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## Fairy Tale Fun

Dozens of Fairy tale characters came to life in the Londonderry Middle School preaseation of Shrek the Musical Jr. over the weekend. Frank Thomas played Shek with Kelly Egan playing Princess Fiona. See more photos on page 2.

*Photo by Chris Paul*

## Final Report, From Pool Study Committee To Be Announced

MACK LEATHURBY  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Londonderry Pool Study Committee was created last summer by the Town Council and tasked with delivering a final report about developing a Town Pool at the end of last year; that report for the

Town Council and the community was delayed until this week, so the study group could complete their work.

The Town Council meeting on Monday, April 1 at the Town Hall is open to the public and will support discussion from the final report, so it is impor-

tant for those interested in this project and town recreational facilities to consider. Anyone in the community who has questions, ideas or feedback about the logistics, costs and feasibility of this project may want to attend the Town Council meeting

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## Keno Recount Bares Same Result as Keno Vote Fails

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Election workers and Londonderry town officials lead by Town Moderator, Tom Freda held a recount for the Keno Warrant Article on Monday morning, March 25 at the town offices to confirm the outcome of votes cast for Keno at the recent town election.

The Keno article has now lost for the third and final time with this recount, so Keno is not legal at this time in Londonderry.

The first unofficial results posted on election night, March 12, looked

like Keno gambling had passed by eight votes, and would become legal in town.

However, a couple of days later a different outcome was announced by Town Manager Kevin Smith. Smith updated that, “upon certification of the election results in Londonderry from Tuesday, March 12, it was noted that there was a correction to the results of Article 27, which unofficially was announced on Tuesday as having passed by eight votes. The final certified vote on Article 27 is as follows: Yes: 1,317, No: 1,345. Thus Article 27 and keno fails

by 32 votes.”

The Keno proposal currently allows money raised from keno to be a revenue source to support full-day kindergarten programs in the state.

Keno has been set up by the state for community voters to decide if this type of gambling would become available locally at restaurants and bars with active liquor pouring licenses. These businesses then go through a process of regulatory certification by the N.H. State Lottery Commission to be able to use the keno machines at their venue. Derry approved keno via

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## Town Has Successful Test of Electronic Voter Check-In

MIKE BYERLY  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

At the recent town election, Londonderry conducted as successful pilot of electronic voter check in as an alternative to the historical approach of using paper-based voter checklists. In 2017, the state passed a law allowing towns to try electronic voter check-in.

This was Londonderry's first use of the technology, but last year it was used in Bedford and Rochester. Milford joined Londonderry this year in using the technology.

Prior to this year, registered votes arriving at the poll were greeted by a series of tables organized

alphabetically by the voter's last name. At times this led to substantial queues at a particular table when people with the same last initial come in at the same time.

The voter then had to show their ID and a poll worker then had flip through a paper book to verify that the person in registered to vote in Londonderry. They then crossed the person off the list and gave them a ballot. Being a manual process, sometime mistakes are made. An example would be accidentally checking off the name of a family member with a similar name.

With the electronic check-in system, voters

can check-in at any table, so queues don't build up since people are distributed evenly among the tables. Voter rolls are loaded up on tablets called poll pads. The poll pad has a scanner that reads the bar codes on IDs and pulls up the voter information to verify that they are registered.

With the new process, the poll pad spits out a

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# North School Has Arabian Night at Palace Theatre



North Elementary School held two performances of the Disney classic Aladdin Kids at the Palace Theatre on Wednesday, March 20. Over 80 students took to the stage under the direction of Nancy LaPorte with costumes created by Mary Stuck. Aladdin was played by William Erdtmann; Jasmine being played by Rebecca Solomons; Abu was played by Emma Stowell; Jafar was Taran Bower; the Genie was Celia Kerr; and Iago Sarah Fitzpatrick.

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# Interstate 93 Shutdown Saturday After Multiple Crashes

IDAN VINITSKY  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

A bizarre and somewhat scary scene on I-93 stopped traffic and caused motorists to leave their vehicles in assisting a policeman in making an arrest in Londonderry on Saturday, March 23.

Raymond Faucher III, a 32-year-old man from Plainville, Mass., was taken into custody and is now accused of a hit-and-run accident that in-

involved a total of five vehicles.

State Police said in their press release that the Troop B Barracks in Bedford received simultaneous reports of a motor vehicle rollover on Interstate 93 North, near exit 5 in Londonderry, and a hit-and-run accident on the exit's onramp.

While state troopers were making their way to the scene, additional calls came in, advising that a male, who was later iden-

tified as Faucher, was walking away from the scene of the crash, leaving his vehicle turned upside down on the road. Faucher was waving his hands aggressively at the motorists that were stuck in traffic.

Trooper John Tyo arrived on the scene and confronted Faucher, who refused to comply with all verbal commands and quickly became combative.

Tyo then tried placing

Faucher under custody, receiving assistance from several motorists at the scene, as Faucher refused to calm down.

Upon the arrival of more policemen, officers from the Londonderry Police Department, Faucher was quickly placed in handcuffs and was transported by the Londonderry Fire Department to Parkland Medical Center for further evaluation.

Troopers who examined the scene of the crash determined that Faucher entered the Interstate from Exit 5 and was heading north when he

hit the side of the vehicle of 48-year-old Tannie Grogan of Bedford. He then continued to drive onto I-93 North, weaving in and out of traffic.

His next collision was to the car of 71-year-old Patricia Richardson, of Deerfield. At this point, Faucher lost control of his own vehicle and side swiped the car of Jeffery Shaw, a 48-year-old man from Epping. As a result of that hit, Faucher's vehicle began rotating until eventually hitting 48-year-old Norman McEllrath's car.

The final hit caused Faucher's car to roll several times, until finally it land-

ed on its roof, in the right lane.

The highway was shut down for approximately an hour after the crash, and the Fire Department and EMS rushed to the scene and evaluated occupants from the vehicles that were hit. McEllrath was transported to the Elliot Hospital for further evaluation and treatment, with a possible head injury.

Police say the incident is still under investigation and anyone with information is urged to contact Trooper John Tyo at 603-223-4381 or by email, at John.Tyo@dos.nh.gov.



## Senate Pages

Liam McIntyre and Siobhan White, both Juniors at Londonderry High School, recently served as Senate Pages at the New Hampshire State House in Concord with State Senator Sharon Carson.

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## Editorial

### Waiting for Spring to Spring

As lovely as the New Hampshire snow can be, after some time most residents of the Granite State wait in anticipation for the last of the muddy snow banks to melt, making way for green grass and beautiful flowers.

However, in many cases along with these delicate signs of spring sprouts an array of faded fast food bags and cartons, ugly refuse from the previous season (sometimes referred to as "blooming garbage").

It's often left to residents living along those sullied roads to clean up after these careless individuals, as littering seems to remain as widespread and as hard to eradicate as the common cold, despite efforts to do away with it.

In some towns, a handful of residents for years have gone above and beyond when it comes to this roadside spring cleaning. These individuals spend their weekends sprucing up spots around town, as well as the town halls and school green-space each spring.

We appreciate the volunteer efforts that these selfless few put forth so our towns look beautiful each spring. However, there is only so much a few people can do. Ultimately, it is up to each resident to pick up their property, even if they aren't the ones who left trash behind.

Furthermore, it doesn't take a huge effort to take a short walk up and down the street in front of your home, even if only the length of a house or two this way and that, and pick up the refuse thrown from car windows each winter. A little work

goes a long way in keeping our neighborhoods clean and welcoming.

Moving away from the subject of blooming garbage, there may be sun and warmer temperatures in the forecast, but it can be hard to keep the bright promise of springtime at the forefront in the midst of the continuous sound of the furnace.

If nothing else helps to remedy your spring fever in the face of the lingering chill, congratulate yourself on having just about gotten through another old fashioned, northern New England winter, a feat not for the faint of heart.

As the decayed foliage left over from last fall begins to emerge at the edge of our roads, we look forward to having soggy mud to replace the treacherous ice patches in our driveways and streets and the snow on our lawns.

With the emergence of spring flowers comes the pollen necessary to help them spread. Which for many, means seasonal allergies, and several weeks of suffering from ceaseless sneezing, irritated eyes, and runny noses that no amount of antihistamines seems to cure. All for the cause, we try to remind ourselves, as we dream of the beauty at the end of the misery.

Indeed, those of us who stick it out during the ever-extending winter know that blue skies and warm weather are just around the corner, and this summer isn't far behind.

But it would be nice, of course, if we could enjoy a little bit of spring first.

## Local Scouts and Their Parents to Receive Presidential Award

IDAN VINITSKY  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

A number of Scouts and their parents, from Londonderry's Cub Scout Pack 901 will be presented with an award on Tuesday, Apr. 2 (6:30 p.m.) at the Matthew Thornton Elementary School, after completing the SCOUTStrong Presidential Active Lifestyle Award (PALA) Challenge.

The PALA Challenge was an eight week challenge that required awardees to perform physical activity for at least one hour every day, for five days every week. It also focused on different healthy eating challenges. The program aims to help the participating unit members make healthy improvements to their lifestyles, while challenging not only the Scouts or the leaders, but

also their entire families.

Adult's goal was 30 daily minutes of activity, while kids under the age of 18 were required to complete 60 daily minutes to receive the award.

There were also eight different eating goals and the participants focused on one goal every week. Eating goals included making half of the plate fruits and vegetables, choose lean sources of protein, make at least half of the consumed grains whole grains, compare sodium in foods and choose foods with less sodium, choose fat-free or low-fat dairy products, eat seafood for a week, drink water instead of sugary drinks for a week and pay attention to portion sizes.

The program's guide also included a long list with dozen of suggestion

to physical activity and required the participants, who were using a pedometer, to complete a certain amount of steps every day: Girls between the ages of six and 17 were required to walk at least 11,000 steps a day, boys between the ages of six and 17 were required to walk at least 13,000 steps a day and adults (18 and higher) were required to walk at least 8,500 steps a day.

The SCOUTStrong message, on the Boy Scouts of America website, says that SCOUTStrong is "the incorporation of active lifestyles, healthy eating, and emotional fitness into the foundation of what the BSA is ultimately about – a place for youth to get outdoors, have fun, and have the adventure of a lifetime".

## Voter Test

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voucher ticket that the voter takes to another table to get a ballot. From there, the process is the same as it has been historically. A voter fills out the paper ballot and then feeds it into the scanning system at the poll exit.

Because the state is still in a pilot evaluation phase, the paper books are still the official checklist, so after the voter turns in their voucher to get a ballot, the vouchers are collected and given to poll workers who mark them in the official checklist. Eventually, the paper checklist might not be required if the Secretary of State allows that.

Town Moderator Tom Freda was pleased with the new technology. Londonderry used a product from a company called Knowlnk, one of five com-

pany approved by the state to use during the trial period.

Freda said that no vendor has yet been fully blessed by the state because to do so would require going through 3rd party certification which costs about \$200K. In a state as small as New Hampshire the return on investment for that \$200K may not be worth it.

Last week, Freda sent the results of the test to the Secretary of State. He said that the Knowlnk system showed 2,747 voters checked-in and the same number of paper ballot were handed out to voters. He said that the ballot scanning machines counted one less at 2,746. In past elections, the counts have not always matched because some people take a ballot, but then do not end up actually voting and turning it in.

When asked about potential security con-

cerns, Freda notes that the electronic systems are not connected to the Internet. Voter rolls are pre-loaded on each tablet. The tablets are locally networked together though so that each tablet has an updated list of checked in voters during the day.

Martha Liff Smith, who worked at the election checking people in said that voters overwhelming liked the new system. She pointed out, however, that moving people through the first part of the voting process very quickly sometimes led to lines at ballot scanners at the end of the process.

Freda said that she would like to use the Knowlnk system during future elections including the presidential primaries, but that the town would need permission from the Secretary of State to do so.

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# Going Green in Londonderry: Compost Bins on Sale for Londonderry Residents

RICK DARVEAU  
SUBMISSION

The Solid Waste and Environment Committee is offering discounted compost bins and kitchen scrap pails for sale to town residents. Please reference our Committee's homepage on the Town of Londonderry website ([www.Londonderry-nh.org](http://www.Londonderry-nh.org)) in order to reserve a bin and/or pail by April 4. Just click on the Compost bin order form

link, or call the Compost Bin hotline: (603) 260-6992. The bins and pails will be ready for pick up at Town Hall at the end of May.

Composting is an age-old method that is gaining new popularity. It reduces our municipal waste stream - thereby cutting our solid waste disposal fees - by keeping garbage out of the trash bins. It produces the most beautiful compost for fertilizing your garden, naturally. In

addition, it reduces the need for garbage disposals.

Many residents in the Town of Londonderry have septic systems. Kitchen scraps can greatly increase the volume of waste that your septic system must process. The use of garbage disposals accelerates the need for septic tank flushing and septic leach field replacement, which isn't cheap. Kitchen scraps also increase the maintenance

costs for the Town's municipal sewer system.

## Composting Myths

Let's dispel any negative preconceptions about composting:

- A compost pile is smelly. That need not be the case. Kitchen scraps can easily be covered by leaf mass accumulated in the fall in an open fenced bin or tumbler unit. And for enclosed compost bins such as this offer, the cover and ventilation grilles keep odor contained. In fact if you choose to stir the compost periodically, that hastens conversion to soil and mitigates interior smells.

- A compost pile attracts "varmints." In all my years of composting the only critters that would dig through my compost pile were squirrels trying to rescue apples that I had put in the pile. An enclosed bin will attract no more than small moths and fruit flies that feed off the vegetation, and earthworms.

- Composting is complicated. There is nothing complicated about imitating nature's own way of breaking down and recycling organic material. Composting is as simple as keeping your pail of food scraps in the kitchen area and emptying it into the compost bin once a week. Believe it or not, this round compost bin (standing 33" wide x 35" tall) can easily handle a year's worth of table scraps, along with grass and leaves. It also reduces the contents of your kitchen trash can, leaving it dryer, cleaner and less smelly as well.

Note that some things should not be composted: fish & meat scraps, dairy items, sticky labels on fruit, pet waste, sawdust from treated wood, or coal ash. Also, no tea bags or coffee grounds if they are still in their bags, which may be synthetic. On the other hand, paper towels, tissues, stale bread or grains, egg shells, peanut

shells and pizza crust are all compostable.

Be sure to provide plenty of "browns", which are nothing more than leaves, pine needles, sawdust, shredded paper or cardboard, and wood chips - even dryer lint! It's best to have more browns than greens. And that's it - easy peasy.

Throughout the year, the microbes and fungus, worms and little bugs are busy shrinking your mix of nutrients into a vastly smaller mass of beautiful compost. Each spring, open up the trap door and spread your bounty of compost on your garden.

The Solid Waste and Environment Committee wholeheartedly supports home composting. So become a member of the group of humankind that cares to improve the environment. It is all about the legacy that we leave our children. And besides that, it is a fun way to produce a rich harvest of compost for your garden.

## Pinkerton Academy Hosts Spring College Fair

High school students from across Southern New Hampshire will converge at Pinkerton Academy on Thursday, April 11, for the Southern New Hampshire Spring College Fair. The fair will take place in the Pinkerton Academy Field House on By-Pass 28 in Derry from 6 to 8 p.m. All students and parents from New Hampshire high schools are welcome to attend the event free of charge.

Approximately 140 colleges and universities from across the nation will once again be represented at the fair. This number includes small liberal arts colleges, major state universities, two-year colleges, technical colleges, one-year specialty schools and career schools. United States Service and service academies, New Hampshire Higher Education Assistance Foundation and the ROTC Schol-

arship Program will also have representatives present. We will also have a table staffed by members of the New Hampshire Community College system that will answer questions about transferring from a two-year New Hampshire community college into a four-year college.

Also, back by popular demand, the school will have four breakout sessions for families who are interested in learning more about the "SAT/ACT," "How to pay for college," "College 101," "Earning Early College Credits." All sessions will be held in the Ek Science building in the Manning Lecture Hall. Space is limited to the first 70 people for each session. We hope you'll come and hear this important information! The schedule is as follows:

- College 101 - 5:30 to 6 p.m.

- Earning Early College Credits - 6 to 6:30 p.m.
- SATs & ACTs - 6:30 to 7 p.m.
- Paying for College - 7 to 7:30 p.m.

This college fair gives students a chance to talk personally with various college representatives and get detailed questions answered about the institution to which they are planning to apply. Keep in mind that it is never too early to explore the college admissions process and prudent to plan on the financing of that education. Our School Counselors will have an information table "Ask the Counselors" to help you with all of your questions.

For more information about the college fair, contact Tammy Craft in the Pinkerton Academy School Counseling Office at (603) 437-5200 ext. 1189.

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## Pool Study

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to weigh in on the study.

Since the Study committee started research and analysis last summer, they have been analyzing town pool details about other communities, construction and on-going maintenance costs (including personnel), liability issues, potential locations in town, while gauging the general interest among residents for a pool.

Lisa Drabik, Town Pool Study Committee Chair says, "Many town residents may find this final report and our committee's recommendations to the Town Council to be interesting. Our committee discussed that a community pool was included in the 2012 Town Master Plan Document, and that plan imagined an outdoor community pool next to a field house for ice hockey and indoor soccer as part of a "Town Center Recreational Village."

"We have developed a thorough analysis for the public and the Town Council to consider in alignment to the vision of the Master Plan, while being sensitive to town tax payers, who would vote on any pool or recreational expansion projects."

The Town Council will hear final report recommendations for their consideration to start a process about whether this project may or may not move forward. It is likely for this project to go through a Planning Board process, if the Town Council supports moving the project through further considerations including Town voting and budgeting. People in the community will want to understand all ramifications of the project on the town budget or to their offer opinions about having a Town pool, so they should keep track of it.

Here's background for the community to know about this project based on the study committee's research.

- Outdoor pools around the state were mostly built in the 1960's and 70's using federal grant funds which had been available at the time, and many of these pools have been repaired over the years as necessary. (NOTE: In Merrimack, the community pool was filled in after a 2001 warrant article for necessary pool repairs failed to pass).

- Outdoor pools are not heated, are generally open 10-12 weeks (typically, mid-June to end of

August) on all days of the week, and there is a fee to use the pools (whether it be a daily usage fee or season pass).

- Communities also derive income by charging swim teams and swim instructors (lessons) for use of the pool.

- The pools are open to both residents and non-residents, with different fees for each group.

- All hire lifeguards; an average estimate of annual costs for staffing and to maintain the pool: \$75,000 - \$100,000.

- The pools are generally located in an area with other amenities such as ball fields, parks, picnic areas, ice rinks, etc.

The Pool Study Committee had difficulty finding available, cost effective

space to use in the town for this project - which would include a pool, bathhouse and parking. The project would most likely also need sewer, water main, parking and a central location for the community.

Steve Cotton, Londonderry Administrative Support Coordinator did preliminary research for the committee with a look into the costs associated with putting an outdoor pool in areas noted on town maps as possible locations of the project. Cotton found the total cost would likely be in the neighborhood of \$1.2 - \$1.5 M, with the majority of the costs arising from running the necessary sewer and water lines, as well as the installation of

bathrooms and additional parking.

Here is a summary of information the pool study committee has found pertinent so far that will influence their recommendations. There is a lack of an easily "buildable" spot in Town for an outdoor public pool. An outdoor Pool would cost considerably more than a million dollars. Given our seasonal changes and weather conditions, there is a very limited duration of New England summers during which an outdoor pool could be utilized by residents. Over 1/3 of residents in the Town already have access to an outdoor pool either in their own yards or through condo/apartment com-

plexes.

There are additional interesting bits of information that the study committee has been looking at including details about the town's current recreational properties that may offer other possibilities that may be discussed in the recommendations.

The Londonderry Master Plan visualizes updates for the town's recreational facilities and given the history of the Town helping with initial development for the YMCA outdoor swimming pool years ago, perhaps the study committee can provide insights about ways to cost effectively leverage summer pool activities and even four season recreation.

## Keno Vote

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voting last year joining dozens of other N.H. communities. And Windham approved keno recently at their March 12 election.

The recount in Londonderry was handled by 9 election workers with support from 3 Town Officials including Town Clerk, Sherry Farrell and Moderator Freda, who oversees and certifies the Town's voting process.

In the recount, the hand count found a total of 2659 votes total that were cast as yes or no votes. There were 75 blank ballots found for this article, and 1345 no to keno votes plus 1314 votes to legalize keno. So, keno was voted down in the recount by 31 votes. In last week's certified election vote, voting machines used for that count found 7 more votes cast yes or no, for a total 2666 votes cast that

resulted in keno being voted down by a total of 32 votes.

Tom Freda says, "It's not untypical for voting machines to find a few more ballots, as counting by hand may also display small statistical differences. It could be that some ballots may have stuck together that did not do so in the machine count, or the human hands counting election may have sorted stacks out with slight variances. In this recount, election counters first sorted through several thousand ballots by hand to separate school ballots from town ballots. The election workers were seated at multiple tables and observed by officials as they put together vote counts in numbered stacks as per N.H. State recount guidelines."

"The fact that first offi-

cial vote tally for the keno article vs. the recount tally were separated by only 1 vote count number difference is a good statistic pointing to a recount accuracy that falls within guidelines."

Freda also pointed out that the town has been using the same voting machines for quite a few years and he's confident the machines are most accurate.

This proposed keno Article came from a citizen's petition that added a vote for a warrant Article for keno gambling operations to become legal in the town. Supporters of the Town warrant article petition included town resident Al Baldasaro, American Legion commander Bob Stuart and business owner Mike Zarella of the Stumble Inn restaurant and bar.

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# Superheros To Attend Tasting and Auction for Londonderry YMCA

MACK LEATHURBY  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

On Thursday April 4, plenty of Superheros will gather to taste great food and sample special wine and beers from various local restaurants, wineries and beverage distributors. You too can be a hero. All you will need is a \$30 ticket to the auction event that will be held at the Castleton Banquet and Conference Center, 58 Enterprise Drive, Windham, New Hampshire. The auction and tasting event that will go from 5:30 - 8 p.m.

This year, the annual auction has a superhero theme and you are invited to get into the costume of your favorite superhero, if you want to stand out as a hero at the party. The Greater Londonderry YMCA wants to pay a special tribute to all the heroes behind the scenes as well as those who are well known in the community and support YMCA efforts, charities and families.

This year's event will provide guests a chance to mingle and enjoy samples of local gourmet foods and drinks, while raising money for the Reach Our for Youth and Families Campaign. A diverse silent auction and wine pull will be held throughout the event,

highlighting items such as special trips, spa packages, signed sports gift certificates, and more. 100% of the proceeds from this event will benefit the Y's great campaign which impacts the lives of local youth and families every day.

Funds raised with this year's Reach out for Youth and Families, will provide more than \$55,000 in scholarships to ensure that every family, child and individual in our community can participate in Y programs. Your support will make the difference for families who cannot afford to pay for summer camp, after school care, swim lessons, membership and more. Last year, community support helped touch the lives of more than 700 children and families. Attendees at the event will also hear from some of those who have benefitted from the YMCA, as well as from staff and board members.

Lisa Fitzgerald who is the Executive Director for the YMCA of Greater Londonderry has been focused on support for those in our community who can benefit from the Y.

Fitzgerald says, "Last year, we were proud to provide financial assistance to over 1,000 local individuals and families. This includes subsidized

access to programs, YMCA Day Camp Pa-Gon-Ki, child care and memberships at our branch. Between financial assistance and free services, our overall contribution amounted to more than \$37,000."

"We're fortunate to have a committed advisory board and they play an important role in this event," said Ms. Fitzgerald. YMCA of Greater Londonderry advisory board members include: Nick Therrien (Chair), Ashley Larochelle, (Vice Chair), Tammy Siekmann, Kerry Lekas, Ken Gould, Dr. Kerry Houston, Debra Paul, Frank Donlan, John Visconti, Thomas Hosey, Gabriel Leon, Stacey Bruzzese, John Skevington, Andrew White, Doug Thomas, and Shari Durazano.

Jamie Demetry from Londonderry's YMCA said. "The Y has had a great impact on my life during the past year. It has helped me to focus on my health and my strength through a personal trainer, the Fit for Life exercise class, and Tai Chi. I've met new friends and staff who are warm, friendly and helpful. The Y has become a place where I can integrate my mind, body and spirit."

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Tickets to the event are just \$30 per person and can be purchased online at [www.graniteymca.org](http://www.graniteymca.org) or by contacting Ms. Fitzgerald at the YMCA 603.437.9622 or via email at [lfitzgerald@graniteymca.org](mailto:lfitzgerald@graniteymca.org). Tickets can also be purchased the night of the event, or in advance by contacting Jessica Riendeau, Director of Annual Giving, at 603.782.2804 or [jriendeau@graniteymca.org](mailto:jriendeau@graniteymca.org). Tickets can also be conveniently purchased online at [www.graniteymca.org/support/events](http://www.graniteymca.org/support/events).

The Greater Londonderry YMCA is a part of the Granite YMCA organization, which is a leading nonprofit with branches in Manchester, Goffstown, Londonderry, Portsmouth, and Rochester and supports some of New Hampshire's leading camping programs around our state.

The Granite YMCA focuses on youth development, healthy living,

family strengthening, and social responsibility. The YMCA nurtures the potential of children and teens, improves the nation's health and well-being, and gives back and supports its neighbors. Last year, YMCA of Greater Londonderry served more than 700 children, teens and adults from Greater Londonderry Area, providing more than \$55,000 in scholarship to ensure the

Y is a welcoming place for everyone in the communities they serve.

The YMCA of Greater Londonderry's Superhero tasting and benefit auction is Thursday, April 4, from 5:30 - 8 p.m. at the Castleton Banquet and Conference Center, 58 Enterprise Drive, Windham, NH. Come as a Superhero to support the YMCA community and have a great time.



**Ice Out** No, we're not talking about Lake Winnepesaukee being free of ice. However, there is another sign of spring. Londonderry Trailways officially reports that the Rail Trail is clear. There is no ice or snow left on paved surfaces. Everyone is encouraged to get out and walk or bicycle and enjoy the trail.

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# Natural Objects Make Backdrops for Artist, Tom Abruzese



Artist Tom Abruzese with Horseshoe Crab Heads

MACK LEATHURBY  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

Each month, the Londonderry Arts Council sponsors a local artist to exhibit their work at the Leach Library. March has featured the unique natural surface paintings by Londonderry artist, Tom Abruzese. This art is uniquely amazing as the artist creates a canvas typically from organic materials such as spider webs, tent caterpillar cocoons, mushrooms, tree leaves and even crab-shells.

Abruzese has always been fascinated by nature, and his style with a paint brush, along with his creative vision using natural

canvas mediums is captivating. For example, some horseshoe crab shells, he found on the shores of the Chesapeake in Maryland make perfect sense, when you see them as painted helmeted heads like Darth Vader, or a N.E. Patriot football player.

Abruzese is self-taught artist who discovered leaf art a long time ago, while doing some sketching outside. Maple leaves suspended above his head began to fall into his sketching area and that inspired him to try painting on the leaves themselves. He always enjoyed painting nature scenes until that day when he

thought, why only paint the colorful leaves around me on a canvas, when I can paint directly on the leaves. He found himself saying, "I can do that. Nothing is impossible."

That thought evolved into a love of painting artworks on natural surfaces of all kinds including maple, oak, grape leaves. Depending on the leaf size, Abruzese creates landscapes, portraits or birds most typically; he says he will also paint on traditional canvas formats too, if the idea makes sense.

His vision of using nat-

ural mediums like a leaf painting took time for him to perfect. As his style has evolved, Abruzese's brush now moves with a relaxed, graceful hand stroke; his approach is careful, as painting on a leaf requires time and patience. Part of the style requires a fast-initial process, giving Abruzese only an hour or so to get the leaf painting done before the ends of a fresh leaf start to shrivel up.

Abruzese, has a keen eye to find natural canvas objects that are unique, so he might make a special creation he envisions. He has developed his skill to paint on almost any surface including even the tiniest surfaces like a small pebble, seeds, or a textured mushroom. His eye for this art enables him to paint on a grain of rice or a seed without using a magnifying glass to see the small surface.

"And you have to stay mindful with a seed or rice grain cause if you drop it, it's likely gone and you might lose hours of work," he says.

"Every year I try to create a painting on something different. That means I look to find unique ways to create pictures with things that

might seem odd or difficult to work with. One of his current favorites is to paint on delicate wild turkey feathers, as they offer finely textured backdrops for a new work of art.

"When I come across something interesting, I like to think that I can paint on that." He is fond of painting on tiny spider webs, he might find in a dew-covered grassy area. His artwork display at the library includes a birch tree and bear painting done on a tent caterpillar cocoon, he meticulously unraveled to prepare a perfect canvas for his picture.

Abruzese says his pursuit of painting on interesting objects is also a good life lesson, "Nothing is impossible and don't rush anything, take your time and have lots of patience. I never look at the clock or think much about time, when I am focused on my artwork."

His artistry has attracted not only locals who know of him, perhaps from the Londonderry Arts Council, but also people like former N.H. Senator Kelly Ayotte and former N.H. Governor John Lynch. The Governor of New Hampshire now has an image of the Old Man of the Mountain that Abruzese created on a large sized leaf.

Abruzese has lived in New England for his whole life and in Londonderry for 26 years. He grew up on a private 100-acre homestead in Boxford, Ma. The artist reports that his life has always been heavily influenced by nature. When he

was a boy, he would spend whole days outside, mostly in the forest area around his house, checking out the living plants, rocks, ponds and animals in their natural environment. He found stones to be a big attraction and became a stone mason for most of life; he was involved in stonework projects from bridges to stone cooking ovens.

As he turned older, he replaced working with stones for work as a school custodian at Londonderry schools where his artwork was often on display thus brightening up dull school offices.

He is Vietnam Veteran, has 5 children and a wife, and his art work is now his life's passion; he loves his home and the outdoors areas around his home, where he is still so curious about nature that he has a camera rigged to follow a local coyote family that is interested in things around his home.

Check out Abruzese's wonderful artworks at the Leach Library and keep an eye open for other local artworks at the library over the coming months.

The library is located at 276 Mammoth Road in Londonderry. An artist chosen for an exhibition may display nine pieces in all, starting in the reception area and, also, in the four reading nook areas. This is a wonderful opportunity for both the artist and our community to connect. Labels are put next to the artwork, so anyone interested can contact the artist for more information.

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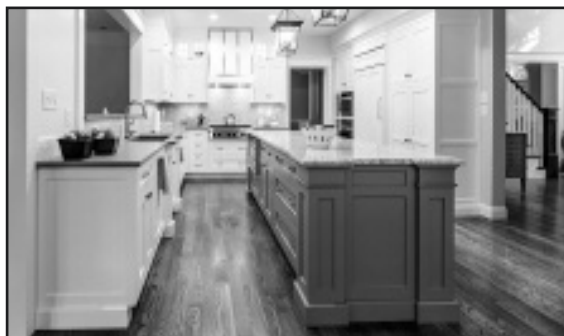
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# Peterson Sugar House Gives Tours During Maple Weekend



Ann Peterson opened the doors of her Sugar House on Peabody Row to celebrate the state's Maple Sugar Weekend. She had help from a number of community members to help give tours, boil maple sap, hand out ice cream, explain the sugaring process and sell maple syrup. Ann's husband Hank, who used to process hundreds of gallons yearly, passed away several years ago, and Ann opens the sugar house once a year.

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# LONDONDERRY SPORTS

## Londonderry Baseball Team Finalizes its 2019 Roster

IDAN VINITSKY  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The five-time Division I champion Londonderry High

School Varsity Baseball team finalized its roster for the 2019 season after tryouts were held at the Sportsplex in Bedford last

week. After the tryouts finished, the Varsity squad traveled to Connecticut for a number of scrimmages. Some of which were canceled due to bad weekend weather.

The Lancers are coming back from a 12-8 season that ended with a first round upset loss to the 11th seeded Keene High School, 10-5, after Londonderry entered the postseason with the sixth seed.

The team, whose last state title was five years ago, in 2014, when they beat rival Pinkerton Academy in the finals, is scheduled to open its new season on Wednesday, April 10, with a 4 p.m. away game at Manchester Central High School. The Lancers home opener is scheduled for April 12, at 4 p.m., against Dover.

During the opening week of the season, Londonderry will travel to Exeter, where they will face the winners of the past two years on Apr. 15,

and on May 4 they will travel to Derry for an away game at Pinkerton Academy. The season will end with a road match against Goffstown on May 24.

The Varsity roster to begin the season is, Evan Cormier (Pitcher/Outfielder, senior), Nick Cote (Pitcher/Outfielder, senior), Jack Dingman (Catcher/Utility Player, senior), Zack Luongo (Pitcher/Outfielder, senior), Reece Manor (Pitcher/Third Base, senior),

Alex Cafaro (Pitcher/Second Base, junior), Sean Cavanaugh (Pitcher/Designated Hitter/First Base, junior), Tyler Kayo (Third Base/Second Base, junior), Nolan Lincoln (Pitcher, junior), Luke Marsh (Pitcher/Outfielder/Designated Hitter, junior), Chris Tutt (Second Base/Third Base, junior), Brandon Fish (Pitcher/Third Base, sophomore), Owen MacDonnell (Pitcher/First Base, sophomore),

JV roster: Kolby Begin, Sam DiCicco, Braeden Griffin, Ryan Killelea, Gregg Lindquist, Gavin Parent, Aden Parsons, Zach Rheault, Zach Smith, Jake Holdsworth, Jack Marshall, Aidan Washington.

The Reserve Roster will have Hayden Austen, Nathan Carroll, Keith Cucinotta, Andrew Crafts, Grady Daron, Justin Dickson, Ethan Greene, Ben Martin, CJ Riel, Nathan Seibert, Adam Wholley.



Sophomore Brandon Fish will start in his second season with the Lancer Baseball squad as a pitcher and on Third Base. File photo



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# Lancer Squad Sends Two Hockey Players to All-Star Game



Londonderry senior goalie Cam Donovan

IDAN VINITSKY  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Londonderry High School's Boys' Varsity Ice Hockey team was represented by two players at the Senior All-Star Classic Division I and II game on Sunday, March 17.

Cam Donovan and Anthony Federico took the ice for Team White in the season ending exhibition game that wound up ending in a 5-5 tie after being pushed into overtime. The game was played at The Rinks at Exeter and was organized by the New England Legends of Hockey.

Londonderry goalie, Cam Donovan, started the game for Team White and had four saves, allowing only a single goal. He left the game with his team trailing 1-0 after one period and saw Team White

coming back from a three-goal deficit after two periods (5-2) and send the game into overtime, where no team was able to score the winning goal.

The second Londonderry player who played in the senior's game was Anthony Federico. The defender, who was one of the Lancers best players this season, was selected as part of the 2018-19 Division I Honorable Mention Team, as the All-State teams were announced prior to the game.

Also of note, Lancer hockey team president Laura Federico was presented with a \$500 donation from Shaw's of Londonderry last week by store manager Rich Bolduc. The donation went to the Friends of Londonderry Hockey booster club.



Lancer senior defender Anthony Federico

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# Londonderry Girls' Varsity Lacrosse Team Has Deep Roster

IDAN VINITSKY  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

Scott Walden has been coaching the Londonderry High School Girls' Varsity Lacrosse team for four years, but he enters the 2019 season with something new, something he never had so far, "Depth at each position."

Last season, the Lady Lancers won eight of their 18 regular season games, before losing a rather lopsided quarterfinals play-off game against Pinkerton Academy, 16-5. Still, Walden says, "I have great

expectations for this season". Other than the depth, says the coach, "Another aspect of this team that gets me excited for the upcoming season is that we have good speed, especially at the midfield. This group will definitely make waves in the Division I ranks this season, and I feel that for the next few years as well."

The team begins the season with a few scrimmages, Jamborees at Keene State on March 31 and at Laconia High School on April 6. The

Lancer bunch will be hosting Concord High School for the season opener on Tuesday, April 9, at 4 p.m. Only six days later, on April 15, the Lady Lancer squad will really be tested with another home game, this time against archrivals Pinkerton Academy. They are scheduled to face the Astros again on May 3. The Division I champion Bishop Guertin Cardinals will be playing in Londonderry on Apr. 18 and the regular season will conclude with an away game against the Merrimack

Tomahawks, on May 24.

The team's roster for the 2019 season will be, Sammy Leclaire, Sarah Duarte, Morgan Brutus, Hannah McCutcheon (seniors), Grace Chicko, Ciara Amerena, Chrissy Breau, Kaitlyn Bedell, Molly Norton, Lauren Dougherty (juniors), Maddy Walden, Jenna Stowell, Izzy Augusta, Rylee McGrath, Grace Holland (sophomores), Tess Brown, Abbie Whitley, Caroline Leone, Lydia Lekus, Tara Wright (freshman).



*Lancer senior Sarah Duarte will be trying to help her team get to the next level in DI Lax.*

# Cody Ball Helps Lead St. Anselm to NCAA DII Elite Eight

IDAN VINITSKY  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Saint Anselm Hawks had a special day last Tuesday, Mar. 19, as the school became only the 11th ever send both its men's and women's basketball teams to the Elite Eight round in the NCAA Division II Tournament in the same year.

While the Hawks' women team got a 63-61 win over Le Moyne in a great battle, the men's team, led by former Londonderry High School basketball star Cody Ball, was extremely dominant, beating St. Thomas Aquinas 74-49.



*Cody Ball*

The Hawks and Ball, who was voted prior to the tournament for this year's Northeast-10 All-Conference Second Team, hosted the regional tournament and were ranked first. Their first game was on Saturday, March 16, against the eighth-seeded Molloy and ended with an 81-71 victory. Ball finished the game with 16 points, shooting four for eight from three point land and had six rebounds, three steals and two blocks.

The next day, the Hawks just barely squeaked by the University of New Haven, 70-69.

Ball logged all 40 minutes for his team and led the way with another 16-point game, passing the 1,400 mark for his career with Saint Anselm. He shot only two for seven from beyond the arc this time, and had five assists and a couple of steals.

The Hawks had one day to rest and used it to give their best performance of the tournament and punched the team's

first ticket to the Elite Eight since the 1999-2000 season, after thrashing the number six seed St. Thomas Aquinas, 74-49. The local team led 39-22 after a lopsided first half and never looked back, with Ball playing 35 minutes and for the third straight game, scoring 16 points. This was Ball's 121st game for the Hawks, a new school record.

Saint Anselm traveled to Evansville, Indiana, for the Elite Eight. The team was ranked fifth out of the eight teams remaining, and faced the fourth-seeded Nova Southeastern on Wednesday, March 27 at noon. The semifinals will be played on Thursday and the National NCAA Division II final is scheduled for this Saturday, March 30.

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# Lancer Softball Team Enters New Season with Fresh Faces

IDAN VINITSKY  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

Londonderry High School finished the softball season last spring with the best Divi-

sion I record, but after finishing the regular season with a tremendous 18-1 record and entering the playoffs as the number 1 seed, the Lady Lancers

suffered a heartbreaking 4-3 semifinals loss to Spaulding High School to end their hopes at a championship.

Now, with plenty of new faces, coach Wayne MacDougall and his team are ready for the next challenge, as their new season is about to begin. "We lost a lot of talent to graduation", admits MacDougall, who held his try-outs last week at the school's gym, "But we will still return what should be a very competitive team," he added.

MacDougall, who contemplated retiring from coaching last year, only needs six more wins to get to the 300 mark in his career. All of those wins have been with the Londonderry Lancers.

MacDougall's goal for the team is "to finish at or above .500 and become a very tough out in the tournament." This will be the first time for him with three freshmen in the squad and he will only have 11 players until the beginning of May, as Miranda Galan is current-

ly sidelined with a toe injury.

The first pitch to kick off the spring season for Londonderry is scheduled to happen at Winnacunnet High School, on Monday, April 8 at 4 p.m. The team's home opener will be played two days later, against Manchester Central High. Londonderry travels to play the reigning champion Concord on April 24 and rivals Pinkerton on May 3 and will get their chance for revenge when they host Spaulding on May 10.

The regular season will end with Senior Night and a home game against Goffstown.

The Varsity 2019 roster: Olivia Chau (freshman), Noelle Dobe (freshman), Michaela Doyle (junior), Miranda Galan (senior), Jillian Glynn (junior), Gia Komst (junior, captain), Aliceyn Lacey (sophomore), Delaney McGurn (senior), Samantha Minton (freshman), Nina Perry (junior), Alivia Proulx (senior, captain), Alyssa Vaillancourt (senior).



Alivia Proulx returns to the Lancer Softball squad as a senior, captain. File photo

## Four Londonderry Kids Get Tickets to National Jump Rope Competition

IDAN VINITSKY  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The L-Town Turners, Londonderry's Competitive Jump Rope team, entered the USAJR Region 10, at Sanborn Regional High School in Kingston New Hampshire on Saturday, March 16. Four of the team's jumpers qualified for the National Tournament that will take place between June 25 and the 29 in Lake Buena Vista, Florida, at the ESPN Wide World of Sports Arena.

Londonderry's 13-year-old Rylee Dolliver had a great day and qualified in seven different events, individual or as

part of a team. She finished in third place in the Female Thirty Second Speed, second in the Female Single Rope Double Under, fourth in the Female Single Rope Speed and Female Three Minute Speed and fifth in the Female Single Rope Freestyle. She and Isabel Schickler took the fourth place in Single Rope Pairs Freestyle and the two of them, with Emma Leonard, also finished third in the Double Dutch Single Freestyle.

Killan Daron qualified for Nationals in three different events. He placed fifth in Male Single Rope Double Under, in the 13-14

age category. Daron also took fifth in Male Single Rope Speed and Male Three Minute Speed.

Other team members who competed on Satur-

day were Isley Morrison, in the female's nine-year-old age category, and Jade Lang in the female 11-year-old age group.



Rylee Dolliver and Isabel Schickler are part of the Double Dutch Speed Relay.



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# March Is Poison Prevention and Awareness Season for People and Pets

MACK LEATHURBY  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

Life is full of obstacles and we want ourselves and our families to be safe and healthy. This past week has been an awareness time marked on national calendars for us all to gain attention about poison prevention techniques. And the consideration starts by helping young kids stay out of poisoning trouble.

Sometimes young kids get into things they probably shouldn't. Here are a few tips to keep young children from finding their way into household items that could be dangerous, as well as what to do should your child accidentally ingest something harmful.

As children are growing up, they tend to learn about things by exploring. They often learn by touching many different things or sometimes by putting things into their mouths. For Example, liquid laundry detergent packets are designed to dissolve in water, so when they come in contact with little wet hands or mouths, they instantly begin to dissolve.

While we likely want to encourage our kids to explore and discover new things, we also want to keep them safe from laun-

dry or dishwasher soaps poisoning.

Here are a few tips to consider:

- Keep liquid laundry packets out of children's reach and sight.

- Keep packets in their original container and keep the container closed.

- If a child gets into them, call the Poison Help Number immediately.

Here are some more top tips to prevent poisonings:

- Store all household products, chemicals and cleaning solutions out of children's sight and reach. Young kids are often eye-level with items under kitchen and bathroom sinks, so you may want to child proof those areas.

- Read the product labels to find out what might be hazardous to kids. Dangerous household items include makeup, personal care products, plants, pesticides, lead, art supplies, alcohol, carbon monoxide and more.

Londonderry Fire Department's Lt. John Cares is also a Paramedic and he reports adults should also be mindful that prescription medicines as well as household chemicals can poison a child. Make sure all medications, including

vitamins and adult medicines, are stored out of reach and out of sight of children."

He says, "Be sure to dispose of old medicines, if they are no longer being used. A child may find something curious in a cabinet and may want to experiment with it. Anything that is a blood pressure type medicine in particular, can cause real problems for a child so adults should not leave blood pressure pills laying around their house for a child to find."

Lt. Cares says, "A key thing is to put the toll-free Poison Help Number 1-800-222-1222 into your home and cell phones. You should also post this number near your home phone and/or on your refrigerator for a babysitter to know about. Hopefully you'll never need it, but it's nice to have just in case."

It's spring, that glorious time of year when the weather warms up and local greenhouses are packed with gardening enthusiasts collecting seeds and plants for the garden or windowsill. That also means it's a season to be careful introducing plants in areas where pets hang out.

Unfortunately, a lot of

different plant families are toxic to pets. The ASPCA Poison Control hotline receives thousands of calls every year from pet owners seeking help with accidental poisoning from plants, and lawn and garden products.

The ASPCA Animal Poison Control Center (APCC) is your best resource for any animal poison-related emergency, 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. If you think your pet may have ingested a potentially poisonous substance, call (888) 426-4435. A \$65 consultation fee may be requested to be applied to your credit card.

To keep your pets safe, learn to identify plants poisonous to dogs and cats, and avoid planting them where curious pets roam. Onset signs of ingestion include vomiting, muscular tremors, shortness of breath, loss of appetite, seizures and other unhealthy conditions. The best thing to do is to watch over your pets to detect any signs they have been poisoned.

Here is a partial list of some of the flowers, herbs and plants to keep away from your dogs and cats. People may already have some of these plants in their house without

hurting their pets, though it is key to take special care to keep these from places where pets might get to them.

Some pets by nature are not too curious about certain plants and will avoid them, then again, some pets will try to eat almost anything. Awareness of plant poisoning is a good thing and consideration to keep these plants away from your pets altogether is the right answer.

Cats are dogs and other small pets can be poisoned by Aloe, Autumn Crocus, Azalea/Phododendron, Castor Oil Plant, Chamomile, Coco Mulch, Cocoa, Chrysanthemum, Cyclamen, Dahlia, English Ivy, Foxtails, Gladiolus, Hibiscus, Holly, Kalanchoe.

Also keep your pets away from Lilies (and lily family like onions), Marijuana, Milkweed, Morning Glory, Oleander, Peace Lily, Poinsettias, Pothos, Rubber Plant, Sago Palm, Schefflera, Shamrocks, Spinach, String of Pearls/Beads, Tulip/Narcissus Bulbs, Yew, Yucca.

Although this list is fairly comprehensive, it's impossible to list every organic material that might be poisonous to your pet. When in doubt, consult with your local nursery, your vet or an expert gardener, or research plants and pet poisonings online.

N.H. State Fire Marshall says, "As we begin to prepare for spring activities and schedules, I ask that you to see what you can do to ensure your home, family, visitors, pets and livestock remain safe this spring. Should you have any fire and life safety questions please do not hesitate to contact your local fire department in Derry at (603) 432-6121 or in Londonderry at (603) 432-1124 or call the NH State Fire Marshal's Office at (603)223-4289."

Thank you to the N.H. State Marshall's office and Derry/Londonderry Fire Departments for their safety awareness efforts and for the information they make available to the public about poison awareness, fire and home safety.



## TOWN OF LONDONDERRY PLANNING BOARD

The Londonderry Planning Board will hold a Public Hearing on Wednesday, April 10, 2019 at 7:00 P.M. in the Moose Hill Council Chambers, 268B Mammoth Road, Londonderry, NH to consider the following:

**Public Hearing pursuant to RSA 231:158 for removal and trimming of trees by Eversource Energy along Adams Road, a state designated scenic road**

**Application for formal review of a site plan to construct a 12,500 square foot manufacturing addition, a 900 office addition, parking lot expansion and associated site improvements, 11 Industrial Drive, Map 28 Lot 21-1, Zoned IND-II and Airport Overlay District, 11 Industrial Drive, LLC (Owner) and UNI-CAST, Inc. (Applicant)**

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# AROUND TOWN

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

## Giant Yard Sale

Londonderry Lions Giant Yard Sale is on April 27, from 8 a.m. - 2 p.m. NO EARLY BIRDS PLEASE! At the Londonderry Lions Hall, Rt. 128, 256 Mammoth Road, across from the Town Common. Donate your goods to the Lions! April 15 thru the Friday before the sale at the Londonderry Lions Shelter. Please, no large kitchen appliances, couches, skis, air conditioners, computers or TV's. Sell your own Goods by renting spaces, by call Tom in advance at 603-548-5011. Proceeds for donated goods and rented spaces to benefit: Lions Local Charities including Local Eye Care.

## Spring Is In The Air

On April 6, from 9 a.m. - noon, the Colombia Outreach Mission Team from Manchester Christian Church is sponsoring a Walk/Run Fundraiser. This event will take place at the North School Rail Trail in Londonderry. Come at any time during the event hours, and walk or run at your own pace. Enjoy the views, the fresh air, exercise and comradely. Registration is \$10 and can be completed upon arrival. Water and snacks will be provided. "All registration fees and donations will go to support the Colombia team's expenses and work while in Bogota. Colombia at the end of April. Hope to see you there.

## Free Symphony String Quartet Concert

On May 1, at 7 p.m., to commemorate the Day of Remembrance of the Holocaust and the Heroism ("Yom HaShoah Ve-Hagevurah"), Etz Hayim Synagogue, 1-1/2 Hood Road, Windham, is hosting an evening concert featuring the New Hampshire Lakes Region Symphony String Quartet. In addition to a memorial candle lighting and prayers of remem-

brance, the Quartet will present music composed by those who perished in or survived the camps: Viktor Ullman's Quartet #3, Gideon Klein's Opus 2; Simon Laks' String Quartet; and Erwin Shuloff's Stucke Fur Streichquartett. The concert is generously supported by Etz Hayim Synagogue of Derry, NH, Etz Hayim's William Einhorn Interfaith Education Fund, and the Jewish Federation of New Hampshire. Although the event is Free, we would appreciate those who plan to attend to, if possible, RSVP on Etz Hayim Synagogue's Facebook page.

## Learn About Herbs

The Rockingham Herb Society will host a talk by Maria Noel-Groves on April 4 at 7 p.m. at Stevens Hall in Chester. The talk is open to the public and free. She is a clinical herbalist, author, and owner of Wintergreen Botanicals, LLC. Her topic is: the flavor garden: growing delicious and beautiful medicinal herbs. This will be an exploration into healing plants you can grow and/or forage: their healing properties, how to grow them, specific indications for using each, and some easy recipes. Stevens Hall is at the corner of Routes 121 and 102

## Seashells in My Pocket

On Thursday, April 11, at 7 p.m. the Leach Library presents Seashells in My Pocket: Getting to Know the Seashells of the Gulf of Maine. Discusses how to identify different seashells found along the Gulf of Maine. Some displays of shells and specimens for the audience to view and invites attendees to bring their own seashells to share. 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.

## Blood Donors Needed

A Red Cross Blood Drive will be held at the Londonderry Middle School cafeteria on Saturday, March 30, from 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. Please visit <https://rcblood.org/2F-k90fj> to schedule an appointment. Drop-ins are also welcome. This blood drive is a service project sponsored by LMS 8th grader Rebecca DePasse. Your donation can help save a life. Thank you for your support!

## Book Bingo

The Leach Library's Book Bingo program will be held on Thursday, April 18, from 3:30 - 4:30 p.m. All participants will get to choose at least one book from our special selection table as a prize. At this special event, snacks and beverages will be served and there will be a raffle for fun door prizes. No registration is required.

## 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: April 1, May 15, From 6 - 7 p.m. To register to vote, one must provide: Proof of Londonderry residency Proof of citizenship (passport, birth certificate, naturalization papers) Proof of age Photo ID. Applicants for registration who possess proof of identity, age, citizenship, and domicile should bring that proof 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 qualifications for identity, age, domicile and citizenship.

## Rockin' Library Juggling Comedy Show.

This high energy program, demonstrates of a wide variety of juggling skills that produce sound and music. From Chinese

chime sticks to silver chimes, Mr. Menes will delight audience members with his dazzling feats of juggling. Filled with amazing tricks and audience participation, this performance will put a smile on audience members' faces. It will be held on Monday, April 8, from 4 - 5 p.m. at the Leach Library. This program is open to 90 participants of all ages and advance registration is required. To register, stop by the Children's Room or call 432-1127 beginning at 9 a.m. on Monday, April 1.

## National Library Week Raffle

Starting Monday, April 8 and ending on Saturday, April 13, each children's item checked out from the Leach Library will earn you a raffle ticket for a chance to win a cool book bag. Stop by the display case in the Children's Room to see what the prize looks like.

## National Library Week Craft

Starting Monday, April 8 and ending on Saturday, April 13, Leach Library patrons are invited to create their own magnetic library-themed picture frame. Stop by the Children's Room desk to pick up the supplies and create your picture frame in the library or in the comfort of your own home.

## Lions Spring dance

Spring Dance April 6, from 6 - 11 p.m. Londonderry Lions Hall, Mammoth Rd. Cost \$20 or \$35 per couple BYOB for ticket information you can call Jerry at 434-5387 All proceeds help support Lions scholarship fund and other Lions charity event in our community.

## Building Respect Among Culturally Diverse Groups

Talk With An Expert About Building Respect Among Culturally Diverse Groups on Thursday, April 4, at 7 p.m., at Etz Hayim Synagogue (1-1/2 Hood Rd., Derry) will host a discussion with James B. Farmer, Esq., entitled "Bridges: Building Respect in Diverse Groups to Enhance Sensitivity." During his 30-year career as a federal prosecutor in Boston, Farmer served, variously, as U.S. Attorney (Interim), Chief of the Criminal Division, Chief of the Organized Crime

Strike Force, and Chief of the National Security Unit ("NSU"). As NSU Chief, Farmer supervised the office's anti-terrorism efforts, including the 2013 Boston Marathon bombing investigation and trial. Throughout his tenure as NSU Chief, Farmer met regularly with Arab, Muslim, and Sikh community leaders as part of BRIDGES (Building Respect in Diverse Groups to Enhance Sensitivity), a group formed in the wake of the 9/11 attacks to facilitate quiet communication between federal, state, and local government officials in Massachusetts and the leaders of these communities, who were concerned about their communities' civil rights and felt under intense public scrutiny. Notably, Farmer was the United States Attorney (Interim) during the 9/11 attacks in 2001. Farmer will talk about both the group's challenges and its successes in maintaining vibrant lines of communication during often-trying circumstances. He will also discuss the somewhat unusual decision to have senior anti-terrorism prosecutors participate as part of this ongoing conversation. The lecture series is free and open to all. For more information, please or visit the synagogue's website at [www.etzhayim.org](http://www.etzhayim.org)

## Antiques Appraisal

The Second Annual Londonderry Antiques Appraisal Day will be held on Sunday, May 19, start gathering your finds! It was a giant success last year so we're doing it again! Bring your antiques, collectibles & family treasures to our second annual event featuring Daniel F. Reidy, appraiser/antiques dealer/auctioneer. Reidy has over 30 years of experience and is the owner of Discerning Eye, an estate appraisal and disposition planning business. Stay tuned for updates!

## Poor Houses and Town Farms

On Friday, April 5, the Chester Historical Society presents at 7 p.m. Poor Houses and Town Farms: The Hard Row for Paupers, at Stevens Hall, Chester. From its earliest settlements New Hampshire has struggled with issues surrounding the treatment of its poor. Steve Taylor was the founding executive

director of the New Hampshire Humanities Council and is a lifelong student of the state's rural culture. This is a very difficult program to get booked because of its popularity and took the historical society 2 years. For more information see [www.nhhumanities.org/events/poor-houses-and-town-farms-hard-row-paupers-17](http://www.nhhumanities.org/events/poor-houses-and-town-farms-hard-row-paupers-17),

## So You Think You Can Cook, Londonderry?

St Peter's Episcopal Church, at the corner of Mammoth Rd., and Peabody Row, will be hosting its very popular Annual Chili and Chowder Cookoff on Saturday, March 30, at the spacious church. Cooks should sign in and set up by 4:15 p.m., and Taster's Choice will be from 4:30 - 6 p.m. There will be Celebrity Judges, Pinatas, a Gift Raffle and More. St Peter's is asking \$10 for General Admission/Tasting, and \$5 for ages 10 and under. This year, half of the proceeds from the Cookoff will benefit St Peter's Community Outreach. The other half of the event's proceeds will go to Hero Pups, a NH non profit which specially trains shelter and rescue pups to serve as Companion and Service Animals to Veterans and First Responders who have been traumatized as a result of their extraordinary service. Please join us at St Peter's on March 30, at 4:30 p.m. for this outstanding event. To register, please visit [stpeterslondonderry.org](http://stpeterslondonderry.org) or call Lee at 781-801-8161.

## Easter Celebration

Join us at the at the Aviation Museum, 27 Navigator Rd., Londonderry, on the Saturday, April 13 at 11 a.m., prior to Easter weekend for a fun-filled family event. Crafts, stories, treats, outdoor activities (weather permitting) and surprises. For more information call (603) 669-4820, email [avmuseum@nh-ahs.org](mailto:avmuseum@nh-ahs.org), or visit the museum's website, [www.aviation-museumofnh.org](http://www.aviation-museumofnh.org).


## Activities

Young adults in grades 6 - 12 are invited to complete any of the activities located on the drum table in the Leach Library young adult area, starting now and ending at 8 p.m. on Saturday, March 30. For each activity completed and handed in at the circulation desk, participants will be

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## Londonderry Police Log

Selections from the Londonderry Police Logs

**Monday - March 18**  
**9:54 a.m.** Peace restored after disturbance on Harmony Drive.  
**2:50 p.m.** Services rendered to keep the peace on Orchard View Drive at GNC.  
**3:28 p.m.** Motor vehicle accident results in arrest on Hall Road. Edward Van Norman, 35, of Salem charged with Driving Under the Influence of Drugs or Liquor.  
**5:38 p.m.** Suspicious activity results in transport to hospital from Woodhenge Circle. Christopher Harkness, 37, of Londonderry charged with Involuntary Emergency Admission.

**Tuesday - March 19**  
**6:37 a.m.** Services rendered for Juvenile Offenses on Falcon Road.

**7:45 a.m.** Assisted Londonderry Fire Dept. on Fieldstone Drive  
**9:10 a.m.** Services rendered for suspicious activity at Manchester Boston Regional Airport.  
**12:20 p.m.** Services rendered for medical emergency at Manchester Boston Regional Airport.  
**6:26 p.m.** Services rendered for Weapons Offenses at Power Lines on Wiley Hill Road.  
**6:49 p.m.** Warrant served and arrest made on Charlestown Avenue. Natasha Maunsell, 33, of Salem charged with Endangering the Welfare of a Child/Incompetent.  
**7:24 p.m.** Peace Restored by four officers after Dis-

turbance on Falcon Road.

**Wednesday - March 20**  
**9:44 p.m.** Warrant served and arrest made on Plummer Street, Manchester. Zachary Emond, 30, of Manchester charged with four counts of Simple Assault.  
**12:40 p.m.** Services rendered for Domestic Disturbance on Winding Pond Road.  
**1:33 p.m.** Services rendered for Juvenile Offenses at Londonderry North School.  
**4:14 p.m.** Suspicious activity investigated on Yellowstone Drive.  
**5:34 p.m.** Domestic Disturbance investigated on Winterwood Drive.

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## Around Town

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### Lenten Fish Fry

The Knights of Columbus council 3023 of St. Thomas Aquinas in Derry, will be holding their 10th annual Lenten Fish Fry from now continuing on each Friday until April 12. We will be serving dinner from 5 to 7 p.m. at the St. Thomas Aquinas Center, 26 Crystal Avenue in Derry. Dinner includes a fried had-dock fish fillet, french fries, cole slaw, tartar sauce and a roll for \$9.50. The children's dinner includes fish sticks, or mac and cheese, with french fries for \$3.50. Take out dinners are also available. For more information contact stevelhom@aol.com.

### Renew

Renew will be open Saturday, April 13, from 8-10:30 a.m. at Calvary Bible Church, 145 Hampstead Rd,

Derry. Arrive by 10 a.m. Renew will also be open every Thursday 9-11:30 a.m., please arrive by 11 a.m. NH residents only. Renew offers free, gently-used apparel. Each household is limited to 15 of the newest items, plus a reasonable number of older items. Enter at the church marquee sign. Donations of good condition, modern clothing may be placed in the donations bin by the door at any time. No donations of money are asked or accepted. For details, search for "Renew Derry" on Facebook, email renewcalvary@gmail.com or call the church secretary at 434-1516.

### Evolve!

A group for young woman ages 13 to 18 to talk about today's challenges meets every Wednesday from 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. at the Upper Room, 36 Tsienneto, Rd. Derry. This is a free weekly group. To register, Call 437-8477 to register ext. 16.

### Transitions Young Adult Strategies

A new group where young adults can talk

about things that are challenging meets every Thursday from 6 - 7 p.m. at the Upper Room, 36 Tsienneto, Rd. Derry. This is a free weekly group. Drop ins welcome. Call 437-8477 to register ext. 24 for more information/options for dates and times.

### Vaping Deterrent Workshop

Do you know someone who is looking to give up vaping? This workshop will show teens how to break the habit and replace it with healthier options. On Thursday, April 4, from 2:30 to 4 p.m. at the Upper Room, 36 Tsienneto, Rd. Derry. Participants will gain strength by being with other people also trying to quit. This event costs \$25. Call 437-8477 to register, ext. 15. Will also be held May 2, and June 6.

### Co-Parenting Workshop

A workshop series for co-parenting after divorce or separation will be held on April 1, from 5:30 - 7 p.m., at the Upper Room, 36 Tsienneto, Road, Derry. Learn how to protect your

child's well-being by keeping the children out of the middle, allowing children to love both parents, and working on communication and recovery. This workshop costs \$50 (book included) scholarships available. Call 437-8477 to register, ext. 22.

### Teen Information for Parenting Success

A weekly support program for young parents ages 13 to 23 will meet every Wednesday, from 5 - 7 p.m. at the Upper Room, 36 Tsienneto, Rd. Derry. This is a free weekly group. Childcare available. Call 437-8477 to register, ext. 12.

### UR Parents

A weekly Resource group for parents, grandparents and caregivers raising teens meets every Thursday, from 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. at the Upper Room, 36 Tsienneto, Rd. Derry. This is a free weekly group. Drop ins welcome.

### Londonderry Early Education Program

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mation, contact Kathy Kelley at 437-5855 ext. 7223 Please email Kathy Kelley at kkelley@londonderry.org or Kim Speers at kspeers@londonderry.org.

### Women's Writing Group

Derry Women's Creative writing group meets the second and fourth Thursdays of every month at the Derry public Library at 6:30 p.m.

### Lamplighters

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

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### 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.

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### Greater Manchester Lyme Disease Support

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

### Child Find

Free Community Child Find Program for all Londonderry residents ages two half years through five years, eleven months of age who are suspected of having vision or hearing problems or developmental concerns. The Child Find Program will be held at Londonderry early education program (LEEP) Moose Hill School located at 150 Pillsbury Rd., on April 4. we encourage parents of preschoolers to set up an appointment if they have any concerns. For more information, or to schedule an appointment, call: Kathy Kelley 437-5855, ext. 7223 between 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. No Child Will Be Seen Without An Appointment.

## Police Log

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#### Thursday - March 21

**5:35 a.m.** Juvenile Offenses on High Range Road at Carousel Court results in subject being taken to family/guardian.

**8:58 a.m.** Sex Offenses investigated on Ash Street.

**10:45 a.m.** Six officers Assist Manchester Police with Arrests at 7-Eleven on Rockingham Road. Alexandra Jutanda, 21, of Hooksett charged with Driving after Revocation or Suspension; Receiving Stolen Property; Possession of Controlled/Narcotic Drugs. Ryan Brooks, 24, of Manchester charged with Driving after Revocation or Suspension.

**3:13 p.m.** Services rendered for Juvenile Offenses on Capitol Hill Drive.

#### Friday - March 22

**12 a.m.** Attempted Suicide transported to hospital on King Charles Drive. Three officers responding.

**1:10 a.m.** Warrant served and arrest made at Manchester Police Dept. Matthew Dionne, 33, of Manchester charged with Theft; and Conspiracy to Commit.

**5:47 a.m.** Arrest made at Manchester Boston Regional Airport. Russell Soulard, 32, of Nashua charged with two counts of Disorderly Conduct.

**9:32 p.m.** Three officers perform a Welfare Check which results in transportation to hospital at Wallace Farm Apartments on Bridle Path.

**1:33 p.m.** Suspicious activity investigated on Pine Street.

**1:43 p.m.** Sex Offenses investigated at Granite State Shuttle on Londonderry Road.

**4:18 p.m.** Criminal Threatening investigated on Teton Drive.

#### Saturday - March 23

**6:26 a.m.** Five officers investigate a Sudden Death on Pinyon Place.

**9:26 a.m.** Services Rendered for Auto Theft at RMZ Truck Stop on Rock-

ingham Road.

**4:25 p.m.** Four officers assisted State Police with motor vehicle accident on Route 93 north of Exit 5. Mm 16.4

**7:15 p.m.** Attempted Suicide transported to hospital from Wedgewood Drive.

**10:13 p.m.** Suspicious activity investigated on Nettie Way.

**10:16 p.m.** Suspicious activity reported on Sandstone Circle.

#### Sunday - March 24

**9:15 a.m.** Services rendered for Welfare Check at Sleep Inn on Perkins Road.

**10:11 a.m.** Motor vehicle stop results in arrest on Alexander Road at High Range Road. James Spaulding, 44, of Manchester charged with Driving After Revocation Or Suspension; Disobeying An Officer; Child Restraints Required; Speeding; and Arrested on a Warrant.

**9:08 p.m.** Suspicious activity investigated on Wimbledon Drive.



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