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Summer Writers

Deb Paul, Publisher of the Londonderry Times, speaks to members of the Summer Newspaper Club at South Elementary School on Monday. The club is part of the Enrichment Program and ran for the first week of July.

Photo by Chris Paul

Apple Tree Mall is Purchased Will Undergo New Renovations

NOELLE TARDIFF
LONDONDERRY TIMES

Developer George Vernet, owner of Vernet Properties out of Salem, Massachusetts, recently purchased Londonderry's Apple Tree Mall and has big plans to improve it.

Vernet Properties purchased the 195,000 square-

foot mall, which rests on over 20 acres of land, for a price of \$6 million. Vernet Properties also purchased and revamped the Raymond Shopping Center about 14 years ago.

The company had only 45 days to plan before closing on the property about two weeks ago. "It didn't give us too much time,"

Vernet said. "One of our major obstacles was to get everything completed that quickly, and we didn't have a lot of time to plan for things because of it."

While fixing up the property will take some time, Vernet explained that they have already taken the first steps in

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Town to End Fiscal Year With \$1.5M Budget Surplus

MIKE BYERLY
LONDONDERRY TIMES

Days before the end of the FY2018 fiscal year, Town Manager Kevin Smith and Finance Director Doug Smith presented an informal budget update to the Budget Committee. While numbers were not final at the time, they expect the town to have an approximately \$1.5M budget surplus.

About \$500,000 of the surplus comes from lower than expected spending with the remaining roughly \$1M coming from higher than expected revenue. The budget update was focused on the town side of the budget and did not include the school budget which is managed separately by the school district.

Almost all of the revenue upside came from higher than expected vehicle registrations. Doug Smith noted that this line item has consistently come in higher than expected and each of the past several years they have forecast a higher number, but revenue still exceeds the revised forecast. The FY2018 forecast was \$7.5M for vehicle registrations with actual revenue of about \$8.5M.

Doug Smith noted that both the number of vehicles registered and the value of the vehicles registered has been increasing. In addition, the town has seen a higher percentage of leased vehicles and since registration fees are based on the cars value

this increases revenue since leased cars are newer. With fewer cars owned outright, not as many vehicles are losing value as they age which would reduce the registration fee.

Doug Smith also shared that investment income came in at about \$200K compared to an expected \$100K. The increase was attributed to a new banking arrangement negotiated by the town. He also shared that next year and likely the year following, the town would see roughly \$350-400K in investment income. Kevin Smith put that in context by saying that equated to \$0.06 on the town's tax rate.

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Town Provides Updates On TIFF District, Unassigned Fund Balance

MIKE BYERLY
LONDONDERRY TIMES

At a recent Budget Committee meeting, Finance Director Doug Smith and Town Manager Kevin Smith, discussed the future of the Tax Increment Financing Districts (TIFs) and the town's unassigned fund balance.

The TIFs were established to draw investment into the area in northern Londonderry near the airport. Businesses including Pratt & Whitney, FedEx, UPS, EFI and F.W. Webb are within the TIF districts. With a TIF, some of the tax revenue and all expendi-

tures associated with it are managed separately from the town budget.

In setting up the TIF, the town makes investments in infrastructure to make the area more appealing to developers. The hope is that developments in the TIF will cause the property values to increase leading to an increase in property tax revenue to the town. When the TIF is established a baseline value for the area is established and property tax revenue resulting from the pre-development baseline go into the town's general fund. Any incremental

property tax revenue from the increase assessed value of the property after development flow into the TIF fund.

The TIFs have maximum lifetime of 10 years but can be dissolved by the town earlier if all required infrastructure

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Staying Safe From Wildlife and the Heat This Summer in Local Towns

ALEX GUITTARR
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The summer may be a fun, energetic time, but with every activity and adventure you find yourself on, there are bound to be some threats that the season can throw your way, whether it is from the environment or the weather itself.

There is the matter of black bears roaming through the area. The likes of Bedford, Merrimack, and Hollis have issued warnings to residents thanks to a series of sightings of the furry creatures in southern New Hampshire, including on peo-

ple's property. As these animals have come out of hibernation in recent months, they have lost up to 30 percent of their body weight. They have had a couple months to fill up, but they are still on the prowl for a good meal, especially due to a late spring this year. They are not picky either, which is why they sometimes wander onto personal property. According to warnings issued by the United States Department of Agriculture and the New Hampshire Fish and Game Department, black bears, which are omnivores (meaning they are pretty

much open to eating most anything from grasses to live animals), Black bears are usually attracted to the properties of humans that have birdfeeders, unsecured garbage, and compost piles that include food scraps. Properties with unprotected livestock can also potentially attract black bears.

However, residents tend to worry too much because of their lack of exposure to the creatures in this part of New Hampshire. Unlike their grizzly counterparts, black bears very rarely pose any sort of threat to people, usually choosing to avoid them

when roaming about. They have become quite comfortable in this environment, as their habitats usually consist of forests with oak, maple, and beech trees, wetlands, and areas alongside rivers. Nonetheless, it is suggested that you remove the aforementioned attractants, as well as use air-tight containers for garbage, put the trash barrels out the day that they are to be picked up, and also regularly clean and cover your barbecues. Residents can also protect livestock with electric fencing. Noise is also a solid detractor of

black bears, so try to bang pots and pans together or use a compressed air horn when one or more enter your property. But, above all else, do not approach them. Simply keep your distance and slowly back away from the bear, staying indoors if possible.

Bears are not the only threat this summer, as heat waves can wreak havoc on the human body. With recent weeks having managed to bring in 90 degree weather or higher, it is imperative that

Residents do what they can to stay cool. Make sure to wear loose-

fitting, lightweight clothing, while avoiding strenuous exercise during the hottest parts of the day and taking frequent breaks if you must work outside. Try to drink as much water as possible, even if you do not feel thirsty. And remember that Derry offers the use of the Derry Public Library and the Marion Gerrish Community Center as Cooling Stations during the hotter days of the season; for residents who need assistance beating the heat. Be sure to regularly check derrynh.org for information about when they become available.

Apple Tree

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doing so. A roofing contractor is being hired, and facade and asphalt work are being planned.

"We'll probably start with the Shaw's lot," he said.

Landscaping and connecting to town sewerage are on the agenda as well, along with signage and natural gas.

Town Manager Kevin

Smith explained that the mall has been in disrepair for some time now after having gone into foreclosure and losing many of its tenants. "It needs a facelift, but I think [Vernet] is going to work very hard to fill as many of its spaces as possible."

When asked what his company found attractive about this property, Vernet explained that there is good value in it. "We typi-

cally purchase things that we call value add properties, and then we keep them long-term to add value to them," he said. "We did that with the Raymond Shopping Center, and we plan on doing the same thing here."

In terms of long-term goals, Vernet said that he hopes to make the property viable and vibrant again as it once was.

"We've been familiar

with it for a long time," he said, "and we typically buy properties that have issues. This one will require several million dollars worth of work for improvements."

Working with Andrew Levy of Londonderry's The MEG Companies to find tenants for the mall is also a large part of Vernet's work to renovate it.

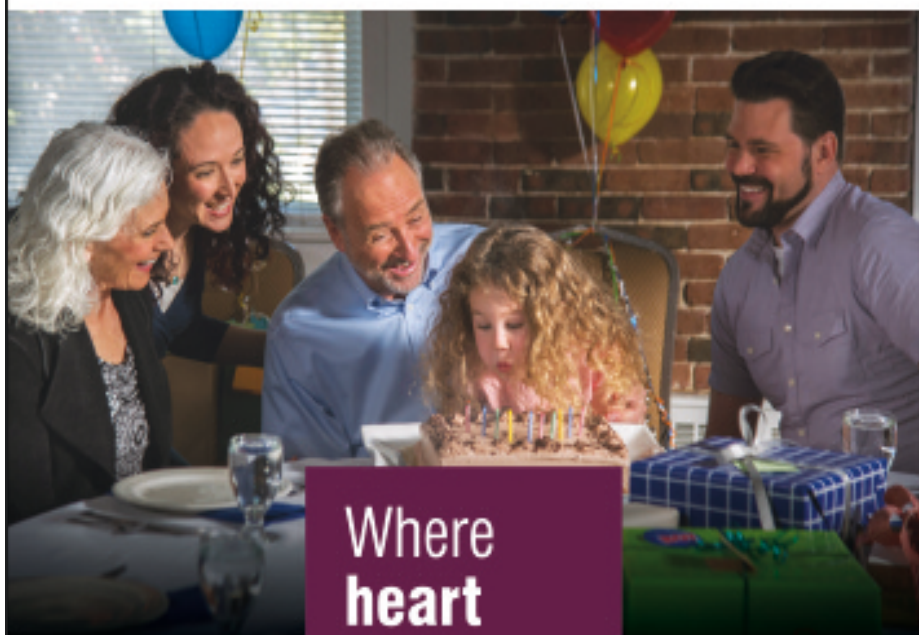
"He's been making a lot of cold calls and talk-

ing to a lot of people," Vernet explained. Next week, they plan on attending the International Council of Shopping Centers event in Boston to speak about the property. This event focuses on education, networking, and deal-making with other businesses in the region.

"Because of the fallout of the retail industry," Vernet said, "we're looking at more things like

entertainment centers, and potentially a gym. We'll talk to major retailers to see if we can land some of those, but we're also looking at three different restaurants: Thai, Italian, and Mexican."

The entire project will take several years to complete, but Vernet is hopeful that he and his company will be able to make the mall profitable and attractive once again.



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Wicked Good Scoops Seeks Advice From Conservation Commission

LORI COSTA
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Londonderry Conservation Commission welcomed local residents Don Charette and his wife Denise to talk about their new ice cream and coffee parlor for Londonderry, "Wicked Good Scoops". They have previously been approved by the Planning Board, but were seeking advice from Conservation. Although they did not have to get approval from the Conservation Commission, Charette wanted to speak with Commission about a few issues. The first one

being the amount of invasive plants they have around the pond area. Invasive plants are a species that has become a weed pest that tends to grow aggressively and displaces other plants. Some of these plants are mosses, herbs, shrubs, and vines according to the US Department of Agriculture's official website. Charette reported these vines have attacked some of the trees on the property and eventually these trees will have to come down.

Although this issue is not one that needs imme-

diately attention, Charette talked to the Commission about the subject of more importance: impervious materials. Impervious materials are a ground surface that has been severely compacted. "With the town, it's kind of one size fits all. Every business that comes in and parks a car, there's blacktop underneath it," Charette said.

He went on to say that he and his family are an environmentally friendly family and that their coffee and food products (except for the ice cream) will all be organic. He is concerned that using blacktop to pave the parking lot will cause the pond to become polluted, because of the run-off catching multiple gallons of water. It is his belief that it is not environmentally sound to pave the parking area for the shop. He looked to the Conservation Commission to get their thoughts and concerns about potentially paving or not paving the parking lot with black top for the safety of their pond. Both the Town Council and the Planning Board recommended they meet with Conservation about the issue at hand.

Charette is hoping that his shop will become the new meeting place for the kids, schools, and sports programs around town.

The gravel that is currently in the parking area has been there for ten years. "It stays well, it's safe, and it's not flowing into the pond or giving any type of pollutants," he said, about the gravel parking lot.

The Conservation Commission agreed that they are completely against using asphalt for any type of paving. Conservation member Mike Speltz disclosed the information that on multiple occasions, the Conservation Commis-

sion has recommended the same proposal that Charette had brought to them, for other businesses, but their recommendations have appeared to be ignored. Charette is concerned that over time, things will happen to the pond that are essentially unnecessary, if they were to pave the parking lot. "We're an ice cream shop. We want to hear rocks under our tires and not have to worry about our drainage going into one

spot," Charette said.

After discussions ended, the Conservation Commission made the recommendation for the Charettes to go back to the Planning Board to find out if they will need a waiver or a variance to keep the gravel in their parking lot. Chairman Marge Badois also agreed to write a letter of recommendation to modify the approved plan to keep the gravel parking rather than using impervious materials.

OBITUARY

William Dufton



William J. "Bill" Dufton, 79, of Londonderry, passed away July 4, 2018 at the Elliot Hospital in Manchester, NH.

Bill is survived by his wife of 59 years Marilyn (Campagna) Dufton; his sons and their wives, William

"Bill" Dufton and Judi Cook, Mark and Beth Dufton, and Craig and Jeanine Dufton; eight grandchildren, Devony & Aaron Fenn, Kayla & Matt Brennan, Bridgette, Mitchell, Thomas, Jacob, Lauren, and Jill; two great-grandchildren, Tyson and Mia; his dear dog Pumpkin; as well as many friends at Parrish Hills. He was predeceased by his sister Marilyn Smith.

The family wishes to extend their gratitude to the staff at the Elliot Hospital, Manchester, NH, for their care and compassion they gave to them.

There will be no calling hours and the funeral service will be private.

In lieu of flowers, donations in William's name may be made to the: National Kidney Foundation, 30 East 33rd Street New York, NY 10016.

The Carrier Family Funeral Home & Crematory, 38 Range Rd, Windham, NH, has care of Bill's arrangements. For directions or to send an online condolence to the family, please view the obituary at www.carrierfuneralhome.com

Fiscal

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On the expenditure side, Doug Smith attributed the \$500K in lower spending to careful expense management by department heads and a few variables breaking the right way. Even though the town views the \$34.5M budget from an overall perspective, each department head is asked to keep within their own individual budgets. The town has the flexibility to cover an overage in one department with an underspend from another department, but the goal is to avoid having to do so.

Doug Smith added that expenses from the waste management contract were lower than expected and the price of fuel was lower than expected. Also, snow

removal was within budget. These factors contributed to lower spending.

Senior affairs spending was well under budget which Kevin Smith attributed to a lack of seniors taking advantage of the transportation options that the town had funded in the budget.

Doug Smith also provided an update on revenue from the Land Use Change Tax (LUCT). This tax is paid in some cases by developers who pay a 10% tax on the value of the developed land. This money is split between the Conservation Commission and the town. The first \$100K goes into the conservation fund

and any remainder is split with 60% going to the general fund and 40% going to the conservation fund.

The town does not forecast revenue from LUCT because it is unpredictable based on when building permits are issued for developments. Doug Smith shared that there was \$243K in LUCT in FY2018. Kevin Smith notes that he expects it to increase substantially in FY2019 because a few large developments including Woodmont Commons and Wallace Farms that were expected to pull building permits in June will get them later in the summer instead.

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Editorial

Depression and Suicide Linked To Smartphones

Parents with despondent teens take notice: a new study has found that teenagers are becoming increasingly depressed, having increased feelings of hopelessness, and have become more likely to consider suicide in recent years, and their cell phones may be to blame.

Researchers found a sudden increase in teens' symptoms of depression, suicide risk factors and suicide rates in 2012 - right around the time when excessive smartphone use became the cultural norm.

Doctor Jean Twenge, Professor of Psychology at San Diego State University, found that teens who spend five or more hours per day on their devices are 71 percent more likely to have at least one risk factor for thoughts of suicide, regardless of the content consumed. So even if teens are looking at positive content or chatting with their friends, the amount of screen time goes hand in hand with the higher instances of depression, not the content in question.

"It's an excessive amount of time spent on the device," Twenge says. "So half an hour, an hour a day, that seemed to be the sweet spot for teen mental health in terms of electronic devices." The doctor went on to say that as screen time increased to even just two hours a day, there was a slightly elevated risk, and then at three hours a day and beyond was where the most pronounced increase occurred in those who had at least one suicide risk factor.

To help minimize the risk of devel-

oping depression, Twenge suggested that parents try to keep their children's cell phone use to two hours a day or less, and to encourage them to place the phone down and spend screen-free time on activities that benefit mental health, such as seeing friends and family face-to-face or getting outside for a walk.

These suggestions are all well and good, but how do parents go about breaking their children's cell-phone addictions? More importantly, how do they accomplish this "un-hated?"

When it comes to addressing existing feelings of depression, Sandra Norton, Clinical Director of the Children's Department of the Center for Life Management in Derry states that it is crucial to not come across as judgmental. Norton stated that teens may lash out if they feel they are being judged by a parent, and as a result may close up and ignore a parent's well-meaning attempt to help. The same can be said for excessive cell phone use. By approaching the issue honestly and as non-judgmentally as possible, and by frankly explaining concerns for their child's well-being, parents and teens can combat smartphone and social media addiction together.

While it is certainly not the only contributor to teen depression and anxiety, nonstop smartphone use can certainly exacerbate existing issues. Talk to your child today, face-to-face, about your concerns.

Letters

Immigration

To the editor,

Let's be clear on this issue. Democrat leadership and liberal media care nothing about immigrants and their children coming across the border. The children are merely pawns for Democrats and liberal media to resist and obstruct anything and everything Trump tries to do to better America. The children and their parents are merely potential Democrat voters to elect Democrats to foster a socialist America. "Socialist America"; Google "socialism" and has it ever succeeded?

If Democrats were truly concerned about the separation of children from their parents, they would help Republicans finance a border wall that would humanely eliminate this issue as Central and South American immigrants would realize they cannot cross our southern border illegally. There is a means for immigrants with children to enter America via any U.S. entry port; be 18 years of age, register to get a green card, wait 5 years and then apply for citizenship. No, they believe they can cut short the legal entry process by entering illegally, get a job, earn money and live off the grid not paying taxes and even sending money back to their home country family taking money out of our economy. We see almost every day ICE rounding up employed illegals, drawing income, living off the grid and not paying social security, federal, state and local taxes. In 2017, there were 4.2 million illegal immigrants, including kids, living in the U.S. costing tax payers \$135 billion; including \$1.4 billion to house unaccompanied minors. That's taxes

you pay for their illegal entry. \$135 billion is a lot of money that could be used for infrastructure programs, bolster social security shortfalls in years to come and bolster our military to counter Chinese and Russian challenges. Not only is it unlawful to enter America illegally, it is also quite dangerous. Adults and children often have to walk 100s or 1000s of miles to get to the border encountering extreme heat, lack of water and be at the mercy of drug smugglers, slave traders and death; notwithstanding crimes committed by many after they cross the border. The Huffington Post states that 80% of migrant women and girls are raped during their arduous trip to our southern border. Do Democrats and liberal media care? No; illegal immigrants are a pawn to resist and obstruct Trump and make him look inhumane. Fact is the existing immigration policy of containment is an Obama policy touted by Hillary in her 2016 campaign as good for America. Why then do Democrats now cry foul of Trump? Well, 2018 mid-term elections come up in November and Democrats need something to use against House and Senate Republicans other than hate of Trump just as they will use Bob Mueller's no evidence, witch-hunt-col- lision investigation.

Democrats have no positive agenda other than hate for Trump and Republicans who support Trump. As Trump would say "SAD". The cost to build a Wall is \$25 billion; a mere drop in the bucket for 2019's federal budget of \$4.407 trillion. BUILD THAT WALL!

Bob Pitre
Londonderry

Proof of Residency

To the editor,

In the June 14 issue of the Londonderry Times it included "Voter Information" for Londonderry residents. It stated that people wanting to register to vote could go to the Town Clerk's Office and provide Proof of Londonderry residency, Proof of Citizenship (passport, birth certificate, naturalization papers), photo ID. It stated "Applicants who possess proof of identity, age, citizenship, and domicile should bring that proof when they register." Sounded reasonable. Then I read on and it said if they don't have that, it's OK, they can still register to vote, they just have to sign an affidavit "attesting to their qualifications for identity, age and citizenship". If all they need to do is say they are qualified to vote and not bring any proof, why bother to bring any proof at all? Supposedly these affidavits are followed up by the town sending something to their stated home that requires a response. However in the last presidential election, hundreds of these were returned to the town undeliverable when people registered on election day, which they are still allowed to do and it's actually when most people register to vote (without proof of identity). What steps does the town take, if any, to be absolutely sure that these people registering to vote are actual residents? Of the responses returned, how can anyone be sure the "registered voter" responded and actually lives there? What is so hard about bringing a photo ID and proof of residency when you register to vote? You can't get on a plane with-

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out it. You can't get a driver's license without it. You can't get into school without it. You can't even get a job without it. The state will issue you a photo ID if you don't drive. If we want to preserve the integrity of the election process, we need to require actual proof of residency.

Lori Guyett
Londonderry

Money Corrupts Politics

To the editor,
One of the reasons why I have maintained a voting status of "unde-

clared" nearly my entire voting life is that I have never fully trusted the leadership of EITHER major party for one simple reason: MONEY. You name an issue, I'll show you how it is influenced by big money.

Did you know that Congressmen and women spend several hours EACH DAY on the telephone begging for dollars? Do you think they care about you or me if we cannot satisfy their never-ending need for major campaign funding? That is why we have the highest drug prices in the world. That is why we have the most expensive health care in the world. That is why we spend more on war and

weapons than the next 10 countries COMBINED. I can go on and on, but you get the message.

All of the Democratic candidates for New Hampshire's First Congressional District say they support campaign finance reform. Rather than taking them at their word, however, I urge my fellow Granite Staters to look at these candidate's actions.

The handpicked candidate of the Democratic Party establishment, Maura Sullivan, has received 80% of her cam-

paign funds from donors outside of the state of New Hampshire. How can we be sure she'll fight for campaign finance reform when she's not even running her own campaign in a way that puts Granite Staters over special interest groups?

Then there's Chris Pappas. Over 70% of his donors are from New Hampshire, meaning that his campaign is being driven by us. If elected, he'll have Granite Staters – not external special interest groups—to thank. And he'll thank us

by fighting for us.

Chris supports legislation that requires candidates to disclose the campaign donations they've received from publicly traded companies, dark money groups, and social welfare organizations.

Chris won't just support legislation; he'll co-sponsor a Constitutional Amendment to overturn Citizens United because big, dark money is a cancer on American politics.

While they all talk about the need to get money out of politics, Chris's actions show that campaign finance reform is a real priority of his.

Ken Hajjar
Londonderry

Navy Must Right Itself

To the Editor;
According to an oped by Pat Buchanan, starting around 2009 the U.S. Naval Academy (USNA) lowered its enrollment standards for incoming freshmen so the Navy could increase its racial diversity.

The USNA is on a campaign to increase minority

naval officers to approximate the nonwhite enlisted percentage of the Fleet, which is 40% minority personnel. Unfortunately, the USNA turns away applicants with SAT scores above 600 and As and Bs in their high school courses in favor of students with SAT scores in the 500s and C grades. Minority students with SATs in the 300s and 400s and C and D grades are admitted after attending a one year preparatory school.

These future officers will be in charge of operating complex naval weapons systems and making critical decisions impacting the security of our country. Don't we want the most intelligent and able naval officers filling these highly responsible positions in the Fleet?

As a former Navy enlisted man and naval officer, I am concerned about our Navy's ability to conduct operations which project U.S. sea power in the world. Our Navy must right itself.

Donald Moskowitz
Londonderry

OBITUARY

Michael Baillargeon



Michael P. Baillargeon, 33, of Londonderry, died unexpectedly Thursday, July 5, in his home. He was born in Manchester, NH on Feb. 7, 1985, a son of Jason and Joanne (Baillargeon) Reid. Michael was employed with Poor Boy's and Maryann's restaurants and was an amazing cook for both establishments.

He was an avid sports fan and had a vast knowledge of various sports. He enjoyed many musicians, especially the bands Phish and Grateful Dead. He was a people person with a big heart and was known as a big teddy bear or a gentle giant. Michael had a great sense of humor and a free spirit. He was a devoted father and loved his Memere dearly. Family was the most important thing to Michael and he always put them first.

He is survived by his son, Carsen; his two stepchildren, Ryder and Kash and their mother, Samantha; three siblings, Colton and his significant other Katie, Chantal and her significant other Nick, and Kayleigh; his beloved Memere; paternal grandparents, David Reid and his fiancé Kathy, Janet and Jake Hosmer; nephew, Hunter; his Uncle D and many more aunts, uncles and cousins. He was predeceased by his Pepère.

Calling hours will be held on Wednesday, July 11, from 3 - 6 p.m. in the Peabody Funeral Homes & Crematorium, 290 Mammoth Rd., Londonderry. Funeral services will follow at 6:00 pm in the funeral home. To send a condolence or for more information, please visit, www.peabodyfuneralhome.com

OBITUARY

Linda German



Linda M. German, 78, of Londonderry, passed away Monday July 2, 2018 at the Colonial Poplin Nursing Home of Fremont, after a long struggle with cancer. Linda was born in Hempstead, N.Y. and was the daughter of the late Edwin and Mildred (Heenan) Myers. She later graduated from the Syracuse University School of Journalism.

Over the years, Linda worked for several newspapers both in reporting and advertising capacities. In retirement, she devoted her time to many volunteer efforts and most recently was the board chairman of the Sonshine Soup Kitchen of Derry.

Linda is survived by her husband Kenneth German, of Londonderry and her son Casey Williams.

Linda will be cremated in a private service. Memorial donations may be made in Linda's name to either the Sonshine Soup Kitchen, 4 Crystal Ave. #4 Derry, NH 03038, or the Best Friends Animal Society at www.supportbestfriends.org. The Peabody Funeral Homes and Crematorium of Derry is assisting the family. To send a condolence, please visit www.peabodyfuneralhome.com.



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As most parents know, summer is often a season of driving children to activities, camps, and friends' houses. Yet, those extra drives can be particularly dangerous for children who use car seats. Specifically, if the devices have not been installed properly.

Thanks to the Londonderry Child Passenger Safety Program (CPS), parents can be proactive and ensure the safety of their children. As one of the only programs in the country that is a cooperative effort among police, fire, and local volunteers, CPS provides guidance, information, and instruction for installing child restraints, commonly referred to as car seats.

The program is comprised of Nationally Certified Child Passenger Safe-

ty Technicians who are trained in the proper installation of child restraints for children varying in age from infants to young adults. Since the program began in 2001, technicians have made a substantial impact to the community.

For those who may assume that their child restraints have been installed properly, think again. Nationwide, four out of every five car seats are incorrectly installed. The statistics are even higher in the local community.

The Londonderry CPS offers an Inspection Station to inspect car seats that have been installed by parents or caregivers. Based out of the South Fire Station, the program has found that through inspecting over 2,500 child restraints, over 90 percent of them have required a correction.

As coordinator of the Londonderry CPS, on-call firefighter Vinny Curro explained that there is no single most common mistake that is made when installing child restraints; the program has seen a wide variety.

"[Either] they don't have the seat in the safest position in the car, or they're using both the lower anchors, the LATCH system, and the seat belt," said Curro. "For most car seats, we can only use one or the other."

Even when the child restraint may be properly installed, the program also checks the latest recalls for both the seat and the vehicle, as well as whether it has been properly selected for the child and whether it is in the safest position. For example, child restraints should always be placed in the center of vehicles,

as opposed to an outward seat against a door, to protect against side impact intrusion during a crash.

"If you're in the center position, all that glass, plastic, and metal needs to travel much further in order to make an impact on the child or even on yourself," explained Curro. "Even when my son came out of his car seat, he would always ride in the center position whenever he could, because he knew that he was safer that way."

Though those are just a few of the many corrections that the program makes, another major aspect is answering parents' questions. Curro said that the Inspection Station's focus is simple: the safety of children and the education of parents and caregivers.

"We always try to have the child leave safer than when they arrive," said

Curro. "We will show parents how to install it, but then we'll always let them be the last ones to touch the seat and install it, so we know that they know what they're doing. You need to teach parents how to do it, because the kid doesn't know any better. He's just doing what mom and dad want him to do."

By law, in the state of New Hampshire, a child must be in a child restraint of some sort, whether it be a booster seat or car seat, up until the age of 7 or a height of 57 inches, whichever is reached first. Breaking this law puts children at serious risk for injury in the event of a crash, which Curro has seen first-hand. However, the Londonderry CPS has positively worked to minimize those occurrences within the community, and the results have

proven to be effective.

"We have thank you notes and we have people that have called us and said that their child is most likely either alive or was prevented serious injury from corrections that we've made," said Curro. "You get those days where you're just tired of what you're doing, or some people might upset you a little bit, by then you get a phone call like that, and that's the whole reason why you're there."

The Inspection Station takes appointments twice a month: the second Saturday from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. and the fourth Wednesday from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. To schedule an appointment to have a car seat installed or ask questions, call the hotline at 603-432-1104 ext. 4623, or email the organization at cps@londonderrynh.org.

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investments have been completed. When the TIF expires, the full property tax revenue goes into the general fund. Doug Smith shared that for FY2018, the costs associated with the TIF and the tax revenue from it were a wash.

He expects that in

FY2019, the TIF will be net positive, generating more revenue than expense. FY2019 will also be the last year of the TIF and at that point the town will not have any TIFs. In FY2020, all tax revenue from the properties formerly in the TIF district will flow to the general fund. Kevin Smith indicated that the town does not

have plans to create any new TIFs.

In the same meeting Budget Committee Chair Kirsten Hildonen asked for clarification on how the town unassigned fund balance (UFB) would change given the recent move by the town council to no longer hold money in that account for the school district. By policy, the town holds 5-10% of

their budget in the UFB to handle any unexpected large expenditures.

Historically, the town has also used this money to pay for one-time project expenditures. While the amount spent from the UFB varies from year-to-year, it generally is in the range of \$2M.

According to Kevin Smith, the result of the town council's policy change is that there will be a one-time addition of \$1.9M to the town's UFB.

This one-time increase represents the portion of the fund balance that the town had been setting aside for the school district in FY2018.

Going forward, the school district will have their own UFB, although by state statute they are limited in what they can hold in such an account. Committee Member Tim Siekmann asked if all or some part of the \$1.9M could be transferred to the school district. The

Town Manager said that because the town and school district are separate entities, state law does now allow that. He did say that the town is allowed to spend money on school district issues and that he would be inclined to do so in an emergency situation.

He also shared that the town does not currently have plans to use the UFB for significant projects during the FY2019 budget cycle.

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Conservation Gives Updates on Kendall Pond, Turtles and Public Walk/Paddle

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Conservation Commission gave an update on Kendall Pond at their most recent meeting. A new plan has been approved by both the Commission and the neighbors of Kendall Pond to create new parking along the road. The new project underway will create pull-in parking spots all along the road heading towards South School according to the Chairman Marge Badois. This lot will only be used for pull-in parking and no

spaces will be created for parallel parking. Trees will be cut down in the area for parking to be available. The estimated cost for the tree work is about \$1300-\$1500 and the gravel cost will be about \$1,000. These expenses will come out of the budget for the Conservation Commission. With the project still in its very early stages, it is too early to tell if any revenue will be acquired from cutting down the trees or if the revenue will come back to the Conservation Commission. Some members

of the Commission are concerned of the cost; because they believe this is a policing issue and not necessarily a conservation issue. If that is the case, members feel the town should be the ones to pay for the cost of the new parking area. Although the wheels are currently in motion for work to begin on the parking, the Commission still has questions and would like to see the plans for the lot before they agree to pay for the costs.

It was also announced at the meeting that some-

one had stolen the turtle crossing sign from Hall Road and there is currently a post with no sign it. For \$38, the sign can be replaced. The signs were only placed at two locations South Road and Hall Road. The Fish and Game Department reported to the Commission that they had found four female Blanding's turtles smashed in the roadway of Wiley Hill Road. As of today, there is no turtle crossing sign at this location. This is also considered prime-time for nesting seasons for the tur-

gles. The current signs are eighteen inches square and can be difficult to read from the road. The motion was made and passed by the Commission to spend up to \$200 on turtle signs.

They also discussed how they are overdue for a public walk/paddle that they normally host around this time of year. Members of the Conservation Commission welcome any and every member of the community to Scobie Pond to do some kayaking during this event. The pond is the

largest body of water in town and has a ramp for water access. People are encouraged to bring their own kayaks, but some will be provided by the Commission. Anyone can join the public paddle even if you have never paddled a kayak before. The paddle is made to be a fun community event for everyone to get out and enjoy the summer sunshine and scenic views that Londonderry has to offer. Date and time for the event will be established at a later date.

Foundation Poured for First Two Woodmont Commons Buildings

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Construction has officially begun on the Woodmont Commons project as crews have started to build the first two buildings.

While construction technically began over a year ago with infrastructure improvements on Michael's Way and utility extensions, the foundation for the two buildings was poured just last week, according to Town Planner Colleen Mailloux. These buildings, according to the site plan, are referred to as Building 5.01 and Building 3.01.

Building 5.01 will be home to 603 Brewery, a known tenant which will include the business's production facility as well as a brew pub and restaurant.

Building 3.01 will act as a mixed-use building which will have a commercial restaurant tenant on the first floor, as well as residential units on the upper three floors. In

total, this building will have 87 residential units. The commercial space will be as large as 23-25,000 square feet.

The unit development project will span over a total of 603 acres of what was once apple orchards. The master plan for the project was approved by Londonderry's Town Council, as well as the Planning Board back in 2013.

Mike Kettenbach, principal of Pillsbury Realty Development LLC, is the developer on this project. According to a press packet prepared by the company, Woodmont Commons will include 882,500 square feet of new retail space, 700,000 square feet of office space, 272,000 square feet of existing commercial space, 550 hotel rooms, 300 hospital beds, 250,000 square feet of extended living/assisted care space, 1,439 residential units, and "unlimited civic uses."

"This project has really been designed as a

mixed-use, live, work, play type of environment," Mailloux said of Woodmont Commons.

"First, it's going to bring retail and commercial growth, which I think will be really great for the town," she said. "It'll be a different type of commercial retail than we see now."

This first building phase of project will also introduce a new type of housing that does not yet exist and is not necessarily offered in Londonderry.

"Townhomes and other residential development will take place, which will really create a great place for people to live, but also to come down to enjoy the restaurants," Mailloux explained.

Plans for recreational facilities are in place as well, which Mailloux says will truly create a destination within the town of Londonderry.

"Now that construction has started and we can really see the first few

buildings starting on the main street, I think it's going to be really exciting to watch everything be built out," she said.

Construction crews will be working on these two buildings throughout the winter. It was Mailloux's understanding that they would be occupied around Spring of 2019. "Everything should be airtight and closed out before the start of winter in order for crews to start their internal work and

prepare for occupancy in the spring," she said.

The 603 Brewery is being built in phases, so its production facility should be ready by the Winter of 2019, with the brew pub portion coming online closer to the spring.

For more information on the Woodmont Commons project or to view site/master plans, visit www.londonderrynh.org/Pages/LondonderryNH_BComm/Planning/common



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High School Robotics Team Raises Money Through Recycling Drive

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Londonderry High School's robotics team, the PVC Pirates, are known for regularly putting on great performances at competitions and providing students with an outlet that lets them further explore interests in engineering and technology. As enriching as the program is; building robots and traveling to competitions is not a cheap process. As such, the PVC Pirates recently held a recycling drive in the Londonderry Middle

School parking lot on July 7 to help raise money for future endeavors.

The fundraiser was done in conjunction with FUNDrive, a collaborative service that helps prospective organizations advertise the fundraiser before gathering various recyclable items. These things are then sold during the fundraising event for profit. It took place from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. The hot summer day saw several team members of the PVC Pirates gathering the likes of accessories, clothing, shoes, small

electronics, exercise and outdoor items, children's toys, kitchen supplies, media items, small furniture, and other assorted knick-knacks. Per the rules set by FUNDrive; they were unable to accept large appliances, weapons, bedding parts, construction materials, damaged furniture, flammable products, infant products, televisions, or computers. In all, the fundraiser saw the team gather "a sizeable amount" of products and raise roughly \$200 for their program.

This was the first time that the team had done a recycling drive, but it was far from the only fundraiser that they had done, as they have also done plenty of car washes and restaurant fundraisers in the past. But the summer is not just an opportunity for the team to raise money for the next school year. They are currently in the middle of their off season, meaning they are still practicing their skills while attending four practice competitions throughout the region. On average, the roughly 45 per-

son team does at least 8 competitions each year during the on season and off season combined. However, recent years have seen them go even further, managing to qualify for the World Championship in Louisville, Kentucky for the last two years and performing phenomenally last year by placing 6th amongst roughly 3000 teams from across the globe.

And yet, the thrill of competition is not the only thing that attracts these students to the robotics program. Due to a recent

influx of new students, it has given the older students an opportunity to serve as mentors, handing down their expertise while the younger students work on the actual robots. Some of these creations are also placed in demonstrations to attract more students into the program, including one such robot that shoots out wiffle balls. And plenty of the senior team members also hope to pursue career fields that involve robotics, including computer science, mechanical engineering, and the medical field.

St. Mark's Parish Celebrates Music Ministry Founder

To the cheers of 80 plus friends from St. Mark the Evangelist Parish, Allan Fernald arrived recently at the surprise retirement party given in his honor by the members of the St. Mark Parish Choir.

Allan established the Music Ministry, and the Choir, in 1981 at the request of St. Mark's cherished founding Pastor, Father Tom Bresnahan, and he was the Parish's beloved Music Minister for 37 years. For Allan and his wife, Terry, who are also founding members of St. Mark's Parish, this was a special and heartfelt event.

Friends, family mem-

bers, and current and former members of the Music Ministry came from near and far to celebrate their longtime friend and musical leader!

During the festivities, Choir members delighted the honoree and guests with a beautiful rendition of "Alleluia, Give the Glory", a favorite of Allan's, and a lovely interpretation of "Go In Love". As a demonstration of their gratitude, Allan and Terry lovingly gifted the attendees with an emotional duet of Greg Gilpin's "Why We Sing". All music was beautifully accompanied by Allan and Terry's son, Brendan. These loving presentations left not a dry eye

among the singers or the audience!

The cookout was a festive gathering, filled with love, good food, and happy reminiscences of the many years that Allan and his Choir joyfully led the congregation of St. Mark's in praising the Lord through their music. With exuberant thanks for all the years of love and support received from the parishioners of St. Mark's, Allan expressed his gratitude to those present as well as to those who could not attend the celebration, but sent affectionate farewell messages. An unforgettable and inimitable musical era at St. Mark's has ended, but



Allan Fernald is greeted by St. Mark's parishioners and his Choir at a Surprise Retirement Party recently Courtesy photo

Allan and his Choir plan to continue singing together, and in the Fall will embark on a new musical adventure under the name "Jubilation!"

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PYO Fun Has Begun at Local Farms for Fresh Fruits and Veggies

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When most hear the phrase “Pick Your Own” at local farms, often times the first thing that comes to mind is crisp fall air, hayrides, and juicy apples. Though, there’s no need to wait until fall for this family-friendly activity. Londonderry is home to multiple farms that offer U-Pick for signature summer fruits and more.

Some of the most popular local farms include Merrill’s Farm, Mack’s Apples (also known as Moose Hill Orchards), Elwood Orchards, and Sunnycrest Farms. Each of these Londonderry locations offer a unique array of products and family fun throughout the summer.

Sunnycrest Farms, located at 59 High Range Road, is known for its large selection of Pick Your Own (PYO) goods and diverse farm stand. During the summer season, the farm’s PYO products include strawberries, raspberries, blueberries, cherries, peaches, and flowers. PYO is offered from 7 a.m. to 12 p.m. daily, and can be found by following the many signs that direct crowds behind the farm stand. From there, customers will see a wooden booth labeled, “PYO” with staff ready to assist and answer questions.

Employee Danny Hicks explained that since his grandmother’s father started the farm back in 1943, the business has grown dramatically, in particular the PYO.

“We have a lot of people



There’s been a steady stream of people checking their strawberries at Sunnycrest Farm over the past few weeks. Photo by Gabby Guerard

that come here from the city, so it’s nice for them to come up here and experience the outside kind of life,” said Hicks.

For those who want fresh products without the work, Sunnycrest’s farm stand is also filled with customers, offering everything from fruits, vegetables, pies, honey, maple syrup, jams, milk, and much more. While the PYO is only available in the mornings, the stand is open from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily. For more information, visit the website at sunnycrestfarmnh.com or call 603-432-7753 to speak with a staff member.

Another farm in Londonderry that has much to offer throughout the summer is Elwood Orchards, located at 54 Elwood Road. While it’s widely known for having the largest corn maze in the region during the fall, Elwood is also home to a farm stand and U-Pick

variety. Available for U-Pick during the summer season are cherries, raspberries, apricots, and their most popular item, shell beans.

To participate in Elwood’s U-Pick, first drive past rows of trees to get to the farm stand, where customers receive bags for picking and information. Also available at the stand is a large variety of products, including its biggest hits: honey, peaches, plums, and vegetables, such as tomatoes, cucumbers, squash, and corn.

For those wondering about the status of the infamous corn maze, Wayne Elwood reports that its preparations have already begun.

“We plant it mid-June, and my brother designs it,” said Elwood. “We’re going to start pulling it [to form the pathways] probably this week. It’s all up, it’s just got to get a little

taller.”

Since opening in 1910, the family-run farm has been a staple for many loyal customers, who come back season after season for fresh products. Elwood Orchards is currently open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. seven days a week, and will extend its hours later in the season to 6 p.m. For more information, call the farm stand at 603-434-6017.

While both Sunnycrest Farms and Elwood Orchards offer an assortment of U-Pick products throughout the summer, it’s important to note that availability is dependent on each item’s specific season, and operates on a first come first serve basis. Picking seasons for products vary, but are generally as follows: Strawberries- early June through July, depending on the weather; Cherries- late June to mid-July; Raspberries- late June to September;

Flowers- early July through the first frost; Blueberries- mid July to mid-September, depending on the weather; Apricots- late July to mid-August; Peaches- late July through August; Beans- late July through September. Before picking, customers are encouraged to call the farms to confirm what is available.

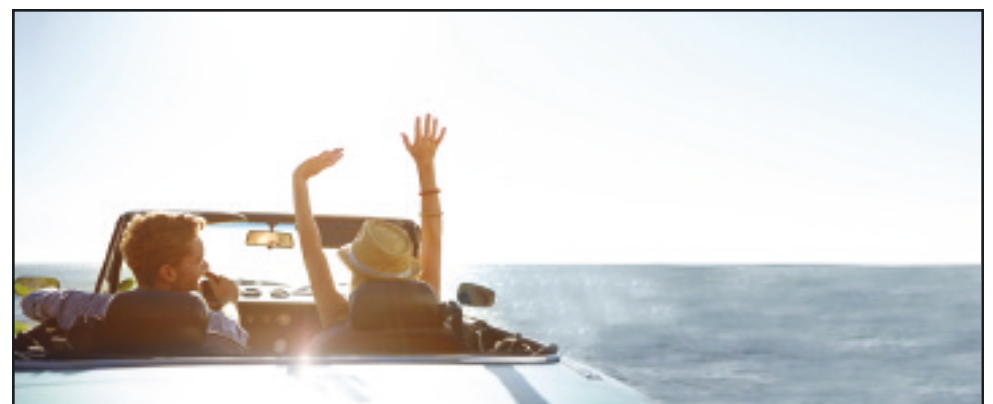
Merrill’s Farm, located at 569 Mammoth Road, is known for providing fresh eggs to other stands throughout the town. Though, if customers would like to get eggs as soon as they have been laid, they may be purchased at Merrill’s farm stand directly. Additionally, the farm stand offers a variety of fruits, vegetables, and pies.

The stand is open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on weekends, and from 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. during the week, using the honors system. The eggs are located on the porch behind parking, and the farm stand is in

the white washed barn by the parking lot. For more information, call the farm at 603-622-6636.

The largest farm in town is Moose Hill Orchards, more commonly referred to as Mack’s Apples, is located at 230 Mammoth Road. Mack’s U-Pick stations are restricted to apples and pumpkins, and therefore will not open until early September. Similarly, the Farm Market is closed until mid-August. At that time, it will be open daily from 9 a.m. until 6 p.m., offering peaches, pears, cucumbers, tomatoes, corn, apples, squash, and more.

In the meantime, Mack’s Ice Cream Stand is open daily from 12 p.m. to 9 p.m. The Stand serves Richardson’s Ice Cream, which is locally made in Massachusetts. For more information, visit the website at macksapples.com or call the farm at 603-434-7619.



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Girl Scouts “Bridge” as They Celebrate Their Achievements

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On Tuesday, June 19, the Londonderry and Litchfield Girl Scout Community celebrated its 2018 bridging ceremony on the Londonderry Town Common, with Daisy Troops 58211 and 51120, Brownie Troops 10501 and 51125, and Junior Girl Scout Troops 51150 and 12391 being recognized for their hard work and advancing in their Girl Scout journeys.

The ceremony began with a recitation of the Girl Scout Promise and Law, as well as the opening flag ceremony. New Hampshire State Senator

Sharon Carson then spoke, saying, “Scouting is just a wonderful opportunity for young ladies. They get to learn so much about life.”

She continued, noting that she had recently worked with a Girl Scout who, while working on a project, discovered some “troubling things” about New Hampshire marriage laws. However, through hard work and dedication, three of this Girl Scout’s proposals were signed into law as of Monday, June 18.

“It just goes to show you what a Girl Scout can do,” Senator Carson said.

While Senators Jeanne

Shaheen and Maggie Hassan were unable to attend the bridging ceremony, they did send letters congratulating the Scouts and commending them for their hard work.

“Just as scouting strengthens our state,” the letter from Senator Hassan read, “it prepares you for future successes and to take on challenges big and small. Be kind and stay strong.”

“I know from my work that time and effort spent helping neighbors, friends, and family provides a unique accomplishment,” Senator Shaheen’s letter read. “I hope this spirit of service will stay with you throughout your youth.”



Brownies from Troop 10501 look on as their friends cross the bridge to become Junior Girl Scouts. Photo by Noelle Tardiff

The bridging then began, with Daisies bridging to Brownies, Brownies to Junior Girl Scouts, and Junior Girl Scouts to Cadettes. Each Scout was proud to walk across the wooden bridge as family and friends cheered.

The traditional Girl Scout song, “Make New Friends,” was then sung, and the flags were retired. When the ceremony was complete, attendees were invited to celebrate with cake, ice cream, and music.

Liz O’Neil, leader of Junior Girl Scout Troop 51150, was especially proud as she has been leading this group for two

years. “It’s been a lot more fun than I ever thought it would be,” O’Neil said.

One of her favorite projects to take part in each year is called Operation Snowbank. The troop collects gently used snow clothes from local elementary schools as well as the town hall, which are then donated back to kids in need at the schools. The extra clothes are donated to Derry’s Calvary Bible Church.

O’Neil continued, speaking about the many projects her troop completes throughout the year. Engineering Night, whale watch-

ing, and individual badge projects are only some of the exciting experiences that the Girl Scouts are able to take part in.

Arianna Conomacos, who became a Cadette at the ceremony, explained that her favorite part of Girl Scouts is “how everyone makes you feel like family. They’re not judging you because of how you look or who you are.”

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Junior Legion Baseball Crew Makes Life Tough For Opponents

CHRIS PANTAZIS
LONDONDERRY TIMES

While the Londonderry Senior American Legion Post 27 baseball squad has had to endure distinct struggles this summer, the Post 27 Junior Legion hardball team has had the opposite kind of summer to date.

That squad, under the leadership of Londonderry High junior varsity baseball coach Jake Ratka, went 7-1 in its first eight games and stepped into a rather unique game scenario last Friday afternoon, July 6, at Alvirne High in Hudson in which it had to complete one suspended game, take a little breather in the summer heat, and then play a complete second contest. And both ends of that

unique double-header went great for the locals.

In the aforementioned first eight battles of the 2018 campaign, coach Ratka's roster had managed a double-header sweep of Portsmouth on the seacoast, a 3-1 edging of Dover at LHS, a 13-3 pounding of Raymond in Londonderry, an 11-6 walloping of Salem on the road, a truly tough 6-5 extra-inning road loss to a Newmarket team which also stepped into last week with seven wins, followed by an 8-2 trouncing of that Newmarket crew and a 12-1 route of Raymond on the road.

In the odd twin-bill at Alvirne High late last Friday afternoon, Londonderry and the Hudson Post 48 contingent had to resume a rain-shortened

game from mid-June which was suspended due to rain in the latter half of the third inning with the Londonderry side grasping a slim, 1-0 lead.

The locals would score twice more and ride the fine pitching of reliever Ryan Killilea to a pleasing 3-0 success. Cooper Ernst - one of three Pinkerton Academy players on this summer's Londonderry team - tallied the pitching victory thanks to the strong three frames he pitched during the first part of that battle.

After taking a bit of a rest and allowing the two umpires to switch spots on the diamond, the two teams got back down to business on game two with Londonderry send-

ing lanky and skilled righty pitcher Nolan Lincoln out to the hill. And Lincoln wound up being something of a nightmare for the home-standing Hudson side.

The big righty threw a complete-game two-hitter, striking out nine batters and walking none in making pitching look pretty easy. His defense supported him fairly solidly, and his offense produced seven runs on just four hits in a 7-0 shutout.

The Londonderry offense plated the only run it would require to win this one without even managing a hit in the top half of the first frame as Braeden Griffin drew a lead-off walk, stole second, advanced to third on a fielder's choice, and

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Londonderry Junior Legion pitcher Nolan Lincoln delivers a pitch during his great effort against Hudson last week. Photo by Chris Pantazis



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Post 27 Senior Legion Crew Gets Off to a Slow Start

CHRIS PANTAZIS
LONDONDERRY TIMES

When you're the member of a baseball team whose offense in struggling to collect hits and runs, the last thing you want to see is the opposing squad's ace pitcher pounding the strike zone successfully with his powerful offerings.

In the wake of its 10-0 loss to the rival Derry Chase Post 9 hardball squad at Londonderry High School on the evening of Wednesday, June 27, the Londonderry Post 27 American Legion baseball team had to have felt like it had just been run over by an 18-wheeler.

Pinkerton Academy 2018 Division I All-Stater George Welch - a big left-hander - got the mound start for the Derry Legion side and twirled an impressive no-hitter which included some 10 strikeouts and just two walks.

The skilled southpaw's defense and offense both supported him well, and about all Londonderry coach Brian Meskell and his charges - who have to scratch and claw and steal bases and have things roll their way on offense - could do was keep working hard and try to appreciate the superb performance their opponents were putting on.

"We made four or five errors in the first two innings, and you can't have that happen if you're playing a good team like them," Meskell said, admittedly looking forward to his squad's double-header with a struggling Salem squad two nights later.

The Derry victory left that contingent just over the .500 mark at 3-2 in New Hampshire District B play, while Londonderry slipped to 2-5 in the same league with the distinct downer of a decision.

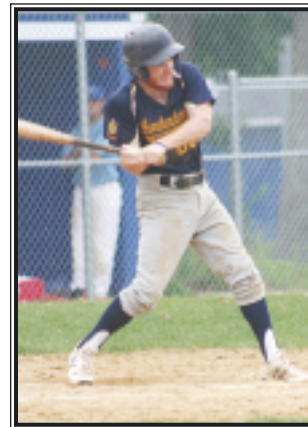
The Chase Post crew plated runs in all but one of the six innings which were played in the Londonderry contest, which

lasted just six full frames with the 10-run-rule kicking in in the sixth.

Derry scored once in the first, twice in the second, once more each in the third and fourth frames, and five times in the sixth in making it a 10-0 game.

The host Post 27 squad and starting pitcher Pat Rauseo actually battled their way out of big trouble in the first inning, leaving the bases loaded after allowing just that one aforementioned run. And as things worked out, Derry left some six men on the base paths through the first three frames as the score sat at a reasonably manageable 4-0 after three had been completed. But there was that big lefty Welch standing between Londonderry and any comeback attempt.

The pivotal defensive play which kept the Welch no-no intact came in the



Nate Sullivan takes a rip at a pitch during a recent Londonderry Senior Legion game.

bottom half of the fifth inning when Londonderry's Ethan Sullivan lofted a little pop-up into the hole between first and second base, and Derry second-sacker Christian Allaire (from Timberlane Regional High of Plaistow) made a beautiful sliding grab of the ball while it was still in the air.

In the wake of that tough night of baseball,

Londonderry looked to change its fortunes at Michele Park in Salem on the night of Friday the 29th against a Salem Legion crew which had gone 0-4 in its first games of the still-young 2018 campaign.

However, the host team discovered the winning path and Post 27 remained off of it as Salem claimed slim double-header game victories of 3-1 and 4-2. As a result of those decisions, Salem became 2-4 and Londonderry slipped to 2-7.

With a number of its players committed to helping out with the running of a softball tournament over at the Londonderry Athletic and Field Association complex on Friday, July 6, the Londonderry senior squad wound up short-handed for its scheduled game against Merrimack and had to forfeit that contest.

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Annual Fun Runs - Moved to Londonderry - Enjoy a Great Start

CHRIS PANTAZIS
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The site and the night have changed, but the level of excitement surrounding the annual Greater Derry Track Club (GDTC) Summer Fun Runs might in fact have been heightened by the move of those events from the Pinkerton Academy track in Derry to Londonderry High School's Larry Martin Track for this 43rd annual season.

Season number 43 got started on the evening of Monday, June 25 - the races were moved from Thursday nights to Mondays along with the switch of tracks - with a huge turnout which provided superb competition for all involved.

Youngsters and their parents are asked to bring one non-perishable food item as their registration fee, and those are then donated to a local food pantry.

"I'd say it was a successful first night!" said summer fun run co-director Colleen Falardeau. "As compared to last year's opening night, we had 152 more children and 132 pounds more food was donated."

GDTC press liaison Bonney Cashin tallied the complete numbers for that first evening of fun

runs, stating, "403 children attended and 385 pounds of non-perishable food was collected and given to St. Jude's Food Pantry in Londonderry."

Folks from throughout much of New Hampshire turned up to compete week one, and youngsters from Londonderry and Derry stood out most prominently where top finishes were concerned.

Among the nine-year-olds, Derry's Rebecca King finished second on the girls' side and Londonderry's Nathan Smith wound up third among the males.

In the 10-year-olds' races, Momeru Cronin proved unbeatable among the boys while Isabella Dupois of Derry was number one among the young ladies. Sara Pearson of Derry was the second girl, and Jayden Smith of Londonderry was the third-place boy.

In the 11-year-old divisions, Bryson Hooke of Derry was the winning boy and Lindsey Gregoire of Londonderry couldn't be bested. Lilianna Cawthorn of Londonderry took second behind Gregoire, and Sam Stansfield of Londonderry finished third on the boys' side.

Among the 12's, Michaela Horan from Londonderry was the second



Numbers were down a little during fun run week number two at LHS due to heat, but the competition was still superb. Photo by Chris Pantazis

place finisher among the girls, and in the two 13-year-old divisions kids from the two local towns were all over the place among the top line-crossers.

Amelia Hernandez of Derry placed first among the girls with Jessica Stewart of Londonderry in second place behind her. And Nathan Pope of Londonderry placed second among the 13-year-old boys.

The Summer Fun Runs are being held every Monday through Aug. 6.

As the GDTC puts it, "all children ages two to 92 are welcome to come and run, and everyone is a winner."

Registration begins at 6 p.m. each race night,

with the runs commencing at 6:30.

Two and three-year-olds run approximately 50 yards, four to six-year-olds run 200 meters, seven and eights run 300 meters, 9-10-year-olds cover 600 meters, 11-13-year-olds run a cross-country mile, and 14's and older run the open mile.

Everyone gets a partic-

ipation ribbon compliments of the Derry Recreation Department and a commemorative T-shirt at the end of the program courtesy of the Greater Derry Track Club. Water, Gatorade, and watermelons are supplied each week. At the end of the series prizes and medals are given for participation in this healthy event.

While they are co-sponsored by the Derry Recreation Department, the races are open to children from any town or city. In week one, youngsters from Hudson, Litchfield, Salem, Windham, and numerous other towns took part.

Extremely hot and humid weather knocked the number of attendees down for week two on Monday, July 2, but St. Jude's Pantry still wound up being the recipient of some 120 pounds of food and there was still all kinds of great competi-

tion in the age groups.

In the nine-year-old girls' division, Gemma Murray of Londonderry finished first with Camryn White of Derry second. In the boys' grouping, Josia Delsignore of Londonderry finished third.

Among the 10's, Derry kids wound up all over the place in the top spots with Jonah Roberts and Elijah Roberts first and second among the males and Sarah Pearson second among the girls.

In 11-year-old division action, Londonderry girls Gregoire and Cawthorn went one and two again and Alex Urnetta of Derry finished second among the boys.

Among the 12-year-old girls, Michaela Horan of Londonderry was second and Derry's Eva Roberts bagged third, and in 13-year-olds' competition Amelia Hernandez of Derry proved unbeatable among the girls.

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Londonderry 11-U Baseball Crew Wins a Pair of Big Tournaments

CHRIS PANTAZIS
LONDONDERRY TIMES

If the word hasn't fully gotten around yet that the Londonderry 11-U Cal Ripken All-Star Baseball Squad is playing like a true powerhouse again this summer, then some opponents might just have to find out the hard way.

The local contingent - which won state titles each of the last two summers - recently battled its way back from the loser's bracket to win the Ripken East Area Tournament which it hosted. And in the wake of that noteworthy success - which got Londonderry the number one seed in the state tourney - the local boys went over to Keene and won a tournament title there as well.

The double-elimination, eight-team East tourney began in Londonderry on Saturday, June 23 and ran through Friday the 29th, with the locals getting knocked into the loser's bracket by the skilled Seacoast squad during the week and battling their way back into a position in which they had to defeat that same opponent twice in one day to bag the tourney title and the top seed in

the area.

"They showed up with smiles on their faces and ready to play some baseball, and boy did they," said team press coordinator Natalie Cook after the Londonderry boys bagged the crown on the 29th by besting Seacoast twice.

In game one late that afternoon, Londonderry claimed a 5-2 victory by virtue of the fact that it claimed a lead in the fourth inning, added to it, and then hung on tight for the vital win.

With the score knotted up at 1-1 after three frames, the local boys had Jayden Hamilton drive in Zach Mantegari from third with a sacrifice fly as Londonderry snared a 2-1 advantage. The hosts padded their lead with three more scores in the fifth as Casey Marsh, Ryan Perry, and Brett McKinnon each drove in teammates.

Hamilton also did superb work on the pitcher's mound, going six frames allowing five hits and two runs while striking out three. Mantegari and McKinnon each finished with multiple hits for the locals.

With both Londonderry and Seacoast now hav-



Londonderry 11-U baseball all-star Brett McKinnon is safe at first base during one of his squad's three recent games against the Seacoast entry which the locals had to beat to win the Cal Ripken East Area Tournament in Londonderry. Courtesy photo

ing a single loss in the double-elimination tourney, it was on to the deciding second game of the day between the opponents.

And the Londonderry side managed a 5-3 success in that biggie, with Devin Boles hammering a two-out, two-on, two-strike, two-run hit to clear the sacks and give his

team a 3-0 lead in the first frame. Just before Boles' big smack, Jonathan Wilson stole home to give the locals the 1-0 lead.

Ryan Williams and Brady Gillis both pitched admirably for the local side in its big win, in which Boles and Wilson each bashed multiple safeties. Hamilton con-

tributed three stolen bases.

The locals had gotten to the final round of play with a 7-1 victory over the Hudson entry on Sunday the 25th which featured an all-around excellent performance from Cole Metivier, followed by a 4-2 loss to the aforementioned Seacoast squad which dropped the host team into the loser's bracket.

But the locals rebounded magnificently with a 15-4 trouncing of Exeter which featured four hits from Hamilton (two singles, two doubles) and 16 total safeties for the winners, followed by the two Friday successes against Seacoast.

But there was no rest for the winning in the wake of that tourney success, as the locals rolled over to Keene over that late June weekend to battle opponents which would include a few 12-U contingents.

Londonderry played four games in intense heat at that event and won all four, rolling itself toward the state tournament with a pretty impressive head of steam and a 13-3 overall record.

The local crew nipped

the Massachusetts-based Southeast Vipers by a 5-4 tally in game one, with Hamilton busting a 4-4 tie with a clutch single in the sixth.

Zach Mantegari drove in half of his team's runs in an 8-2 walloping of home-standing Keene in game two, with Ryan Perry and Carter Browning turning in strong pitching work.

A total of 22 runs were scored in the local side's third game - played Sunday, July 1 - and Londonderry managed most of them in a 13-9 barn-burner in which Boden Belanger, Hamilton, McKinnon, and Boles all made important contributions.

And the local stars capped off a wildly-successful weekend by doubling up on the 12-U Southeast Vipers for a 4-2 victory in the championship contest later in the day on the first.

Browning had the decisive hit in the bottom of the fifth when his run-scoring single plated the marker which busted a 2-2 tie. He, Ryan Williams, and Gillis combined on an excellent pitching effort which helped the Londonderry crew to yet another success.



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Ex-Lancer, Astro Gridders Team Up in 2018 East-West Football Game

CHRIS PANTAZIS
LONDONDERRY TIMES

After spending years trying to find ways to defeat one another on football fields, three recently-graduated former Pinkerton Academy gridders and two ex-Londonderry High football players and recent grads teamed up on one of the two Granite State squads in the 2018

Children's Hospital at Dartmouth-Hitchcock (CHaD) New Hampshire East-West High School All-Star Football Game played at the University of New Hampshire on Saturday, June 30.

Recent Pinkerton grads Kayden Baillargeon, Ty Hicks, and Josh Ladipo worked with recent LHS graduates Connor Dubois and Pat Zepf on the East contingent, which wound up just getting edged by

the West gridders by a 24-20 tally in that hard-fought contest.

Additionally, Londonderry High varsity football coach Jimmy Lauzon served as an assistant coach under East head coach Craig Kozens from Laconia.

The 2018 game - which was played in Wildcat Stadium on the afternoon of the 30th - featured some 80 of the Granite State's finest, recently-graduated high school gridders meeting up for one final high school football battle to raise funds for CHaD. Seven games have now been played in the annual series, with the first six contests having raised over \$1.5 million for the worthy cause.

The locals and their East contingent grasped a 20-17 lead at the conclusion of three quarters in

the 2018 game. But West player and former Bedford High star Andrew Duval - who will play his college ball there at UNH - ran the football into the end zone from seven yards out with 4:28 to go in regulation time to push his side to the slim success.

Through the first seven East-West battles, the West gridders now grasp a fine 5-2 overall record having won the 2012, 2013, 2014, 2017, and 2018 games. The East team won consecutive battles in 2015 and 2016.

Where fundraising was concerned, Pinkerton grad Baillargeon was tops among the locals with an impressive tally of \$2,037, but ex-Lancers Zepf (\$1,100) and Dubois (\$1,030) both went over the \$1,000 mark as well.

The game features two

teams of 40-plus players selected from nominations made by high school head coaches during the fall of the previous year. To be eligible for nomination, an athlete must compete for a New Hampshire high school

football program recognized by the New Hampshire Interscholastic Athletic Association (NHIAA). Each NHIAA division is represented by at least one athlete, and no school can have more than five athletes selected

as all-stars. The teams are divided based on geographic location into an East squad and a West squad, with Route 3 and I-93 being the dividing line.

The next game will, again, no doubt be something to see.

Londonderry 50-and-Over Softball Standings Stay Tight

CHRIS PANTAZIS
LONDONDERRY TIMES

Following the games played Tuesday, June 26, it was barely possible to slip a hair between the top two teams in the Londonderry 50-and-Over Softball League standings.

Week nine play saw the Birch Tree Counseling Center nip the intense Rocco's Pizza contingent by a 12-9 tally in the early contest, and the late game featured a higher-scoring battle in which The Village Chiropractors managed a 20-16 besting of The Eagles.

With those two decisions in the books, the aforementioned standings found the Efficient Energy Systems squad - which was off on the evening of June 26 - knotted up with The Eagles with a league-leading 15

points. EES sat just atop the standings by virtue of its 5-1 record through six games to the busier Eagles' 5-3 mark through eight contests.

Birch Tree and Rocco's were knotted up in third place with matching tallies of nine points and

3-4 records, and The Village Chiropractors were bringing up the rear in fifth with six points thanks to their 2-6 record.

But the four-run victory over the tough Eagles certainly bodes well for the last-place contingent moving forward.

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sprinted home on a wild pitch to make it a 1-0 contest.

The locals didn't actually collect their first hit until the top of the fourth, and they notched four more runs thanks to that lone safety - an RBI double by Matt McGill from Pinkerton - and two Hudson errors in making it a 5-0 contest.

A throwing miscue from right field scored both Brandon Fish and

Zach Rheault, Sean Cavanaugh jogged home on a bases-loaded balk, and McGill's stinging double plated Alex Peters.

After watching Lincoln take care of three Hudson batters impressively on consecutive strikeouts in the bottom half of the fourth, Londonderry got to the 7-0 final score by scoring twice more in the top of the fifth.

In that half-frame, Cavanaugh slashed a sacrifice fly which scored Fish from third base, and Rheault sprinted in from that bag shortly there-

after on a fielder's choice off of the bat of Chris Tutt.

With his team's season record now bounced up to a truly sterling 9-1, coach Ratka had every reason to be proud of a group which exhibits plenty of youthful exuberance to go along with its considerable talent.

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Rotary Blood Drive

The Londonderry Rotary Club will be hosting a Blood Drive on Monday, July 16 at the Londonderry High School Cafeteria from 2 to 7 p.m.

Historical Society Events

The Londonderry Historical Society July will be hosting two events in July. There will be an open house on Sunday, July 15, from 12-3 p.m. at the Morrison House museum, 140 Pillsbury Road. This will be a great opportunity for families to visit our museum and learn more about Londonderry's past and the Historical Society. On Tuesday, July 17, from 7-8 p.m. at the Morrison House museum, 140 Pillsbury Road, there will be a program on the Reverend William Morrison House. This will be an opportunity to learn more about the property and the importance to Londonderry. Refreshments will be provided at both events.

Old Home Day Baby Contest

The Baby Contest will be held on Saturday August 18, at 9 a.m., in the Matthew Thornton Gym. All pre-reg-

istered babies born between August 10, 2017-August 10, 2018 are welcome! Please contact ohd-babycontest@outlook.com for details or to register. \$10 registration fee will be collected at the door. Come take part in this fun annual event for the youngest residents of Londonderry!

Summer Playground Program

The Summer Playground Program is held each summer and this year it will be at South School beginning on Thursday July 5, and ending Wednesday Aug. 10. The program is open to the children of Londonderry who will be entering first grade in the upcoming fall up to 14 years old. Kids can participate in Arts and Crafts activities, games and sports, while each day has a special theme. Hours of the program are Mon. through Fri. from 9 a.m. - noon and from 1 p.m. - 3 p.m. Once registered the children can attend as much or as little as they like. There is no pre-registration for the program; parents can register their children on the first day they attend. The form can be downloaded from the Recreation section at www.londonderrynh.org.

Please call the Recreation Hotline at 437 2675 if you have any questions.

Children's Summer Reading Program

The summer is here and it's time to rock out with this year's Summer Reading Program! The theme for the program is "Libraries Rock!". The Leach Library is pleased to be able to offer some great programs and activities this summer, including craft days, trivia contests and guessing games, just to name a few. There will also be special programs and performers throughout the summer. Have an enjoyable summer of fun during this summer's reading program! All reading program participants will work as one team to try to read enough books to double the world record for the longest marathon reading aloud by a team, with a total of 43,800 minutes! Each book read will equal one minute of reading completed. Follow our bookworm as he makes his way around the clock. Be sure to visit our website for our monthly Calendar of Events and all activities information. Check out the Leach Library Children's Services page at: londonderrynh.org/Pages/LondonderryNH_LeachLibrary/CS/children

Leach Library Hours

The Library hours for the month of July are: Monday - Thursday, 9 a.m. - 8

p.m., Friday - Saturday, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Adult Summer Reading Program

Ninth annual Adult Summer Reading Program is in full swing and will continue until Friday, August 31. If you have already registered, continue reading for a chance to win prizes. If you have not yet registered, there is still plenty of time. Adult library card-holders can stop by the Reference Desk to sign up. For more information, please call the library at 432-1132.

Book Bingo

On Thursday, July 12 as part of the Leach Libraries Young Adult Summer Reading Program for grades 6-12 come and take part in the classic game of Bingo. All participants will receive at least one book as a prize! For more information, please call the library at 432-1132.

Harry Potter Celebration

On Thu. July 19 as part of the Leach Libraries Young Adult Summer Reading Program for grades 6-12 join us in celebrating twenty years of Harry Potter! Test your knowledge of the books and enjoy Harry Potter themed activities. For more information, please call the library at 432-1132.

Book Discussion

On Thu. July 26 as part of the Leach Libraries Young Adult Summer Reading Program for grades 6-12 come and discuss "Call of the Wild" by Jack London. Join Buck in a journey of survival as he learns what it means to be leader of the pack. The first sixty participants to sign-up will receive a paperback copy of the book to keep. For more information, please call the library at 432-1132.

Craft Time

Paint your own wind chimes on Thursday, July 26 from 10 - 10:45 a.m., or 1 -

1:45 p.m., to paint your own hot air balloon inspired wind chimes at the Leach Library. During this program, patrons will be able to decorate their wind chimes with special paint. Each session is open to 70 participants. Registration is required and begins the Thursday prior to the program. For more information, please call the library at 432-1132.

Summer Fun Book Bingo

Join us Monday, July 30 from 11 a.m. - noon at the Leach Library to play a fun picture version of the popular game. Every participant will win and be able to choose books from our special selection table. Registration is required and begins the Thursday prior to the program. For more information, please call the library at 432-1132.

Win Tickets to Red Sox vs. Yankees

Etz Hayim Synagogue is raffling off two front-row seat tickets to the Red Sox v. Yankee game that will take place on Friday, August 3, at 7:10 p.m. at Fenway Park. The cost of the raffle is \$10 for one raffle ticket; \$50 for

six raffle tickets. Tickets include admission to the Royal Rooters Club, a private club for Red Sox season ticket holders and home to original memorabilia. The drawing will take place on Sunday, July 22, (your presence is not required for the drawing). To purchase raffle tickets, please contact the Red Sox raffle organizer at redsox@etzhayim.org, or Dina Michael Chaitowitz at d.chaitowitz@etzhayim.org. Proceeds from the raffle will benefit Etz Hayim Synagogue and will in turn help to support the synagogue's many programs that are available for free to the surrounding communities.

Voter Information

The Supervisors of the Voter Checklist will meet at the Town Clerk's Office to correct the checklist and register voters on: July 18, from 6 - 7 p.m. To register to vote, one must provide: Proof of Londonderry residency, Proof of citizenship (passport, birth certificate, naturalization papers) Photo ID Applicants for registration who possess proof of identity, age, citizenship, and domicile should bring

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OBITUARY

Bennie Jones



Bennie L. Jones, 88, of Londonderry, died Monday July 9, 2018 in his home. He was born in Benson, NC on October 26, 1929, a son of the late Walter and Mildred (McLamb)

Jones. Bennie had been a resident of Londonderry since 1979, formerly living in Red Hook, NY. He was a US Air Force veteran serving for 23 years, and was a member of the VFW Post #27 in Londonderry. He loved camping, fishing, gardening, and moonshine with friends. He enjoyed traveling the world and spent time living in Africa.

He is survived by his daughter, Kerry Slade and her husband Jack of Londonderry; two sons, Michael J. Jones and his wife Morgan of Londonderry, and Patrick J. Jones of Red Hook, NY; his granddaughter, Mary T. Ouellette of Londonderry; his grandson, Ronald J. Ouellette of Merrimack, NH; and two sisters, Billy Jean Ellington of North Carolina, and Evelyn Cobb of North Carolina. He was predeceased by his wife, Mary Ann (Shea) Jones in 2000, and his brother, Fred Jones.

Calling hours will be held on Friday, July 13th from 9 - 11 a.m. in the Peabody Funeral Homes and Crematorium, 290 Mammoth Rd., Londonderry. Funeral services will follow at 11 a.m. in the funeral home. The burial will be in Pleasant View Cemetery, Mammoth Rd., Londonderry. The family requests that flowers be omitted and memorial contributions may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105, or to the NHSPCA. To send a condolence or for more information, please visit, www.peabodyfuneralhome.com



TOWN OF LONDONDERRY ZONING BOARD

July 18, 2018 - 7:00 p.m.
Moose Hill Council Chambers,
268B Mammoth Road

I. Draft minutes to approve: June 2018

II. Report by Town Council liaison (if any): n/a

III. Public hearing of cases:

A. **CASE NO. 7/18/18-1:** Request for variance from LZO 2.3.1.3.C.2 to encroach six feet into the 15 feet side setback for the installation of an above ground pool, 60 Hunter Mill Way, Map 18 Lot 13-37, Zoned AR-I, Phillip & Holly Boorda (Owners & Applicants)

IV. Communications and miscellaneous:

V. Other business:

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Londonderry Police Log

Selections from the Londonderry Police Logs

Monday - July 2
4:20 a.m. Assisted Londonderry Fire Dept. with transportation to hospital from Granite Street.
5:02 a.m. Motor vehicle accident investigated on Kendall Pond Road.
7:14 a.m. Assisted Londonderry Fire Dept with transportation to hospital from Boyd Road.
2:29 p.m. Assisted Londonderry Fire Dept. on Nashua Road at Action Blvd.
8:15 p.m. Peace restored after disturbance on Winding Pond Road.
10:23 p.m. Peace restored after disturbance on Crestview Circle.
11:08 p.m. Three officers investigate a complaint on Chase Road.
Tuesday - July 3
2:19 a.m. Four officers respond to overdose at Sleep Inn on Perkins Road and assist with transport to hospital.
10:37 a.m. Four officers respond to Domestic Disturbance on Ash Street.
3:18 p.m. Criminal Mischief investigated on Constitution Drive.

9:06 p.m. Fireworks Complaint investigated on Litchfield Road at Alexander Road.
11:35 p.m. Assisted Londonderry Fire Dept. on Longwood Avenue.
Wednesday - July 4
5:20 a.m. Assisted Londonderry Fire Dept at Mountain Home Estates Clubhouse on Fieldstone Drive.
7:19 a.m. Four officers restore peace after Domestic Disturbance on Stage Coach Circle.
3:29 p.m. Assisted Londonderry Fire Dept. on Welch Road.
9:31 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop results in arrest on Nashua Road west of Young Road. Seven officers involved in arresting Leonardo Zandonadi, 24, of Nashua and charging him with Disobeying an Officer; Aggravated Driving while Intoxicated; Limitations-passing on the left; Motor Vehicle Inspection Violations; Reckless Operation; Driving Under the Influence of Drugs or Liquor; Misuse or Failure to Display

Plates; Failure to Yield at Stop or Yield Sign; having an Open Container of Alcohol; and Speeding.
10:03 p.m. Peace restored after disturbance on Winding Pond Road.
Thursday - July 5
12:22 a.m. Peace restored after disturbance on High Range Road.
1:52 a.m. Five officers investigate a motor vehicle accident on Old Nashua Road at Parmenter Road.
4:09 a.m. Four officers investigate an attempted suicide on Elijah Hill Road.
6:19 a.m. Criminal mischief investigated on Constitution Drive.
7:31 a.m. Motor vehicle accident investigated on Nashua Road at Parmenter Road.
11:50 a.m. Four officers investigate overdose on Wilson Road.
Friday - July 6
7:01 a.m. Report of suspicious activity results in arrest on Page Road at Mammoth Road. William Osborne, 48, of Pembroke, N.H. charged with
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proof with them may register if they sign an affidavit attesting to their qualifications for identity, age, and citizenship.

Media Camp

The Londonderry Ac-

cess Center's Beginner Summer Media Camp is fast approaching! The camp will be held July 9-20 from 10 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. This camp is open to students entering 5-8, grade in fall 2018. This is an exciting camp where kids

will learn aspects of video production. They will produce a TV show, and have a screening of all their work at the end of the two weeks, for friends and family to see. Space is limited, so be sure to reserve your spot today! Call Erin at 432-1100 X-185.

Free Meals

Please join us for free, family-friendly meals, served in a relaxed atmosphere. Meals are generally held as posted below, but may be rescheduled for holidays. Please call the facility to check on holiday times. We look forward to seeing you! On August 12, dinner will be served from 5 - 6:30 p.m., at Episcopal Church of the Transfiguration, 1 Hood Road, Derry. On August 19 dinner will be served from 5 - 6:15 p.m., at Etz Hayim Synagogue 1-1/2 Hood Road, Derry. On July 27 and August 24 a Spaghetti supper will be served from 5 - 6:30 p.m. at First Parish Congregational Church, 47 East Derry Road, East Derry. On July 29, and August 26, Lunch will be served from 1:30 - 2:30 p.m., at St. Jude Church 435 Mammoth

Road, Londonderry. On July 21 and August 18, Dinner will be served from 5 - 6 p.m., at St Luke's United Methodist Church, 63 East Broadway, Derry.

Book Drive

The LHS Community Service Club has been sponsoring a book drive for the past two weeks. So far, over 700 books have been collected. The books are being donated to the Upper Room, family resource center, in Derry. We are collecting used books which would be of interest to young families, both children and parents. In the first two weeks of the drive, the LHS community (Lancer Nation) has donated over 700 books; we would like to get to 1000 books donated, so we are extending the drive into April. Collection areas are in the High School House Offices, Main Office, and Library. Our contact at the Upper Room is Janis Lilly (JLilly@urteachers.org).

Continuing Education Program

Programs are open to the public at no charge, except

as otherwise indicated. Donations to the Etz Hayim Synagogue will allow us to continue to offer these and other programs, and are gratefully accepted. Thurs. Nights, at 7 p.m. Etz Hayim Synagogue, 1 1/2 Hood Road, Derry. For more information, please contact: Stephen Soreff, MD, at soreffs15@aol.com or 603 895-6120.

Greater Manchester Lyme Disease Support Group

Hosted by David Hunter this group meets on the third Wednesday of every month at 6:30 p.m. at the: Bedford Presbyterian Church 4 Church Road Bedford. For more information call 660-3425 or email dhunter31@gmail.com

Lions Club Meeting

General Lions Club Meetings are on the 2nd and 4th Monday of the month at 7 p.m., at Lions Hall, Mammoth Road. We are always welcoming new members to help support our community, so stop in to learn more.

Police Log

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Possession of Burglary Tools and Attempt to Commit Burglary.

8:06 a.m. Services rendered for Criminal Threatening on Stokes Road.

12:01 p.m. Four officers investigate Sudden Death on Rockingham Road.

12:45 p.m. Warrant served and arrest made on Pembroke Street in Pembroke. William Osborne, 48, of Pembroke charged with Prowling.

2:55 p.m. Services rendered in keeping the peace on Acropolis Avenue.

7:06 p.m. Disturbance investigated at Manchester Boston Regional Airport.

Saturday - July 7

4:55 a.m. Suspicious activity investigated on South Road.

8:24 a.m. Services rendered for suspicious activity on Peabody Row.

1:26 p.m. Motor vehicle accident investigated on High Range Road at Litchfield Road.

5:44 p.m. Larceny/Forgery/Fraud investigated at Wallace Farm Apartments on Bridle Path.

7:35 p.m. Services rendered for Medical Emergency at Manchester Boston Regional Airport.

7:36 p.m. Motor vehicle accident investigated on Mustang Lane.

9 p.m. Disturbance investigated at Wallace Farm Apartments on Bridle Path.

Sunday - July 8

1:08 a.m. Complaint investigated on Wheelwright Circle.

9:39 a.m. Peace restored after Domestic Disturbance on Capitol Hill Drive.

1:40 p.m. Assisted Londonderry Fire Dept. on Alan Circle.

2:45 p.m. Weapons offenses investigated on Auburn Road.

4:58 p.m. Suspicious activity investigated on Pinyon Place.

5:05 p.m. Response to overdose results in transport to hospital on Bayberry Lane.

7:35 p.m. Attempted suicide investigated on Beech Hill Drive.

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