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Kylie Dunton helps Brayni-Lynne Mullen pick out a duck for a prize at the Carnival set up on the town common during the Old Home Day Festivities on Saturday morning. Photo by Chris Paul

### **Londonderry Celebrates 119th Old Home Day**

**CHRIS PAUL** LONDONDERRY TIMES

ook ended by beautiful weather on Wednesday, Aug. 15 and Sunday, Aug. 19 the weather cancelled some of the town's Old Home Day events, and added to the enjoyment of others.

The annual festivities began under blue skies, on Wednesday Aug. 15, with the Senior Citizens

Barbecue held at the Lions Club. The evening started with some bingo playing, and worked into hamburgers and hot dogs cooked by the Lions and served by Londonderry police officers, St. Jude Maidens of Joan of Arc members and Old Home Day Committee members.

New Hampshire Gov. Chris Sununu stopped in to wish all the continued on page 9

# After Three Tries, Credit Union Proposal Strikes Out MIKE BYERLY

LONDONDERRY TIMES

tornev ties presented a revised was in the public interest client believed that a variplan for a credit union at 2 and aligned with the ance was warranted and Litchfield Road after town's master plan to prebeing denied previously by the Planning Board and the Zoning Board of donderry's historic dis-Adjustment (ZBA). The trict, so the ability to make believed that a renovation property is zoned Commercial 3 (C-3). A bank or ed. Gould asserted that increase the value of financial institution is not whereas the types of busipermitted in the C3 zone, nesses allowed in C3 so CC Properties was seeking a variance from the ZBA to allow such a house and barn, the credit the property at present. business there.

the plan, the maximum that site for business. size of the building was

3,000 square feet and bly the most unique in plans for a drive through Londonderry as the only epresented by At- and drive-up ATM were C3 property in the historic Kenneth dropped. Gould contend-Gould. CC Proper- ed before the board that it owner." Being unique, his serve historic properties.

The property is in Lonexterior changes is limitwould not have the financial resources to rehab the union would renovate

In the latest version of both as part of opening up

reduced from 5,000 to the "property was proba-

district with a private that doing so would not set a precedent for other C3 properties in town.

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Gould also said that he of the property would neighboring properties and the property itself as compared to the increasingly dilapidated state of

Additionally, Gould asserted that C3 allows professional office use Gould also argued that such as financial advicontinued on page 3

# **Moose Hill Kindergarten Expansion Project Finishes**

### LORI COSTA LONDONDERRY TIMES

ith Londonderry's ever growing population, space needs for the School District have been a rising issue. There have even been whispers between Town Council and School Board that a new elementary school may need to be built in the future due to the School District, Peter the increase of students Curro, was able to answer and families coming to various questions about Londonderry. Moose Hill the new project regarding Preschool and Kindergarten specifically, has how the project was paid been on the list for for. Planning for the projimprovements to help ect began during the sumease the need for much mer of 2017 and actual needed space for students. work for the installation, Recently, the district delivery, code inspec-

installed new modular tions, and utilities began classrooms to help with in late April of 2018. this problem. These classrooms are also known as total cost of the project is portable classrooms that approximately \$200,000 work as a type of portable building. They are being installed at Moose Hill to help ease the space needs heat, electricity, or other and provide additional normal operating costs. classroom space.

Business Manager for cost, completion, and According to Curro, "The over two years. This amount, however, does not include the first year The current FY19 operat-

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# **Old Home Day Parade Marches Down Mammoth Road**













The Londonderry Old Home Day Parade made its way down Mammoth Road on Saturday morning lead by this year's Grand Marshall, Vinny Curro, and his wife Jeannie, top right, also leading the way was the Londonderry Lancers Marching Band and Color Guard. Residents lined the street along the parade route again this year. *Photos by Chris Paul* 



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#### Moose Hill **Continued from page 1**

ing budget included an day one of this year appropriation of \$165,000 according to Curro. The that covered the annual Buildings and Grounds lease (\$40,000), delivery crew have been hard at and setup (\$30,000), and work for a significant part the cost for the additional of the summer on this work (\$95,000). The addi- project; to get it ready for tional work refers to the the upcoming school site work and slab, enclosed connector hall- the work is still in way, fire sprinklers, fire progress; the teachers alarm system, intrusion assigned to the modular alarm, electrical transformer upgrade, water and sewage connections, the rooms ready for openand classroom equip- ing day. The funds for this ment. The FY20 budget project were raised and will have the second year appropriated through the lease cost of \$40,000 plus approved School District utilities." And, "The dis- operating budget. Curro trict has a two-year lease also answered questions contract with an option to regarding whether this

extend the lease". The modular class-

rooms will be ready for year. Although finishing classrooms have also been working hard to get

will be a temporary solution to the space needs of Moose Hill.

"The School District has assembled a group to analyze and develop a comprehensive facility plan based on all the information we currently have. The committee will focus on the educational and functional capacity the School District will need the next several years. The intent at this point is to keep the modular classrooms until the School District has voter approval for a more permanent plan addressing the enrollment/space issues and recommendations from the committee." The new modular classrooms will be ready for students in less



The modular expansion project that was installed over the summer at the Moose Hill Kindergarten will be ready for opening day. Photo by Chris Paul

School District open its doors to begin the 2018-2019 school year. Friday,

than a week when Moose Aug. 24 is Orientation at Morning LEEP: 8:45 a.m. -Hill and the rest of the Moose Hill. Hours: Morning 11 a.m. Afternoon LEEP: 12 Kindergarten: 8:45 - 11:20 - 2:30 p.m. The first full day a.m. Afternoon Kinder- of school for the entire disgarten: 12:30 - 3:05 p.m. trict is Monday, Aug. 27.

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sors, accountants and

other financial services ment, Town Councilor Jim which are not that differ- Butler, speaking as a prient than what is offered at vate citizen, spoke in supa credit union.

presentation finished the important to protect hisboard began asking ques- toric properties and with tions and Gould did not a business willing to have answers ready for rehab the house and questions about the volume of customers expect- take advantage of that. ed to visit the location. Member Brendan O'Brien troubles that the Londonasked whether the ATM derry Historical Society would be open 24 hours has had raising the even if the bank itself money to rebuild the Morwere open only during the rison House as proof that dav. thought the ATM would money for historic preseronly be open during the vation. He also felt that a day, but was not sure.

volume of customers during the day, Gould guesincluded ATM users.

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During public comport of granting the vari-When Gould's opening ance. He felt that it was barn, the town should

He highlighted the Gould said he it is hard to find the renovated property When asked about the would increase surrounding property values.

Tim Loraditch, the sed about 20 per hour, but nearest abutter also did not have any data spoke in support. He said from the credit union to in the past he was against support that. Further, he it, but now that the drive was not sure if the 20 through and outside ATM had been dropped, he felt

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it would increase his Town Council ordinance property value to have was something that the the credit union there. He acknowledged that traffic would increase, but noted tions, but if the ZBA grantthat there was already a ed the variance, the applilot of traffic

When Loraditch finished a procession of residents spoke against the project. David Ellis pointed out that in the 2006, the Town Council adopted a special ordinance just for this property which limited use of the property to residential or office space. With this in place he was not clear how the ZBA could approve a different use.

Bernard replied that the a high traffic business in

ZBA was not allowed to consider in their deliberacant would still need to get Planning Board approval and get the Town Council to revise the ordinance.

Several residents expressed concern about the increased traffic at an already busy five-way intersection, especially with the entrance to the property being a short distance from the intersection. Others shared their view that property Vice Chair Jacqueline values would decline with

that location Resident Martin Sturgis described that the C-3 zone is intended to be a buffer between residential and more intense comwould generate so much activity that it would not business like this belongs up on Route 28.

TD Bank to get a sense of their customer volume. 25,000 walk in customers there would not be.

a month plus another 10-15,000 using the ATMs.

In the end, the ZBA voted 5-0 to deny the variance citing the inability for the applicant to give a mercial areas and felt that clear answer on expected a bank at that location customer volume and traffic impact. They also did not agree that a credit be a buffer. He said that a union was similar in nature to other lower impact financial business-Deb Paul shared that es that are allowed in the she had talked with cor- C-3 zone. The Board also porate people at St. felt that it was unclear Mary's Credit Union and whether the value of surrounding properties would be diminished or She claimed that they told not, but the burden is on her that they get 20- the applicant to show that





### Editorial **Back to School**

It seems like it was just Memorial Day last week, but somehow we are suddenly at the final week of summer vacation. Summer is coming to a close, and Students are soon going back to school. School starts next week, and the shadows of late summer bring the unmistakable message that the season is on the wane. It may be too hot to think about winter clothing, but the time for scarves and hats and boots will be here before we know it.

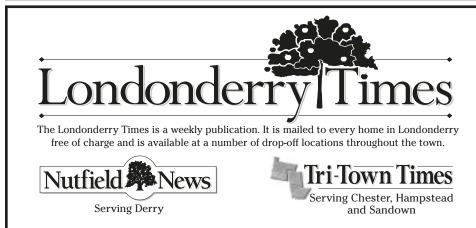
But even as one season fades, the opening of the school year brings with it a sense of everything new once again. The collection of empty notebooks, sharpened pencils, new pens, and for the younger set, untouched crayons carries with it an excitement about things to come.

From pre-school to college and beyond, it is the time for fresh starts and new adventures. And for those of us long past worrying about the first day of school, we nevertheless have our memories. With budget in place, this year will have it's changes, as in the past, although compared to schools in many other parts of the country, ours are well staffed, programs such as art and music are not considered luxuries nor should they be and our buildings are in good shape. It's likely that our children will continue to learn, grow and

thrive, even with any changes all thanks to active parents whether it volunteering, PTA's, PTO's, is coaching and doing what ever is needed to be done to create a great environment for kids to learn and grow. We may not have everything we would want in our schools but that does not stop the passion of knowledge from happing.

The start of school also brings a word of caution. Children will be walking along the edge of roads and in crosswalks, and drivers will need to watch the road even more carefully than usual. That means paying attention; putting down the phones, pause the texting, reducing your speeds in designated school zones, and watching for school buses signaling their stops. There is no place you could be going that is more important than a life. Now more than in the past due to all of the construction and added development in our towns; lets face it we have a lot more cars, trucks, and overall traffic.

For parents, the start of the school year brings feelings of nostalgia, and the reality that years which are passing can't be avoided. But there's nothing like the opening of school to remind us of all we have yet to learn, and of the excitement that knowledge of new things can bring. So pay attention and enjoy the ride.



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# Letters

**Thank You!** 

To the editor The Londonderry Child Passenger Safety Program (CPS) would like to take this opportunity to thank staff writer Gabby Guerard and the entire Londonderry Times Team for the recent article on our program and the work we, and other programs in the area, do to make children safe. Ms. Guerard did a great job in providing information on our program and what our mission is: To Keep Children Safe One Seat at a Time. In the weeks after the article we have received an increased number of calls and e-mails from residents and nonresidents of Londonderry who read the article and wanted help making their children and grandchildren safe. While our program has been in existence for over 17 years, there are many who are not aware of our free program and the help we can provide. Your article brought this information to those who need our help.

Since our inception, the Londonderry Times staff has always been there to help us spread the word on our program and how we can help the young ride safe in a motor vehicle. We even surprise some caregivers by providing information for them to be safer as well.

We look forward to working with the Londonderry Times in the near future to provide monthly in-depth articles on various aspects of transporting children in motor vehicles. In the meantime, should you have any questions, or would like to have your car seat installation inspected, please feel free to contact The phone number for

603-432-1104 ext. 4623 and the real funny part is that derrynh.org.

Respectfully, Vinny Curro

#### The Don and Steve Show

To the editor,

Without fail two of the same individuals love to write pretty much the same thing just about every two weeks. I thank them, though perhaps not intended, do find it is quite humorous. For example one likes to state he is a conservative, then bashes all conservative thinking. He is against fair trade with countries that have taken advantage of us for decades for fear they may stop trading with the U.S. I have to think he is just vanking our chain with that one.

Now onto to the other one. He took issue with a prior writer, who wrote one of the best letters in quite sometime, clearly pointing out the total lack of respect in politics for one another on a daily basis. Wow he blames it

on the attack on the media. Why is it that trying to defend oneself from the daily attack, and I mean daily, by the media since the election not right on his part. Might it possibly be that he has never been accepted by the Washington establishment and the good old newsboys. So what to do. Let's call the number one rated network "The Cunning Trickster network" Now that's original". Guess I better not mention the other bottom un listened networks. Let's see, let's not show respect( there's that word again ), and refer to him as the orange haired ignorant clown. Good thing would be screaming of our information line is: racism to the sky. Now

our e-mail is: cps@london- Mueller and his team are doing a fantastic job. They have given up on the non existing collusion so let's help the duties of the IRS and find possible tax fraud by Mr. Mannafort. All the millions spent at taxpayers expense for this.

> I too travel to Boston on occasion and noticed all the on going construction and wondered why it has taken sometimes 5 years to get started until I found out that the man, referred by some to as a clown, was able to do away with so many absurd regulations.

Take heart, eight years is not that long for a change, so keep those humorous letters coming. Your deplorable

friend. Jerry Page Londonderry

#### The Love of a child at **OHD Parade!**

To the Editor,

During the Old Home Day Parade, some Candidates to this year's elections were greeting the people along side the parade lines.

I happened to be standing beside the nicest and friendliest family in Londonderry. I do not know their names, but they knew LPC - London-Presbyterian derry Church in a very special way, for when I introduced myself to the couple, the mom told her three adorable children, pointing at LPC, "listen, remember the House of God that I always show you when we pass here in our car? This lady works here, she's the pastor of the House of God"

Their older child, a our program at any time. he's not black or there son, who I believe is 7 asked me if I have already continued on page 5

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Art Director - Chris Paul

### **Conservation Sees Plan for Redevelopment of Citizen's Bank Property**

MIKE BYERLY LONDONDERRY TIMES

n Aug. 14, the Conservation Commission reviewed plans for several proposed commercial and residential this parcel would have developments. They also three buildings, a smaller discussed how to handle what appeared to be encroachments by commercial businesses along the Rail Trail.

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been in that steeple? Their daughter was a sweet heart, a little lady and so caring to her younger brother, who I think was about 4 and one of the friendliest and loving child I've ever met.

When a certain Candidate approached us, this adorable four-year-old boy saw him shaking hands and must've immediately thought, "here is a friend of the people," and since he was not at a hand shake stage of his life, he rushed to that Candidate's leg and hugged it as firm and he could, thus showing him pure love and friendship!

The mother, being polite and loving, apologized saying, "he is friendly," and the Candidate, also polite, said, that's OK, he just likes the (and he names his party). A great opportunity to stay quiet.

I look forward to a day in which people get personal and respect our children as complete human beings. They have the perfect love, and that

redevelopment of the site of the current Citizen's Bank at the intersection of Route 102 and Michel's Way. When completed Citizen's Bank building, a ConvenientMD and a retail space.

The Commission did not have much to say One of the commercial about the project because

> boy was showing a raw, inspiring friendly love that should be an opportunity for that Candidate to receive it, get down, pay attention to him, give him a real hug, and a few words of encouragement, and he would then encourage all of us grown ups around him, better than his cold and en passant hand shake.

There is a reason for Jesus to say, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these. People were not only ignoring them, but stopping them to come to him, for he was so important. But Jesus had a totally different reaction of this gentleman, the Candidate.

By the way, that child thought I was a cool "grandma" and gave so many hugs like the one he gave that Candidate, that he made my day!

At LPC, children are totally welcome and understood. They won't be stopped and they will be encouraged to participate in the service and in the life of our community. May the love of that

the property; however, they did add a comment for the Planning Board to explore how snow storage would be handled when the plan comes before them

The project is envisioned as multiple phases. In the first, a temporarv bank building would be in place while the current bank building is

adorable boy inspire all of us to love our neighbors with a child's love!

> Pr. Karla Dias Londonderry Presbyterian Church

#### **Londonderry High Produces Fine Coaches**, **Some at Pinkerton**

To the editor,

Thank you for your article on Londonderry High School grads making an impact on student athletes at Pinkerton academy. enjoyed reading about all of the great accomplishments these coaches have achieved in their careers and their link to Londonderry. I found one glaring omission. Michael Karthas III (LHS Class of 2003) has been a dedicated teacher and coach in Derry for over a decade. He has worked as a Math teacher at Hood Middle School as well as with track and field athletes at the middle and high school level. Derry is lucky to have this amazing educator and coach, but Londonderry should be proud to claim him as a Lancer.

> Thank you, Dave Palange Londonderry



and ConvenientMD would be built. Finally, the new retail building would be added.

Bruce Gilday of BAG Land Consultants rewith a revised concept for a commercial property. The property at 14 Page Road is owned by the Evans Family Limited Partnership. In response to feedback from the Commission at an earlier meeting. the owner agreed to shrink the size of the planned building and remove roughly 40% of the parking area to reduce the amount of impervious surface and reduce the wetlands impact. The commercial building was reduced from 400,000 to 320,000 square feet and five parking areas were removed.

As part of the project more that 20 acres of land on the property would be subdivided off and permanently conserved One option would be for the town to own the property, but given its shape, town regulations would require getting a variance for the property to have less

projects is a complete there are no wet areas on razed. Then the new bank than 150 feet of road raingarden in the plan be frontage. Another option is for a 3rd party conservation organization to hold an easement on that tial subdivision plan was parcel.

> A second project from turned to the Commission the Evans Family Limited Partnership, this one residential, was also reviewed. This one would create an 8-lot subdivision along Wilson Road starting in the area of Lance Avenue. A ninth lot that contains substantial wetland areas would not be developed and would provide access to land behind the development also owned by the Partnership. The Commission had no objections but did wonder how useful a wet piece of property would be as an access way.

The reviewed plans from Sean Leblanc of Manchester, reported the potential NH for a small subdivision on Mammoth Road across from Woodland Drive. The plan would subdivide Rail Trail resides is owned an existing lot with a house into three lots, one for the current house, one for a duplex and one for a tial single-family home. Com- being reported to them missioner Gene Harrington asked that a proposed

moved out of the 50-foot conservation buffer.

Another small residenreviewed, this one at 6 Harvey Road on a property bounded by Harvey, Litchfield and High Range roads. DHB Homes is proposing to subdivide the property into three lots, one for the existing home and two new ones for new single-family homes. The Commission had no objection to the plan.

In other business, the Commission discussed a report from Londonderry resident Jack Grube who reported that it appeared that businesses at 2 and 3 Commercial Lane were operating part of their business in land that is Commission part of the Rail Trail in that area. Grube had violation to Londonderry Trailways and the town. The land on which the by the New Hampshire Department of Transportation, so the potenencroachment is for investigation.



### **Rec Committee Provide Updates on Planned Projects** MIKE BYERLY

LONDONDERRY TIMES

ecreation Director Art Psaledas provided several updates during a brief monthly meeting of the Recreation Committee.

First up, the maintenance building at West Road is expected to be Road softball field lights completed by Labor Day. The outside structure is completed and the overhead doors, insulation, drywall, electrical and installer is lined up. heat will be added in the coming weeks.

Scott Fawcett of Londonderry came down to talk about the shelving needs and they offered to help keep the cost down by providing leftover and extra inventory shelving for the project.

The planned Nelson are expected to be completed in the late fall. The contract with the supplier will be signed soon and an others did further work

About the softball field, Psaledas shared that they Shelving is also need- have had major drainage ed. Psaledas contacted issues with all the rain late- Eric David Pierce, a 28-Greg Warren of Bode ly. The infield consists of a year old former resident

Industries. He and owner clay mixture which, while of Londonderry and LHS including men's free play great to play on, does not drain well. When there are heavy rains, the water must be pumped off the field. The committee plans to investigate options to improve the drainage, but fears that solutions could be expensive.

At the skate park on Nelson Road, volunteers from the Londonderry Police Department and on improving the skate park. Also, at the skate park, a memorial bench was installed honoring graduate who passed away in October 2017. Funds for the bench were provided by his family.

Psaledas recapped the results from the summer playground program with 217 kids registered this year. He compared that to eight years ago when the program had a high of 300 kids. He believes that the hot humid weather and the increased number and variety of other camp options contributed to lower turnout.

The usual fall and winter adult recreation are planned again this year

basketball, an adult volleyball league, an over 30 men's basketball league, fields, member Todd Ellis adult dodge ball and coed pick up volleyball. He said the schedule for each will be posted once school starts and gym availability is finalized.

At Nelson Road, the lights at the basketball courts now stay on an that whereas he as conhour later to midnight. This change was requested by Town Councilor Joe Green. In the same complex Eversource fixed a power problem that was keeping the light there from working.

In response to a resident having a heart attack at the West Road soccer shared that the Londonderry Soccer Club was discussing the possibility of installing defibrillators but are concerned about their cost and theft or vandalism.

Finally, Psaledas shared cerned about a month ago about the field due to the dry weather, now the town fields are in great shape because of all the recent rain and humidity. The challenge now is to keep up with the required mowing.

### Parents and Students Collaborate On Kindness Campaign Initiated By A Fifth Grade Student

LORI COSTA LONDONDERRY TIMES

oth students and parents alike are speaking out against the issue of bullying in Londonderry schools. This has been an ongoing story that was recently brought to the School Board's; that there is not enough being done about ton. She is working very bullying in the district. A hard to make the program fifth grade student named Lily and her mother from

experiences seeing other back in the summer of 2017 students being bullied around her. Despite seeing the bullying, she also saw students stepping up to help others that have been bullied by being kind and offering support. Lily is an ambassador for the 'I've Got Your Back' (IGYB) program at Matthew Thornbetter.

'I've Got Your Back' is an Matthew Thornton spoke anti-bullying and kindness to the Board about her movement that was started

by a ninth grade student from Bedford. Lily has done her part to promote the IGYB program by making and hanging posters around Matthew Thornton for everyone to see. The core goals of IGYB are to promote random acts of kindness and lift others rather than tearing them down. With the help of parents, teachers, families, and friends alike, students are encouraged to get involved with their school and communities through sports, hobbies or other afterschool activities as well.

A recent anti-bullying campaign put on by IGYB was the screening of the film documentary "SCREENAGERS" at local schools. The movie explored the relationship between students, technology and parenting in the digital age. It is also important to note that the IGYB program is a primarily student run organization. It focuses on students having the greatest impact for making a change. The program is currently funded by donations and every child who participates in the program receives a bracelet.

Chairman of the School Board Jenn Ganem praised the fifth grader for coming forward and is very excited for the concept of IGYB to be brought into Londonderry schools. "One of the things that I want is more students involved with the School Board and giving us solutions." Ganem said.

Board member Young also praised Lily for coming to their meeting and speaking to them. "It is not often that anybody ever wants to come here or do they get the chance to speak. I am surprised and I appreciate you coming." Young said.

Board member Mike Saucier also told Lily that he is a teacher himself at the high school level and it was very nice to have her at the meeting. "I like any idea that is positive and proactive and it seems like this message is all about trying to do the right thing before something bad happens. I think that is a really special thing. I'm excited that you guys brought that here today." Saucier said.

Steve the Londonderry schools: how the program will be funded is still being worked out, specifically whether the program will be sponsored or continue to run primarily on donations. Chairman Ganem said that the next step of implementing this program will be to involve the principal of Matthew Thornton and getting the PTA involved as well. Bullying is already on the School Board's agenda for this upcoming year. The board has plans to take a closer look at the policies that are in place regarding bullying. Superintendent Scott Laliberte said that he will make sure that all of the elementary school principals are a part of the discussion going forward.

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# Start Lawn Seeding Now, Reap Benefits Next Summer

**MELISSA BETH RUIZ** LONDONDERRY TIMES

all flavors are already • out at select coffee shops throughout the state, and the autumn good month of summer still left to go.

time, some extra attention can go a long way in protecting your lawn and garden from the changing seasons.

There are a few reasons why August is a prime month for lawn planting around this time maintenance, says Mr. is that most annual weeds

Peck, a Master Turf Manager with 29 years of experience.

The first reason being the length of the remainhype has begun, with a ing growing season for grass in New Hampshire. Seeding in August allows While there is still for three growing months, and grass can take 3 to 4 weeks to germinate, so planting in the late summer allows for plenty of time for grass to grow to maturity.

The second reason for

Grass Blog, run by Theron and crabgrass will not fall weather, around Mid- give it a better opportuni- tool is right for your lawn. have time to germinate and crowd out new grass as they would in the spring months.

> The third reason to seed in August is that soil temperatures are still warm at this time of year, allowing for better germination and faster growth, meaning it has more time to grow before winter.

> According to Lawns of Southern NH, the best time to fertilize your home lawn is during the transition from warm summer days to cooler

On Saturday, Aug. 25,

Photo by Chris Paul

granular, slow-release fertilizer can help promote recovery from the stress caused by any summer drought conditions (not necessarily a worry regarding this particular

summer) and insect infestations. Coupled with cooler nights and extra rainfall that Autumn normally brings, the optimal environment is nurtured for a healthy lawn through the time of falling leaves.

August is also a good time to look for turf pests such as chinch bugs and grubs, which eat through and destroy the grass. Many people mistake pest damage for drought stress or summer damage, so a professional lawn inspection is recommended to rule out the presence of pests.

and overseeding for lawn repairs. While this can be done through the month of October, getting seed down sooner rather than later and allowing more time for it to aerate will

August through Septem- ty to grow and have a highber. The application of a er chance for it to survive into the winter months.

> way to reduce soil compaction which could be caused by drought conditions, or by heavy treading or being compacted by objects such as pools, volley ball nets, or where outdoor games and activities often take place. Aeration involves perforating the soil with small holes to allow air, water, and nutrients to penetrate grass roots, allowing the

roots to grow deeply and produce a stronger lawn.

While soil compaction due to improper aeration Hampshire include Kenis a big problem found in tucky Bluegrass, Fine Fesmany lawns, a lot of people do not realize the affect it has on weakening the lawn, even to the point of thinning it out to visibly bare patches. There are a few different This month is also tools and machines that our lawns, with piles of prime time for aeration can be used for easy aeration, such as a spike aera- enviable lawn come tor or a plug aerator. Machines can be rented or purchased at local at the end of this summer lawn and garden stores, will be more than worth it and a professional can come next summer. help to determine which

Don't quite have a

lawn to speak of yet? Planting Grass Seed Cen-Aeration is also a great ter, a database for DIY lawncare for all fifty United States, says that for New Hampshire, grass seed should be planted between August 15 and September 15 for a thicker, denser lawn. According to the site, seeding in late summer/early fall provides warm soils, cool temperatures. and autumn rains that create an optimal environment for seed germination.

Grass varieties that Planting Grass Seed Center suggests for New cue, and a Perennial Rye Grass/Kentucky Bluegrass blend. All of these varieties are tolerant to colder climates.

Although leaves will soon begin to pile onto snow to follow, for a lush, spring, putting a little extra work into your lawn





# itizen Volunteers Come Together to Honor Seniors

SHANNON R. FINNEY LONDONDERRY TIMES ood times were had under the Lion's Club pavilion when citizens of all generations came together for Londonderry's 13th annual Senior Night last Wednes-

day, the first event of Old

Home Day. An annual tradition since 1899, Londonderry's Old Home Day is a time to bring together the town's residents, both past and present, to celebrate the community. Senior Night is a two-part event hosted by the Lions Club and sponsored by the Old Home Day committee that pays homage to the town's "enlight- and ends with a swing ened citizens," as the music concert at the town OHD website calls them. The event starts with a



Lions members were busy at the grill during the annual Senior night barbeque on Wednesday night at the Lions Pavillion. Photos by Chris Paul

That's all that could fit

quet tables set up along

the outside of it. This

year, turnout was so good

that "more tables than

usual" were set up for the

first time, said Cathy

Heinrich [what was her

position? Smudge in my

notes where I wrote that

down,] pointing to two

completely filled banquet

tables set up in front of

the pavilion, shaded by

worked together to facili-

tate the Senior Night

cookout, one of them

being the Maidens of Joan

of Arc of St. Jude's Parish.

Lexann Mecklanborg, an

adult supervisor of the

maidens, oversaw the

Teams of volunteers

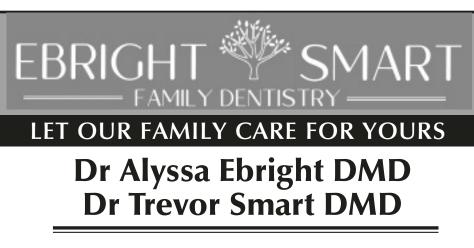
white tents.

and ends with a swing senior citizen attendees. commons. pavilion, and at the ban-

A ticketed event, cookout at the Lions Club space was limited to 175



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girls who busily took the seniors' drink orders, under the Lions Club picked up trays, and passed out desserts. Victoria Elazen, one of the Maidens volunteering at the event for the third vear in a row took a short break between serving tables to find out from Mecklanborg where else she was needed. She said her favorite part of Senior Night is "the satisfaction of knowing [she] helped someone.'

> Calling the Maidens a "great group of girls," Kim Fudela, co-chair of the maidens for over five years, said that by volunteering at events like this, community. They really enjoy doing this."

volunteers from Verani evening. Realty who churned out under the pavilion, conhundreds of hot dogs and hamburgers. Among them was Ben Weigler who has been with the Lions Club Peter Doyle, [board mem- Old Home Day events for three years, and does it for the enjoyment of "giving back to the community."



New Hampshire Gov. Chris Sununu stopped in to chat with Londonderry Seniors at the annual BBQ.

time to serve the town's Doyle has attended the senior citizens were Londonderry Police Officers from the afternoon shift. come every year with my The policeman worked the buffet line in uniform. have a good time." Jim Connor, president of the Lions Club, said the Senior Night like she does police officers, volunteer- for every part of Old ing at the event for the Home Day was Barbara first time this year, did a Flannery, a Londonderry "fine job" of efficiently serving the seniors.

"the girls learn to share the food prepared and Flannery's favorite things their abilities to help the served by the volunteers, the Senior Night celebrants then enjoyed the seeing old friends." Manning the grill were social aspect of the versations around dinner tion. Those interested in tables were lively.

> and told stories at his pic- mittee via their website. nic table while enjoying

Also donating their his ice cream dessert. event for the past "four or five years," he said. "I partner Joan. We always

Also turning out to citizen of over fifty years. Truly encapsulating the Sitting down to enjoy spirit of the festivities, about the night are "mixing in, socializing, and

The OHD committee Everywhere raises over \$10,000 each year to fund the celebravolunteering their money Londonderry resident or time to help with future ber of something? I think such as Senior Night Chris knows], laughed should contact the com-





#### Old Home Dav Continued from page 1

Old Home Day, as well as upcoming elections.

Band Stand on the Town New Common.

also enjoyed some beauti-Town Common for Kidz characters came to life parking lot, the London-

Night. and As with most years, candy, and balloon crethere was plenty of activi- ations were made by the local attendees a happy ties for youngsters to Bektash Clowns and Silly Solution's Joe Tombarelenjoy. A motorized train to remind them of the gave rides around the lo. event, the "always popu-Following the meal, lar" large tortoise made animals, a seatbelt inforthose who wished to, its way around the com- mation area, local PTA attended the Windham mon courtesy of Wildlife Swing Band Concert Encounters, the band across the street at the stand had a magician, the England Dance the Matthew Thornton Ensemble dancers per- Elementary The following evening forming scenes from the ReMax "The Greatest Showman," ful summer conditions as and once again Judy Panlocal children filled the coast performed. Cartoon





Later that evening, Department hosted a evening. Bounce houses, exotic viewing of the movie Cars III.

games, and the Police were also on the common. Across the street at School, Innovations

offered tethered balloon rides

And over at the Lions

gave children tours of their trucks.

fighters and Police, the Concert at the High there was lots to do on School and the fireworks the common, at the Morri-The Londonderry Police were all cancelled that son House Museum, and

On Saturday, despite a damp beginning, the ty Worship Service on the Sadly, the Friday night Lundgren 5K Road Race Common also enjoyed events were all washed started right on schedule, some wonderful weather out by rain. The softball as did the Baby Contest on Sunday morning.

Throughout the day at Mathew Thornton.

The annual Communi-

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# Local Families Come Out for Kidz Night on the Common







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# LONDONDERRY SPORTS

# Local LHS Senior Nowak Takes First in 39th Annual Lundgren 5K



Eric Nowak

CHRIS PAUL LONDONDERRY TIMES

urrent Londonderry High School runner Eric Nowak, 17, edged out fellow Lancer Matthew Griffin, 15, by 12 seconds to win the 39th Annual Lundgren/Londonderry Old Home Days 5K early Saturday morning, Aug. 18.

Nowak outpaced the rest of the field of 148 runners participating in the annual trek with a time of 17:38.9, averaging 5:40 per mile.

Matthew Griffin took a close second followed by the race's long-standing record holder, Dave Dunham, now 54, who grabbed third place with a time of 18:23.5.

> Allie ual pati



Grace McDonough

Dunham, who lives in Braford Mass., holds the men's and overall records at 14 minutes and 44 seconds, which he established in 1991.

The female winner of the 2018 race was 14-yearold Londonderry resident Grace McDonough. She



Dave Dunham

Matthew Griffin finished 11th overall in

21:06.3, she came in nearly a minute ahead of the next female competitor, Caitlin Boufford, 16, also of Londonderry, who finished at 22:04.

The annual event was run in humid, wet conditions, with a full cloud cover overhead and periods of light rain.

Out of the first 11 finishers of the race, seven were Londonderry residents. Along with Nowak and Griffin, other top locals included, 6th, Tyler Kraft, 20:21.8, 7th, William Bieler, 15, 20:22.9; 8th, Tim Porter, 37, 20:26.9, and in 11th place ovcerall was McDonough..

Londonderry female residents who won age



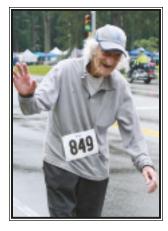
The 39th annual Lundgren/Londonderry Old Home Days 5K had 148 runners register for the run down Mammouth Road on Saturday, Aug. 18.

and-under girls (26:06.6), for 12 and under, Aiden decades. Grace McDonough in the Oljey, (21:58.3), the 13-16 13-16 girls' (21:06.3), Kaelyn Rourke Griffin (17:50.1) Nowak won the 17-19 women took first for the 17-19 group (24:24.5), the 20-29 women winner was Briell 20-29 male winner was Evangelista, (24:20.7), local Heather Bell, took the 30-39 women age group (24:42.1), in the 40-49 women division Deb Setterland, (23:55.5), and Donna Ambrose came in first for the 60-69 women competitors (35.45.9).

division winner was Matthew year old males, and the Noah Schrank, (20:12.5),

Of special interest, the now 93-year-old runner, Lou Peters, drove himself to the race on Saturday morning from Methuen Mass., got a fifteen minute head start and finished in As for the male run- 57:56.2. Peters has run in

group titles were: Linsey ner's results, top Lon- the Old Home Day race Gregoire among the 12- donderry finishers were: over 30 times over the



Lou Peters



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### Lancer Field Hockey Crew Aims To Follow Up Solid 2017 Campaign

**CHRIS PANTAZIS** LONDONDERRY TIMES

aking the shift from one longtime coach to a brand new one can often present considerable challenges for a sports squad. But after dealing with some early bumps, the Londonderry High girls' field hockey squad ended up doing a bunch of great things for new mentor Nichole Treadway last autumn.

Treadway's talented troop finished its 2017 regular season at an impressive 9-5 and wound up making it all the way to the Division I title contest, finishing with a great 11-6

runner-up. The Londonderry crew was bested by the defending D-I champions from Timberlane are seniors Hunter Lang- Augusta. Regional of Plaistow by a ley (defender), Miranda 4-2 score in the title Galan (midfielder), Lau- lenging Division I landmatch.

mining what everyone's role was to succeed as a whole was a key for us," said Treadway, who replaced Laura Federico as the Lady Lancer leader. "The beginning of the season was a challenge, with a new coach taking over, as it always is. We worked hard to build relationships and take what they knew as a program and blend it with some big changes that ultimately

our team.

Kev returnees from that successful 2017 crew ren Mullen (forward), "Teamwork and deter- Alivia Proulx (forward), and Morgan Brutus (goalie), and juniors Courtney Shay (midfield/forward), Grace Chicko (middie), and Kait Bedell (defender).

ees who may play major Windham is new to the roles include seniors Julia Fothergill and Megan Division II, and they will Packard, junior Lauren be giving us all a run for Doherty, and sophomores our money," said the Emily Cowette and Riley coach. Walter.

Londonderry's prom-

overall mark as the D-I were a huge success for ising newcomers include a fine trio of sophomores in Jenna Madigan, Jenna Stowell, and Isabella

> In looking at a chalscape for the 2018 campaign, coach Treadway honed in on several opposing squads which she expects to be packed with talent and fight this fall.

"Pinkerton and Winna-Other varsity return- cunnet will be strong. division coming up from



Junior forward Courtney Shea returns this fall for her third season with the Lancer field hockey team.

#### the Apples Number 22 is Sunday, Aug. 26 for

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ey local runners, imagine this. Run-Lining through warm and aromatic apple orchards on a late summer Sunday afternoon, getting more great exer-New Hampshire.

Well, all of that is on offer in the 22nd annual Mack's/Greater Derry Track Club Run for the their school seasons. But ed teens, with Litchfield

Apples 5K Cross-Country Race in the Moose Hill Orchards in Londonderry at 5 p.m. on Sunday, Aug. 26

This popular event, which drew nearly 200 runners for race number 21 last August. has cise and taking in some of become popular with area the splendor of Southern high school and middle school cross-country teams and runners as a way to challenge themselves in preparation for won by a couple of talent-

plenty of other runners looking for the aforementioned assets of a race show up to run on their own as well.

Directed by Greater Derry Track Club cofounder Eldon Burkinshaw, this low-cost event has a very low-key atmosphere but plenty of strong competition for folks seeking that.

The 2017 race was



Cross-Country runners head out through Mack'Apple Orchard last year.

ishing first overall in 15 race directors consider a all ages," said director Doherty from Manchester leading the females with was the 14th runner to cross the finish line.

minutes and 20 seconds family to be two adults Burkinshaw. and 13-year-old Fiona and unlimited children living at same address.

her fine time of 19:15. She all local areas to tune up groups, and the first 75 for the fall cross-country entrants receive custom season, and finishers are race shirts. The pre-registration treated to fresh-squeezed fee is \$15 as is the race-lemonade and other registration are available day fee, and families can refreshments after the at the Greater Derry

16-year-old Jeff Allen fin- family rate of \$30. The favorite with families of

Awards go to the overall winners and the top "Runners come from finishers in multiple age

More info and on-line take part in the event at a race. Mack's Apples is a Track Club's website.





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### **Ex-LHS Lady Lancer Soccer Players Now on Collegiate Squads**

CHRIS PANTAZIS LONDONDERRY TIMES

uring his lengthy tenure as Londonderry High School girls' varsity soccer coach, Derek Dane has seen some exceptional soccer players - including athletes like Tori Mc-Combs (University of Michigan) and numerous others - who have taken their talents far and wide and represented LHS tremendously well.

That sort of success continues to the present day with a handful of former Lady Lancers poised to make significant contributions on women's soccer squads in different parts of New England.

Suffolk University in downtown Boston graduated one former LHS stalwart - skilled defender Meghan O'Regan - from its 2017 contingent but adds another in Laurel Goding

for the 2018 campaign. Goding battled some knee problems during her noteworthy soccer career at Londonderry High but was a force when healthy. She joins a Suffolk squad which had a 7-9 season last fall but hopes to do better for coach Darren Lloyd this autumn.

The Goding family leaves a successful sporting legacy behind it at LHS. Laurel's uncle Steve played a pivotal role in the 1983 Londonderry High varsity baseball squad's memorable Class state championship game win over Franklin on graduation day.

Replacing Halle Hamilton as one of his defensive linchpins will no doubt be a challenge for coach Dane at LHS this year, but Londonderry's loss is the University of New Hampshire women's soccer crew's gain.



Laurel Goding

and two-time captain at out of the America East the Londonderry High LHS will step onto a Lady tourney in the semifinals track on some steamy Wildcats' squad which by Stony Brook. went an excellent 11-6-1 last autumn and 5-2-1 in ilton, who could be spotthe America East Confer- ted working on her condi-

Skilled defender Ham-

The four-year starter ence. But it was knocked tioning with her dad at

#### Rowing liance Seeking Students

CHRIS PANTAZIS LONDONDERRY TIMES

ust about anybody who has been involved in rowing will tell you that they have a tremendous amount of fun while also challenging themselves both physically and mentally. And the Manchester Rowing Alliance is all about getting more area teenagers involved so they too can see what rowing sports are all about.

MRA director Brenda

Balenger has been a piv- the rowing alliance. otal figure in her organization's establishment of and involvement with the Pinkerton Academy and Londonderry High School crew programs. And Balenger and her group are looking to get more PA and LHS students going in rowing sports right now. MRA is now accepting

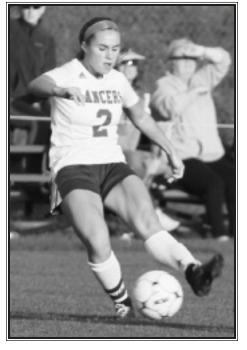
applications for the fall rowing season, and any high school student entering or attending Lon- nessed folks involved in donderry or Pinkerton is welcomed to register with

organization whose sole purpose is to introduce the sport of rowing to youth in the Southern New Hampshire area," said Londonderry High crew and MRA liaison Carolyn Brown. "We have held a presence at both LHS and PA over the past few years and welcome returning and novice rowers."

Anyone who has witrowing sports knows that athletes get an intense,

full-body workout and "MRA is a non-profit enjoy some pretty amazing camaraderie with fellow rowers trying to aim for many of the same goals. And as is the case with many sports, rowing can be habit-forming in the best possible ways.

> Anyone interested in taking up the local rowing alliance on its offer should visit the MRA website at www.rowmanchester.org for registration details



Hallie Hamilton

mornings this summer, will be one of just two Granite State residents on coach Steve Welham's 2018 UNH team.

Veteran returnees to their respective college Andi - also a psychology teams this year are former Lady Lancer standouts Gretchen McGrath the Salve Regina (Newand Ali Nelson.

McGrath appeared in 10 games with four starts as a freshman back for the 2017 Middlebury College (Vermont) women's soccer team last fall, notching one assist in gaining vital

collegiate experience. Middlebury women to a superb 12-4-2 overall the New England Small during the 2017 season.

College Athletic Conference (NESCAC). She and her teammates had their season ended by a slim loss to MIT in round two of the NCAA tourney.

The local woman is the only Grante Stater on coach Peter Kim's 2018 Middlebury squad.

And former Londonderry High multi-sport standout Nelson made some significant contributions to a struggling Dean College (Franklin, Mass.) women's team as a freshman last fall. The ex-Lady Lancer potted four goals including one game-winner - for a Dean team which went 4-12 overall.

Nelson played in 13 games and started 12 of them while showing her versatility in seeing time at both forward and midfielder. The psychology major and her teammates will have a new coach this fall in soccer veteran Ashley Magruda-Wood.

Nelson's twin sister major - enjoyed an excellent freshman season for port, R.I.) women's softball squad this past spring.

Another recent LHS grad and former girls' soccer stalwart playing women's college soccer this autumn is Erin Barnes, who joins the McGrath helped the lineup of a crew at the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute (Troy, N.Y.) record and a 6-2-2 mark in which went a solid 8-8-2



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### Former LHS Boy Soccer Standouts Seeking Collegiate Successes

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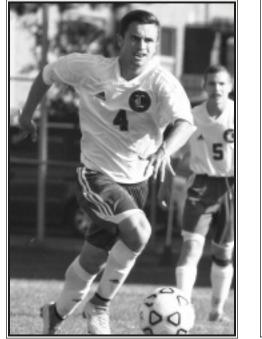
Tear in and year out, the Londonderry High School boys' varsity soccer squads manage to be serious competitors who almost never give their opponents anything approaching an easy day.

And some of the talent which helps to make the Lancers a Division I concern every autumn later moves on to collegiate soccer and fares quite well there too.

Coming into the 2018 college soccer season, present LHS varsity soccer coach Todd Ellis has two of his former standouts entering their junior years as talented midfielders at schools in New York and Connecticut. one highly-touted 2018 graduate starting a collegiate career as a freshman here in New Hampshire, and several others booters aiming to walk on at their respective schools.

Griffin Cowles is beginning his junior year on the men's team at Union College in Schenectady, N.Y. after starting all 17 of his contingent's matches last fall.

Cowles collected two assists for the Union crew, which went 9-6-2 overall but a pretty weak 1-5-2 in



Nate Gaw

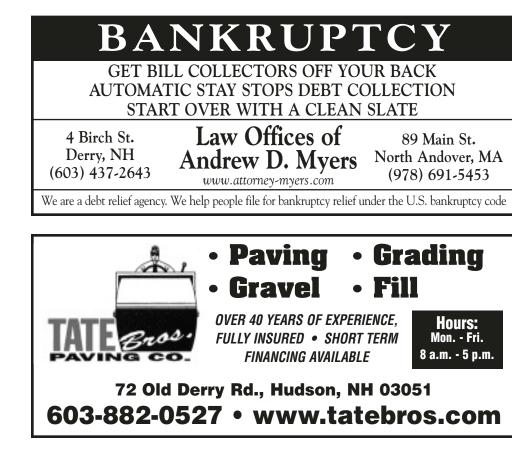
the Eastern College Athletic Conference (ECAC). The LHS graduate and former all-state booter - who is an economics major appeared in eight Union contests in his freshman season of 2016.

A little closer to home at Quinnipiac University in Hamden, Ct., former Londonderry High multisport stalwart and present international business major Nate Gaw is coming off of a 2017 season in which he played in six matches for an 8-9-2 Bobcats' bunch which featured a distinctly interna-

tional roster with athletes all the way from England, New Zealand, Ireland, Trinidad, Germany, Greece, and Norway.

Gaw, who claimed allstate honors in all four of his soccer years at Londonderry High, completed his excellent career there with totals of 43 goals and 50 assists. He was also a skilled and hard-nosed guard in basketball.

Present college sophomores and former LHS soccer stalwarts Nick Vanini (Wheaton College),





Josh Rutina

Cam Wheeler (Southern immediate impact on the New Hampshire University), and Jayden West (Saint Anselm) are aiming to make teams as walkons this fall, but one recent LHS grad who may be expected to be a significant contributor soon at Cup match. Saint A's is Josh Rutina.

newcomers to the Hawks' Bruno Victal targeted and is glad to have in his fold.

'We are very happy with the group of studentathletes we are bringing in," said Victal. "When we started recruiting for 2018, we had a short list landed most of them and expect a few to have an up at 3-11-2.

program."

The versatile Rutina was a 2017 Division I All-Stater who recently played in the prestigious annual New Hampshire-Vermont Twin State Lion's

'Josh is a well-known Rutina is one of 10 local player who captained Londonderry and program who head coach played his club soccer with GPS New Hampshire. He brings a fast and physical style of play and can play multiple positions," said coach Victal.

Rutina, who also played baseball at LHS, joins a Saint Anselm of guys we really wanted squad which scuffled to try and attract. We pretty badly during its 2017 campaign and ended

### **Hoop Organization Slates its Fourth Annual Golf Tournament**

CHRIS PANTAZIS LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Lancer Nation Boys' Basketball Association has scheduled its fourth annual fundraising golf tournament for Sunday, Sept. 23, at the Windham Country Club.

The extremely dedicated hoop group works to raise funds which support a Londonderry High School boys' basketball program which manages to be outstanding on just about all levels every vear.

Registration will commence at 12:30 p.m. that day with a shotgun start slated for 1:30.

tournament last year and and last place teams. are looking forward to an even better event this chance to win a new car year," said spokesman Derek Garofa- they can sink a hole-inlo.

The format is a four- including with each member receiv- will be available for puring a Lancer Nation golf chase. towel, a backyard barbecue lunch immediately able to attend are still following tourney play, urged to consider spongiveaways, and multiple soring a hole or a golf cart opportunities to win raf- for this worthy event. fle and silent auction items.

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# All That Green

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my memory - as I came up through that which tunnel dark base side of the field - was that my Little League "all....that....green."

Jeez, the infield grass, the outfield grass, that coaches decided to take HUGE left field wall. It was us to a Red Sox game overwhelming, and flatout beautiful. But calling Oakland Athletics in it "beautiful" felt kinda August of 1974. silly. Waterfalls, Redwood Trees, an elk standing have our first Fenway majestically on a mountain peak, those are perceived by everybody as American League team "beautiful." Not baseball during that time period, fields.

But this was undeniably beautiful. This base- ley's Oakland A's. ball field.

atively safe to say that the and 1973 and would pull vast majority of people off the trifecta later in remember the first time 1974 during a magnificent they attended a profes- three-year run which feasional baseball game, tured truly legendary talespecially if their first game was at a place like fought amongst itself all Fenway Park.

as an eight-year-old in late of future Hall of Famers August of 1974, is a life like Reggie Jackson and milestone as precious to me as nearly anything Fingers, and on and on. which subsequently hap- Even the just 'very good' pened in my later life - ball players on those understandably falling teams were very, very just a bit short of my wedding day and the three Joe Rudi. Gene Tenace. days during which my Sal Bando. Billy North. beloved kids were born.

But then, millions of

are plenty precious to them, and they are tales The impression that which most folks simply seared itself into love to tell over and over again.

Anybody who has followed baseball over the opened onto the first- last 50 years will tell you teammates and I lucked out big time when our against the powerhouse

If we were going to experience involving the Red Sox and virtually any the best conceivable choice was Charlie Fin-

The A's had won It has to be at least rel- World Series titles in 1972 ent - which reportedly the time off the field -My first trip to Fenway, which included the likes Catfish Hunter and Rollie good. Bert Campaneris. Wow.

And along with all of people have "My first trip the sheer beauty of the to Fenway" stories which green held within the con-

fines of Fenway Park, those Oakland A's wore their own very distinctive green uniforms along with white spikes. Quite a visual on their own.

But our Red Sox were no slouches during that summer of '74 either. Carl Yastrzemski had to move in to first base from left field due to advancing age, but man could he still hit. New Hampshire's own Carlton Fisk caught a strong Red Sox pitching staff magnificently, and Rico Petrocelli was nearing his personal back-nine playing third base but could certainly still "pick it.".

From the serious baseball fan's standpoint - I mean beyond the slackjawed kids on my baseball team and I - the likely centerpiece of that big August contest was the pitching duel for the ages which featured Red Sox whirling dervish Luis Tiant against amazing A's lefty Vida Blue.

Blue had been the Most Valuable Player, Cy Young Award winner, and American League ERA champ several seasons before, and in 1974 he was on his way to another strong, 17-15 campaign in helping Oakland to its third straight world title.



Luis Tiant. On his way to a superb, 22-13 season that year, the colorful Cuban had captured the imaginations and hearts of Red Sox fans since being picked off the scrap heap from the Minnesota Twins in 1970 after suffering some serious arm troubles but overcoming them.

Our Red Sox took an early 1-0 lead by touching up Blue on a solo homer by leadoff batter Tommy Harper in the bottom half of the first. And a very young rookie outfielder named Jim Rice - who would only play 24 games for the Sox that year but

Luis Tiant, well, was went on to do some pretty good things in earning his own trip to Cooperstown and baseball immortality nor any of my teammates in later years - drove in one of two runs in the sixth with a sacrifice fly as Boston went up 3-0.

> and went the distance in up in the sights, and the quashing a powerful Oakland offense and, in doing so, bagged his 20th win of and beer. And just looking the season that night in a at all....that....green.

3-0 shutout in front of nearly 36,000 people.

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Of course, neither I knew any of that statistical junk until choosing to look it up on baseballreference.com decades later. Tiant scattered six hits Nope. We were all caught sounds, and the smells of popcorn and hot dogs











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Additionally: We will run the full versions of any calendar items online free of charge at www.nutpub.net. Please send items to londonderrytimes@nutpub.net.

#### **Londonderry Voter** Information

The Supervisors of the Voter Checklist will meet at the Town Clerk's Office to correct the checklist and register voters on: Wednesday, September 5, 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 that list, Chairman Town of Lonproof when they come to register. Qualified applicants who do not possess proof or who do not bring proof with them may register if they sign an affidavit attesting to their qualifica-

citizenship. More than 30 days before an election, applicants without proof of from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. We domicile will be asked to retrieve proof and return to register. Within 30 days of an election and on Election Day, applicants without proof of domicile with them may register to vote if they sign an affidavit attesting to their domicile and either agreeing to bring or send in proof or attesting that they are not aware of possessing proof of domicile. Kristin Grages, Supervisor of the Checkdonderry 603-682-0259.

#### **Just Desserts**

Londonderry The Republican Committee is holding a "Just Desserts" social on Thursday, Aug. tions for identity, age, and 16, at the Victory Baptist

Church, 78 Litchfield Rd., Londonderry. We will meet plan on discussing our strategies for the primary and general elections. Look for our Londonderry Republican Booth #60 at the Old Home Days and atop by to meet some of the candidates. Our September meeting will be held on Thursday, Sept. 20, at the Victory Baptist Church, 78 Litchfield Rd., Londonderry, at 6:30 p.m.Hope to see you at these events!

#### **Library Closure**

The library will be closed on Monday, Sept. 3, for Labor Day.

#### NH Man of the World

On Thursday, Sept. 13,

Man of the World" by Richard Hesse. This program is free and open to the public with seating limited to the first 90 individuals. It will be held in the library's lower-level meeting room. Light refreshments will be served.performers.

#### **Derry Garden Club**

The Sept. 7 meeting of the Derry Garden Club will be held at The Derry Boys and Girls Club. 40 Hampstead Road, in Derry beginning at 10 a.m. Real Fallu, owner of Perennial Design Landscaping, will present a program on "Companions You Can Count On". There will be perennials for sale as well and banio music. provided by Mr Fallu. It is also the 83rd Birthday meeting and we will honor past presidents. A luncheon will be provided. New members and guests are always welcome.

#### Journey of Hope

Healing through grief and loss due to addiction. Londonderry Senior Center 535 Mammoth Rd., Londonderry. We offer the group on the second and fourth Sundays at 6 - 7:30 p.m. Our mission is to promote heal-

Winant: New Hampshire for those who have lost a able throughout the event. loved one through the unique circumstances and chaos of addiction; through education, encouraging support and compassion.Facilitated by: Jim Gamache, Julia Gamache, & Jerry Goncal, Journeyofhopenh@gmail.com

#### VA Bingo

On August 27, Post 27 will be playing bingo with patients at the VA Hospital in Manchester from 7-8:30 p.m. We'll be serving pizza and diet soda as well as providing \$150 in prize money. Please contact me know with questions. For more information about the happenings at Post 27 to our website go www.alpost27.com, call us at 437-6613.

#### Auction & Yard Sale

Derry Rotary's annual auction and yard sale, Aug. 25, yard sale section opens at 9 a.m. with the live auction gavel at 9:30 a.m. Registration for you bidder number is open at 9 a.m. and is free to all. Some stuff is old, some stuff is new, but we definitely have some stuff for you! Plus a \$5,000 cash raffle with a top prize of \$2,500. Tickets are \$50 each or 3 for \$125. at 7 p.m., a program "John ing in the grieving process Food concession is avail-

#### **Spring Hill Farm Fall** Festival

On Oct. 13, from 9 a.m. -3 p.m. Local vendors, music, arts and crafts, wagon rides, garden tours, trail guides, history displays, and more. Currently seeking interested vendors! \$10 reserves a spot. Email response or questions to: SHFAC@ChesterNH.org

#### Adult Summer Reading Program

This fun program for adults is running now till Friday, Aug. 31. If you have not yet registered, please stop by the Reference Desk to sign up. All adult library card-holders in good standing are eligible to join the program.For more information, please call 432-1132.

#### **Library Hours**

The Leach Library's hours for the month of August will be Monday -Thursday, 9 a.m. to 8 p.m., Friday and Saturday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. The library will be closed on Saturday, August 18, for Old Home Day.

#### "Escape the Tide Pool"

The lower-level meeting

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room will be transformed into a seaside lair during sessions on Thursday, Aug. 23, and Saturday, Aug. 25. Solve all riddles and puzzles within the 60-minute timeframe to escape the tide pool or be swept out to sea! Groups of 4-8 adult participants (ages 18 and older) will follow clues to investigate the tide pool, conquer the kelp forest, hunt for treasure, battle the surf, and more. All participants will win a prize from the treasure chest. This special event is free and open to adult library cardholders. Adults without a library card can also participate by providing a valid driver's license. Advance registration is required.

#### 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.

#### Free Meals

Please join us for free, family-friendly meals, served in a relaxed atmos-

phere. 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 Aug. 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 Aug. 26, Lunch will be served from 1:30 - 2:30 p.m., at St. Jude Church 435 Mammoth Road, Londonderry. on Sept. 9, Dinner will be served from 5 - 6:30 p.m. at Episcopal Church of the Transfiguration 1 Hood Road, Derry; on Sept. 23, Breakfast will be served at 9 a.m., at Etz Hayim Synagogue, 1-1/2 Hood Road, Derry; on Sept. 28, a Spaghetti supper will be served from 5 - 6:30 p.m., at First Parish Congregational Church, 47 East Derry

Road, East Derry; On Sept. 30, lunch is served from 1:30 - 2:30 p.m., at St. Jude Church, 435 Mammoth Road, Londonderry; on Sept. 15, Dinner served from 5 - 6 p.m., at St Luke's United Methodist Church 63 East Broadway, Derry. A Special Derryfest breakfast will be held from 7 - 10 a.m. There will be no 5 p.m. dinner.

#### Lamplighters

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

#### Walk with Me

Are you losing or have lost someone? A child, a

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

#### Walking Together

A support group for widows and widowers meets every 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m., at the Manse at Londonderry Presbyterian Church, 128 Pillsbury Road, Londonderry. When we meet, we walk together our journey of grief. No need to do it alone. If you have any questions, please call 781-866-9976.

### Supporting Women's Education

The Londonderry Women's Club is now accepting applications for an Adult Female Scholarship in the amount of \$1000. The requirements are: must be a female at least 23 years of age and a current resident of Londonderry; must be currently enrolled at an accredited post secondary institution and must have completed a minimum of half of the time or credits toward the named degree, certificate or licensing program. The deadline for submitting applications is Sept. 30. Applications are available at the Leach Library and online at www.londonderrywomensclub.org



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# Londonderry Police Log

Selections from the Londonderry Police Logs

Monday - Aug. 13 1:44 a.m. Services rendered for animal control at Red Arrow Diner on Rockingham Road.

10:08 a.m. Services rendered by six officers for Sudden Death on Hardy Road.

1:06 p.m. Warrant served 7:54 a.m. Burglary invesand arrest made on George Street, Manchester. Matthew Martin, 33, of Manchester charged with Drive. Aggravated Felonious Sexual Assault Forcible Rape.

1:38 p.m. Warrant served and arrest made at Middleton House of Corrections, Mass. Esmeraldo Mena, 24, of Lowell, Mass. charged with Issuing Bad Checks; Forgery; Theft by Deception; and on a Bench Warrant.

2:45 p.m. Services rendered for Suspicious Activity on Rockingham Road.

turbance investigated on Drugs. Victoria Drive.

8:56 p.m. Motor vehicle and arrest on stop Nashua Road at 7-Eleven Food Mart. Keith Welch, chief 26, of Barrington, N.H. charged with Driving after Revocation or Suspension.

Tuesday - Aug. 14

tigated on Verani Way 1:29 p.m. Missing person investigated on Victoria 12:05 p.m. Attempted Sui-

4:25 p.m. Domestic disturbance investigated on Beacon Street.

5:36 p.m. Motor vehicle accident investigated on Rockingham Road at Page Road.

8:55 p.m. Motor vehicle Buckthorn Street at Coin complaint results in arrest south of Shasta on Mammoth Road. Three officers charge Emma Klapka, 20, of Merrimack with Transporting an Alcoholic Beverage by a Minor and Possession of 5:05 p.m. Domestic dis- Controlled/Narcotic and Ride. Three officers

Wednesday - Aug. 15 6:50 a.m. Services rendered for criminal mis-

Longwood on Avenue. 7:36 a.m. Services ren-

dered for criminal mischief on Cross Road.

11:39 a.m. Suspicious activity investigated by three officers on Autumn Lane.

cide transported to hospital from Winding Pond Road.

5:49 p.m. Services rendered for Juvenile Offenses on Boyd Road.

8:32 p.m. Domestic disturbance investigated on Street

10:30 a.m. Five officers investigate a domestic disturbance on Old Nashua Road.

11:31 p.m. Motor vehicle check and arrest made on Garden Lane at the Park

### **Locals Show Off Their Talent at Londonderry Sings**



Since 2010 the Londonderry Sings event during Old Home Day has shown the talent of some of Londonderry's best youthful singers. This year six girls took to the stage to try and win one of three top prizes. Ella Burroughs, sang "Never Enough" from the Greatest showman. Urvi Chakraborty, sang "Dog Days." Carleigh McRitchie sang "I See Fire" by Ed

### **Police Log**

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Salem on a Bench Warrant.

Thursday - Aug. 16 4:16 a.m. Assisted Londonderry Fire Dept. with Street. transport to hospital from Nashua Road.

10:28 a.m. served and arrest made at Drive. rv

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counts of Receiving ject taken into Protective Stolen Property. 12:19 p.m. Services ren- 10:07 a.m. Drug offenses charge William Fyfe, 55, of dered in keeping the investigated at Manches-

> Road. 6:33 p.m. Services ren- 10:21 a.m. Services rendered for fire on Beacon dered in Keeping the

Friday - Aug. 17 Shell Food Mart on 7:05 a.m. Criminal mischief investigated at Fed-Warrant ex Ground on Industrial bance Pinyon Place.

N.H. State Prison. Scott 7:42 a.m. Four officers Lasser, 33, of Londonder- assist in a Welfare Check charged with two on Mammoth Road. Sub-

Custody.

peace on Old Nashua ter Boston Regional Airport.

> peace on Old Nashua Road. 6:27 p.m. Four officers

restore peace after distur-

Saturday - Aug. 18 **1:08 a.m.** Disturbance investigated on Ledge-

place was Kaitlyn Koza.

wood Drive. 9:30 a.m. Services ren-

dered for disturbance on South Road. 5:46 p.m. Welfare check

results in transport to hospital from Coffeeberries on Orchard View Drive

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**Murrays Auto Recycling** 55 Hall Rd., Londonderry, NH on Stokes Road. Three officers assist in charging 12:26 p.m. Peace restored Nico Vacca, 20, of Londonderry with Criminal Mischief (vandalism) and an 5:24 p.m. Services ren-Act of Domestic Violence. dered in assisting Lon-8:45 p.m. Three officers donderry Fire Dept. on respond to Domestic Dis- Litchfield Road. turbance on Auburn Road.

Sheeran. Alexa Calligandes sang "I won't let Go"by Rascal Flatts. Alyssa Beaulieu sang "Go the Distance" from Hercules and Kaitlyn Koza sang

"Never Enough" from The Greatest Showman. The winners were, pictured

from left, in first, Carleigh McRitchie; second was Ella Burroughs; third

Sunday - Aug. 19 7:03 p.m. Domestic Dis- 9:12 a.m. Suspicious Perkins Road.

turbance results in arrest activity investigated on Oak Drive.

Photos by Chris Paul

after Domestic Disturbance on Iris Lane.

7:34 p.m. Services rendered for Criminal Threatening at Sleep Inn on



The Londonderry Planning Board will hold a Public Hearing on Wednesday, Sept. 5, 2018 at 7 P.M. in the Moose Hill Council Chambers, 268B Mammoth Road, Londonderry, NH to consider the following:

- A. Application for formal review for a site plan for the construction of a 5,840 SF, two-story salon, spa and office, and associated site improvements, Six Mohawk Drive, Map 6 Lot 37, Zoned C-I, Maillet & Associates, LLC (Owner & Applicant)
- B. Application for formal review of a site plan to construct a 2,000 SF building addition with connector drives, display areas and associated parking and site improvements, 3, 5 and 7 Tracy Lane, Map 2 Lots 34, 34-4, and 34-5, Zoned C-II & Rte 102 POD, AND 3,5,7 Tracy Lane, Hudson, Map 101, Lots 14, 15 and 17, Zoned B-Business, SMT 7 Tracey Lane, LLC & SMT Tracey Lane Holdings, LLC (Owner) and Reeds Ferry Sheds (Applicant)



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