dollars are spent on "services between the two government," meaning the schools and the town.

After interviewing the four applicants, Farrell nominated Campbell to fill the vacancy in the Budget Committee. Farrell said he wanted to encourage more youth involvement by having Campbell on the committee. The council approved with Councilor Ted Combes voting against. Campbell is the youngest and therefore least experienced out of the contenders, but will bring a millennial view to the otherwise older committee. He said he wants to approach the next town budget with an optimistic look, but a careful eye.

"A lot of our budget so far has been done well," he said. He's all for keeping taxes low, but wants to make sure the town still has enough in the bank for a "slush day fund" to cover any emergency costs.

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# LHS Pep Rally Team Gets Ready for Jimmy Fund Walk

JACOB BARRETT  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Londonderry High School Pep Rally Team, along with Dana Farber Cancer Institute of Londonderry, are getting ready to lace up for the second Annual Londonderry Jimmy Fund Walk on Saturday, Oct. 7 at 2 p.m.

Dana Farber Associate Chief Nurse Emma Dann said that last year, the walk brought about 150 participants and raised about \$10,000. She touched on the influence that the LHS Pep Rally team, along with its advisor, Steve Juster, brought to the walk when it first took place last year.

"What we found was an energy that really we

couldn't replace," Dann said.

According to Dann, the money raised for Dana Farber of Londonderry by the walk last year has gone toward spiritual services for cancer patients such as the ability to provide a chaplain, memorial services, blessings of the hands, as well as grocery and gas cards for patients.

After a promising showing at the walk last year, members of the LHS Pep Rally Team, such as Maddy Laudani are excited to get this year's event underway.

"Seeing the great turn out last year of our first Jimmy Fund Walk was really great to see and that's what

made us really excited for this year and to make so many improvements like we have," Laudani said.

LHS Senior and Pep Rally Team Member Maddie Puglisi said that the inspiration of those affected by cancer at the walk is driving the team to work hard to make the event happen.

"Seeing the people that struggle the most get up and do this walk to support others like them or to support families that are struggling with this, it's just so inspiring," Puglisi said.

The walk will be about one mile and begins at the front of LHS. Pep Rally Team members will be posted at various points around the

course and will join in with groups as they pass so members of the Pep Rally team finish with the last group to cross the finish line and no one falls behind.

Donations are not required, but are welcome. According to Dann, those who donate at least \$50 will be entered into a raffle for a chance to win an autographed photo of New England Patriots running back James White scoring the game-winning touchdown in Super Bowl LI. Those who raise at least \$50 also get a t-shirt to wear on the day of the walk.

Dann said she hopes for the same if not a better turnout and donation total of 150 participants and \$10,000 that the walk saw last year. She said she is confident that goal can be reached.

LHS Senior and Pep Rally Team Member Kaitlyn Quirk, who is also the student leading the organization of the event, said that the work that they do is for those who are impacted by cancer, and that the community is with them through their struggles.

"It's just good for people going through this time in their life that there's a community behind them... it's all for them. Everything we do. I think that is impor-



Members of the Londonderry High School Pep Rally Team are preparing for the Jimmy Fund Walk.

Photo Courtesy of Steve Juster

## School District

Continued from page 1 something more sobering. She commented the LHS administration on how well they dealt with "the challenge last week regarding the American flag."

"I think there was great care taken in what we teach our students about our flag, our country and the proper way to hold it," said Reilly. She thanked Parent "for continuing to reinforce that in our schools."

Reilly switched back to something more jovial—the LHS Hall of Fame inductions. 10 citizens were named to the Hall of Fame,

including Parent and recently retired Superintendent Nate Greenberg. Chairman Dan Lekas made some jokes about it being rigged on Parent's behalf, causing the room to chuckle.

Rich Zacchilli reported that the math program, "Math in Focus," seems to be working. The district turned away from the previous "Connected Math" to something they thought would provide more comprehensive to the elementary and middle school students.

"A key component with

'Math in Focus' is its alignment with college and career," said Zacchilli. The students have been introduced to algebra earlier and been using it more frequently. In the high school, the approach to math is to start with concrete thinking, then work up to pictorial concepts, and finally explore more abstract ideas.

The hope is students will have a better understanding of their math lessons and have the experience needed to seamlessly transition from grade to grade.

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# Londonderry Town Council Updates Veterans Tax Credit

KATIE O'DONNELL  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

Veterans in Londonderry could see a larger tax credit this year.

The town council voted at its Monday meeting to pass a resolution to accept new provisions to the existing veterans tax credit. RSA 72:28 states that a veteran of a qualifying war or armed conflict, or surviving spouse of said veteran, shall be eligible to receive a standard tax credit. The updated version, RSA

72:28-b is called the "All Veterans' Tax Credit," and it would extend a credit of up to 500 dollars "to all veterans, not just those who have served in qualifying wars and certain foreign conflicts," according to a drafted version of the policy. The state is asking local governments to vote on whether to adopt it or not.

Once approved, it would allow Londonderry to offer the \$500 over the course of three years. Applicants could apply

for \$100 in the first year, up to \$300 in the second and all \$500 in the third year.

The reasoning for spacing it over three years is to allow the town council time to budget for the tax credits after seeing how many veterans apply for the credit.

"No town has a good accounting method for counting veterans," said Chairman Tom Dolan. He explained at the council meeting that they want to make sure people don't

try to cheat the system, just to save themselves 500 dollars in their taxes. He believed that only offering \$100 in the first year would discourage non-veterans from taking advantage of the new system.

Some extra provisions to being eligible for the tax credit include having 90 or more days of active service in the armed forces and being honorably discharged. This also includes officers.

The surviving spouses

of veterans could collect on the tax credit if they were married to a resident who "suffered a service-related injury or death," according to RSA 72:28. The new provisions also cover the surviving spouse, but, if they remarry and the latest husband or wife dies, then the spouse will not be eligible for their previous partners benefits. However, the spouse would qualify if they divorced their current partner. It's probably as complicated as it

sounds. The spouse would still have to prove the veteran status before being able to collect on the tax credit.

One-way for veterans to be able to apply for the tax credit is by presenting their DD Form 214 (Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty) to the town offices. In the event this form is ever lost, veterans can request a new from the Veterans Affairs office in Manchester.

# Londonderry High School LIFTs Freshmen Up Over Summer

KATIE O'DONNELL  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

Starting high school can be a scary experience, and sometimes students need a L.I.F.T. The Londonderry Incoming Freshman Transition program is designed to help eighth graders be more prepared to enter high school. It's a series of summer courses that offer field trips, time on the ropes course, ice breaker activities and inspirational speakers.

Two teachers, London-

derry Middle School's Ryan Barry, and Londonderry High School's Brittany Borgatti worked with 16 students over the summer to prepare their minds and spirits for what is usually a stressful time.

"The goal is to help eighth graders find their niche in high school and help with the transition from middle school," Barry explained at the last school board meeting. He and Borgatti talked about the types of activities that were done with the stu-

dents. They participated in both the low and the high ropes courses by the schools to help with team building. They did ice-breakers to get them to relax and open up to each other. They also had field trips to local businesses as a way to inspire possible future career choices.

The teachers took photos (they called them "mugshots") of the kids before and after the program. Most of the pictures showed grumpy faces at the start, but all smiles at the end.

The lessons and team building came to a peak during the end of summer hiking trip to Mount Monadnock in Jaffrey. Ethan Cullen told the school board that hike was his favorite part of the whole program. "I thought the field trips, Mount Monadnock in general, taught teamwork because it's a pretty hard mountain." He really enjoyed the socializing. "It was pretty hard but it helped team bonding."

Some of L.I.F.T.'s other graduates spoke about the impact the program

had on them at the last School Board meeting.

One young woman, Audrey, was skeptical of L.I.F.T. when she first started. "I thought it was a waste of my summer, but at the end of the program it was really fun and throughout the summer it was fun to meet new people and make new friends."

She wasn't the only one who grew to enjoy the summer classes. Another classmate of hers, Merick, thought it was a great way to help the middle school students transition to high school. "I would recom-

mend it for the upcoming 8th graders." His peers agreed with him, saying that they felt a lot more prepared to enter LHS after being in L.I.F.T. They were able to navigate the sprawling school with confidence and understood the seemingly complex scheduling system. Some were even able to assist other students who had not done the program.

If the staff and students only had one word to describe their summer experience, they would probably say it was... up L.I.F.T.-ing.

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# Council Seeks Candidates Town's Oldest Citizen and Town Historian

KATE O'DONNELL  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Londonderry Town Council is seeking a piece of town history, and someone to record it.

The council is trying to find two people to fill

openings in town. The first opening is for a town historian, which has been empty since 2010. The last historian was Marilyn Hamm, who served for seven years until she retired and moved to Derry with her husband

Chet Hamm.

The role of the town historian is important because he/she not only helps to preserve the history of Londonderry, but educates the community on how that history could help guide the town in the

future. With all of the expected growth and development coming to the area, it's important to have someone to help preserve and record the way things are in town for future generations to be able to reflect on and enjoy.

The council is also trying to find the oldest resident in Londonderry to become possessor of the Boston Post Cane. Traditionally, the honor goes to the eldest member of the community.

Passing along the cane started back in 1909 by Boston Post publisher, Edwin A. Grozier, according to The Boston Post Cane Information Center website. A cane made of polished ebony with a 14-carat gold, hand decorated head was sent to hundreds of towns across New England. Inscribed on each cane were the words, "Presented by the Boston Post to the oldest citizen of (name of town) 'To be transmitted.'" It was first only given to men, but was allowed to be awarded to women after 1930.

Kirby Brown, the executive assistant to the town manager said in an email that the last woman to hold the Boston Post Cane was

Barbara Eaton, who passed away in 2015 at age 98.

Typically, the eldest citizens in town would apply for the right to cane through the town historian. But since Londonderry does not have one, applicants can bring in their proof of age and residency along with a form to the town offices for submission. Acceptable forms of ID include a birth certificate, passport or voter registration. The person applying must have lived in Londonderry for at least a minimum of 25-years. There is also a section on the form to fill out a brief biography and how he/she has contributed to the Londonderry community. Brown said there will be advertisements for the Boston Post Cane honor coming out soon.

The cane that currently resides in the town offices is a replica of the original, according to Town Manager Kevin H. Smith.

## Pantene Beautiful Lengths Coming In January

JACOB BARRETT  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

Londonderry High School is coming up on its 12th year of giving to Pantene Beautiful Lengths (PBL) in January. Members of the community who have been growing their hair to be cut will not have to wait much longer before they donate their hair to cancer patients.

According to LHS English Teacher and Pep Rally Advisor Steven Juster, about forty individuals have signed up to donate their hair in January thus far. He stated that he also receives a number of ponytails throughout the year as well.

However, Juster stated that he is not concerned with numbers. With no goal as far as the number of par-

ticipants, Juster touched on the importance of each ponytail and the selflessness of the donors, also known as angels.

"Every ponytail is a miracle. These young people, at the most self-conscious time of their lives, abandon their familiar look to help someone they will never meet. That's what makes them angels," Juster stated.

The numbers are there, however. According to Juster, LHS has had over 2,500 donors since the school started participating in the PBL hair drive in 2007. He stated that many high school and middle school students plan when to grow their hair out for donation to ensure that they have the proper length. He stated it takes the ponytails of six people

to make one wig and that wigs are distributed locally when people need them.

Donors will also have the opportunity to share their experience with their classmates, friends and family when their hair is cut at the pep rally in January. Donors get to pick the people they want to hold the scissors and cut their ponytails.

PBL's website states that PBL began in 2006 with the goal of making "it possible for women everywhere to share their hair with women who've lost theirs."

According to PBL's website, a donor's ponytails for donation must be at least 8 inches in length, be no more than 5 percent grey and contain no dyes, bleaches or chemicals.

Once cut, the hair is

then made into wigs and donated with the help of the American Cancer Society. PBL's website states that they have donated 42,000 wigs with the help of over 800,000 donated ponytails.

Juster stated that anyone can participate in the event by contacting him by email at [sjuster@londonderry.org](mailto:sjuster@londonderry.org).

The cut will take place on Jan. 5 at 8:30 a.m. in the LHS Gymnasium.

For more details on PBL, donation requirements and more, [pantene.com/en-us/experience-main-section2/beautiful-lengths](http://pantene.com/en-us/experience-main-section2/beautiful-lengths).

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# Middle School Has Annual Wellness Day, Move-A-Thon

JACOB BARRETT  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

Students at Londonderry Middle School spent the day out of the classroom on Sept. 29 as a part of the school's annual Wellness Day and Move-A-Thon Fundraiser.

The students participated in a number of activities throughout the day in order to promote wellness and raise money for school activities and other items through the annual fundraiser.

LMS Assistant Principal David Sutherland said that the school combined these two components due to their overlapping message.

"We decided to do that because we thought that the two really worked in conjunction with one another to send the message to our students that wellness in the mind and body are important to

every facet of our lives," he said.

Each grade level cycled through the schedule of activities during the day which included a walk/run around the outside of the school, a presentation regarding the importance of nutrition, mindfulness activities and the Move-A-Thon activities.

Students gathered donations and pledges throughout the week in exchange for participating in the Move-A-Thon activities and the walk/run. The goal of each team during the 60-minute walk/run was for students to travel the combined distance of a marathon. The Move-A-Thon activities included ultimate frisbee, kickball, yard games and more out on the fields behind the school.

According to Sutherland, the money raised

will be used to purchase four filtered-water dispensers for reusable water bottles at the school. Some of the money will also be used to offset the cost of various wellness activities such as snowshoeing, tennis, healthy cooking and others, bring in guest speakers, activities for students put together by teachers that are outside of the school operating budget, and help pay for the cost field trips.

Students had a chance to cash in on their fundraising efforts as they received a raffle ticket for every \$10 raised, giving them a chance to win numerous prizes.

The wellness presentation, which was given by Londonderry School District Director of Dining Services Amanda Venezia, focused on how different foods influence how effi-



Students at the Londonderry Middle School took advantage of the wonderful fall weather last week and participated in a wide range of activities during the annual Move-A-Thon fund raiser. Photos by Chris Paul

ciently an individual's body and mind perform, how recognize healthy versus unhealthy foods, and more.

Students had time to unwind and relax with a number of different mindfulness activities such as yoga, zentangle, coloring and others.

LMS Physical Education Teacher Suzan Rowe, who is also a member of the wellness committee responsible for planning Friday's event, said that the mindfulness activities, and the day as a whole, allows students to reconnect, get to know one another and relax.

"In the beginning... they've all come from different elementary schools and then they're put on a

team and this gives them a chance to reconnect with kids from other elementary schools. So it promotes friendship," Rowe said.

She said that Friday's activities gave teachers an opportunity to see what students are like outside of the classroom.

"It's very nice for the teachers to see the kids in a different light where they're not sitting down in the classroom and see how they interact with each other and [it] gives them a chance to interact with the kids too."

Sixth-grade science teacher, Ken Robichaud, said that he enjoys Wellness Day because teachers are able to see different strengths of their stu-

dents that might not be in evident during classes while also promoting wellness.

"For all kids, there's all different levels of abilities and when you get into days like this you'll see strikes of kids that you might not see in the classroom. They're with their friends which is always good. You know, there's a lot of health issues going around our country now so any time you can promote wellness it's a good thing," he said.

On Oct. 2, Sutherland stated that the fundraiser had raised about \$7,300. That number could now be larger as the students had until Wednesday to turn in donations.

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# South School Invites Families to Annual Ice Cream Social



Members of the South School PTA as well as staff members welcomed students and family members back to school with their annual Ice Cream Social last week at the school. There was a line out the door as parents and students waited eagerly for treats and a chance to socialize with friends *Photos by Chris Paul*

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# LONDONDERRY SPORTS

## Lancer Football Crew Returns to Winning Path by Clobbering Keene

CHRIS PANTAZIS  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Londonderry High School football team had the perfect chance to rebound from the frustration and disappointment of its recent Mack Plaque loss to Pinkerton. And the locals did in fact rebound beautifully with an overwhelming win over a struggling Keene High contingent on the road last Friday night, Sept. 29.

After having a pretty stunning, 35-7 hammering handed to them by the Pinkerton Astros in front of an estimated 6,000 fans the previous Friday night, coach Jimmy Lauzon's Lancers dealt the host Keene Blackbirds a 44-0 bashing on that oppo-

nent's home grid.

The now 4-1 Londonderry crew scored 13 points in the first quarter, 10 more in the second, and 21 in period four in putting a hurt on the winless Blackbirds. The 0-5 Keene squad has now been outscored 175-21 in its first five games.

The victorious Lancers received two touchdowns from Connor Dubois and single scores from four other sources as well as a field-goal from strong-legged kicker Pat Zepf in absolutely routing their hosts.

"We played very well," said Lauzon. "The defense was outstanding, and Keene's longest play was on a fake punt. We had several sacks and a cou-

ple of turnovers. Offensively, we were sound in the first half and got going toward the end of the third, but it was a balanced night on offense. We threw two touchdowns and ran for four."

Londonderry, which will next tee it up against a 3-2 Merrimack Tomahawks' team at LHS this Friday night, tallied more than 500 yards worth of offense on 311 rushing and 214 passing on a wildly-productive evening.

The Lancers sprinted out to a 13-0 lead in the first quarter thanks to Dubois' 15-yard scoring sprint midway through that stanza followed by his 28-yard pass connection with quarterback Mike McAlister during the

waning seconds.

Kicker Zepf made it a 16-0 contest late in the second period by nailing a 36-yard field goal, and backup quarterback Evan Cormier hooked up with Jeff Wiedenfeld on a 17-yard scoring toss a few minutes later to make it a 23-0 game as the two contingents adjourned for halftime.

Following a scoreless third quarter, Londonderry added a one-yard scoring run by Cam Storace, a four-yard touchdown jaunt by Zach Chau, and a 10-yard TD sprint by Jake McEachern in putting the final touches on the lopsided success.

McAlister ended up completing nine of the 14 passes he attempted for 151 yards, and rushing for 61 yards on 11 carries. Cole Keegan caught three balls for some 86 yards on a truly superb night for the locals.



Londonderry High running back Connor Dubois had himself a two-touchdown night against the struggling Keene High Blackbirds in a big LHS road victory last week. Photo by Chris Paul

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# Lady Lancers' Soccer Squad Climbs Back Over the .500 Mark

CHRIS PANTAZIS  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

Consecutive convincing victories over Salem and Timberlane last week pushed the Londonderry High girls' soccer squad from the .500 mark at 4-4 back over it to 6-4. And coach Derek Dane's talented squad will now take aim at turning a brief winning streak into a longer one.

The Lancers collected their third win in their last four matches and bagged their third shutout of the campaign with a 7-0 walloping of the visiting Salem High Blue Devils last Tuesday, Sept. 26.

The hosts led 2-0 at halftime thanks to goals from Darby Dupuis in the first minute (from Laurel Goding) and Olivia Stowell in the fifth (from Gwen Barnes).

They then exploded for five more unanswered markers in the second half thanks to the shooting accuracy of Stowell twice, Dupuis, Gillian Vilela, and Halle Hamilton. Abby Follansbee was good for two assists, and Isabella Bourque, Stowell, and Barnes each dished out one helper.

The winning team enjoyed an 11-2 advantage in shots on net, with LHS goalie Jazmine

Richard contributing two stops to the blanking of the 3-7 Salem side.

The Lancers then took on another sub-.500 contingent in the Timberlane Regional Owls from Plaistow at LHS on Friday the 29th and drubbed that opponent by a 5-0 tally.

The hosts potted three shots to carry a strong 3-0 advantage to halftime, and they then put the game away by netting two more markers in the second half.

Stowell notched three points in the resounding success, scoring what proved to be the game-winning goal 12 minutes into the match - with an

assist from Gwen Barnes - to make it a 1-0 match.

Barnes, who like Stowell finished the productive day with a goal and two assists for three points, set up Laurel Goding's goal in minute 30 which made it a 2-0 contest.

And five minutes later, Barnes made it a 3-0 game herself by scoring off of a feed from Goding.

It became a 4-0 match 25 minutes into the second half when Gillian Vilela was set up by Stowell, and that same duo connected for another tally 11 minutes after that with Stowell again setting up Vilela.

The Lancers pelted some 16 shots on the Timberlane net while the Lady Owls only managed to get two on Jazmine Richard in the impressive shutout. Timberlane slid to 3-5-1 with the defeat.

Londonderry then



Lady Lancers' soccer goalie Jazmine Richard puts all of her strong leg into a goal kick during a recent match. Photo by Chris Paul

bounded into this week Londonderry Times press looking to add to its winning streak with a short road trip to Bedford on Tuesday, Oct. 3 - after

Londonderry Times press time - followed by a home match against the Manchester Central Little Green on Friday.

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# LHS Boys' Soccer Gets a Tie and a Win to Move to 7-1-2

CHRIS PANTAZIS  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

**A** tie with the tough Salem High Blue Devils and a pleasing win over the Timberlane Regional Owls last week left the Londonderry High boys' soccer squad contemplating its extremely strong, 7-1-2 record through 10 matches.

The Lancers had to settle for a 1-1 deadlock in the aftermath of their short bus trip to Salem High last Tuesday, Sept. 26.

Londonderry snagged a 1-0 lead just two minutes before the end of the

first period when Luca Amarena was set up by Josh Ryan. But stingy Salem managed the equalizer some 27 minutes into the second half.

Alex Hufford contributed five saves to the 6-1-2 Lancers' effort, and Salem moved to 7-1-1.

"We're glad to be the first team to score on Salem at their field. It's a tough place to play," said LHS coach Todd Ellis. "We will continue to work on our decision-making and execution so we can be more consistent. I'm looking forward to seeing how we compete against Timberlane this Friday."

And Ellis received a pleasing answer from his charges in the form of a 3-1 defeat of the strong, 7-3-1 Timberlane troop in Plaistow on Friday the 29th.

Tyler VanAvery potted the first goal of the match in the 20th minute of play with an assist from Nolan Bartlett, but Timberlane netted the equalizer with just four minutes remaining in the period to send the game to halftime all knotted up at 1-1.

But Londonderry bagged the win on the strength of second half goals from Ryan (assist to Amarena) seven minutes

into the second half and Owen Creed (from Ryan) five minutes after that.

LHS keeper Hufford contributed six saves to the pleasing win, and coach Ellis was a pretty happy man.

"We really did a good job of moving the ball today, especially in the second half. We will need to play just as well with Bedford and (Manchester) Central coming next week," he said.

The Bedford contest at LHS this Wednesday, Oct. 4 was after Londonderry Times press time, with the Central match slated for Friday in Manchester.



Lancer Tyler VanAvery scored his team's first goal against Timberlane recently. Photo by Chris Paul

# Efficient Energy Systems Snags 50-and-Over Softball Crown

CHRIS PANTAZIS  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

**T**he Efficient Energy Systems squad brought the 2017

Londonderry 50-and-Over Softball League season to a dramatic close last Wednesday evening, Sept. 27 with a tight victory

over the tough Birch Tree Counseling Center team.

EES took the championship-round of the league tournament to that

final game by hammering the BTCC bunch the night before by a 19-4 tally. But winning game two of the double-elimination title round was a bit tougher thanks to a spirited Birch Tree comeback.

EES claimed an early 7-1 lead before BTCC came zooming back in the fifth and sixth innings to take a 14-11 lead into the top of the seventh.

Efficient Energy Systems then put up a five-spot in the top of the seventh to nab a 16-14 lead rolling into the bottom of the inning. BTCC was able to put the tying runs on base in the bottom of the inning, but its rally failed as EES caught a fly ball on the warning track and got the final out on an infield pop-up to close out the season.

The winning team's roster included Paul Lusier, Tim Hands, Peter Leitch, Dave Zylak, Frank Kelly, Jeff Parker, Wayne Lamalva, Wally Peikert, David Moul, Jerome St. Germain, Nick Fowler, Thom Board, Gene Webber, and Jose Sosa.

"Congratulations to EES for a fine run in the playoffs," said league president Jim Edwards.



The Efficient Energy Systems team snared the Londonderry 50-and-Over Softball League crown in dramatic fashion recently. Courtesy photo

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# Londonderry Girls' Volleyball Squad's Hunt for Wins Continues

CHRIS PANTAZIS  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

Perhaps the toughest thing for a developing sports team is seeing distinct growth in a number of areas but not getting the positive reinforcement of collecting wins.

That's where Londonderry High's first-year girls' volleyball coach Matt Leonard and his Lancer charges stand right now, 12 matches into their 2017 season and grasping a 3-9 record.

The determined and hard-working LHS team had its 2017 record slide to 3-8 with a 3-1 loss at the hands of the Timberlane Regional Owls in Plaistow last Wednesday, Sept. 27.

The hosts bagged a 25-16 win in game one, but Londonderry took the second set in a 28-26 decision.

However, Timberlane took games three and four by scores of 26-24 and 25-18 to bag the match victory and move to 5-5 on the season.

"We did well at the net on blocks and serving," said coach Leonard. "We struggled with receiving their serve and finding ways to score on them."

Anna Haas collected 19 assists for LHS, with Maddie Sanborn tallying nine service points with four aces and seven kills, Josie Collins came up with 10 service points, Avery Milton was good

for seven kills, Britney Clark notched six digs, and Natalie Brooks was good for three blocks.

The Lancers absorbed their fifth straight match loss on Thursday the 28th in a 3-0 blanking at the hands of the Bedford High Bulldogs on the road.

Bedford bagged set wins of 25-19, 25-22, and 25-21 in taking the match despite some intense work from Londonderry.

The locals received 23 assists and two blocks from Haas, 12 service points with four aces and eight digs from Clark, and 15 kills and eight service points with five aces from Sanborn.

"We had a really good

serving night," said coach Leonard. "We are still working on playing better defense and receiving the other team's serve. Our energy and compete level have continued to improve this week."

This current week's slate had the Lancers experiencing both the top and the bottom of the Division I ladder, with a home match against undefeated Hollis-Brookline on Wednesday, Oct. 4 after Londonderry Times press time, followed by a home battle with a winless Manchester Central crew on Friday. The positive reinforcement a win would provide was their goal.



Lady Lancer Madison Sanborn is all concentration as she bumps the ball during a recent LHS match.  
Photo by Chris Paul

# Lancer Harriers Enjoy Great Success on the Course at Timberlane High

CHRIS PANTAZIS  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The 2.5-mile Timberlane Regional High School cross-country course in Plaistow was evidently all kinds of welcoming to the Londonderry High School boys' and girls' teams, which

both closed out their 2017 regular meet schedules with great success there last Tuesday, Sept. 26.

The Lancer males tallied a low team score of 22 to easily vanquish the host Timberlane Owls (42) and the Spaulding High Red Raiders of Rochester (76). And the

LHS girls' tallied the winning score of 23 to best Spaulding (40) and Timberlane (67) quite handily as well.

In the boys' race, the Lancers had Nathan Seeley finish a strong second individually in a time of 14 minutes and 13 seconds, with Matt Griffin third (14:18) and Will Heenan fourth (14:21).

In the girls' event, Londonderry's battle-tested senior standout Kalin Greigore finished first (16:17)

with Caitlin Boufford 20 seconds behind her in second and Alex Seeley fifth overall in 17:51.

The LHS cross-country contingents have plenty of practice time with the next event not occurring until later in the month at the of the Junior Varsity State Meet on the 20th, the annual Catholic Memorial (Massachusetts) Invitational on the 21st, and the always-exciting Division I state meet on the 28th.

## Athletes of the Week

Week of Sept. 25



Josh Rutina, Boys' Soccer, Senior

This skilled team captain - as voted by his teammates - leads the talented Lancers with nine goals and one assist to this juncture in the season.



Maeve McPhail, Senior, Field Hockey

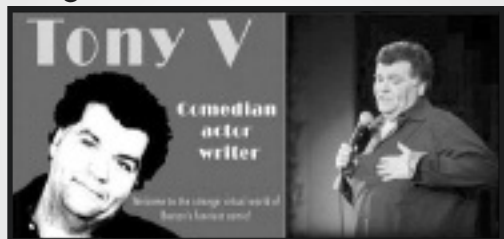
This talented veteran scored the game-winning goal against Manchester Central, and she continues to prove herself consistent and dependable in the midfield.

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# Warm LHS Field Hockey Squad Bumps Record Back Over .500 Mark

CHRIS PANTAZIS  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

A very tight, one-goal home victory over a Queen City opponent last week enabled the Londonderry High field hockey team to knock its 2017 record up over the .500 mark as it rolled into a travel-heavy

week this week.

The Lancers nudged their season record back up over that .500 line with a 1-0 edging of a tough Manchester Central contingent at Londonderry High on Wednesday, Sept. 27. It was the local contingent's third victory in its previ-

ous four contests.

The lone goal was scored by Maeve McPhail on an assist from Vanessa Magoon in the first half, and Londonderry goalie Morgan Brutus wound up contributing two saves to her team's second shut-out of the campaign. Central moved to 4-2-2 with

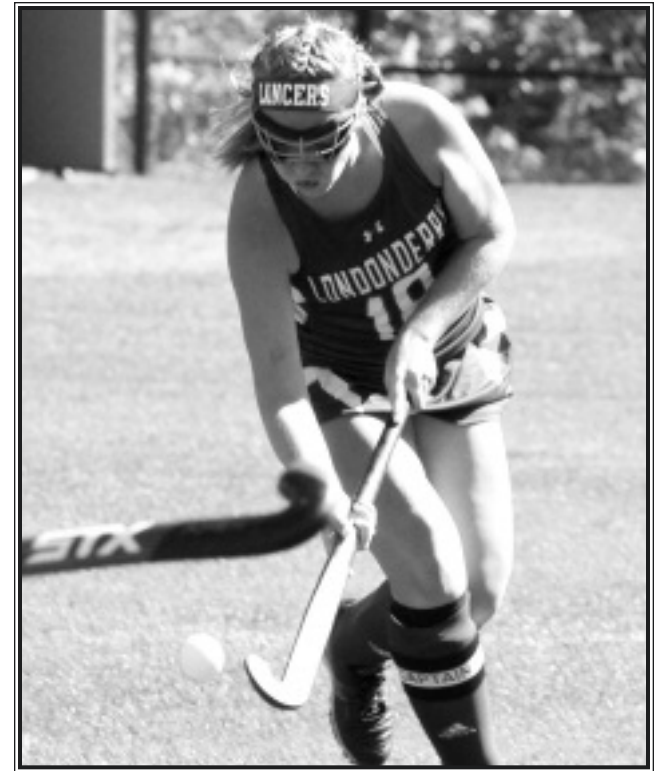
its defeat.

That success was a noteworthy one as the Lancers became serious road warriors this week, having to travel fairly significant distances to play at Dover High on Wednesday, Oct. 4 - after Londonderry Times press time - and then all the way out in the western part of the Granite State at Keene High two days later.

The Dover High Green Wave (3-6-1) was flying high coming into the first of those two battles, having recently handed Pinkerton its first 2017 defeat and taking five of its last six decisions and boasting a fine 5-3-2 record.

Keene's Blackbirds, however, were several steps below the .500 level coming into this week with a 3-5-1 mark.

The now 5-4 Londonderry sit in the middle of the Division I pack with



*Londonderry High field hockey Captain Sarah Vanini does her best to evade an opponent during a recent match. Photo by Chris Paul*

the Bishop Guertin Cardinals sitting at the top at below them with one less win (9-1). 10-1 with Pinkerton just

## Lancer Golfers Finish Season With Some Ups and Downs

CHRIS PANTAZIS  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

A victory in a three-team home match followed by a regular season-ending third place finish in a three-team battle last week left the Londonderry High golf team contemplating a 6-14 final record.

Coach Dan Grant's LHS golfers narrowly edged the Nashua North Titans by a single stroke at the Passaconaway Country Club in Litchfield on Wednesday, Sept. 27, but then ended up third behind Concord and Spaulding in Rochester at the end of the week.

In the slim victory in Litchfield during the middle of the week, the Lancers tallied a team score of 222 to outdistance North (223) and the far more distant Merrimack mob (267).

Josh Traynham made a bit of personal history by tying teammate Dakota Johnson for the Lancers' top scoring honors that day.

"Josh shot his season low of 43, birdieing the sixth hole with a 30-foot putt," said coach Grant.



*Kyle MacEachern and the Londonderry High golf team had mixed fortunes in ending their regular season recently. Photo by Chris Paul*

Brian Boyle contributed a 44, Kyle MacEachern recorded a 45, and Nate Andrews penciled in a 47 for the winning side.

But out in Rochester two afternoons later, the Lancers finished well behind the victorious Concord High Crimson Tide (199) but less than a

handful of shots behind second place Spaulding (223) in shooting a 227.

The Division I state team tournament is slated for next Tuesday, Oct. 10 at the Portsmouth Country Club, with the individual tournament scheduled for next Saturday at that same lovely seacoast venue.

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Some people may be more prone to infection than others. That's why the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) recommends that everyone 6 months of age or older be vaccinated against the flu. The shots are not 100-percent effective in preventing the flu. But they are the most effective method to protect against this virus and its related complications.

Certain groups are at an increased risk for getting the flu and developing potentially dangerous flu-related complications. It's important that people in these high risk groups be vaccinated. According to the CDC, these individuals include: pregnant women, children between 6 months and 5 years of age, people 18 and under who receive aspirin therapy, people over 50, anyone with chronic medical conditions, people whose body mass index is 40 or higher, American Indians or Alaska Natives, anyone living or working in a nursing home or chronic care facility or caregivers of any of the above individuals.

Chronic medical conditions that could increase your risk of complications include: asthma; heart or lung problems; HIV/AIDS; cancer; metabolic diseases; neurological conditions, such as epilepsy; blood conditions, such as sickle cell anemia; obesity or kidney or liver disease. According to the CDC, people under the age of 19 who are on aspirin therapy as well as people taking steroid medications on a regular basis should also be vaccinated.

Workers in public settings have more risk of exposure to the disease, so it's very important that they receive a vaccination. People who are in regular contact with at-risk individuals, such as the elderly and children, should also be vaccinated. Those people include: teachers, daycare employees, hospital workers, public workers, healthcare providers, employees of nursing homes and chronic-care facilities, home care providers, emergency response person-

nel or household members of people in those professions. People who live in close quarters with others, such as college students and members of the military, are also at a greater risk for exposure.

Some people should not get a flu shot. Don't get a flu shot if you have the following conditions: People who have had a bad reaction to the flu vaccine in the past should not get a flu shot, People who are severely allergic to eggs should avoid vaccination. If you are mildly allergic, talk to your doctor. You may still qualify for the vaccine. People who are allergic to mercury should not get the shot. Some flu vaccines contain trace amounts of mercury to prevent vaccine contamination, Guillain-Barre syndrome (GBS) is a rare side effect that can occur after receiving the flu vaccine. It includes temporary paralysis. If you are at high risk for complications and have had GBS, you may still be eligible for the vaccine. Talk with your doctor to determine if you can receive it. If you have a fever the day of the vaccination, you should wait until it's gone before receiving the shot.

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**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 [londonderrytimes@nutpub.net](mailto:londonderrytimes@nutpub.net).

## Legion Meeting

On Oct. 9 Monthly General Meeting at 7:30 p.m. at American Legion Post 27 located at 6 Sargent Rd in Londonderry (behind the fire station on Mammoth Road). All members of Post 27 are invited to attend. For more information go to our website ([www.alpost27.com](http://www.alpost27.com)) or call us at 437-6613, visit our Greeley Parmenter Harrington Facebook page or follow us on Twitter @ALPost27.

## Karaoke Night

On Oct. 20 Karaoke with DJ Sharon at American Legion Post 27 located at 6 Sargent Rd in Londonderry (behind the fire station on Mammoth Road), starts at 7 p.m. Non-members interested in joining Post 27 are welcome to attend. For more information go to our website ([www.alpost27.com](http://www.alpost27.com)) or call us at 437-6613, visit our Greeley Parmenter Harrington Facebook page or follow us on Twitter @ALPost27.

## Bingo

On Oct. 23 Post 27 will be playing bingo with patients at the VA Hospital in Manchester from 7-8:30 p.m. We'll be serving pizza and diet soda as well as providing \$150 in prize money. For more information go to our website ([www.alpost27.com](http://www.alpost27.com)) or call us at 437-6613, visit our Greeley Parmenter Harrington Facebook page or follow us on Twitter @ALPost27.

## S.A.L Halloween Party

On Oct. 28 at American Legion Post 27 located at 6 Sargent Rd in Londonderry (behind the fire station on Mammoth Road), a S.A.L. Halloween Party will begin at 7 p.m. with costumes, live music, food, raffles & more! Come by Post 27 to register. For more information go to our website ([www.alpost27.com](http://www.alpost27.com)) or call us at 437-6613, visit our Greeley Parmenter Harring-

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## Jimmy Fund Walk

The second annual Jimmy Fund walk will be held Saturday, Oct. 7 starting at 2 p.m., at Londonderry High School. Besides the walk in Boston which takes place along the marathon route, it is the only other Jimmy Fund walk in the country. The walk is sponsored by the Dana-Farber with offices in Londonderry, headed by Dana-Farber Director of Nursing Emma Dann, and assisted by the Londonderry High School Pep Rally team. For more information contact Steve Juster at [sjuster@londonderry.org](mailto:sjuster@londonderry.org).

## ALERT Open House

ALERT is having an Open House on Thur. Oct. 12, from 7 - 8:30 p.m. at the Londonderry Police Department Community Room, 268 Mammoth Road, Londonderry. Please join us at our Open House and see what we are all about! For questions please email [rwfortin@comcast.net](mailto:rwfortin@comcast.net)

## Pumpkinfest

This years Pumpkinfest will be held on Sat. Oct. 7 from 11 a.m. - 8 p.m. at Crossing Life Church & Community Center 122 North Lowell Rd., Windham. Free Admission. All Are Welcome. Celebrate the Harvest Season! There will be Josh Landry Chainsaw Carving, Animal Adventures, Hay Rides, S.O.W.A. Dojo with Josiah Armstrong, Games, Food, Live Music, UNH Lumberjack Team, and More!

## Electronics Recycling

The Londonderry Grange 44 will be hosting their semi-annual Electronics Recycling fundraiser on Sat. Oct. 21, from 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. Have electronic devices that you no longer need? Bring them to the Electronic Recycling Fundraiser and for nominal

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## Walk with Me

Are you losing someone? A child, a parent, a sibling or a friend? It can be a painful journey but you don't have to walk it alone anymore. Just come "Walk With Me". Meetings are the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month at 7 p.m., at the Londonderry Presbyterian Church, 128 Pillsbury Road, Londonderry. If you have any questions please call 781-866-9976.

## Walking Together

A support group for widows and widowers meets every 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m. at the Londonderry Presbyterian Church, 128 Pillsbury Road, Londonderry. Lets walk together. If you have any questions please call 781-866-9976.

## Lamplighters

A womans group with the goal of helping less fortunate woman and people in NH meets every 4th Thursday of the month 7 p.m. at Londonderry Presbyterian Church at 128 Pillsbury Road, Londonderry. If you have any questions please call 781-866-9976.

## Derry Fun Night

On Oct. 13, National Model Railroad Association is running their Derry Fun Night program. The program is held the second Friday night of each month, 7-9 p.m., at the Marion Gerish Community Center, 39 West Broadway, Derry, NH.

For additional information go to the Division's website at [seacoastnmra.org/calendar](http://seacoastnmra.org/calendar).

## Spaghetti Dinner

St. Gianna's Place is hosting a spaghetti dinner on Oct. 28, at the Aquinas Center at St. Thomas Aquinas Church, 26 Crystal Avenue, Derry, starting at 5:30 p.m. This event will raise money to open a home for pregnant women in need in the Derry/Londonderry area. The evening will include an Italian dinner, raffles, a silent auction, and a live auction. Tickets will be sold at the door and are \$10 for adults and \$5 for children 12 and under. Our goal is to provide a safe home, job and life skills training, and a renewed sense of self-worth and independence to pregnant women in crisis. Please visit [StGiannasPlace.org](http://StGiannasPlace.org) for additional information.

## Haunted Woods

LHS Drama Club will be hosting Haunted Woods October 17, 18 & 19 from 6 - 8:30 p.m. \$5 for the woods and \$3 for the Goblin Garden (for younger children). Free treats during the night as well!

## Bake Sale

St. Jude's Women's Guild is sponsoring a Bake Sale on Sat., Oct. 14, at Mack's Apples, 230 Mammoth Road, Londonderry, from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. The women of the guild will be presenting home-made pies, breads, brownies, cookies, coffee cakes, fudge, muffins, seasonal novelties and much more.

## Farm Day

Open Farm Day At Patch Wood Farm, 42 Hawkewood Rd. Sandown, on Oct. 14, noon to 4 p.m. Hooves, Paws and Claws 4H club will be hosting a fundraiser to support the 4H club by showing off their rescue horses, along with: Raffles, Pony Rides, Bake Sale, Petting Zoo, Horse Shoe Painting, Arts and Crafts, Puppy Visits, Farm Tours, Meet and Greet with our Horses, and Much More! For More Information please call us at (978) 998-1751 or visit our web site at [www.Patch-WoodFarms.com](http://www.Patch-WoodFarms.com) Hope to see you there!

## Library Hours

The Leach Library will now be open Monday - Thursday, 9 a.m. - 8 p.m., Fri.

- Sat., 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. The library will be closed on Mon., Oct. 9, for Columbus Day.

## Spooky Creepy New England

On Thurs., Oct. 19 at 7 p.m., the Leach Library will offer "Spooky Creepy New England" featuring Karen Mossey and Mike Sullivan are paranormal investigators based in New England who specialize in Electronic Voice Phenomena (EVP) and paranormal photography. Join us for a slideshow presentation featuring the haunted locations Ms. Mossey and Mr. Sullivan have investigated around New England. 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 lower-level meeting room. Light refreshments will be served.

## Book Bingo

On Thurs., Oct. 12 from 3:30 - 4:30 p.m. an hour of Book Bingo will be played at the Leach Library. All participants in grades 6 through 12 will win and have a chance to choose from our special selection tables. In addition at this special event, snacks and drinks will be served and there will be a raffle for fun door prizes. No registration is necessary.

## Magic Show

On Mon., Oct. 16 from 4-5 p.m. the Leach Library presents Brenner Family Magic Show. During this fun and interactive program, live animal friends appear and disappear! During the show, participants will learn where the animals are from, what they eat, some of their habits and more. Participants won't know what to expect, since not all the magic tricks have animals. Full of audience participation and amazing magic tricks, this program will leave audience members asking for more. Live animals that may appear include a hedgehog, chinchilla and pig. This entertaining program is open to 90 participants of all ages and advance registration is required. To register, stop by the Children's Room, or call 432-1127 beginning at 9 a.m. on Tue., Oct. 10.

## Halloween Happenings

The Leach Library will be hosting its annual Halloween celebrations on

Mon., Oct. 23 and Tues., Oct. 24 from 4:30 - 5:30 p.m. Those who wish to may participate in a costume parade beginning at 4:15 p.m. each day. To register, stop by the Children's Room, or call 432-1127 beginning at 9 a.m. on Mon., Oct. 16.

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## Lions Club Giant Yard Sale

The sale is Sat., Oct. 14, 8 a.m. - 2 p.m., at the Lions club Hall, Rt. 128, 256 Mammoth Road, Across from Londonderry, NH Town Common. No Early Birds Please. Proceeds for donated goods and rented spaces to benefit: The Lions.

## Derry Garden Club Meeting

The next meeting of the Derry Garden Club will be held on Fri., Oct. 6, at 10 a.m. at the Derry Boys and Girls Club, 40 Hampstead Rd., Derry. The speaker will be Jerry and Paige Kennery and they will demonstrate the use of the garden club website and discuss various forms of social media. Bring your own sandwich. The committee will provide chips, desserts and beverages. We will also be collecting for the food pantry and soup kitchen. [www.derry-gardenclub.org](http://www.derry-gardenclub.org)

## Child Passenger Safety Program

The Londonderry Fire Rescue and Londonderry Police Department, along with volunteers, have collaborated to form the New Hampshire Child Passenger Safety Program. The program helps residents and those outside of Londonderry with child restraint concerns by answering questions, providing safety information, and making appointments to inspect car seat installations. They also host inspections during the month on a Saturday morn-



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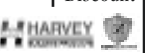
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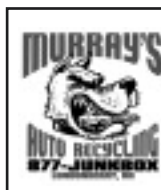
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# Londonderry Police Log

## Selections from the Londonderry Police Logs

### Monday - Sept. 25

**7:24 a.m.** Motor vehicle accident investigated on Industrial Drive.

**8:49 a.m.** Suspicious activity investigated on Highlander Way.

**10:10 a.m.** Services rendered after complaint at Kendall Pond Conservation Area.

**11:18 a.m.** Services rendered for Domestic Disturbance on Peabody Row.

**11:21 a.m.** Unlawful Activities responded to on Meadow Drive

2:43 p.m. Assisted Londonderry Fire Dept. on King Charles Drive.

**4:48 p.m.** Trespassing reported and investigated on Stonehenge Road.

**5:25 p.m.** Motor Vehicle Stop results in arrest on Haywood Road. Robert Larsen, 27, of Manchester charged with Disobeying an Officer, Having an Unregistered Vehicle and Failure to Obey Inspection Requirements.

**5:38 p.m.** Services rendered at Kendall Pond Conservation Area.

**5:54 p.m.** Neighborhood disputes reported on Capitol Hill Drive.

**8:14 p.m.** Criminal Threatening investigated on

Jewel Court.

**8:33 p.m.** Services rendered for Domestic Disturbance on Pillsbury Road.

**8:49 p.m.** Services rendered at Kendall Pond Conservation Area.

**11:40 p.m.** Assisted Londonderry Fire Dept. on Mustang Lane.

### Tuesday - Sept. 26

**12:32 a.m.** Missing Person investigated on Karen Lane.

**10:21 a.m.** Services rendered at Kendall Pond Conservation Area.

**1:41 p.m.** Services rendered at Kendall Pond Conservation Area.

**3:52 p.m.** Motor vehicle accident on Hampton Drive.

**4:05 p.m.** Accident involving three motor vehicles investigated on Rockingham Road at Perkins Road.

**5:13 p.m.** Disturbance investigated on Musquash Meadow Road at Londonderry Fish and Game Club.

**7:06 p.m.** Four officers investigate disturbance at Wallace Farm on Bridle Path.

**8:30 p.m.** Warrant served and arrest made on Wedgewood Drive. Peter Sierpinski, 74, of London-

derry charged with Theft.

**8:30 a.m.** Services rendered at Kendall Pond Conservation Area.

### Wednesday - Sept. 27

**12:26 a.m.** Services rendered at Kendall Pond Conservation Area.

**3:34 a.m.** Warrant served and arrest made on Brook Road. Jason Anderson, 21, of Litchfield charged with Burglary.

**8:21 a.m.** Services rendered for suspicious activity on Granite Street.

**10:20 a.m.** Services rendered at Kendall Pond Conservation Area.

**11:46 a.m.** Three vehicles involved in accident on Nashua Road at Parmenter Road.

**2:05 p.m.** Services rendered for overdose on Buttrick Rd

**2:47 p.m.** Serve warrant and arrest made on Linlew Drive, Derry. Bruce Grimard, 42, of Haverhill, Mass. charged with four counts of Commercial Bribery.

**7:01 p.m.** Disturbance on Pine Hollow Drive results in transportation to hospital.

**8:24 p.m.** Services rendered at Kendall Pond

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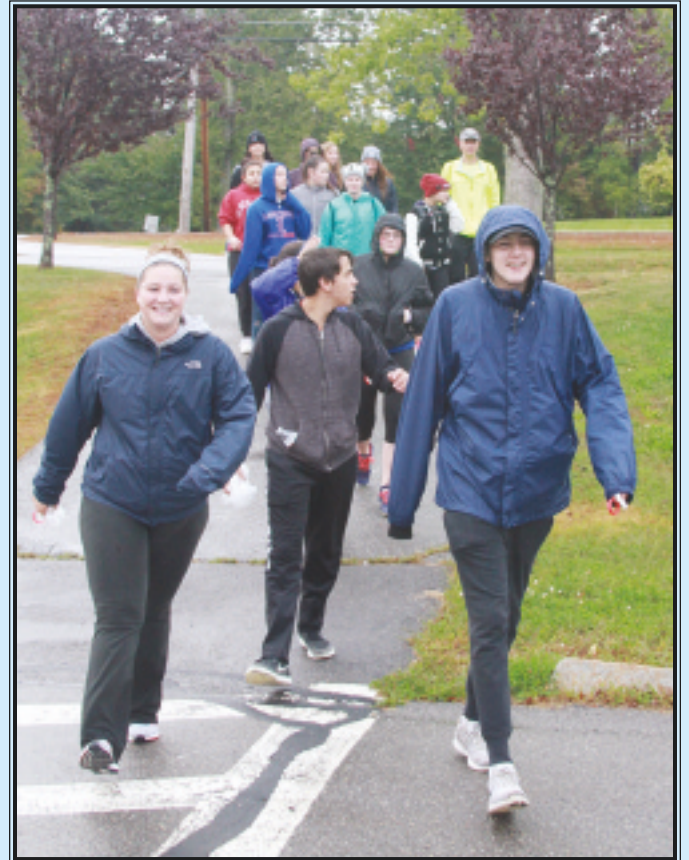


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*Photos by Chris Paul*



## Police Log

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Conservation Area.

**Thursday - Sept. 28**

**1:51 a.m.** Services rendered at Kendall Pond Conservation Area.

**8:06 a.m.** Warrant Served and arrest made on Pheasant Run. Ethan Cullen, 18, of Londonderry charged with Aggravated Felonious Sexual Assault Forcible Rape, the Sale of Controlled/Narcotic Drugs, Prohibited Sales of Alcoholic Beverages and Sale of Controlled/Narcotic Drugs.

**11:01 a.m.** Services Rendered for Juvenile Offenses at Londonderry Middle School.

**12:07 p.m.** Services rendered at Kendall Pond Conservation Area.

**12:23 p.m.** Motor Vehicle Accident Investigated on Mammoth Road and Windsor Blvd.

**7:40 p.m.** Peace Restored after Neighborhood Disputes on High Range Road.

**8:48 p.m.** Assist Londonderry Fire Dept at Londonderry Freezer Warehouse on Rockingham Road.

**Friday - Sept. 29**

**12:57 a.m.** Suspicious

activity investigated at Mountain Home Estates Clubhouse on Fieldstone Drive.

**8:33 a.m.** Services rendered at Kendall Pond Conservation Area.

**9:16 a.m.** Motor vehicle accident investigated on Mammoth Road at Kendall Pond Road.

**5:36 p.m.** Domestic Disturbance investigated at Market Basket on Garden Lane.

**11:12 p.m.** Services Rendered for Drug Offenses at Londonderry High School

**Saturday - Sept. 30**

**3:19 a.m.** Four officers respond to report of Domestic Disturbance and make two arrests at Convenience Plus on Rockingham Road. Douglas Dipesa, 39, of Lawrence, Mass. charged with Driving Under the Influence of Drugs or Liquor. Robyne Fischer, 47, of Malabar, Fla. Charge with Driving Under the Influence of Drugs or Liquor and Domestic Violence Simple Assault.

**6:37 a.m.** Suspicious activity investigated by four officers on Litchfield Road.

**7:23 a.m.** Four officers

assist Londonderry Fire Dept. on Hovey Road.

**8:01 a.m.** Motor vehicle accident Investigated on Mammoth Road at Adams Road.

**9:34 a.m.** Services rendered at Kendall Pond Conservation Area.

**2:18 p.m.** Assisted Londonderry Fire Dept. and Arrest Made at Elliot Primary Care/Urgent Care. Brian Tausky, 19, of Londonderry charged with two counts of Domestic Violence - Assault, Reckless Conduct; placing another in danger, and obstructing the report of a crime or injury.

**7:37 p.m.** Services ren-

dered at Kendall Pond Conservation Area.

**11:21 p.m.** Peace restored after complaint on Abington Road.

**Sunday - Oct 1**

**12:08 a.m.** Overdose victim on Shenandoah Avenue transported to hospital.

**1:08 a.m.** Services rendered at Kendall Pond Conservation Area.

**7:52 a.m.** Services rendered at Kendall Pond Conservation Area.

**7:52 a.m.** Motor vehicle accident investigated on Mammoth Road at Windsor Blvd.

**3:19 p.m.** Criminal Mischief investigated at Cracker Barrel Old Coun-

try Store on Nashua Road.

**4:12 p.m.** Services rendered at Kendall Pond Conservation Area.

**4:40 p.m.** Services rendered at Kendall Pond Conservation Area.

**6:58 p.m.** Warrant served and arrest made on Melendy Hollow, Amherst. Christopher Fokas, 55, of Amherst charged with

Cruelty to Animals.

**8:22 p.m.** Overdose investigated at Elliot Primary Care/Urgent Care on Buttrick Road.

**8:32 p.m.** Motor vehicle accident investigated on Nashua Road at Young Road.

**9:57 p.m.** Peace restored after disturbance at Sleep Inn on Perkins Road.



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