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Off & Running

Runners at the annual Kids Summer Fun Runs were finally able to begin the season after rains cancelled the first three weeks of the event conducted by the Greater Derry Track Club at Londonderry High School. See story on page 10. Photo by Chris Paul

Town Council Approve Grant for Scobie Pond Boat Launch

ALEX MALM
LONDONDERRY TIMES

One of the agenda items during the July 10 Town Council meeting was in regards to a grant for a boat launch at Scobie Pond.

Town Manager, Mike Malaguti, explained that

the Conservation Commission found potential funds through a grant opportunity which specifically is designated to allow upgrades for town and city owned boat launches.

“There is a grant program that requires a match of 25% from the

municipality,” Malaguti said.

Malaguti said the boat launch isn’t intended for being for boats like motor boats and instead for kayaks.

He said they received a quote for \$25,500 for an all season dock. He **continued on page 7**

Junkyard Licence Hearing Sparks Citizen Ejection

CHRIS PAUL
LONDONDERRY TIMES

During the July 10 meeting of the Town Council, the yearly process of licensing the two junkyards in town took place and as is the usual case, issues were raised by resident, Richard Bielinski Jr.

One of the license renewals was for Murray’s Auto Recycling.

Assistant Building Inspector, Brad Anderson, gave his report on Murray’s and told the council that there were times, occasionally throughout the year, when he had to remind the owner that his vehi-

cles were visible above the fence line.

Anderson also explained that the owner, Ed Dudek, told him that there were times when the shredder he uses was down during that period, which caused a backup of cars being shredded, he claimed this was the reason for the vehicles being piled up too high in the yard.

Anderson said he told Dudek to obtain a letter from the shredding company to confirm what the dates were, which he said, Dudek provided.

Town Councilor, Ron Dunn, asked if auctions

are allowed on the property, noting there was an ad in the Londonderry Times, a couple of months prior, indicating there would be an auction held at the business.

Anderson said he wasn’t aware and Town Council Chair, John Farrell, interjected there was no evidence of the auction happening in person or online.

It was also noted by Anderson that they have had complaints of auctions in the past, but never found evidence.

“I’ve had complaints about auctions happen- **continued on page 3**

67 Townhouse Units Proposed for Gilcreast Near Hannaford

ALEX MALM
LONDONDERRY TIMES

A conceptual discussion took place for a plan to build a 67-unit multi family residential project on Gilcreast Road near the entrance of Hannaford’s.

During the Wednesday night, July 12, Planning Board meeting, members heard from Tony Marcotte, who was representing the applicant, Genex Construction Group, on the idea of constructing the 67-unit multi family residential project at 50-52 Gilcreast Road.

Marcotte said that aside from Genex being

the developer of the project, they would also be in charge of managing the property themselves after the construction.

He said they were looking to build townhome style units on the two parcels.

“We’re proposing 67 two-story townhome units,” Marcotte said.

He explained that they would all be two bedrooms and under the town’s parking requirements they are required to have two parking spaces per unit, however, they would have a total of 142 parking spaces, which is eight more than required.

Marcotte said that the project is in the C-I zone and they are proposing to build three 16-unit buildings at first, which is allowed under zoning and then the rest the following year.

He said the proposal so far is for the units to be 20x40 units, which equal 1,600 square feet, **continued on page 8**

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Elected Official Arrested on Having Child Sex Abuse Images

CHRIS PAUL
LONDONDERRY TIMES

An elected official, who is a longtime member of the Londonderry community, was arrested last week for the Possession of a number of Child Sex Abuse images.

According to a press release issued by the Londonderry Police De-

partment (LPD), Timothy Siekmann, 59, of Londonderry was arrested on Thursday morning, July 13, at about 10:10 a.m.

The release stated that Londonderry Police Department detectives responded to an address on Hovey Road in an attempt to locate a subject who was wanted by the LPD for multiple



Timothy Siekmann

charges of Possession of Child Sex Abuse Images.

The arrest warrant was issued to Siekmann after several months of investigation in coordination with and assistance from the NH Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force, Portsmouth Police, and Derry Police.

Siekmann was taken

into custody without incident at his home on Hovey Road and was transported to the LPD for booking and was held without bail. Siekmann was transported to the Rockingham County Jail in Brentwood, and was arraigned via video at 1 p.m. on Friday, July 14.

Siekmann was char-

ged with 15 counts of Possession of Child Sex Abuse Images, all felonies contrary to NH RSA 649-A:3 and are punishable by up to 20-years in jail.

Siekmann has been elected to the Budget Committee a number of times and his current term is due to expire in March of 2024.

Town Council Discuss Potential Easement For Merrill Family Property

ALEX MALM
LONDONDERRY TIMES

During the July 10 Town Council meeting, the council discussed a proposal for the town to explore purchasing a conservation easement for 22 acres off of Mammoth Road, which is part of the Merrill Farm land.

It was explained by Town Manager, Mike Malaguti, that there has been a lot of discussion about the development in the north part of town

and the 22 acres was one of the remaining undeveloped areas.

Malaguti said it was recommended by the Conservation Commission that the Town Council agree to enter a purchase and sales agreement for the easement.

"Only the Town Council can authorize this transaction," Malaguti said.

He said were looking to see if the Town Council was interested in potentially entering an agreement before they negoti-

ate further.

It was explained by Malaguti that one of the benefits the Conservation Commission sees with getting the property in an easement is the fact that it connects to an existing Merrill family owned land and other conservation land.

Malaguti stated that it would also help to provide a wildlife corridor if there is an easement on it.

Malaguti noted the purchase price would

be \$150,000 and if the property isn't appraised at that price, they could leave the deal. He added that it would be paid for by Conservation Commission funds, which wouldn't impact the budget or tax rate.

A question raised by Town Councilor, Ted Combes, was what happens if the appraised price comes back higher than what they are offering.

Malaguti explained that when they enter

agreements, they make it so the town doesn't have to pay a different price if it comes back higher.

Council Chair, John Farrell, said he wanted to receive more clarification if the proposal is to buy a conservation easement or if they are looking to purchase the property.

Ken Merrill said they were looking to find out if there was an appetite for the town to negotiate with them.

"We're here because

we would like to get your opinion if we can work together to preserve this parcel," Merrill said.

The Town Council agreed to have the administration continue to negotiate a proposal, which would need to come back to the Town Council before a formal agreement could be approved.

There was no timeline given for when a formal proposal would be in front of the Town Council.

Fire Department and Recreation Get OK for Purchases

ALEX MALM
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Town Council voted on a number of different requests to withdraw funds from capital reserve accounts during the July 10 Town Council meeting.

One of the requests was for a withdrawal of funds from the Fire Department's Fire Equipment Capital Reserve Funds.

It was explained by Fire Lieutenant, Bruce

Hallowell, that they were looking to withdraw \$41,647.19 from the reserve fund in order to purchase 10 sets of firefighter gear.

Hallowell explained that the \$20,000 in their safety line of the budget would be able to account for the 10 sets of equipment they look to purchase each year, however, that isn't enough anymore, which is why they need to use

the reserve funds.

He explained that they have about 60 firefighters and each get two sets for a total of 120 sets, which is just under \$300,000 to maintain and why they look to purchase a few each year.

The Town Council approved the withdrawal.

Another withdrawal request was from the Recreation Department Capital Reserve Funds for a total of \$5,000.

Finance Director, Justin Campo, said the funds would be used for the purchase of a new lawn mower in order to mow the town's recreational fields.

He said they received four bids and would be going with a diesel motor, one from Turf Depot.

The remaining \$17,079 for the cost of the lawn mower will be coming from the operation budget.

The Town Council approved the request.

A third request was from the Cable Equipment Capital Reserve fund in order to pur-

chase cable access equipment for the school district, which the Town Council approved.

Campo explained that each year they get \$32,500 through Comcast for their cable access with \$8,000 of it being earmarked for the school district's.

"This is the school district's annual request," Campo said.

Additionally, Director of Engineering, John Trottier, was in front of the Town Council looking for a withdrawal of \$557,000 from the Roadway Maintenance Trust Funds, which was

approved.

The Town Council also accepted unanticipated funds for a number of different items, including \$965 from the rabies clinic, a donation for police department equipment for \$500, and \$1,500 for the Health Trust Wellness program for a total of \$2,965.

The Town Council also waived its first reading for a rezoning request for 556 Mammoth Road. Town Council Chair, John Farrell, announced that the public hearing would be taking place on Aug. 14.

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Town Council Approve Proposal For Pillsbury Road Pump Station

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The Town Council discussed entering an agreement with Pillsbury Realty Development, who is the developer for Woodmont Commons, to build a pump station on Pillsbury Road during the July 10 Town Council meeting.

It was explained by Town Manager, Mike Malaguti, that there is a lack of sewer capacity to build out Woodmont Commons and impacts the rest of the Route 102 corridor when it comes to development.

"It's an issue we've been trying to address for a number of years," Malaguti said.

He said when they originally approved the master plan for Woodmont Commons there was always an understanding to have more capacity it would need to be a private and municipal cooperation, which he said is in the developer's agreement.

Malaguti said that \$4 million was awarded through community project funding from Congress, and the town would allocate \$2.6 million from the sewer

enterprise fund.

As part of the agreement, Malaguti stated that the developer is bringing \$1.15 million to the project and would be responsible for paying for any excess amount over the original estimate. The total project is estimated at \$7.75 million.

"As we all know, construction projects aren't getting cheaper," Malaguti said.

Malaguti said the success of Woodmont Commons is important for the success of Londonderry as a whole.

"The success of Wood-

mont Commons is the success of the town of Londonderry and Londonderry taxpayers," Malaguti said.

He noted for example, in the tax year that ended April 1, Woodmont was at \$2.2 million for town tax revenue and \$5.1 million for the school side.

Malaguti said the funds would come from the sewer enterprise fund, which is funded through user fees and doesn't have a tax impact associated with it. He added that the funds are already available in the account.

"It's entirely funded and replenished by user fees," Malaguti said.

In addition to being beneficial to Woodmont's development, Malaguti stated that it's also critical for building out the rest of the area.

"This is consistent with the town's planning and management of our anticipated sewer capacity needs," Malaguti said.

If the project were to move forward, Malaguti noted it would require a full environmental study to be done at the federal level.

Ari Pollack, who is

the lawyer representing Pillsbury Realty for the project, said they would eventually hit a wall of having more development if they aren't able to build out the infrastructure.

In terms of the timeframe, Malaguti said they would bid out the project during the "colder months" and if all goes to plan they would likely begin construction next year, which would take about a year to complete.

The Town Council approved entering into an agreement.

Junkyard

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ing on that property," Anderson said.

Dunn said he got a report from a resident who said there was a time when a box truck was parked outside of the property, which he said he had a photo of.

Farrell noted there needs to be evidence of violations and they need to be reported in order for any enforcement actions to take place.

Bielinski tried to speak several times during the meeting and was ultimately told to leave by Farrell.

Farrell stated that there is no public comment allowed and if he tries to again, he'll ask him to leave.

Dunn then told the chairman that Bielinski had made him aware of

an RSA that would show that public comment should be allowed if complaints have been filed against the junkyard.

Farrell again stated they would not be taking public comment.

One of the concerns Bielinski was looking to raise was in regards to an enforcement document filed with the court.

He was then ushered out of the meeting by a police officer.

Town Manager, Mike Malaguti, then asked Dunn to clarify the RSA.

After Malaguti read the RSA, Farrell suggested the council take a short recess to discuss it.

Following the five-minute break, Farrell opened up public comment, but the only residents wishing to comment had already been

asked to leave.

With no other comments, member, Chad Franz, quickly motioned to approve both licences. One for Murray's and the other for S&S Metals Recycling Inc.

Before the vote, Dunn wanted clarification on complaints issued.

Malaguti said there was an enforcement document filed, but said sometimes courts misfile documents.

"The court lost it," Malaguti said.

In regard to S&S, Anderson noted that there were times throughout the year when the front of the property on Rockingham Road "needed attention to maintain compliance with licensing conditions as well as keep the aisles open in the yard for fire trucks in

the event of a fire."

Mr. Solomini addressed these issues, the front of the lot remains in compliance and the aisles have been opened," Anderson said.

Anderson said he was recommending approval for both of the license renewals.

The Town Council approved the two license renewals.

After the meeting, Bielinski shared a copy

of the RSA that was discussed during their break.

RSA 236:95 License Requirements states, in part, that "At the time of the hearing, the commissioner of transportation or his agent shall hear the applicant and all other persons wishing to be heard."

In section 236:117 of the requirements, it states, "The governing body shall hear from the

applicant and all other persons wishing to be heard on the application..."

Contacting Dudek on the question of Auctions being held at the yard, he said it's a requirement by the state in order to change the name on a title of an abandoned vehicle (RSA 262:33) to recover towing cost. "No one has ever shown up to the auctions." Dudek said.



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Editorial

Taste the Local Flavors

There's been plenty of talk lately about maintaining the "rural lifestyles" of our communities while the population density is on the rise. One of the hallmarks of a rural community and of the NH countryside local farm stands and farmers' markets is thriving in our area.

In recent years, farmers' markets have sprung up in the downtown heart of big cities. We can find them in Portsmouth and Manchester, and that's a blessing to residents who want fresh, local fruits and vegetables and either don't have enough land to grow their own or can't get into the countryside to buy them at the source.

We don't have to worry about that. Our community is close to a source indeed, they are the source in many cases and you can't get more local when it comes to food than we are.

Derry, right next door to us, has a thriving farmers market every Wednesday.

There's something particularly satisfying about residents getting together for a couple of hours a week to shop outdoors. It's not certain what you will find. Whether it be flowers, fresh breads, fruits, vegetables, homemade soaps, organic dog biscuits, maple syrup, live music and entertainment, or crafts for the kids, it has something new every week.

Meanwhile, farmers in Derry and Londonderry offer traditional farm stands as well. Their agricultural

bounty is available for residents and tourists alike every day, right at the farm where it's grown, and often with a U-pick option.

Local products and local people come together at all of these ventures, turning shopping for food into a time to visit with friends, maybe find a couple of new recipes, learn about fruits and vegetables that aren't so common, and get healthier in the process.

If you like supporting your neighbors and keeping your dollars local, then farm-stands and farmers markets are an ideal way to patronize small businesses and strengthen the local economy, cutting out the middle man in the process.

The farmstands and farmers' market shark back to the market days of past centuries, when area residents would come to town to do their weekly shopping and visit with their neighbors.

Living where we do, we don't have to reinvent the wheel to find community and good eating close to home.

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Letters

Regarding Lions Hall

To the editor,
I Just read the article on the Lion's Hall in The Londonderry Times and it really upsets me.

I have been a member since 1995, and was past president of the Loins Club and a Londonderry resident since 1986.

We the Lions dedicated our time to the Londonderry community from eye care, scholarships, to our seniors, and other charities in town.

Back in 1970 the town of Londonderry gave us the Londonderry Lions Hall to manage and take care of. Before my time, but my past members spent endless hours of their own time, putting a band-aid on an old building.

In the past 30 years my Lion Brothers and I have done the same, fixing an old building. We have spent money and sweat equity maintaining this old building. I want to thank my Londonderry Lions Past and Present for their hard work on maintaining this building and all fundraising for the town of Londonderry for the last 53 years.

Lion Motto, "We Serve, which to Lions means selfless service to others in need in our local communities."

Paul Bauer
Londonderry Lions

Why No Pickleball in Londonderry?

To the editor
I have now played twice at the new pickleball courts at Sawmill Park in Litchfield. Many people have told me

they are the finest tournament size courts in all of New Hampshire and I do not doubt that at all. Only last spring, members of the Litchfield Pickleball Association (LPA) approached the Litchfield Recreation Commission (RecCom) with hopes of outfitting the tennis court surfaces for pickleball. RecCom, like Londonderry's Recreation Department is committed to providing activities for people of all ages and abilities. There is a large number of Londonderry residents who have been members and supporters of the LPA for many years playing indoor pickleball at Talent Hall in Litchfield. RecCom initially contacted several companies for estimates to refinish the tennis courts at Sawmill Park for multi-use sports (pickleball and tennis) only to learn that the costs exceeded their budget. The reconfiguration of the tennis courts for multi-use wouldn't have any major impact on either sport. RecCom then uncovered a significant amount of funds available through impact fees (at no cost to residents or taxpayers) that potentially could be used to expand existing or adding new facilities.

RecCom, then collaborated closely with volunteer members of the LPA going through several rounds of designs and had the potential site surveyed. They considered such factors as handicap parking, wetlands issues, layout to maximize the number of courts, future considerations in the park and even optimal orientation of the courts to the sun.

After all parties agreed on a plan, they presented it to their Board of Selectmen (BOS) who approved the use of the impact fees. After seeing the survey report and the site plan a local company generously agreed to donate their services to clear the land, grade it, pave it and install the ground pad. RecCom then requested bids for the court painting, nets, fencing and signage, etc. and selected the vendors they thought would be best and the easiest to work with. Now Litchfield still has the two original tennis courts and six brand new state-of-the-art pickleball courts. This project would never have come to fruition if not for Litchfield's RecCom, LPA, and their BOS working together and the generosity of two local companies donating their time and substantial services. The six pickleball courts opened earlier in June and gives local picklers another option to consider for play.

If Litchfield can get it done, why not Londonderry?

John J. Goglia
Londonderry

Problems with ZBA

To the editor,
On June 21, the Zoning Board of Adjustment (ZBA) denied David Coscia the variance request to house a horse on their 1.5-acre property (2 acres is required) for his child with autism who would use the horse as part of his therapy. Three doctors provided written recommendations for this equine care plan. I have never met

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Letters

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the Coscia family, and have no interest or benefit from writing this letter.

I am disgusted at the ZBA for denying this variance request. A neighbor came and spoke out against this variance request which had to influence the board, citing the levels of nitrogen which could leach into the wastewater and smells that could emanate from the manure. This is why the variance was denied?

I encourage the ZBA to drive around Londonderry during business hours and see the seemingly endless landscape companies spreading fertilizer on lawns. They are spreading nitrogen which makes the lawns green. Does the ZBA have concerns about these companies contaminating our drinking water? Of course not, so why is the board taking advice from a neighbor who is who is concerned about nitrogen leaching from manure.

Second, the smell issue was brought up. The Coscia family addressed that, saying they would have a company come to the house and take care of the manure weekly. Seems like a pretty reasonable solution. Problem solved.

At at this same June 21 meeting, the same exact meeting! The Zoning Board APPROVED two other variances, one for a garage 20 feet into the

required 40 feet setback, and a second to allow an accessory dwelling 5.5 feet encroach into the 15 feet required. How does this get approved but equine therapy for a child does not? It sure seems that the Zoning Board likes to approve building variances, but not variances that could positively affect a child's life.

There is no forward or progressive thought on this board. They should all resign. Get some new blood in there. This request is a layup and they butchered it. A tax paying family came forward with a reasonable request, and you couldn't see the forest from the trees. All they do is approve builder after builder variances, and finally, before them, is a variance that affects a child, and they deny it because of nitrogen and bad odors.

Here is a reasonable solution for both parties: Approve the variance for the Coscia family for 1 year. Let the Coscia family hold up their end of the deal (cleaning up the manure, etc), and after 1 year have a second hearing for a permanent variance granted. At the point neighbor concerns can be addressed. To deny this request right from the gate seems wrong, and frankly cruel, and not following in the spirit of what your role as a ZBA board is.

Noah Herzon
Londonderry

Lancers Percussion Goes Over the Edge



The Londonderry Marching Band Friends of Music group had two people participate in the annual United Way of Greater Nashua "Over the Edge" event on Tuesday, June 27. Keith Veale, a Percussion Captain/Instructor, and percussion student, Riley Maki, both descended down the Brady Sullivan Plaza building in Manchester. The two raised \$2,200 for the Londonderry High School Winter Percussion group.

Courtesy photos

Why No Action?

To the editor
The message being sent by the Londonderry Town Council and Town Manager by not releasing a formal statement or announcement of the arrest of Timothy Siekmann is disturbing and quite contrary to prior protocol.

Londonderry Budget Committee member was

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Letter

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arrested on Thursday on 15 felony counts, accused of possessing child pornography.

Within 12-24 hours of last years Old Home Days parade a formal statement was issued regarding a WWI replica vehicle dawning a controversial flag that added itself to the parade following a particular political candidate convoy. That was also an over the weekend event.

Where is the statement? Where does the council stand on this elected individual and his child porn charges? Why is there no community information and official statement?

By choosing not to making a statement and by leaving this persons name on the town website not only does it demonstrate a double standard for how the council and town manager address incidents that impact our community, but it borders on

the appearance of bias.

The flag that was offensive to some did not put this community and our children at risk. This pedophile is.

For almost a year there has been an active investigation and this information was kept from the community while the "trustee" maintained his position. He was allowed to not only work the election in March but ran for an electable seat without disclosing this information to our community.

Fifteen Counts Of Child Abuse Pornography

Fifteen-Violent-Child-Abuse - Pornography

No action and absolute silence from the town council and town manager.

Maria Barud
Londonderry

Don't Send Clusters

To the editor,

Please contact Senators Hassan (603-622-2204) and Shaheen (603-647-7500), as well as Representatives Pappas (603-285-4300) and Kuster (603-444-7700) and urge them to stop the Biden administration from sending cluster munitions to Ukraine. These faulty, unpredictable scatter-bombs kill civilians in unconscionable numbers when they detonate as planned... and yet a significant percentage fail. These "duds" lie inert for who knows how long, only to explode and indiscriminately slaughter innocents when they are later disturbed. We know this. We know it is wrong. Cluster munitions have

been banned by treaty in over 100 countries, and even the current administration has labeled their use a war crime. Please tell our delegation that enough is enough!

Laura El-Azem
Londonderry

"Pray, hope and don't worry. Worry is useless. God is merciful and will hear your prayer." St. Padre Pio

What does MISNOMER mean?

To the editor

A great grandchild asked me, "What does MISNOMER mean"?

What better way to answer that inquiry than a visit to Webster's dictionary? MISNOMER: a name wrongly or un-

suitably applied to a person or object. I explained it as best I could. Later as I mused about my definition, the "person" that came to mind was Joe Biden. The "object" was that stumbling, bumbling, incoherent and mentally compromised.

Once again, Joe Biden. Can you think of Joe Biden as "commander in chief"?

Commander denotes strength; a Chief means a great leader. Neither of which seem appropriate for Joe Biden. MISNOMER?

Here is a great example; trying to defend Joe Biden in his attempts to defend his Son some say seems appropriate. Not an easy task. A Son dismissed from the U.S. Military for inappropriate conduct. Enters Civilian life that encompasses criminal activity. At this point a caring father might have a sit down heart to heart with his Son who seems to have gone astray. A strong father perhaps at one time, but not now Joe Biden. This is not an opportunity to be wasted. Rather than a reprimand, father joins Son and voila, a crime syndicate is formed. A true caring Son would never bring disrespect or dishonor to his family. A strong father would have ended these insults to the family. The important word in the last statement is "Strong". Once again a Misnomer for Joe Biden.

To my Democrat friends, are you better off now than you were before Joe?

Dr. Paul J Minnillo
Londonderry

OBITUARY

Paul Albert Dube



Paul Albert Dube of Hooksett, NH, was born at home in Hudson, NH, to Albert Dube and Lydia Morin Dube on Jan. 14, 1942. He passed away at Havenwood Heritage Heights in Concord, NH, on July 5 at age 81.

Paul attended Hudson public schools and the Camp Waya-Awi School in Rangely, ME. He was everlastingly grateful to Laura Sharp, an extraordinary teacher at Waya-Awi, and he treasured his long friendship with Mrs. Sharp and her family.

Paul served in the US Army from 1963 to 1966. A member of the Army Corps of Engineers, he was most proud of his participation in the building of the Freedom Highway in Thailand during his deployment there. Paul was primarily employed by two NH commercial construction firms during his working years: Ferd Corporation of Hollis and Turnstone Corporation of Milford. As a project superintendent, he was firm and exacting, but encouraging, and as a result he was respected and beloved by the men who worked on his crews. Paul was a skilled craftsman in several media, particularly in wood and masonry. He was also a thoroughly-engaged, excellent cook!

Paul and his wife, Marcye McKenzie Dube, the love of his life, shared many adventures over their 27 years together. Paul was blessed by his beloved son from a previous marriage, Shawn, who died suddenly in 2019 at age 48 due to an aneurism.

Paul had a big voice, a generous heart, and an enduring sense of humor. Adored by family and friends, he is survived by his sister, Alice Lavoie, of Londonderry and his sister, Claire Bouffard and her husband, Paul, of Concord, and by his brother, Leo and his wife, Priscilla, also of Concord. He is also survived by Shawn's widow, Myra J. Dube and his granddaughter Elizabeth Z. Dube of Orlando, FL. In addition, Paul is survived by his stepsons, William Cantwell of Merrimack and Steven Cantwell of Davenport, Florida. Paul also leaves many loving nieces and nephews. Paul was predeceased by his parents, his wife, Marcye, his son, Shawn, his sisters, Theresa Gendron and Gertrude Asselin and his brothers-in-law, Rene Gendron, George Lavoie and Roger Asselin.

There will be no calling hours. As Marcye did before him, Paul has willed his body to Tuft's Medical School. A memorial Mass is planned for 4:30 p.m. on Saturday, July 29 at Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church at 180 Loudon Rd., Concord, NH.

In Paul's memory, lend a hand, share a skill, and be there for a friend in need, as he did so willingly throughout his lifetime.

Assisting with arrangements is Phaneuf Funeral Homes and Crematorium, Manchester. To view Paul's online tribute, send condolences to his family, or for more information, visit <https://phaneuf.net>.



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Conservation Commission Review Second Woodmont Medical Complex

PAUL CONYERS
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Conservation Commission met on July 11 to discuss an updated plan for the ongoing Woodmont Commons project.

Chris Nickerson and Kevin Smith were there to give a presentation on behalf of Pillsbury Realty, the master developer for the project and its 30,000 sqft. medical facility. The company recently completed a similar, two-story complex in the same area last June.

"We've just had a tremendous response

from the Planning Board and the community, really far beyond expectations for the business that we've developed for the first site," said Nickerson. "There's an incredible need for specialty medical services that we can provide, and that's what we have in mind."

The Woodmont site is on a two-acre plot of land with 150 parking spaces at the rear of the site to meet the needs of medical office users. Utilities are already on the site, and construction should not have much impact on any sur-

rounding wetlands. Based on the local response, the building will have an all-brick aesthetic.

"It's about as clean cut as it gets," summarized Nickerson. "Hopefully, we can put a shovel in the ground this fall."

There was an objection to the proposed landscaping, which included two potential invasive plants. Nickerson expressed his willingness to swap out any problematic plants, possibly with sterile cultivars.

Nickerson promised to take all suggestions into account before making a formal submittal to the Planning Board.

Another presentation came from Earle Blatchford, Senior Project Manager of Hayner/Swanson, for a conditional use permit on behalf of Evans Family LP/CJE Nominee Trust.

"We're here for some infrastructure work in support of the warehouse being proposed at 13 Page Road," said Blatchford.

The work includes extending the sewer line to the new land, and improvements to Page Road itself, and the extension of a water vane from Manchester Water Works from Mammoth Road. These improvements will cross wetlands in the area. The sewer extensions will be designed to serve 14 Page Road in

preparation for a possible future construction project.

"Plans include a temporary wetland disturbance, and I say temporary because the intent is to have a tree cutting before removing wetland material to stockpile it, preserving the seed bank before returning the material back to what it's at now," explained Blatchford.

Other additions to the plan include a storm-

water drainage plan to meet Londonderry environmental requirements. Commission members already did a site walk.

"We were wondering if you could put a conservation restriction on a small piece of the project where the wetlands are?" asked Commission Chair, Marge Badois. She was referring to a narrow strip of land on the site unsuitable for development and hoped to see it protected.

Blatchford could not give the Commission an answer, but promised to relay all questions to the developer.

Commission members unanimously recommended approval of a conditional use permit, passing on questions to the Planning Board.

The Conservation Commission is scheduled to meet again on Tuesday, July 25, in the Moose Hill Council Chambers at 7:30 p.m.

OBITUARY

James L. Meola

James L. Meola, 62 of Derry, NH passed away peacefully Wednesday, July 12, 2023, with his brother Steve by his side. Jim was born on May 12, 1961 in Winthrop, MA. He was the eldest son of Louis and Connie (Greco) Meola. He was raised in East Boston, MA. where he later graduated from St. Dominic Savio School in 1980. After high school he lived in Revere, MA. until settling down in Londonderry, NH in 1984.

Jim started a career in the janitorial field working for the Londonderry school District. He later worked doing maintenance and janitorial work at the Double Tree by Hilton, in Manchester, NH, then he was diagnosed with Multiple Sclerosis in 2015.

Anyone that knew Jim, knew he was a fun loving, awesome person who was up beat, happy go lucky, carefree guy who always had a smile on his face. He was always up for a great time. He loved to camp, golf, go to concerts and ballgames, or just hang out listening to music. Jim will forever be remembered as a loving son, brother, uncle and caring friend to all who knew him.

He is survived by his father Louis Meola and his wife Judy of Portsmouth, NH and his mother Connie Meola of E. Boston, MA, two brothers, Steven Meola and wife Kristie of Londonderry, NH, and John Meola of MA., two sisters, Kim Meola of Londonderry, NH, and Joanna Matos and husband Jeff of Portsmouth, NH., as well as several nieces, nephews and cousins.

Calling hours well be held on Tuesday, Aug. 8, from 5 - 7 p.m., in the Peabody Funeral Home & Crematorium, 290 Mammoth Rd., Londonderry, NH. To send a condolence please visit www.peabodyfuneralhome.com

Scobie

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added that it wouldn't be required for them to take it out during the winter time.

"It doesn't require a whole lot of maintenance," Malaguti said.

Malaguti explained that they submitted the grant application and one of the requirements part of it is for the Town Council to accept it in an anticipated fashion and they agree to take care of the dock if they receive the grant and move forward with the project.

He stated that they applied for \$30,000 and the town match for the grant would come from the conservation fund.

"It doesn't have a budgetary impact," Malguti said.

One question raised

by the Town Council was about potential repairs or maintenance that may be needed.

Malaguti said he couldn't guarantee it would never cost the town any money, but they could also look at working it out with the Conservation Commission if needed.

In addition to people being able to use the boat launch to go out on the water, Conservation Commission Chair, Marge Badois, said it would also be a good place for fishing for people who can't get out on to the water, which is the case for some people who live in the area.

One concern raised by Town Councilor, Jim Butler, was in regards to more people using the parking lot for purposes other than going out on the water and is con-

cerned there will be more people using it.

Malaguti said he was aware of some of those issues from his time as prosecutor with the town.

During the public comment portion of the public hearing, Ann Chiampa asked if residents who live in the immediate area would be contacted and if there would be any other access points saying she was concerned about there being more traffic potentially.

Malaguti said there wouldn't be any other access points.

Council Chair, John Farrell, noted that it's generally hard to get there.

The Town Council ultimately accepted the unanticipated revenue during the meeting.



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Your Londonderry Representatives were there!

Londonderry also had the honor once again to have Rep. Sherman Packard elected as the Speaker of the House, a job filled with many challenges. Speaker Packard managed to maintain order and decorum with almost 400 individuals in attendance despite sometimes heated discussions.

We are proud to be Londonderry's newest members of the House that delivered a historic bipartisan budget with an unprecedented voice

vote. The Budget delivered much needed relief with absolutely no increase in existing taxes. In fact, we will become a personal tax-free state in 2025 with the elimination of the dividends and interest tax! An additional highlight, especially for Londonderry, is that we will receive \$9,000,000 for water infrastructure. These monies will enable water to be brought from the Merrimack River through Litchfield to Londonderry, the start of a long

and expensive project to bring water to all those that choose to participate. An additional win is the substantial increase in funding to public education as well as public charter schools. With available members of the workforce being a major concern in New Hampshire, the passage of the Universal Reciprocity Bill is a major improvement and will help. If one moves to New Hampshire with a profession that requires a license, that may now be trans-

ferred. Some of the focus of the Session was working to maintain the "Status Quo" thus keeping existing Laws, that work, in place.

Bills for the 2024 Session must be in place by Sept. 15, 2023. Please feel free to reach out and discuss any specific concerns you might have prior to that date so that we might assist in making them known.

With our first year done, we have a newfound respect for the complexity of the process and those that

serve. It has been an incredible experience for us this year and we look forward to continuing to serve the Town of Londonderry in the future.

We are hosting three "Meet and Greets" sessions at the Leach Library this year. Our last one for this year will be on Aug. 22, from 6-7:30 p.m. downstairs in the library meeting room. Please join us.

Rep. Ron Dunn, 781-640-1006 and Rep Kristine Perez 603-387-6230

Gilcreast Townhouses

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and for they're to be gutters and a slope roof. He added that some units would have basements, but not all of them.

Currently, the plan is to go with "earth tone colors", but he said they could change as much as they want based on recommendations from

the Heritage Commission, which they will need to go in front of when they submit their full plan.

Right now there is a vacant restaurant on the property, which they will be taking down, Mar-

cotte said.

"That would be removed," Marcotte said.

Marcotte explained that the majority of the frontage would have a landscape fence at the buffer and they may have a small patio area for each unit.

"There's plenty of green space for recreation use," Marcotte said.

As of right now, he said they aren't proposing to have a sidewalk on Gilcreast and instead they would have internal sidewalks for people to move around the complex. They would also have public water and sewer.

Based on the studies they had done, Marcotte

explained that they would have about four vehicle trips per day and one trip during peak hour traffic, for a total of about 260 cars per day.

Director of Engineering, John Trottier, said he thinks traffic is going to be a big issue and they should work with the other proposed developments in the area so they can include the future numbers.

About four vehicle trips per day and one trip during peak hour for traffic.

Planning Board member, Lynn Wiles, said he thought it would make sense to have some type of walkway to Hanaford's, saying that

people would walk over there anyways.

"I think people are just going to walk over there anyways," Wiles said.

While there were concerns expressed about the traffic situation, Marcotte said they could be allowed to have a commercial use instead.

"A commercial use would be worse," Marcotte said.

Planning Board Alternative member, Tony DeFrancesco, said he was happy about the possibility of bringing more housing to the area.

"The entire southern tier needs housing, this is a great way to do it," DeFrancesco said.

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LONDONDERRY SPORTS

Post 27 Seniors Win Three as Season Winds Down

CHRIS PAUL
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Londonderry American Legion Post 27 Senior

Baseball squad are heading into the final week of the regular season with an 11-7 record after winning three of

four games last week.

The Post 27 Seniors had two shutout victories, a 6-2 win and a close 2-1 loss in their weeklong stretch.

Londonderry began their week in Exeter, on Tuesday afternoon, where they came away with a 8-0 win over Post 32.

Owen Carey and Ryan Williams went three for four at the plate to contribute to the 13 hits and five RBIs the team tallied in the game.

Williams also had an impressive game from the mound, pitching seven innings, giving up just four hits, striking out six, and walking three batters for the win.

The first run of the game came in the second inning, when Drew Heenan crossed the plate by stealing home.

The second run came off the bat of Drew Heenan, who singled to

centerfield after Liam Stott doubled to center.

The Post 27 crew tacked on six more runs in the seventh with six singles, a walk, and an error by Exeter.

Two days later, Londonderry was out-hit 7-4 in the first game of a double-header against Coffey Post 3, in Nashua, in a close 2-1 loss at Holman Stadium.

Starting Post 27 pitcher, Kevin Rourke, had a tough day on the mound after coming off a no-hitter in the previous week. He pitched five innings, gave up seven hits and one run before handing the ball to Jayden Hamilton, who gave up the winning run on a pass ball with two outs in the sixth.

Rourke, Carey, and Hamilton were the Post 27 batters with hits, with Rourke getting two of the four hits in the game.

The Londonderry bats came to life in the



Post 27 shortstop Jayden Hamilton with the first half of a double play against Post 3.

second game of the evening, with Post 27 out-hitting Post 3, 10 to 4.

Hamilton got the win in this game, pitching

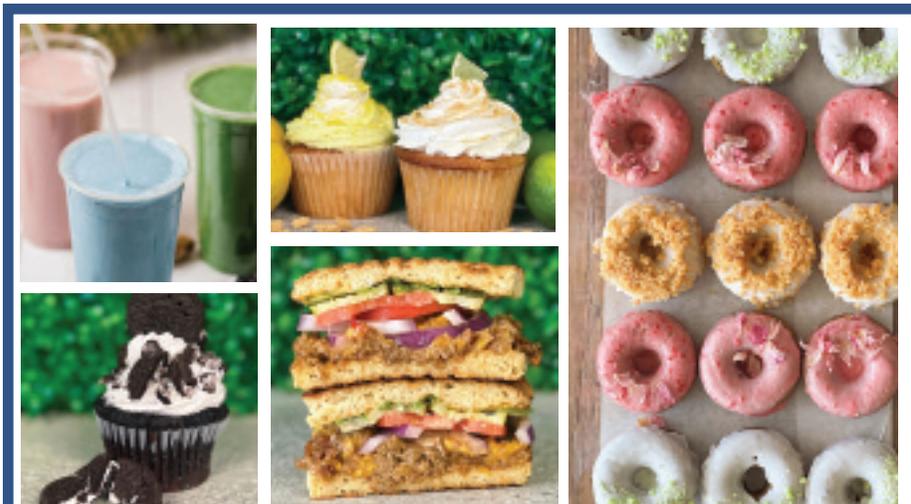
three relief innings, allowing just one hit.

Four Post 27 batters came away with two hits in the 6-2 win. Jack Mar-

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Jack Marshall had two hits, including a double in the win over Post 3. Photos by Chris Paul



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Rain Finally Holds Off for Annual Fun Runs to Begin



Runners of all ages participated in Monday's Fun Runs.



CHRIS PAUL
LONDONDERRY TIMES

After having to hold off on beginning the annual Kid's Summer Fun Runs for three weeks due to rain, the Greater Derry Track Club (GDTC) finally got a break in the weather on Monday evening, July 17, to welcome runners to the Londonderry High School track to participate in the yearly races. The first official week

of races had 288 runners register and it was announced that another week would be added to the season due to the weather cancellations.

The free races will continue each Monday night, until Aug. 7, starting at 6:30 p.m. at the LHS track.

As in previous years, races were run in several age groups from two-on-up, with the results of the 9-13 ages being

recorded for end-of-season prizes.

In the younger age groups, every participant receives a ribbon for competing.

The top three finishers in the first week of racing were:

In the boys' 9-year-old group, three Derry runners took the top three spots, Rylan Cullen was first, TJ Satusosso was second, and Joziah Jorge was third.

The girls' 9-year-old group had Sasha Solovyeva of Hudson finish in first, Audrey Pisani of Derry was second, and Ryla Zatsky of Windham took third.

The boys' 10-year-old

group had Andrew Solovyev of Hudson take first, Colin McKenna of Derry in second, and Reid Spencer of Londonderry in third.

In the girls' 10-year-old group, Calina MacGillivray of Londonderry came in first, Brooke Reiff of Windham was second, and Madeline Tveter of Derry was third.

In the boys' 11-year-old race, Nicholas Tiney, of Sandown was first, Nathan White of Derry was second, and Toby Molloy of Manchester took third.

In the girls' 11-year-old race, Meghan Mullaney finished first and Adelynn Mullaney was second.

In the boys' 12-year-

old race, Bennett MacCulloch of Londonderry was first, Jacob Tiney of Sandown finished second, and Jonathan Tveter of Derry was third.

In the girls' 12-year-old division, Isley Morrison of Londonderry was first, Emma Cyr of Londonderry came in second, and Kelsey Satusosso of Derry, finished in third.

For the boys' 13-year-old group, Mason Hernandez of Londonderry took first, Dominic

White of Derry was second, and Logan Reiff of Windham was third.

There were no girls running in the 13-year-old group.

The free series begins each week with registration starting at 6 p.m., followed by races starting at 6:30p.m. The series is scheduled to end on Aug. 7.

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*Meghan Mullaney
11-Year-Old Winner*



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11-Year-Old Winner*



*Bennett MacCulloch
12-Year-Old Winner*



*Isley Morrison
12-Year-Old Winner*



*Mason Hernandez
13-Year-Old Winner*

Former Lancers Football Coach Named for State Hall of Fame

Jeffrey T. Collins, Executive Director of the New Hampshire Inter-scholastic Athletic Association (NHIAA) recently announce the inductees of the 2023 NHIAA Hall of Fame and one of the 2023 inductees will be Coach Thomas Sawyer,

for his 27-years of work at Londonderry High School.

Sawyer coached football from 1980 until 2007 and helped win six state championships.

The NHIAA created the Hall of Fame in 2001 as a way to recognize

athletes, administrators, athletic directors, coaches, officials, and contributors for their extraordinary contributions to school based interscholastic athletic programs for NH high schools.

The NHIAA Awards

Committee selected seven individuals for induction at the Annual Hall of Fame Banquet, which will be held on Sunday, Nov. 12, 2023 at the Courtyard Marriot in Concord.

Tickets must be purchased in advance; they

will not be sold at the door. Doors will open at approximately 11:30 a.m. with a small reception. Lunch will be served at 12:45 p.m. and the induction ceremony will begin at 1:30 p.m.

The Hall of Fame inductees also include: Peter Cofran, Newfound, Contributor; Tim Haskins, Groveton, Coach; Robert 'Bin' Hood, Berlin, Official; Bruce Parsons, Plymouth, Con-

tributor; Carol Rivard, Hampton, Official; and Melinda 'Mim' Ryan, Timberlane. Coach M Anyone interested in attending the induction ceremony should contact the NHIAA at 603-228-8671 or email info@nhiaa.org to make reservations. The ticket price is \$60.00 per person. The deadline to purchase tickets is Friday, Oct. 27. Tickets will not be available at the door.

Post 27

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shall, Devin Boles, Brady Anderson, and Stott all got two hits, with one of Marshall's hits being a two-bagger in the sixth inning with bases

The final game of the week was a make-up

game from earlier in the week.

Londonderry came away with their second shutout victory of the week when they hosted Derry Post 9 on Sunday morning and came away with a 7-0 win.

The team's final regular season game was scheduled for Tuesday, July 18, at home, against

Concord Post 21.

The team's 11-7 record puts them in third place in the District B standings and they are currently the #3

seed in the upcoming tournament. Post 3 is in first place with a record of 15-2 and Portsmouth's Post 6 is in second at 15-3.

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Two Londonderry Twirlers Heading to World Championships

The countdown is on for four Red Star Twirlers from Southern New Hampshire to represent the United States in the International Baton Twirling Federation (IBTF) World Championships in Liverpool, England. The competition runs from Aug. 4, with opening ceremonies and continues to Aug. 13 with the closing ceremony. All events will be held in the M&S Bank Arena with hundreds of twirling athletes from all over the world, from Japan to Croatia, Norway to Italy. Those representing the United States had to qualify by placing top six in the elite divisions of competition at the

NBTA National Championships in 2022. They will all convene back at The University of Notre Dame on July 24 to compete again in preparation for the Worlds. The Red Star four are the only twirlers from New England to qualify. In the last year, all four, with their coaches Gina Hutchinson and KeriAnn Lynch Unger, have taken the prescribed music for each discipline and choreographed routines to capture all the elements required. The duets of Emily Cowette and Morgan Torre, both of Londonderry and Tiana Barton, Derry and Jady Vincent, Windham have worked to perfect routines to capture the



Morgan Torre and Emily Cowette will represent the United States in the International Baton Twirling Federation World Championships in Liverpool, England. Courtesy photo

Cowette, the current Purdue Golden Girl, will be back to compete for Miss College Majorette of America, where she placed third runner up against fifty two competitors in 2022. To do this, she needs to perform well in solo one baton, xstrut, which combines ballet technique with the snap of jazz to emulate the moves one uses when leading a marching band down the field. The final event of the combined requirements is a modeling routine in gown with an interview by two judges. This portion is preparation for college and career interviews as well as the Miss America Scholarship Program, in which many Red Stars have won almost a million dollars over the past thirty three years. At Worlds, Cowette also qualified to represent the United States in freestyle and three baton. Pairs partner, Morgan Torre, graduated from Suffolk University and started her summer off by winning the Miss Nashua Scholarship Pageant last weekend. She has now qualified for Miss New Hampshire, 2024. Torre was first runner up for 2023.

In addition to Pairs with Cowette, she will represent the USA in three baton. While the World Team members are working for two major competitions, five more Red Stars are also working just as hard for the Nationals at Notre Dame in two weeks. Tabitha Flattes, 15, Lennon Kate French, 8, Lyla Hill, 8, Madeline Pierce, 8, and Madison Russell, 8, are excited and ready. Coaches, Hutchinson, Lynch Unger and Ashley Tiller are polishing, timing and working the challenging tricks with the added eyes of Coaches Jessica Avelar and Alyssa McLaughlin Palmunen and assistant Patricia Calder. The Red Stars want to thank all who have donated to their trip to Worlds. As in any sport or art, National and International competition is expensive. From airfare to accommodations, and unlike the Olympic athletes, majority of funding is on these athletes. This WORLD competition is, in fact, a first step to hopefully getting baton twirling into the Olympics. It has all the elements of figure skating and gymnastics, and to be an elite baton twirler, takes proper training, coaching and hard work. As many more countries have developed elite level twirlers, the possibility exists and The Red Stars from Derry, New Hampshire are proud to be part of this opportunity.

beauty of pairs figure skating and the synchronization of ballroom dancing, all with the addition of batons. According to both coaches, each twirler needs to be as proficient with grace of body movement as she is strong and talented with her baton. As a pair, they need to connect in both routine performance and have chemistry between them. Both sets of Red Star pairs have competed in duet for most of their twirling careers, beginning at age seven or eight. Hundreds of hours have gone into preparation for Worlds, but, before they get there, three of them are headed back to the University of Notre Dame to test their skills in all areas of baton twirling. Emily

OBITUARY

Ivan Edward Bucar, Jr.



Ivan Edward Bucar, Jr., 76, of Fort Myers Florida, passed away on Thursday July 13, 2023 at his home in Londonderry NH surrounded by loved ones after fighting a courageous battle with pancreatic cancer. He was born on March 6, 1947 in McKeesport, PA, a son of the late Ivan Bucar and Dorothy (Debelak) Meridith. He had been a resident of Stoneybrook at Gateway in Fort Myers, FL for the past 17 years and in Oct. 2022 built a summer residence in Cross Farms in Londonderry. Prior to that Ivan lived for 22 years in South Berwick, ME.

He is survived by his loving wife of 27 years, Sherry Allan Bucar; two sons, Casey Allan and his wife Jocelyn from Nashua, NH and Jason Allan and his wife Cydney, from Knoxville, TN; three daughters, Liz Bucar and her partner Alexis Zubrow from Brookline, MA, Becky Bucar and her husband Kyle Railton from Lake Tahoe, CA, and Katherine Bucar and her Husband Sam Hunt from Oakland, CA; five grandchildren, Zoe Zucar, Gus Hunt Bucar, Declan Allan, Tilly Allan and Rory Allan; brother, Jeffrey Bucar and his wife Julie from Parker CO; and two sisters, Debra Bucar and her husband Dave Champa, and Patricia Shavulsky, all from NYC.

Ivan graduated from Penn State University with a BS in Chemical Engineering. He retired from General Electric after 32 years of service, where he held positions at locations throughout the US and in Brazil. His latest assignment was Manager of International Operations in Somersworth NH. Ivan's passions were golf, woodworking, playing his guitar and traveling. He and his wife Sherry spent retirement visiting countries throughout the world, many trips with Viking River Cruises. His children and grandchildren were such a source of pride, joy, and comfort to him.

Following cremation, the family will hold a private memorial service at a later date. In lieu of flowers, gifts may be made to Dana-Farber Cancer Institute to support pancreatic cancer research and patient care. To give by mail, please send a check payable to Dana-Farber Cancer Institute to: Dana-Farber Cancer Institute and the Jimmy Fund, 10 Brookline Place West, 6th Floor, Brookline, MA 02445. Please note that your gift is intended for the Hale Center for Pancreatic Cancer Research and made in memory of Ivan Bucar on the memo line. Gifts can also be made online: <http://danafarber.jimmyfund.org/goto/halecenter>.

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Historical Society Open House

The Londonderry Historical Society is pleased to announce that it will host an Open House on Sunday July 23 from 1 - 3 p.m. at 140 Pillsbury Rd. Guides will be available to show visitors the historic Morrison House, Clark Blacksmith Shop, and Parmenter Barn and answer questions about the buildings, the history of the town, and organization. Rain or shine. For more information, visit www.londonderryhistory.org or find them on Facebook, www.facebook.com/TownOfLondonderryNHHistoricalSociety/.

Battle of the Bands

Battle of the Bands will be held on Thursday Aug. 17 from 7 - 9 p.m. The con-

test will take place on the town commons and the rain location will be the HS café. It's free and open to the public to watch and participate in. If your band wants to take part in this event go to <https://sites.google.com/londonderry.org/ltownohdbattleofthebands2023/home>. Bands will consist of teenage and adult rock groups performing a wide variety of music. Friends of Music will have a food booth serving hot pizza, snacks, and cold beverages. If you have any other questions contact Serge Beaulieu" sbeaulieu@londonderry.org

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Community Story Time

Community Story Time will feature special guest readers and familiar faces from around Londonderry. Sessions will take place on Monday, July 24, and 31 at 10 a.m. Check with the children's room staff for more details. Registration is required and begins one week prior to each session. To register, visit the children's desk or call the Leach library at (603) 432-1127.

D&D: Dragoners Club

Calling all adventurers! Join a quest this summer

during one of the stand-alone weekly campaigns. Through Aug. 10, the Dragoners Club sessions will be held weekly on Thursdays from 1 - 3 p.m. in the Leach Library Meeting Room. All sessions are open to the public and intended for ages 8-18. Registration is required and opens one week before each session.

Kindness Club Ladybug Picnic

Children and caregivers are invited to bring lunch, along with a blanket to sit on, and listen to a few stories outside the Leach Library (weather permitting). Please check in at the children's desk. Sessions will be moved to the Meeting Room in the case of rain. Sessions will take place on Tuesday, July 25 at 11 a.m. Registration is required and begins one week prior to each session. To register, please visit the children's desk or call the library at (603) 432-1127.

Game Night

Bring it on during this 90-minute program. Teens and tweens will explore a variety of games on Tuesday, July 25 from 5:30 - 7 p.m. in the Leach Library Meeting Room. Challenge your friends on a PlayStation 5 or Nintendo Switch.

Try a ping-pong game with Pong 2 Go or a tabletop air hockey game. For the more traditional gamers, a variety of board games and card games will also be on hand to play. Registration is suggested and opens on Tuesday, July 18. To register, please visit the main desk or call the library at (603) 432-1132.

Library After Dark Movie Night

Are you already missing shark week? Need some more in your life? Then come on down to the Leach Library on Friday, July 28 at 6 p.m. for an after-hours showing of a 2018 shark attack movie (rated PG-13). Free pizza will be provided while supplies last. Registration is required and opens on Friday, July 21. To register, please visit the main desk or call the library at (603) 432-1132.

Magician Andrew Pinard

Magician Andrew Pinard will be at the Leach Library on Wednesday, July 26 at 4 p.m. to amaze and entertain with his show, Alejandro's Olde Tyme Magik Showe. Registration is required and begins on Wednesday, July 19. To register, please visit the children's desk or call the

library at (603) 432-1127.

Summer Tennis Camp

The Londonderry Summer Tennis Camp is currently accepting registrations for children ages 7 and up. The camps are scheduled for the week of Aug. 21-25, from 9 - 11 a.m. The cost of the camp is \$150 with early bird special pricing of \$135 if payment and registration is received by Aug. 4 for the second session. The summer camps teach the foundational skills of tennis, as well as, building on balance, coordination and speed needed for long-term athletic development. Players will be grouped by age and ability. If you have any questions or want to register your child, email Roberta Davis at londonderrytenniscamp@gmail.com for information and registration forms.

Voter Information

The Supervisors of the Voter Checklist will meet at the Town Clerk's Office to correct the checklist and register voters on Aug. 16, from 6 - 7 p.m. To register to vote, one must provide: Proof of Londonderry residency, Proof of citizenship (passport, birth

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Londonderry Police Log

Selections from the Londonderry Police Logs

Monday - July 10

3:05 a.m. Warrant served and arrest made on Millville Street in Salem. Jamie Musgrave, 43, of Salem, charged with two counts of Possession of a Controlled Drug (Sched 1-4). **6:36 a.m.** Criminal Mischief Investigated on Webb Dr

10:54 a.m. Five officers render services by for a Welfare Check on Fieldstone Drive.

11:43 a.m. Dog Bite Investigated by Animal Control on Catesby Lane.

12:43 p.m. Suspicious Activity leads to an arrest made by four officers on Wentworth Avenue. Brian Connolly, 48, of Manchester, charged on Bench Warrants.

1:10 p.m. Arrest made by eight officers during a Domestic Disturbance on Oak Drive. Michelle Sullivan, 35, of Nashua, charged with Criminal

Trespass.

4:58 p.m. Suicide Attempt/Threat transported to a hospital from Chestnut Hill Drive.

6:36 p.m. Services rendered on Symmes Drive for Criminal Threatening

9:25 p.m. Motor vehicle stop leads to an arrest made by four officers on Nashua Road at Fordway. Rosenilson Da Silveira, 25, of Manchester, charged with: Disobeying an Officer; Operating a Vehicle without a Valid License; License Required; Suspension of Vehicle Registration; and Reckless Operation.

Tuesday - July 11
12:16 a.m. Two arrest made by three officers during a Disturbance at Amazon on Green Drive. Kiely Parisey, 19, of Londonderry, charged on Bench Warrants and Anibal Mendez De La Cruz, 20, of Manchester, charged with: Second Degree

Assault - Strangulation; Domestic Violence (Criminal Threatening - Fear of Bodily Injury); Domestic Violence (Simple Assault - Physical Contact); and Domestic Violence (False Imprisonment).

8:46 a.m. Services rendered on Wyandot Circle to Keep the Peace.

2:24 p.m. Suspicious Activity investigated on Harvey Road.

5:25 p.m. Services rendered for Neighborhood Disputes on Bridle Path.

6:53 p.m. Warrant served and arrest made on Wyandot Circle. Tyler Lennon, 41, of Londonderry, charged with: Domestic Violence (Simple Assault - Physical Contact); and Criminal Mischief.

Wednesday - July 12
1:59 a.m. Services rendered for Suspicious Activity at Manchester Boston Regional Airport.

7 a.m. Suspicious Activi-

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Library Summer Hours

Leach Library summer hours are effective now through Saturday, Sept. 9. During this timeframe, the library will be open Monday through Wednesday 9 a.m. - 8 p.m., Thursday and Friday 9 a.m. - 5 p.m., and Saturday 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. Curbside service will continue to be provided dur-

ing operating hours upon request.

Summer Reading

Registration for the Leach Library Summer Reading Program continues through Thursday, Aug. 31. This year's program theme is All Together Now. All ages are welcome to participate. To register for the children's program, stop by the children's room. To register for the young adult program, visit

the library's main desk. To register for the adult program, visit any of the public desks. For more information about the Summer Reading Program, call the library at (603) 432-1132.

Maker Monday Workshop

Through Aug. 7, Maker Workshops will be offered weekly on Mondays from noon - 2 p.m. at the Leach Library. Teens and tweens are invited to stop by the

Young Adult area during the weekly workshop to explore their imagination with arts, crafts, coding, building, and more! No registration required.

Green Team Meetings

The Green Team of Londonderry meet on the fourth Monday of each month starting March 29 through Aug. 28, at the Leach Library in the lower level. Socializing begins at 6 p.m., the meeting will

begin at promptly 6:30 p.m., and will end at 7:45 pm. All welcome.

Be Kind - Do Good

The Sonshine Soup Kitchen located at 6 Crystal Ave., Derry, is seeking Volunteers age 18+ for help preparing and serving drive-through meals: Monday -Thursday, 3 - 6 p.m. For more information or if you have questions call 603.437.2833.

Police Log

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ty investigated at Manchester Boston Regional Airport.

9:44 a.m. Warrant served and arrest made by thirteen officers on Oak Drive. Ludwig Haken, 38, of Londonderry, charged with: two counts of Domestic Violence - Criminal Threats Against Person with a Deadly Weapon; Witness Tampering (Solicits Benefit); Domestic Violence - Reckless Conduct with a Deadly Weapon; Breach Of Bail Domestic Violence (Simple Assault - Physical Contact); Breach of Bail; and Arrested on two Warrants.

2:44 p.m. Medical Emergency transported to a hospital from Manchester Boston Regional Airport.

8:03 p.m. Disturbance on Capitol Hill Drive leads to an arrest made by five officers. Vanessa Swanson, 31, of Londonderry, charged with: Domestic Violence (Simple Assault - Boily Injury).

Thursday - July 13

7:43 a.m. Keeping the Peace on Capitol Hill Drive.

9:01 a.m. Assist Manchester Police Department with services at the 7-Eleven on Rockingham Road.

9:54 a.m. Warrant served and arrest made by six officers on Hovey Road. Timothy Siekmann, 60, of Londonderry, charged with 15 counts of having Possession of Child Sexual Abuse Images.

10:54 a.m. Services rendered for Larceny/Forgery/Fraud on Buckingham Drive.

3:21 p.m. Services rendered in Keeping the Peace on Capitol Hill Drive.

9:54 p.m. Services rendered for Fireworks Complaint on Hovey Road.

Friday - July 14

5:41 a.m. Welfare Check by four officers at 7-eleven Food Mart on Nashua Road results in vehicle being towed

6:28 a.m. Domestic Disturbance reported on Nashua Road at Derry town line.

8:11 a.m. Services rendered to Keep the Peace at Marks's Discount Truck & Auto Sales on Rockingham Road.

2:07 p.m. Services rendered to Keep the Peace on Wyandot Circle.

2:58 p.m. Suspicious Activity investigated at Home Depot on Nashua Road.

3:49 p.m. Shoplifting investigated at the N.H. Liquor Store on Rockingham Road.

6:14 p.m. Services rendered on Alexander Road for Neighborhood Disputes.

7:03 p.m. Larceny/Forgery/Fraud investigated at the LAFA Complex on Nelson Road.

7:26 p.m. Medical Emergency at the Manchester Boston Regional Airport.

Saturday - July 15

5:17 p.m. Services rendered for Neighborhood Disputes at Wallace Farm apartments on Bridle Path.

6:37 p.m. Disturbance on Mill Road leads to

two arrests made by four officers. Kimberly Mason, 40, of Londonderry, charged with: Domestic Violence (Simple Assault - Physical Contact); and Endangering the Welfare of a Child. Robert Zelonis, 65, of Londonderry, charged with: Six counts of Criminal Threats Against Person; and one count of Criminal Trespassing.

8:53 p.m. Fireworks Complaint reported on Black Forest Circle.

11:14 p.m. Brush Fire extinguished at the 7-Eleven on Rockingham

Road.

Sunday - July 16

12:24 a.m. Three officers investigate an Assault at The Stumble Inn on Rockingham Road.

5:09 a.m. Involuntary Emergency Admission transported to a hospital from Manchester Boston Regional Airport.

5:12 a.m. Domestic Disturbance at Manchester Boston Regional Airport leads to an arrest made by four officers. Rence Xavier Odell, 20, of Manchester, charged with Domestic Violence (Simple Assault - Physical

Contact).

6:09 a.m. Services rendered for the Violation of Protective Order at Wallace Farm apartments on Bridle Path.

1:02 p.m. Services rendered for Criminal Mischief at the 7-Eleven on Rockingham Road.

1:36 p.m. Services rendered for the Violation of a Protective Order at the Macgregor Cut Apartments on Stonehenge Road.

2:26 p.m. Suspicious Activity at Manchester Boston Regional Airport leads to an arrest.

Joseph Chaloux, 38, of Manchester charged on three Bench Warrants.

4:24 p.m. Nine officers investigate an Assault on Woodside Drive.

7:22 p.m. Peace restored after a Domestic Disturbance on Winding Pond Road.

8:22 p.m. A Disturbance on Trolley Car Lane leads to an arrest made by three officers. Taylor Lyn Alakel, 23, of Londonderry, charged with Domestic Violence (Simple Assault - Physical Contact).

OBITUARY

Martha Bowman O'Brien



Martha Bowman O'Brien, also known as Bo, 71, of Londonderry, NH, passed away Friday, July 7, 2023 at the Community Hospice House in Merrimack, NH. She was born Aug. 2, 1951 in Boston, MA, a daughter of the late Jennie (Gross) O'Brien and the late John Augustus (Gus) O'Brien. She had been a resident of Londonderry for the past year, formerly living in Derry and Kentucky.

Martha was a graduate of Reading Memorial High School in MA and Longwood College in VA where she studied fine art. She was a proud veteran of the US Army, where she served in Germany and at Vint Hill Farms Station in VA. In the 1980's, she was employed as the art director for The Washington Blade newspaper in Washington, DC. Martha was a founding member of the Spiral Wimmin's Land Trust in Kentucky, where she resided until its dissolution in 2016. She was also a Reiki Master who dedicated her later years to caring for others.

Martha is survived by her two brothers, Peter O'Brien and his wife Katherine Prudhomme O'Brien of Derry, who called Martha her best friend ever, and their children Bjarna and Aug. and brother James O'Brien of Glenburn, Maine and his children; Sean (Kierstin) and Cristin (Girish) as well as great nieces and nephews Robert, Gisele, Amelia, Esther and Aditya. Martha was predeceased by her sister-in-law, Valerie, and her great nephew, Jai. Martha was an unforgettable person who left a mark on all who knew her, she had many friends far and wide who will miss her deeply, most recently, the friends she made at the Manchester Veterans Administration Hospital.

Following cremation, the family held a small graveside Irish wake, per her wishes, at a later date to be determined. The Peabody Funeral Homes and Crematorium is assisting the family with arrangements.

OBITUARY

Alan M. Cooper



Alan M. Cooper, longtime resident of Lexington, Mass., and Londonderry passed peacefully in his home in Bedford, surrounded by his loving family on Thursday, July 13, 2023.

Alan was born on Aug. 10, 1936 and was raised in Revere, MA. He received his Bachelor's Degree from Boston State College and his Master's Degree from Northeastern University.

He was a devoted, loving husband who put his wife Marjorie above all else until the very end. They traveled the world together and made memories that will last a lifetime. They were the definition of soulmates.

Alan loved to help people, whether it be teaching his students in Lexington for 35 years which he had a love for that cannot be put into words, or spending his time volunteering at the Lawrence homeless shelter helping those who were less fortunate.

He dedicated many years of his life to playing, listening, and teaching music. He also spent many hours creating endless pieces of amazing artwork. It was something he loved to do.

He is survived by his wife of almost 58 years, Marjorie (Kesser) Cooper, one son Matthew A. Cooper and his wife Dana, one daughter, Remi Jo Witherbee and her husband James, five grandchildren, Joshua Witherbee and his wife Krista, Erika Tillis and her fiancé Nathan DiMauro, Paige Witherbee, Nate Cooper, and Addie Cooper, one brother, Harvey, and his wife Diane.

He was predeceased by two sisters, Ruth Kane Goldman and Bernice Goldfarb.

He is also survived by his best furry friend Colby and his grand-fur babies, Delilah, Tater Tot, Coach, Elsa, Gizmo, and Zeppelin.

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