



# Londonderry Times

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## Steppin' Up

Londonderry High School hosted a Step Up Day for eighth grade students last week to get them prepared for the changes they will find when they become freshmen. LHS seniors Hannah McGrath and Breda Holland handed out hotdogs at the event. See more photos page 18.

*Photo by Chris Paul*

## Attorney Questions Request for Social Security Numbers

KATHLEEN D. BAILEY  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

A routine discussion on approval of salvage yards at the June 6 Londonderry Town Council meeting turned into a discussion on privacy issues.

Patricia Panciocco, an

attorney representing S & S Metals, one of the three junkyards whose licenses were renewed, spoke to the Council about the requirement on the application to include her client's Social Security number. Councilors agreed on the need for privacy and said they would

address the issue.

The three junkyards are S&S, Map 15, Lot 66, 196 Rockingham Road; Londonderry Salvage Facility, Map 15, Lot 23, 211 Rockingham Road; and Murray's Auto Recycling, Map 15, Lot 13, 55 Hall Road.

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## Council Approves Building Permit for House on Class VI Road

KATHLEEN D. BAILEY  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Londonderry Town Council has approved a building permit for Peter and Susan Carl to build along a Class VI road.

The Council discussed the request with Town Planner Colleen Mailloux and Building Inspector Richard Canuel at the June 6 Town Council meeting. By state statute, any building permit issued for a Class VI road must be approved by the Town Council.

In addition, the owners are required to file a "notice of the limits of

municipal responsibility" at the Registry of Deeds. The notice releases the town from any responsibility for maintenance or snow plowing, or any liability. It requires residents to be responsible for maintaining access to the property, for maintenance and repair, and for transporting any school children to the nearest bus stop.

The parcel is Tax Map 17, Lot 42-A and is located at 38 Jack's Bridge Road. Jack's Bridge Road was discontinued in 2004. The sole access to the lot is via a Class VI section of Page Road.

Mailloux wrote in a June 2 memo that the Planning Board held two workshop meetings, May 4 and June 1 (see related story page 3), in order to review the request.

At the June 6 meeting, Canuel observed that "not many properties are developed along Class VI roads."

Canuel noted that in the past, applicants went before the Zoning Board of Adjustment to request a variance to build on a Class VI road, and construction was allowed to proceed after the release of municipal liability. But

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## Twenty-Eight Receive Diplomas from Londonderry Adult Education

PENNY WILLIAMS  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The 24th Londonderry School District Adult Education Commencement saw 28 earnest, enthusiastic, proud and happy young men and women receive their diplomas Thursday night, June 2 in the Londonderry High School cafeteria.

Alternative Education Director Amity Small took in the overflow crowd that reached standing room only numbers early in the evening and told the graduates' families and friends, "These graduates are a special group. The teachers are the 'backbone' of why the program is so successful but these students never gave up on their road to

their high school diploma. They are brave, passionate and bright."

Her message to them as they step off into their future was, "Don't be nervous - be excited for what's ahead of you."

Superintendent Nathan Greenberg complimented the graduates on their perseverance, pride and courage. He said they have received the skills they need and have succeeded and are ready to take the next step, and he wished them all the best and great success in whatever they chose.

School Board Chairwoman Nancy Hendricks told the graduates she was proud and honored to be taking part in their big night. She said their suc-

cess is a good example of the truth of the statement that it takes a village for the students sitting on the stage to have arrived at that moment.

"Your hard work has paid off," she told the graduates. "Your diploma is just the beginning. You have learned good study habits and have the skills to carry you forward. The door is open and your

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# Thirteen LHS Seniors Showcase Their Projects

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LONDONDERRY TIMES

Eric Mikutel wanted to see a coffee bar as part of the Londonderry High School dining options, and he made his vision come true through the school's Senior Project program. With mentor Amanda Venezia, Mikutel ordered equipment, designed the space, and "sent Ms. V 10 e-mails a day."

The coffee bar became a reality, with Mikutel working to add new menu items to the LHS options.

"And when she was out on maternity leave, I did the financials," he added.

This week is a week of cap and gown fittings, year-book signings, parties and traditions. For 13 LHS seniors, it is also the culmination of a real-world experience in which they conceived of a real-world project and saw it through to the end. Parents, friends and faculty celebrated their accomplishments Monday night at a showcase in the school cafeteria.

Abbey Sloper, assistant principal, was the emcee and guided the audience through an overview of each student's project,

before the students spoke to their efforts at display tables around the cafeteria.

The program, Sloper said, is part of the school's emphasis on being college- and career-ready. "They challenge themselves and the world around them," she said. The projects ranged from the coffee bar to a children's book to recognition of spring and winter athletes, she said.

Principal Jason Parent said the showcase is "the academic component of Senior Week. They are independent thinkers who get to showcase their creativity."

Superintendent Nathan Greenberg called the event "a fantastic way to kick off Senior Week."

He reviewed the concept, which is for students to take an area of interest for themselves, and use the skills and knowledge they've acquired through 13 years of public education. "They have the support of their family and mentors, and they take ownership of the projects," Greenberg said.

Jake Barbieri, Robert Kilgore, Spenser Kutney,

Justin Lagree and Noah Vogler created a fantasy video game in Unreal Engine Four, while David Peterson and Evan Plevinsky created a tower defense game and engine in Java. Both groups were mentored by Susan Provenzano.

Nicholas Lekas created a fund-raiser to raise money and awareness to refurbish the Londonderry Skate Park under the mentorship of Leon Guertin. Ryanna Barney, mentored by Joanne Rivet, created a brochure and overview to introduce new students to the TRANS program. Mentored by Mimi Johnson, Casey Daron wrote and illustrated a children's book.

Cameron McLeod, mentored by Casey Roop, wrote, recorded and produced an extended play CD with three songs. And Rachel Pepin planned and executed an LHS/Pinkerton Academy faculty softball game to raise funds to establish the Royce and Newcomb tri-season cup, to honor winter and spring athletes.

For many students and some teachers, Senior Project was a stretch. Pepin's mentor, English teacher Michelle Wooding, observed, "When Rachel came to ask me to be her mentor, I thought it was something about writing."



Jake Barbieri and Robert Kilgore set up the video game they created with Spenser Kutney, Noah Vogler and Justin Lagree for their senior project at the Senior Project Showcase Monday evening. Photo by Chris Paul

When Pepin said it was about sports, Wooding remembered thinking, "Then why come to me?" But it was "fantastic" to watch Pepin grow in an area outside academics, Wooding added.

"I am still in pain from that softball game," Wooding said. "Pinkerton killed us!"

But she'd like to see the game, and the trophies, become a permanent part of the LHS culture. "I invite you to come back to the game next year, and watch us not get creamed," Wooding said.

At her booth after the presentation, Pepin said she used to be a "spring athlete" and those ath-

letes got little recognition. She wanted to see something similar to the Mack Plaque, the fall rivalry between Pinkerton and Londonderry culminating in an overall champion.

It was a grassroots movement and a challenge to get the word out, Pepin said. But she would like to see the game, and the recognition, continue.

Justin Lagree and his co-creators hovered around their booth as they demonstrated their video game, "Heroes of Aetheria - Ascension." The name was a combination of inside jokes among the team and names that "sounded cool," Lagree said.

The boys began tossing around the idea in junior year, he said, and by senior project time they were ready to go. "Everyone has been impressed, so far," he said. "It looks polished, but we have a ways to go."

At Senior Project time, the boys had no plans to

publish the game, with Lagree explaining, "We're programmers, not game developers." But they'll continue to work on it over the summer, and each member can access it when they go off to college, he said.

Parent Dave Daron kept an eye on his two younger sons as he watched his son Casey interact with people over the children's book he wrote. "This is pretty amazing," Daron said. In particular, he cited the amount of time Senior Project kids put in in addition to their regular school-work.

"It's very intense, time-consuming. But they did a great job," Daron said.

Daron added, "There are amazing opportunities in this school district."

The students learned about themselves, the world and other people, with coffee bar developer Eric Mikutel observing, "The lunch ladies are really cool."



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# Request for Class VI Road Building Permit Goes to Legal Counsel

PENNY WILLIAMS  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

Last month, the Planning Board continued a request for a building permit on the historic Jack's Bridge right-of-way, to enable the board to get further information on what would have to be done for a building permit to be issued.

At the board's Wednesday, June 1 meeting, the matter returned.

The only access to the lot in question, owned by Susan and Peter Carl of Newbury, is via Page Road, a Class VI road. The issuance of a building permit can only be granted with the approval of Town Council after review and comment by the Planning Board.

At last week's meeting of the Planning Board, Town staff, in consultation with emergency services personnel, identified and presented to the Planning Board several items for discussion. Londonderry Division Chief of Fire Prevention Brian Johnson was

present to answers questions from the board. Member Giovanni Verani recused himself from the hearing because he lives in the area under discussion.

Johnson's department recommended that the access to the lot would have to be constructed to meet NFPA (National Fire Protection Association) 1141 and NFPA 1 standards, which was also the recommendation of the other town officials weighing in on the building permit.

Johnson said the roadway would require a 24-foot width, with turnarounds installed every 1,200 feet that would handle the fire department trucks. The road would have to be constructed of a hard, all-weather surface sufficient to hold the weight of a fire truck; and, the maximum slope of the road should not exceed 6 percent.

Other concerns beyond the construction of the road between the Page Road and Jack's Bridge junction to the property, which would have to be

addressed before the building permit could be issued, included having a survey by a licensed land surveyor to field locate the existing road right-of-way and to ensure that all improvements take place within the right-of-way and where that is impossible, easements be procured from existing abutting property owners.

Wetlands must be delineated by a certified wetland scientist and appropriate permits obtained, as well, and designation of liability must be developed to make the property owner responsible for any damage to town-owned vehicles and equipment and added to present language of the waiver of municipal liability that is in place as proposed by Town Council. Appropriate storm water management and erosion controls must be designed and installed per Public Works and Engineering specification as well.

The proposed home would have a Page Road address and must have a res-

idential sprinkler system.

The Planning Board added a concern about existing stone walls, asking if they are impacted, they must be repaired or replaced. And the board noted that maintenance of a newly constructed roadway is a different matter from construction of the roadway and would be the concern of the combined homeowners.

Peter Carl provided pictures of the area and expressed his concern that no one was concerned with his rights to develop property he has owned and paid taxes on for 16 years. He expressed fear that he would not be able to work

harmoniously with the present area landowners, the Verani family.

Carl said he had expected to have to improve the road from the junction of Page Road and Jack's Bridge to his property but is being asked to improve the portion of Page Road involved, something he does not consider fair.

It was later made clear by the board and Colleen Mailloux, Town Planner, that his responsibility would only be from the junction of Page Road and Jack's Bridge. Maintenance would have to be addressed with the Verani family, the board said.

Carl also questioned

how the Verani family had been allowed to build in the area without having to meet the stringent requirements he is being asked to meet. The board agreed this was a question needing an answer.

The board acknowledged his concerns and added them to those being forwarded to Town Council. Johnson said a residential sprinkler system would not be required if the road was improved according to the standards put forward.

The concerns identified and reviewed by the Planning Board will be passed on to Town legal counsel. A decision will be made by the Town Council.

## Man Faces Domestic Abuse Charges

PENNY WILLIAMS  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

Londonderry Police reported that a female caller contacted the Londonderry Police Department to lodge a charge of a domestic abuse.

The alleged victim told Dispatch on May 29 that she was assaulted by her ex-boyfriend and roommate, Daniel Leo Tremblay Jr. 56, of South Road,

Apartment 6.

Londonderry Police Detective Chris Olson said, "Tremblay was arrested after the domestic incident that took place at his apartment on May 29 at approximately 10:15 p.m. The victim was the reporting party to the crime. Tremblay is the victim's ex-boyfriend and current roommate. He is facing four charges based on

the incident. Londonderry police responded to. Londonderry police arrested Tremblay, and charged him with domestic abuse, simple assault, criminal threatening (intimidation) and criminal mischief - vandalism, and false imprisonment."

His bail was set at \$2,000 personal recognizance and he appeared at Derry District Court Tuesday morning, May 31.

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# Editorial

## Graduation Wishes

We all have defining moments in our lives that help shape our future as well as our memories. Some happen by chance, but others are an eagerly anticipated part of life. Marriage. The birth of a child. And graduation from high school.

Pinkerton Academy holds graduation June 13, and Londonderry High School's ceremonies are June 10, sending a multitude of students into the next phase of their lives. Graduation is an ending, no question, but its other name, commencement, perhaps says it better - it's a remarkable beginning.

From a parent's perspective, graduation is an in-your-face reminder of the passage of time. The trusting eyes of a newborn and the small hand held on the first day of school now belong to a young adult - likely taller than his or her parents - soon to wear a cap and gown and walk confidently across the Verizon Arena stage to accept a high school diploma.

We rarely see ourselves getting older until something momentous happens; there's no denying that hearing the name of your child announced as a member of the graduating class is one such occasion.

For the graduates themselves, this moment marks the end of "childhood." While they may never have it

so good again, the graduates are now officially on the path to building a life of their own, whether the next step involves college, work, travel, or military service. They're responsible for their own decisions and for what the rest of their life becomes.

On a small scale, that may mean preparing their own meals and getting somewhere on time. But on the grand scale, it translates to setting goals and developing a path to achieve them, then stepping out onto that path.

It's exciting - and it's serious business. The life we make for ourselves is the only one we'll have.

For both parents and students, graduation is a rite of passage - that's what all the robes and decorations and parties signify. It marks a transition - again for both student and parent - to the rest of life. Not much is more exciting - or scary - than that.

Our advice to the graduates? Consider where you want to go, literally and metaphorically, as well as where you've been. Think of what has brought you to this wonderful occasion. Be safe. Be bold. Mistakes are inevitable. But don't be afraid to take that leap into your dreams.

Congratulations to both parents and students, and the best of wishes for what lies ahead.

# Letters

## Fulfill Navy Commitment

To the editor:

A current graduate of the U.S. Naval Academy, Keenan Reynolds, requested his service time be deferred so he can play in the NFL. The Baltimore Ravens drafted him.

As a former Navy enlisted and officer, I am highly disappointed with Secretary of the Navy Ray Mabus, who submitted a request to Secretary of Defense Ashton Carter strongly recommending Reynolds' service be deferred. Carter approved the request.

The United States taxpayers paid for Reynolds' schooling at the Naval Academy along with the schooling of thousands of other Academy midship-

men. These are future officers who are expected to serve in the U.S. Navy after they graduate, and many of them make a career in our Navy. And they signed a contract.

If Reynolds' commitment can be deferred, why can't other midshipmen have their service time deferred? Why can't deferments occur for baseball players, or midshipmen who want to enter civilian graduate schools, or enter the corporate world or business world?

SECNAV and SECDEF should rethink their approval of the deferment and have Reynolds fulfill his commitment to the Navy.

Donald Moskowitz  
Londonderry

## Praise for Emergency Response

To the editor:

On Wednesday and Thursday morning my husband, Michael, had an accident at home. I had to call 911, and I just want to say that they were amazing. They came promptly and were very professional, but with a heart.

I think some recognition for the work they do is called for, so I would publicly like to thank them very much for their service.

Doreen Sica  
Londonderry

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## Police and Council Honor New Officers, Crossing Guards

KATHLEEN D. BAILEY  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Londonderry Town Council observes a moment of silence in every meeting to honor the military and first responders. At their June 6 meeting they got to see some of the recipients of their good wishes.

Police Chief Bill Hart held a promotion ceremony during the meeting and also honored school crossing guards.

With the retirement last week of Lt. Tim Jones, there was a "changing of the guard," Hart told the Council and television audience (see related story page 11). There were two reassignments, Hart said. Sgt. Nick Pinardi was reassigned to investigations along with fellow Sgt. Mark Morrison.

Three patrolmen have achieved the rank of Sergeant. Scott Balukonis

was promoted in January. Master Patrolman Keith Lee and Det. Daniel Hurlley were promoted this month and recognized in the Monday meeting.

Officer Randy Duguay was given Detective status, and Sgt. Jason Breen and Sgt. Patrick Cheetham were promoted to Lieutenant.

In his remarks, Hart noted that Breen is the first Londonderry native in a long time to assume the role of Lieutenant. "It speaks well of him and of the community," Hart said.

Several members of the Police Explorer Post were present for the ceremony, and Hart noted that Cheetham started his police career in 1996 as an Explorer.

Councilor Tom Dolan also made a point of thanking the families of the police personnel.

In addition, School Resource Officer Brad Warriner introduced the department's crossing guards. Present at the ceremony were Nancy Cooper, Catherine Heinrich, Tracy McKearney, Sue Garrity and Ron Gould.

"You don't notice them much, but they are out there," Warriner said. "They are out there every day protecting our kids - they are a second pair of eyes."

Council Chair John Farrell read a proclamation making June 6 Londonderry Crossing Guard Appreciation Day.

In other business, the Council settled on its summer schedule. Meetings will be held Mondays, June 20, July 11, and Aug. 15. The Council will resume its regular twice a month schedule in September.

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# Green Mountain Messenger Site Plan Amendments Gain Approval

PENNY WILLIAMS  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Londonderry Planning Board listened to the Green Mountain Messenger amended site plan presentation by George Fredette of SFC Engineering, and with few questions, approved the applicant's request.

The amended site plan brought to the board's Wednesday, June 1 meeting sought approval to construct a new internal accessway, construct new parking spaces, and implement associated improvements at the 57 Harvey Road location of Green Mountain Messenger.

The internal accessway at the Harvey Road property is expected to improve traffic flow around the parcel. The 24-foot access drive at the southwest corner of the site would provide improved access around the building, allowing vehicles to drive around the building to the rear loading docks more easily and safely. No

changes to the exterior of the 5,000-square-foot building on the 2.3-acre site are anticipated, and interior changes have already been effected and approved.

The biggest change will be the additional parking spaces, increasing the number to a total of 88 to accommodate both present employees and the anticipated growth of the Williston, Vt., Green Mountain Messenger company, a specialty courier and delivery service for car parts, perishable food and medical supplies.

When the conceptual plan was introduced to the Planning Board at the Dec. 9, 2015 meeting the only issue the planning board members raised concerned the 1,000 square feet of access drive that would impinge on a Conservation Overlay District.

At last week's meeting, Fredette told the board that the internal accessway will have 5,965 square feet of buffer impact - 625

square feet impervious, 5,339 square feet for grading associated with the access drive - and the Conservation Commission has reviewed this and made a favorable recommendation for a Conditional Use Permit, answering the concerns raised at the December meeting by board members. The Town officials supported approving

the Conditional Use Permit as well.

Fredette asked for two waivers in connection with his amended site plan, both of which were unanimously granted by the Planning Board after they were informed that Town officials recommended granting both waivers. The Conditional Use Permit requested by

Fredette was also recommended for approval by Town officials and was unanimously approved by the Planning Board.

The Planning Board voted unanimously to approve the site plan prepared by SFC Engineering dated April 1 to construct a new internal accessway, new parking spaces and associated site improve-

ments.

In other business June 1:  
• The board approved Tammy Siekmann's appointment to the Master Plan Implementation Advisory Committee.

Temporary Associate Town Planner Laura Gandia said the committee hasn't met recently because its nine slots have not all been filled.

## Class of 2016 Graduation Week Activities

KATHLEEN D. BAILEY  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Londonderry High School Class of 2016 will turn their tassels in a graduation ceremony Friday, June 10, at 7 p.m. in the Verizon Wireless Arena, Manchester.

Students are request-

ed to arrive at 6 p.m. There is no reserved seating and tickets are not necessary.

Other graduation week activities include:

- Academic award ceremony for all grades Thursday, June 9, at 10:30 a.m., high school gym;
- Baccalaureate serv-

ice Thursday, June 9, at 7 p.m. in the Capitol Center for the Arts, Concord;

- Senior Breakfasts at their former elementary schools, Friday, June 10, beginning at 8 a.m. Matthew Thornton alumni should walk over and back from LHS; South School and North School

alumni should take a shuttle bus leaving at 7:45 a.m.

• Graduation practice will follow the breakfasts at 9:45 a.m.

For more information on senior activities, parents can e-mail hlafor-e@londonderry.org or atebbetts@londonderry.org.



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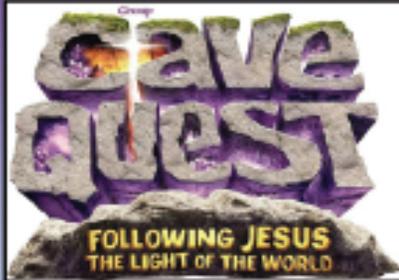
# Kids' Purchases Help With Teen Safety



The money raised at this year's annual Toy Swap hosted by the Londonderry Women's Club benefited Community Alliance for Teen Safety (CATS) in Derry. Hundreds of toys were on sale, with something for everyone. Jack Pope checks out some action figures; Natlie Quiken shops for some bigger toys; and Weston and Brady Marden test drive a motorized four-wheeler.

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## Graduation

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possibilities are endless. What matters most is that you finished this program. As you move forward in whatever you decide to do, do it with purpose and do it well."

She urged the graduates to remain motivated and to march to their own drum. "Dream big," she said, "because if you can dream it, you can do it, so take risks and go meet the world with open arms."

Alan LaBranche, one of the Adult Education teachers, called the class "absolutely amazing" and a "special class." "They came to class with enthusiasm, bringing strong opinions and a desire to learn, and they developed a plan and they will succeed," he said.

Shannon Burne, another Adult Education teacher, said she was happy to celebrate this group of students. "Make good choices that everyone can see," she told them, and

urged them to pay attention because now they are in charge.

Adult Education teacher Edward Burgess presented a scholarship course voucher to New Hampshire Community College to Rebecca Carignan.

Two student speakers, Emily Love and Sean Merrill, also addressed their peers and the audience.

Love said she was finally at the end and was more than ready to begin making a life for herself. She thanked the teachers

and staff and her family for being there for her. "Thanks to all of you who've believed in me. That is why I'm here tonight," she said.

Merrill said school had been a challenge - just getting to school was difficult, but he said his grandmother had encouraged him to do what he needed to do to become a nurse anesthetist, so he had entered the program.

"Successful is to have the love of family and friends," he said.

Love, 16, said before the ceremony that the Adult Education program was awesome. She said she was ready to get out of high school and away from all of its distractions and get on with her life.

"I took my SATs and am waiting for my scores but I plan to go to college and am thinking about physical or occupational therapy," she said. "I don't want to take a year off, I am ready now. Going through the program was



The graduates of the Londonderry School District 2016 Adult Education class are pictured on the high school steps just before they headed to the stage to receive their diplomas. Photo by Penny Williams

amazing and super fun, and was much better than regular high school."

Merrill, 18, said of the program, "the teachers and staff are all so attentive and take a personal interest in us. They're awesome. But I am ready to get on to bigger and

better things."

Graduate Mike Kelly, 18, said of the program, "it gives kids an opportunity if they struggle with regular high school because of disability or other issues and it works for them. The caring and attentive teachers make it like family."

## Delivery of Town's New Recycling Carts Begins Monday Morning

LESLIE O'DONNELL  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

Londonderry residents should be on the alert for something new at their curb.

Starting Monday, June 13 and continuing for about two weeks, vendor Schaefer Systems International, Inc., will be delivering new recycling carts to each residence in Londonderry, explained Janusz Czyzowski, Londonderry Director of Public Works and Engineering.

Czyzowski said each cart will have an information brochure and recycling

schedule to inform residents about the Town's new automated bi-weekly recycling program, which begins July 1. Starting on that date, recycling will be picked up every other week. Garbage pick-up will continue to take place weekly.

Czyzowski said the deliveries will begin around 7 a.m. and continue each weekday to 4 or 5 p.m. for two weeks. The recycling carts will be left at the curb, and residents are urged to bring them up to their homes and read the enclosed brochure and schedule. The new carts are not to be used until July 1.

The new recycling cart is 96 gallons in size. Residents who have requested smaller recycling carts will receive a 35-gallon container.

Each blue recycling cart will have either a blue cover or a gray cover to designate the recycling collection week.

A brochure and recycling schedule information can also be found at the Town Web site at [www.londonderry.org](http://www.londonderry.org).

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# Woodworking Students Create Quality Pieces While Learning Life Skills

PENNY WILLIAMS  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

Tom Ciccarello has been teaching woodworking at Londonderry High School since the school opened in 1978, and the objects his students produce are amazingly professional. This year's Advanced Woodworking students' projects were on display in the school's lobby last week for staff, students and visitors to admire.

The furniture the woodworking students produce frequently elicits comments from viewers that "students made these?" But Ciccarello

teaches much more than how talented, interested and hardworking students can create beautiful wood products. He teaches life lessons as well, with students learning how to problem solve, and how to hit a wall and step back and figure out what went wrong and fix it. These skills are applicable in whatever profession students pursue, he pointed out.

The majority of the students Ciccarello sees won't wind up in the woodworking field, he said, but the lessons learned in his class will make them better at what they do because they will understand how things

go together.

Ciccarello said he received a letter from a student he had 20 years before who was not very good at woodworking and had gone into an entirely different field. He wrote to his former teacher to tell him how much he had learned in his woodworking class.

"Most important, he told me that I always told him to take one step at a time and this became his mantra that he used throughout his whole life in dealing with every issue he hit," Ciccarello said. "These kids in these classes learn to deal with setbacks and how to solve their problems and how to be able to move on, and this is an important life lesson."

"I feel fortunate that the Londonderry school system supports woodworking because it allows these kids to walk away with a knowledge of things and skills I think they should have to move forward with their lives," he said. "These skills will help them in life when they need to solve problems and when they need to make repairs because they get a knowledge of the direct use of tools as well as how to use critical thinking."

Ciccarello sets the bar high because the tougher the project he proposes for his students, the harder



Londonderry woodworking students pose with their projects, which were on display at the school recently. Courtesy photo

they will strive to achieve it.

Yuly Cabeza, a senior headed to the University of Alabama in Huntsville to study engineering, said she had thoroughly enjoyed woodworking class. She took woodworking as a freshman and liked it enough to come back as a senior and take the advanced course.

"I made a small table freshman year but this year I know how to use the tools, where they are and which ones to use," she said. "Having taken woodworking as a freshman made this year easier because you have a sense of what to do, how to do it and have developed the skill. Making this coffee table was something I

wanted to do."

Cabeza said she wanted a project that could be put into the new home her family is going to have. "I wanted my project to be there for my parents while I am away at college," she said.

The hardest part was getting the spindles done, she said. Using the saw meant her fingers were very near the blade, which she said was scary, but they all needed to be cut the same size and square. The most fun part of the project was finishing the top and shelf. "It was cool to do that," she said.

Sean Psaledas said it took him a year and a half to complete his project, a cherry gate leg table. He said he had made one out of mahogany but the cherry table took the longest.

"I hand-turned all the legs," he said. "There were

a lot of little pieces but it looked cool when finished."

Getting the legs matched perfectly and being hand-turned was the hardest part and took the longest to do, he said. He was in the Advanced Woodworking class during his junior year and woodworking in his sophomore year and enjoyed each of the classes.

"I really like doing this," he said. "I might try and pick up an extra class in this while I am in college."

He is headed to the University of New Hampshire and wanted his table for his mom so she would have it while he was away at college.

"It took all of last year to get this done and one semester this year, but it was cool doing it," he said.

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# Londonderry University Level DI Team Earns Second at Globals

PENNY WILLIAMS  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

Team Manager Eric Melanson expressed pride in the second-place finish in the Close Encounters category won by the Londonderry University Destination Imagination (LUDI) team at Global finals in Knoxville, Tenn.

The LUDI team has two members, Katherine Lasocki and Lorrin Melanson. Lasocki, 20, is a junior at the University of Wisconsin, Madison and Lorrin Melanson, 21, is a junior at American University in Washington, D.C.

"Lorrin and Katherine started D.I. in second grade at North Elementary School after watching their older siblings compete, win and travel to Global Finals back in 2002," Eric Melanson said. "Their first team had eight members, which became a competitive team



Londonderry residents Katherine Lasocki and Lorrin Melanson won second place in the Destination Imagination Globals with their college level team.

of seven members for third through 11th grades. The team then changed their name to 'Then There Were Six' when one member graduated early.

"The team had grown very close over the years and had a great time competing, including trips to Global Finals in 2010, 2012 and 2013, their senior year, where they finished sixth in the world," he said. "The

team spoke of competing at the university level as seniors, but earlier this year decided their senior year would be too busy and this would be the year to compete."

The team shrank to just two members because one team member was studying abroad, two received internships and the other had another commitment.

Called the LUDI-cris

team, the two competed in the improvisational challenge. Melanson said the girls researched 12 confined spaces and had 4 minutes to present a skit that had their research, a tournament supplied headline and a mysterious character. In the second part of their challenge, the team was presented with a logic puzzle and five minutes to develop the best solution.

"On the 'Instant Challenge' portion of the tournament, the team finished first, which gave them an overall second-place finish," he said.

After Instant Challenge at Globals, there is a stage for teams to present a "Ta-Da" moment and have pictures taken.

"Lorrin and Katherine brought the audience to tears by telling how they had been team members from second through twelfth grade and now, as competing college juniors, wanted to dedicate their 'Ta-Da' to their manager, Eric, to thank him for managing them throughout the years," he said. "Both young ladies spoke to people all week about being a long distance college team,

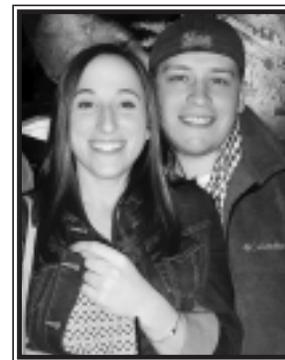
and had many of the younger Global Finals participants talking about continuing to compete when they go to college."

Melanson said the Technical Londonderry team of ninth graders fin-

ished 10th in the world this year and is managed by Bill O'Connor. He added that the Londonderry High School Improv team, consisting of seniors and managed by himself and Craig Plevinsky, finished 25th.

## ENGAGEMENT Announcement

Danielle Paradis and Christopher Bessette



Mr. and Mrs. Joseph R. Paradis of Londonderry announce the engagement of their daughter, Danielle Paradis, to Christopher Bessette of Sandwich, Mass.

The groom's parents are Mr. and Mrs. William Bessette of Sandwich, Mass.

Miss Paradis is a 2008 graduate of Londonderry High School. She attended Emmanuel College and received a Bachelor of Science degree in Biology in 2012. She completed the Physician Assistant Program at Tufts Medical School in 2016 and is currently working as a Physician's Assistant in Easton, Mass.

Mr. Bessette is a 2010 graduate of Stonehill College, where he received a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration. He is currently an Account Manager at Gradifi, Inc. in Boston.

A spring 2018 wedding is planned.

## Bank Robbery Suspect Arrested

PENNY WILLIAMS  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Londonderry Police have their man. Michael Pattelena, 19, 31 Patch Road, Hollis, was arrested by Hudson and Pelham police and delivered to the Valley Street Jail in Manchester, charged with the Thursday, June 2 robbery of Citizens Bank in Londonderry.

Londonderry Police Detective Chris Olson said the Citizens bank teller did the right thing in giving the money to Pattelena when he demanded cash. Olson said there have



Michael Pattelena

been bank robberies in Londonderry before and it is considered a very serious crime.

Londonderry Police put the surveillance picture of Pattelena out on

Twitter, which reached a great many people. A woman who had seen it spotted the suspect dumping items out of a vehicle and reported it to police.

Police spotted the vehicle in Hudson and a high-speed chase ensued through Hudson and Pelham. Pattelena was arrested later that evening when his vehicle malfunctioned in Pelham.

Bail was set at \$15,000 cash, which Pattelena was able to post on Friday, June 3. He is scheduled for his next court appearance in Derry District Court on July 12.

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# Questions

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Building Inspector Richard Canuel wrote in a memo that according to RSA 236:121 II, licenses "shall be renewed annual-ly upon payment of a fee,

without a hearing." Although it is the Council's prerogative to allow public comment, Canuel wrote, it is unnecessary to hold a public hearing unless there is cause for denial of the application.

Canuel said that none of the facilities operated

with any level of violation that would require denial of a license.

In his presentation, Canuel noted that both the town and state license regulations include a requirement for the applicant's Social Security number. "I don't know why," he said.

Chairman John Farrell observed that these numbers have been provided on public documents for 10 years. But, he said, it is not the town's practice to share them and he encouraged residents not to give out their numbers.

The board approved all three applications, 5-0.

Panciocco asked for time at the end of the meeting, and Farrell allowed her to come to

the speakers' desk. Farrell noted that Panciocco had not sent the Council any information, and Panciocco said she would have everything to the members before she was placed on the agenda.

Farrell agreed that the applications ask for people's Social Security numbers, and have for 10 years. He said town attorneys were working on the issue but cautioned Panciocco, "If you send something here, it is part of the public record."

Panciocco said, "There are trolls overseas who do this (acquire people's information) for a living."

Councilor Tom Dolan reassured her, "We are all in agreement about this. We need to take steps to

stop it."

And Farrell reminded residents, "This practice goes back to 1996. But in this day and age, if someone asks for your Social Security number, do not give it to them."

In other business, the board heard from Finance Director Doug Smith on revisions to the guidelines for general assistance. Smith told the Council that the last time the guidelines were reviewed was in 2008, but the last time they were changed dated back to 2004. The changes include a 15 percent increase in shelter and living expenses.

All changes were proposed by the Greater Derry Community Health Services, the agency with which the town contracts to provide assistance services, Smith said.

Changes include the following:

- Studio apartment, current, without heat, \$675, with heat, \$775; proposed, without heat, \$775, with heat, \$895;
- One bedroom, with-

out heat, \$775, with heat, \$875, proposed, without heat, \$895, with heat, \$1,095; and up to

• Four bedroom, current, without heat, \$1,200, with heat; \$1,500; proposed, without heat, \$1,380, with heat, \$1,625.

Monthly food allowances currently range from \$100 for one person to \$300 for eight people. Proposed food allowances would range from \$160 for one person to \$960 for six people, with an additional \$40 per month for each additional household member. Burial allowance, currently \$500, would be raised to \$800, and telephone allowance from \$30 to \$40 per month.

The Council voted 5-0 to approve the changes.

In addition, the Council voted to approve the annual transfer of funds from the Cable Division Equipment Capital Reserve Fund to help with cable programming by the Londonderry School District. The Council voted 5-0 to appropriate \$5,000 to the school district.

## OBITUARY

### Col. Gary Hicks



Col. Gary Lee Hicks, USAF, Ret., 75, of Londonderry died June 1, 2016 at the Greenbriar Terrace, Nashua.

He was born in Altoona, Penn., on Aug. 7, 1940, a son of the late Earl W. and Helen (Fogel) Hicks.

He was a resident of Londonderry for the past 10 years, formerly living in Maryland.

He was a U.S. Air Force veteran, having served during the Vietnam War, and retired after 30 years of service. He enjoyed conversing online with members of a B-52 veterans group that served together during the Vietnam War.

He was a member of the Corvair Association, and took pride in restoring and showing his two 1964 Corvairs.

He is survived by his wife, Joanne P. Mele of Londonderry; two sons, Gary M. Hicks and his fiancée, Terry Demag, of Londonderry, and Thomas W. Hicks and his wife, Kathleen, of Alexandria, Va.; two step-daughters, Dayna Popoff and her husband, Nick, of Davenport, Fla., and Kristen Chinosi and her husband, Stephen, of Derry; five grandchildren, Kyle, Madison, Benjamin, Margaret and Alexander; five step-grandchildren, Makayla, Cassidy, Paolo, Massimo, and Rosa; two brothers, Edward Hicks and Jerry Hicks, and several nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his first wife, Arlene Hicks, in 2006.

There are no calling hours. Following cremation, a Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Friday, June 10 at 4 p.m. at St. Jude Parish, 435 Mammoth Road, Londonderry. Donations in his memory may be made to the American Cancer Society. The Peabody Funeral Homes and Crematorium of Derry and Londonderry are assisting the family with arrangements. To send a condolence or for more information, visit [www.peabodyfuneralhome.com](http://www.peabodyfuneralhome.com).

## OBITUARY

### Roger Lecourt



Roger W. Lecourt, 82, of Londonderry died June 6, 2016, at his home following a period of declining health.

He was born on Aug. 26, 1933 in Lowell, Mass., a son of the late Donat and Irene (Doyan) Lecourt.

He was a resident of Londonderry for 20 years, formerly living for many years in Lowell, Mass.

He enjoyed camping, fishing, water skiing and boating. He especially loved vacationing at Lake Winnepesaukee and playing scat with his family.

He is survived by his wife of 63 years, Margaret (Sullivan) Lecourt of Londonderry; two daughters, Linda Maine of Hudson and Susan Cote and husband, Roland, of Londonderry; two granddaughters, Sherry-Anne Ducharme and husband, Michael, of Pelham, and Danielle Mague and husband, Jeremy, of Londonderry; one brother, Norman Lecourt of Tyngsboro, Mass.; one sister, Vivian Kopycinski and husband, Dick, of Lowell, and many nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by two granddaughters, Renee and Nicole Cote.

Calling hours will be held Thursday, June 9, from 4 to 7 p.m. in the Peabody Funeral Homes of Londonderry, 290 Mammoth Road, Londonderry. A Liturgy of Christian burial will be celebrated on Friday, June 10 at 10:30 a.m. in St. Mark's Church, One South Road, Londonderry. Burial will follow in Gibson Cemetery, Marsh Road, Pelham. To send a condolence or for more information, visit [www.peabodyfuneralhome.com](http://www.peabodyfuneralhome.com).

## OBITUARY

### Natalie Thompson

Natalie J. Thompson, 74, of Londonderry, died at her residence June 3, 2016, after a period of declining health.

She was born Feb. 16, 1942 in Weymouth, Mass., a daughter of the late John and Miriam (Thomas) Glidden.

She had resided in Londonderry for the past 44 years, formerly living in Derry.

She is survived by her husband of 51 years, Jack R. Thompson of Londonderry; two sons, Adam C. Thompson of Eugene, Ore., and Andrew C. Thompson and his wife, Rhonda, of Hudson, Fla.; one sister, Barbara Brooks of Matthews, Ga., and several nieces.

There are no calling hours. Memorial services were held Wednesday, June 8 at 2 p.m. at the Derry Friendship Center, 6 Railroad Ave., Derry. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Derry Friendship Center. To send a condolence or for more information, visit [www.peabodyfuneralhome.com](http://www.peabodyfuneralhome.com).

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# Londonderry Police Recognize, Promote Officers

PENNY WILLIAMS  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

Leading off the Londonderry Police Department Recognition and Promotion Ceremony on Monday night was the acknowledgment of the retirement of Lt. Tim Jones. Captain Christopher Gandia had fun with Jones, showing him and the audience a number of hilarious pictures of him.

Gandia and Chief Bill Hart said the retirement of Jones provided the department with a number of opportunities that they were taking advantage of by promotions, as follows.

Hart said the promotions establish the future of the agency, and under

their leadership and help, the department will continue to be excellent and highly regarded.

Detective Chris Olson was Master of Ceremonies.

## Promotions and Awards

- A Letter of Recognition for fleet management and parking lot upgrades was given to Officer Shaun Goodnow.

- Officers Dan Perry, Michael Tufo, Tim Moran and James Freda, with Sgt. Mark Morrison and Telecommunications Operator Cindy Tuck, received Letters of Commendation for their involvement in a shooting suspect manhunt.

- Officers Tim Moran, Randy Dyer and Randy

Duguay received the Life Saving Bar. Hart said Officers Moran and Dyer responded to a call of a 25-year old female unconscious and unresponsive and immediately started life-saving measures. They revived her and kept her alive until the medics arrived. Four days earlier, Duguay had responded to a call at the same address for an unconscious, unresponsive 25-year-old female and had started life-saving measures while waiting for medics to arrive.

Hart said these officers responded to and saved the life of the same woman twice and did it with caring, compassion and professionalism. "This is the face of the

opioid crisis," he said. "They saved a life and represented our department's philosophy that we act without judgment and consider every life worth saving."

- Officer Randy Duguay was promoted to Detective and his son London pinned on the new badge for his father.

- Sergeant Nicholas Pinardi was promoted to Detective Sergeant and Sergeant Mark Morris was promoted to Services Sergeant.

- Officers Scott Balukonies, Keith Lee and Dan Hurley were promoted to Sergeant and their families came to the front with them.

- Sergeant Jason Breen and Sergeant Patrick Cheetham were promoted to Lieutenant.

The newly promoted officers then moved on to the Londonderry Town Council, where they were



Officer Randy Duguay, right, who was awarded a Life Saving Bar and was promoted to Detective, is pictured as Londonderry Police Chief Bill Hart administers the Oath of Office while Deputy Chief Gerard Dessault and Captains Paul Fulone and Christopher Gandia look on, and Duguay's son London waits to pin the new badge on for his father. Photo by Penny Williams

to be introduced, and everyone was invited to meet at the Halligan Tavern in Derry at 7 p.m. for a celebratory meal.

# Relay for Life June 17 at Pinkerton Academy Track

PENNY WILLIAMS  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The 2016 Greater Derry and Londonderry Relay for Life will take place at the Pinkerton Academy track on Friday, June 17, starting at 6 p.m. with opening ceremonies and ending on Saturday, June 18, at 8 a.m.

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Laps include: survivor and caregiver lap, 6:30 p.m.; trick or treat, 7 p.m.; color a cure – purple passion, 8 p.m.; luminaria, 9 p.m.; glow in the dark, 10 p.m.; duct tape creation,

11 p.m.; '80s fashion, midnight; cowboy up - stick pony lap, 1 a.m.; three-legged lap, 2 a.m.; crazy hats and tutus, 3 a.m.; PJs and snuggies, 4 a.m.; Christmas in June, 5 a.m.; Fourth of July – America the Beautiful, 7 a.m.; closing ceremonies and winners drawn, 7:30 a.m., and team spirit final lap, 8 a.m. Music and food are planned.

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RSA 674:1 provides for a different method, he said.

The RSA's procedure is a two-step process:

Planning Board review and comment, and the Council's authorization for the issuance of a building permit with the subsequent release of municipal liability.

Other conditions for the parcel include the Fire Department's recommendation that access to the lot be constructed to meet NFPA (National Fire Protection Agency) 1141

standards, including:

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- Turnarounds to be constructed at a maxi-

mum of 1,200-foot intervals;

- Road to be constructed of a hard, all-weather surface sufficient to hold the weight of a fire truck; and

- Maximum slope of the road not exceeding 6 percent.

In addition, Mailloux's memo stated that the property should be assigned a Page Road address. She also referenced stone walls that may have to be moved to accommodate the right-of-way.

It was also noted that it would be "to the benefit of the property owners" if a private maintenance agreement were reached.

The waiver of municipal liability includes an additional provision regarding property owner liability for damage to town vehicles and equipment, which was drafted by the town's legal counsel.

The board voted 5-0 to approve the request for a building permit.

In other business, Town Manager Kevin Smith updated the Council on the issue of improving transportation for seniors. Smith asked when the Council wanted to go to the Senior Center, and Chairman John Farrell said he would circulate an e-mail among the Councilors to settle on a date.

"We want to get this done before budget season," Farrell said.

Farrell also reviewed the dates for Old Home Day. This year the events begin with Senior Night, Aug. 17, followed by Kids' Night Aug. 18, fireworks Aug. 19, and the parade Aug. 20.

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# LONDONDERRY SPORTS

## Lancer Spikers Rebound From Sloppy Finish, Win Tourney Match

CHRIS PANTAZIS  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

After scuffling noticeably during its final handful of regular season matches of 2016, the Londonderry High boys' volleyball squad stepped into the state tournament late last week and trounced its first opponent to move on further in the playoffs.

The Lancers ended the regular campaign with a sub-.500 record of 7-9, due in large part to the fact that coach John Vaughn's LHS charges went 1-4 in their last five matches.

The locals closed out

the regular season with a 3-0 shutout loss to the Windham High contingent on the road Tuesday, May 31. The hosts finished the regular season at 13-3 with 12 wins in their final 13 contests.

In that May 31 battle, Windham took game victories of 25-17, 25-16, and 25-20 to bag the match.

Mike Vivian contributed 18 assists to the LHS effort, Nick Anderson notched eight kills and three digs, Ryan Crowley collected eight digs, Riley Treanor snared seven kills, and Danny Bears dug up six digs.

But then came the eighth-seeded Lancers' first-round tourney match with number nine Keene, which like Londonderry ended the 2016 regular season with a 7-9 record.

When Londonderry faced the Blackbirds in a regular season contest at LHS on April 27, the hosts collected a 3-1 win. But they'd shut Keene out in the tourney rematch Friday, June 3.

None of the Lancers' three wins in the match was easy, but win they did in 27-25, 25-22, and 25-21 decisions.

The Blackbirds man-

aged to swing the momentum in their favor several times throughout the match. In the first game, Keene tied things up at 25 and in the second, the visitors had control of the game until the final few serves.

Vivian dealt out 21 assists and knocked down four service aces, Crowley was good for a total of 15 digs, and Anderson tallied 14 kills.

By virtue of that tourney success, Londonderry advanced to a quarter-final-round tournament match with the defending state champion, 14-2 Timberlane Regional Owls in Plaistow Tuesday, June 7, after Londonderry Times press time.



LHS volleyball stalwart Nick Anderson and his teammates stepped into this week with a huge task - to beat talented Timberlane in the tourney.

## Lady Lancers Go National



Four Londonderry High Lady Lancer varsity lacrosse players got a shot at the national spotlight recently when they participated in the Women's Division's National Tournament at Lehigh University in Pennsylvania. From left to right are LHS standouts Kiersten Hogle, Isabella Bourque, Sami Lecaroz, and Emily Holland, who played on the two New Hampshire/Vermont teams at that big event.

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# LHS Softball Squad Gets Victimized by Keene in Tournament Play

CHRIS PANTAZIS  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The fourth-ranked Londonderry High School softball squad was the favorite

heading into its Division I opening-round tournament game against number 13 Keene at LHS Wednesday, June 1. But when the final out of that

contest was recorded, the Lady Lancers were left lamenting the fact that their uniforms would be having to go into mothballs until next spring.

The visiting Keene High Lady Blackbirds - who lost their first eight games of the 2016 season and were an awful 1-12 after 13 contests - managed a 3-2 edging of the host Lady Lancers to move on in the tourney.

Keene plated its first run in the top of the first inning, but Londonderry knotted the score at 1-1 in the latter half of the second. The visitors then drove to a 3-1 advantage by scoring twice in the top of the third, and the Lady Lancers ended the scoring by tallying once more in the bottom of the sixth as they attempted to come back from their modest deficit.

The locals - who finished the regular season with a strong 14-5 record and five consecutive vic-

tories - ended the day with 11 hits, but were not able to drive in runs when it counted. Sarah Fawcett laced three hits and Elizabeth DeVoss and Lauren Misiaszek each claimed two.

The LHS softball team wore the Keene crew out in a 13-1 blowout when the squads met up at Londonderry High on May 20. But the Lady Blackbirds - who finished the 2016 regular season by winning six of their last seven contests - had what it took in the rematch.



LHS infielder Val Shay makes a beautiful defensive play in her team's tourney loss to Keene.



Lady Lancer pitcher Andi Nelson covers home plate on a passed ball during her team's stunning tournament loss to Keene. Photos by Chris Paul

## LHS Trackers Make News at State Meet of Champions on Seacoast

CHRIS PANTAZIS  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

Some of the top veteran athletes from Londonderry High School's boys' and girls' track teams capped off their 2016 high school sports season - and in many cases their high school careers - with superb showings at the New Hampshire Interscholastic Athletic Association Meet of Champions at Winnacunnet High School in Hampton last Saturday, June 4.

LHS senior girls Yorgelis Ortiz and Jordan Dufresne both collected

state championships, and the Lady Lancers also had other athletes snare top-five finishes.

The boys' squad also had 12th graders Trevor Guay and Derek Davies snag state titles, with other Lancer athletes claiming top-six finishes as well.

Ortiz won the girls' 100-meter dash in a time of 12.65 seconds, and Dufresne proved unbeatable in the pole vault, thanks to her leap of 10 feet and 3 inches. Her fellow LHS senior Kate Balcom - an LHS basketball standout who had never

competed in track before this spring - finished fourth in the pole vault.

Ortiz worked with fellow runners Jess Brien, Ellie Goodspeed, and Andrea Wooldridge for a third place in the 4x100-meter relay.

In boys' competition, Guay won the 300-meter hurdle crown (38.85) and Davies became the 2016 champion in the pole vault (13'9").

Twelfth grader Kyle Foden placed fifth in the shot put, and LHS' 4x400 and 4x800 relay teams both nabbed sixth places.

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# Lancer Baseball Has Chance to Advance in Tourney Slip Away

CHRIS PANTAZIS  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

When the team played the seventh-seeded Salem High School baseball squad in Division I opening-round tournament play on the road Thursday, June 2, the 10th-ranked Londonderry High hardball crew got within one out of advancing. But victory proved not to be in the proverbial "cards" for the locals. With two outs and a 4-3 lead in the bottom half of the seventh inning, the Lancers committed a costly error that eventually enabled the host Blue

Devils to tie the score on a timely single. The game then went to extra innings, with the Salem side tallying a 5-4 walk-off victory by virtue of another clutch base-hit in the latter half of the eighth frame. "It's always tough to lose a game that literally was snatched from the jaws of victory," lamented longtime LHS coach Brent Demas. "It was a well-played game on both sides for the most part. It came down to execution in the later stages of the game. Salem was just a little bit better than us." The Lancers finished

their regular season right at the .500 mark with an overall record of 10-10. But they lost three of their final four contests. Salem, meanwhile, finished up at 10-8 overall and won three of its last four games of the regular season. The two contingents met once during the 2016 regular season - on May 4 - and the Blue Devils collected a 5-3 victory on their own diamond that day. In the tourney game

rematch, the Lancers busted out to a 2-0 lead by notching single runs in the second and third frames. The Blue Devils got one of the markers back in the bottom of the fifth and then added two more in the sixth to claim a 3-2 advantage. But the Lancers regained the upper hand in the top of the seventh frame by scoring twice more, and they got within that one, slim out of winning in the bottom of that

inning before Salem began its comeback aided by the stinging LHS miscue. Londonderry smacked out a total of 13 hits, with Sullivan bashing four of them and Ricky Perry, Jonny Meskell, and Tim McEacharn each collecting two. Sullivan also drove in two of his side's runs. Veteran lefty pitching standout Nick Musto also gave his squad some strong mound work. "We were young, and it often showed during the

season. The hope is that the underclassmen learned what it takes to succeed," said Demas. "We have the talent to be very good, but the boys need to understand the basics of the game before we move to the next step. Overall, I'm happy with the development of this team and really felt we had a strong chance to get title number six for LHS." The Lancer crew loses six players to graduation this spring.

# Lady Lancer Lacrosse Crew Finished in the D-I Tournament Quarterfinals

CHRIS PANTAZIS  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Londonderry High girls' lacrosse team saw its hopes for a 2016 state championship evaporate with an 11-6, quarterfinal-round Division I tournament loss to the Souhegan High Lady Sabers in Amherst Wednesday, June 1. Third-ranked Souhegan grasped a very slim 5-

4 lead at halftime, but the hosts outscored their sixth-seeded guests by a 6-2 margin in the decisive second half. Gabbi Morris paced the Londonderry offensive effort by scoring three times, with Dominique Breault, Emily Holland, and Emily Davison each tallying once. The Lady Lancers rolled into the post-season

with an 11-7 record and having won three of their last four matches. Souhegan sat at 15-3 with a great 5-1 mark in its final six contests of the regular season.

Londonderry and Souhegan played one another twice during the 2016 regular with the Lady Sabers bagging victories of 16-7 and 7-3 in those contests.

## Athletes of the Week

For the Week of May 30



**Casey Park, Senior, Boys' Lacrosse**

Four total goals - including back-to-back tallies just nine seconds apart - in his team's tourney match at Exeter made this skilled veteran a standout for the Lancer laxmen.



**Emily Holland, Junior, Girls' Lacrosse**

This skilled 11th grader had a breakout game against Pinkerton with four goals - including the game-winner - and she was then face-guarded in the tourney match vs. Souhegan, showing her value.



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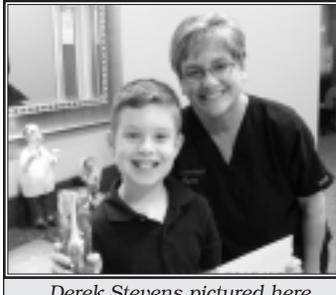
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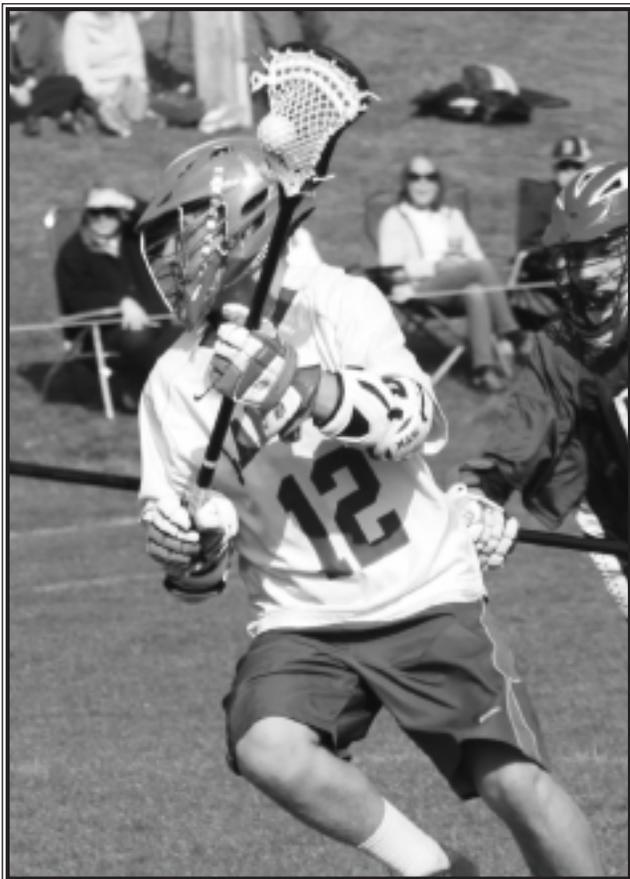
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# Lancer Laxmen Fall Just Short of a Comeback in D-I Quarterfinals



LHS veteran lax star Dave Wiedenfeld and his teammates had a comeback fall just short in tournament play at Exeter High last week.

CHRIS PANTAZIS  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The heart and the intestinal fortitude were there, but the Londonderry High boys' lacrosse team wound up falling just short of a stellar comeback victory against the Exeter High Blue Hawks in Division I quarterfinal-round tournament action on the seacoast last Saturday afternoon, June 4.

The third-seeded host Blue Hawks busted their way out to a 7-1 lead and grasped a 9-5 advantage at halftime. But coach Sean LeBlanc's sixth-ranked Lancers showed they had no intentions of going quietly into the off-season, and they battled back intensely before finally falling by a 12-11 tally.

Londonderry pulled to within a tally at 12-11 with

a little less than two minutes showing on the game clock, but the locals were unable to knot the score despite serious efforts to do so.

The Lancers rolled into the tournament with an 11-7 overall record and having won six contests in a row, and they got a bye in round one. Exeter headed in at 14-4 with a 5-1 mark in its last six matches and also drew a first-round bye.

The teams had met twice during the 2016 regular season, with Exeter bagging wins of 12-9 and 12-7 in those games.

The seacoast side would manage another dozen goals in the tourney battle but barely win

in the end.

The Lancer offense forced Exeter goalie Cam Eddy to make 18 saves to get his side the harrowing victory.

The host Hawks led by a commanding 6-1 score after one period and 7-1 soon thereafter. But Londonderry trimmed its deficit back to four markers at 9-5 by the time the halftime break arrived.

The locals had accelerated their comeback effort in period two when Chad Park, Dave Wiedenfeld, and Peter Navarro scored just 2:12 apart to cut the Exeter lead to 7-4.

The contingents traded goals throughout the rest of the second and third periods, with the

host side eventually carrying an 11-7 lead into the final quarter.

Exeter led 12-8 with just 3:28 left in the game, and the Lancers kicked into a higher gear as Max Hastings scored with 3:17 left to play, and Park netted back to back goals a mere nine seconds apart to cut the LHS deficit back to the one slim goal with 1:47 left. But that would be it on the scoring.

Park finished up with four goals and Wiedenfeld contributed three. Goalie Alex Fawcett also made some key stops as his crew worked diligently on its comeback.

The team will lose nearly half the roster to graduation this year.

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# LHS Unified Track Squad Snags a Four-Peat on its Own Track

CHRIS PANTAZIS  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

A sports dynasty has arisen at Londonderry High School, with the LHS unified track and field squad claiming a fourth consecutive state championship on its home track Tuesday, May 31.

The Lancer team - which consists of special needs students who are coached, cheered on, and in some events joined by

fellow LHS students, and led by longtime Londonderry High physical education teacher Ann MacLean - trounced the competition handily by tallying a total of 178 points. The runner-up team - the Keene High Blackbirds - finished well behind with 109. All in all, 10 teams from around the state competed.

"In planning for the meet, we thought other teams would give us a lit-

tle competition," said MacLean. "As the meet continued, we picked up many places which added to our overall total. Taking two first places in the relays gave us 18 points for each relay to be added to the total. The rest is history."

The title-winning team's athletes included Ciera Boyer, Will Boyle, Nicolette Brunelle, Gio Cafaro, Sophia Carrozza, Jeff Cieslikowski, Bill Croteau,



The Londonderry High School unified track and field squad won its fourth consecutive state title recently, vanquishing nine other teams on its own home track. Courtesy photo

Emily Crouse, Amanda DeAngelis, Noah Ellis, Amanda Graf, Olivia Graham, Brianna Ho, Annie Hughes, Brianna Kichler, Alison Kraytenberg, Madysen McCelroy, Anthony McGray, Trevor McInnis, Alec McInnis, Katelyn Meuse, Kathleen Murphy, Megan Packard, Christian Paulenka, Kaitlyn Quirk, Chris Rossi, and Skyleer Tarmey. The locals had first places collected by the 4x100 relay quartet of Croteau, DeAngelis, Cafaro, and McGray (time of 58.77 seconds); the 4x200 tandem of Ellis, Meuse, Cieslikowski, and Paulenka (two minutes, 11.49 seconds); Ho in the girls' 100-meter dash (15.78), the girls' 200 dash (33.40), and the girls' long jump (9 feet, 9 inches); Nicolette Brunelle in the girls' 100-meter partner race (15.39); DeAngelis in the girls' 200 dash partner race (29.46); Meuse in the girls' long jump partner competition (13'1"), and Carrozza in the girls' shot put partner event (23'2").

"The athletes all worked very hard during the season," said MacLean, a former field hockey coach at LHS and the current field hockey coach at Merrimack High. "How many athletes actually run on the weekends and purchase their very own shot put? Ours do."



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The New Hampshire State House welcomed service dogs from across the state in honor of Service Dog Awareness Day Thursday, June 2. "I am grateful to have been part of this wonderful annual tradition of raising awareness for service dogs who are a vital part of so many New Hampshire citizens way of life," said State Sen. Sharon Carson, R-Londonderry. This day also serves as a strong reminder that these dogs are true companions who provide people with disabilities or sensitive medical conditions in the Granite State and across the country with a greater level of independence and normalcy." Pictured from left are Carson, service dog user Sandi Teti, and Governor Maggie Hassan.

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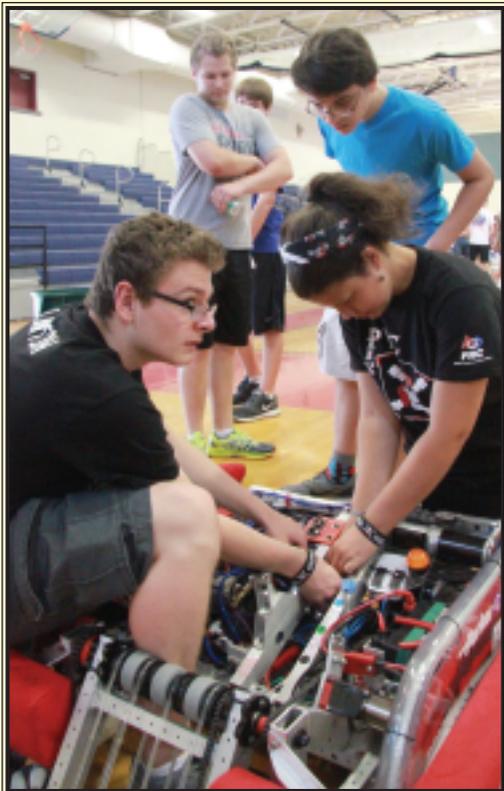



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Londonderry High School invited incoming freshmen to the school for a morning spent acclimating to life at their new quarters in the fall. Londonderry Middle School eighth graders took tours of the buildings; were introduced to the clubs, music program and sports teams offered; and received an overview of how life would be for them next year.

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# Seventh Graders Have a Day at the Museum



Seventh grade Typhoon students at Londonderry Middle School set up an Ancient Egypt Museum in their pod last week. There were over 60 pieces on display for fellow students, staff and families to admire. The event marks the end of their Egyptian studies for the year.

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

## Historical Society

The Londonderry Historical Society will hold its monthly meeting in the Parmenter Barn at the Morrison House Museum on Tuesday, June 21 at 6:30 p.m. Anyone interested in getting involved in discovering Londonderry's past is welcome to attend.

## Concerts on Common

Londonderry Concerts on the Common features the Evan Goodrow Band on Wednesday, June 15 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. The band performs Motown, jazz, blues and dance influences. In the event of inclement weather, the concert will be at the Londonderry High School cafeteria. For a schedule of the summer's concerts, visit [www.ConcertsOnTheCommon.org](http://www.ConcertsOnTheCommon.org). Concerts on the Common are provided by the Londonderry Arts Council.

## Beginning Media Camp

The Londonderry Access Center's Beginner Summer Media Camp will be held July 18-29 from 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. The camp is for students entering fifth through eighth grades in fall 2016. Participants will learn video production and will produce a TV show and have a screening of all their work at the end of the two weeks, for friends and family to see. Early registration is encouraged by calling Erin at 432-1100, ext. 185.

## Relay for Life

The Greater Derry Londonderry Relay for Life takes place beginning at 6 p.m. Friday, June 17 at the Pinkerton Academy track in Derry. Laps take place throughout the night, with closing ceremonies at 7:30 a.m. and the final lap at 8 a.m. The Relay is held each year to raise money for and awareness of cancer. To participate and for more information, contact Liz Riley at 800-227-2345 or visit:

[www.relayforlife/derryyand-londonderrynh](http://www.relayforlife/derryyand-londonderrynh).

## Legion Meeting

The monthly general meeting of American Legion Post 27, 6 Sargent Road will be at 7:30 p.m. June 13.

## VA Bingo

American Legion Post 27 plays bingo with patients at the Veterans Administration Hospital in Manchester from 7 to 8:30 p.m. June 27, and will serve pizza and diet soda as well as providing \$150 in prize money. Anyone interested in helping out can sign up at the Post, 6 Sargent Road.

## Free Clothing

Renew clothing ministry opens June 11 from 8 to 10:30 a.m. at Calvary Bible Church, 145 Hampstead Road, Derry. Arrive by 10 a.m. Derry residency is not required. Renew offers free, gently-used apparel. Each household is limited to 20 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 donation bin by the door at any time. No donations of money are accepted. For details, search for "Renew Derry" on Facebook, email [renewclothing@yahoo.com](mailto:renewclothing@yahoo.com), or call the church secretary at 434-1516.

## Movie Night

Young Adult Summer Reading at the Leach Library presents Movie Night on Thursday, June 23, from 5 to 7:15 p.m. "Goosebumps" will be shown. Popcorn and drinks are provided.

## Water Fun

The Children's Summer Reading Program at the Leach Library presents "Come Sail Away" on Monday, June 27 from 11 a.m. to noon. Registration is requested the Thursday prior

to the program. To register, call 432-1127 or stop by the Children's Room.

## Medieval Story Time

The Children's Summer Reading Program at the Leach Library presents "Story Time - Medieval Times" on Tuesday, June 28 from 10 to 10:30 a.m. for stories of kings and queens, knights and dragons. Finger plays and songs are included. No registration is required for this drop-in program.

## Pied Piper

The Children's Summer Reading Program at the Leach Library presents a puppet show comedic adaptation of the traditional folk tale "Pied Piper of Hamelin" with the Cactus Head Puppets on Wednesday, June 29 from 11 a.m. to noon. Registration is required the Thursday prior to the program. To register, call 432-1127 or stop by the Children's Room. The program is sponsored by the Friends of the Londonderry Leach Library.

## Craft Time

Children are invited to the Leach Library on Thursday, June 30 from 10 to 10:45 a.m. or 1 to 1:45 p.m. to create a pennant picture frame. Registration is required the Thursday prior to the program. To register, call 432-1127 or stop by the Children's Room.

## Senior Craft Fair

From 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, June 25, local craftsmen and artisans will participate in a Summer Craft Fair at the Londonderry Senior Center, 535 Mammoth Road. Items include: jewelry, doll clothes, designer jams and pickles, photography, artwork and wooden items. A raffle offers items donated by the artisans. Food and beverages will be available for purchase from London-

# June 10 Deadline for State Representative, Senator

KATHLEEN D. BAILEY  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

As of press time, the following people have filed for State Representative from Londonderry: Republicans Robert Rimol, Douglas Thomas, David Lundgren,

Betsy McKinney and Martin Bove; and Democrats Alexander Rego, Gary Vermillion and Edward Combes. The district has seven seats.

Filing for Rockingham State Senate District 14 are: incumbent Sharon

Carson, a Republican, and Tammy Siekmann, a Democrat, both of Londonderry. The Senate District covers Londonderry, Auburn and Hudson.

The filing period ends Friday, June 10.

derry Senior Citizens, Inc., (LSCI), a 501(c)3 organization. Fair proceeds go toward purchasing materials and equipment for the Senior Center. For details, call the center at 432-8554.

## King Arthur

On Thursday, June 16 at 7 p.m., the Leach Library will host a free illustrated presentation in the first-floor meeting room of "Arthurian Revival in New England: The Clash of the Ideal and the Real" by Clia Goodwin. She will explore two New England interpretations of King Arthur: "A Connecticut Yankee in King Arthur's Court" and the Edwin Austin Abbey mural series depicting the quest for the Holy Grail. The program is sponsored by the Friends of the Londonderry Leach Library. Light refreshments will be served.

## Children's Summer Reading

The theme for Summer Reading Program is "On Your Mark, Get Set, READ." The program includes craft days, trivia contests and guessing games, as well as special events and performers. All reading program participants will work on one team to try to read enough books to walk the Musquash Conservation Area twice for a total of 41,888 yards. Each book read will equal a yard of trail.

## Night Garden

Children are invited to explore a night garden with Hedgie at Leach Library on Tuesday, June 21, Wednesday, June 22 or Thursday, June 23 from 11 a.m. to noon, with stories of animals that visit gardens at night, a chance to identify night visitors and time for a hug and picture with Hedgie. Each participant will be entered into a raffle

for a prize bag. Registration is required and begins at 9 a.m. Thursday, June 16. To register, call 432-1127 or come by the Children's Room. This program is sponsored by The Friends of the Londonderry Leach Library.

## Legion Golf

American Legion Post 27 hold its annual golf outing June 11 at 10 a.m. at Hidden Valley Golf Course. The event raises money to support the Post's Legion baseball team. Cost is \$75 per player, which includes golf and a putting contest. A cookout at Post 27, 6 Sargent Road follows the golf outing. Sign-up forms are available at 6 Sargent Road or email [stuart.r@comcast.net](mailto:stuart.r@comcast.net) for a PDF. Gold, Platinum, lunch and hole sponsors are wanted. Contact Tim Burns at 867-8561 or Chris Cole at 275-0676 for more information. Post membership is not required to play.

## Clothing Ministry

St. Gianna's Closet ministry provides gently used clothing for children from birth through teen. Call Liz at 437-6678. Donations of gently used children's clothing can be brought to 5 Isabella Drive in Londonderry or St. Thomas Church in Derry during weekday business hours.

## Adult Summer Reading

Leach Library's seventh annual Adult Summer Reading Program runs through Aug. 31 with the theme "Exercise Your Mind." Participants may register at any time at the Reference Desk, and will receive information about the program and a Fitness Bingo game to be completed during the summer and turned in when five blocks are completed, for a chance to win a prize. The first participants to register

will receive a BPA-free fitness water bottle. For every book read after registering, participants get a raffle ticket for weekly raffles. For more information, call the library at 432-1132.

## Young Adult Summer Reading

Leach Library's Young Adult Summer Reading Program theme is "Get in the Game Read!" Students entering grades 6-12 next September may sign up now through Aug. 8 at the main desk. The program concludes with a Pizza Party and raffle Thursday, Aug. 11. Those who sign up and read the most age-appropriate books by June 15 are eligible to win a gift basket. Read 12 books by Sept. 10 and earn a certificate for extra credit or a homework pass in Grades 6 and 7 at Londonderry Middle School.

## Friends

Children are invited to bring their friends to the Leach Library on Monday, June 13 from 4 to 5 p.m. and hear stories of friendship and friends, real, stuffed or imaginary. Audience members will hear a reading of "Rhio Saves the Big Day!" by local author John Curtin Jr. The event concludes with a best friends matching game. All participants will leave with a new stuffed friend. This program is open to all ages. Advance registration is required. To register, call 432-1127 or stop by the Children's Room.

## Free Meals

The free Community Meals Program offers the following meals; there is no residency requirement. Dinner, Sunday, June 12, 5 to 6:30 p.m., Episcopal Church of the Transfiguration, 1 Hood Road, Derry; dinner, Saturday, June 18, 5 to 6:30 p.m., St. Luke's United Methodist

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# Londonderry Police Log

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**Monday, May 30**  
**2:54 p.m.** Caller on Forest Street reported burglary that may have happened yesterday during the day.

**Wednesday, June 1**  
**7:34 a.m.** Londonderry arrested Christine Ann Yager, 49, Spruce Street, Manchester at Harvey Industries, Jack's Bridge Road, on Manchester Police warrant for Domestic Violence Act and turned her over to Manchester Police.

**7:55 a.m.** Londonderry Fire responding for smoke in building on second floor on Nashua Road.

**9:32 a.m.** Report of stolen inspection stickers on Chase Road.

**Friday, June 3**  
**2:20 p.m.** Michael Pattelena, 19, 31 Patch Road, Hollis arrested for Robbery and Theft: All Other. Bail set at \$15,000 cash, which Pattelena was able to post. He is scheduled for Derry District Court on July 12.

**Saturday, June 4**  
**12:18 a.m.** Underage drinking at Buttrick Road at Peabody Row. Olivia Gagan, 18, Mammoth Road, Londonderry and Ryan Jeffrey Fleet, 19, 19 Moulton Drive, Londonderry each arrested for Default

or Breach of Bail Conditions and Unlawful Possession and Intoxication. An 18-year-old, 17-year-old and 19-year-old, all of Londonderry arrested for Unlawful Possession and Intoxication. All are scheduled for arraignment at Derry District Court on July 12.

**11:30 a.m.** Joseph Schultz, 81, 66A Adams Road, Apartment A, Londonderry arrested for Criminal Mischief (vandalism). Subject was released on personal recognizance bail, with Derry District Court arraignment on July 19.

**1:47 p.m.** Customer of Market Basket, Garden Lane, wants to report theft of pocketbook.

**3:17 p.m.** Caller reporting three or four people on ATVs (all-terrain vehicles) in the sand pits at end of Quincy Road.

**7:31 p.m.** Caller on Lawson Farm Road reports sick raccoon in back yard.

Sunday, June 5  
**1:43 a.m.** Chelsea R. Parker, 28, 54 Sixth Ave., Apt. 3, Haverhill, Mass., arrested for Disobeying an Officer, Reckless Conduct: Place Another in Danger; Reckless Operation, Driving While Intoxicated (second offense), Habitual Offender, Misuse or Failure to Display Plates, and two counts of Aggravated Driving While Intoxicated.

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## Precautions Urged During Current Tick Season

**T**ick season has arrived, and the New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) reminds people living in and visiting New Hampshire to take precautions to prevent being bitten by ticks and potentially exposed to Lyme disease and other tick-borne illnesses.

New Hampshire has one of the highest incidence rates of Lyme in the country. According to the DHHS Division of Public Health Services (DPHS), there were an estimated 1,373 cases of Lyme disease identified in the state in 2015. According to the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), there were 33,461 probable and confirmed cases in the United States in 2014, which is up from the 2013 count of 27,203 cases.

"We are coming upon one of the most active times for ticks in New Hampshire, which is important because of the diseases ticks can transmit to people, such as Lyme disease," said Beth Daly, Chief of the Bureau of Infectious Disease Control at DPHS. "While we certainly encourage everyone to enjoy the outdoors and all our state

has to offer this season, it is important for everyone to consistently take the necessary precautions to protect themselves and their families.

DHHS recommends taking the following precautions to prevent tick bites:

- Avoid tick-infested areas such as overgrown grass, brush, and leaf litter.
  - Use insect repellent labeled as effective against ticks.
  - Wear protective clothing - long pants and long sleeves to keep ticks off skin.
  - Do tick checks on yourself and family members after being outdoors.
  - Reduce ticks around your home by keeping grass short and removing leaf litter.
  - Speak with your healthcare provider if you were bitten by a tick or if you notice a large round rash anywhere on you.
- Lyme disease is caused by the bacterium *Borrelia burgdoferi* and is transmitted to people by the bite of an infected blacklegged tick, also known as the deer tick. The greatest risk for Lyme is between May and August, when the blacklegged tick is in the juvenile stage; it's the size of a

poppy seed and very difficult to detect, so individuals may be unaware they have been bitten.

Ticks that transmit Lyme can also transmit other diseases, such as anaplasmosis and babesiosis. In 2015, there were 110 cases of anaplasmosis and 53 cases of babesiosis identified in New Hampshire residents. Although not as common as Lyme, both diseases can also cause serious illness.

Symptoms of Lyme disease include fever, headache, fatigue, and often a skin rash that is round and/or looks like a bull's eye. Lyme disease is treatable with antibiotics, but if left untreated can lead to severe headaches and neck pain caused by meningitis (inflammation of the protective covering surrounding the brain and spinal cord), pain and swelling in the large joints, shooting pains that may interfere with sleep, and heart palpitations and dizziness. For more information about Lyme disease and other tick-borne diseases, visit the DHHS website at [www.dhhs.nh.gov/dphs/cdcs/lyme/index.htm](http://www.dhhs.nh.gov/dphs/cdcs/lyme/index.htm) or the CDC website at [www.cdc.gov/ticks/index.html](http://www.cdc.gov/ticks/index.html).

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# South School Fifth Graders Present Colonial Era 'Great Debates'

KAITLYN G. WOODS  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

South School fifth graders presented their "Great Debates" last month, blending theater, history and the art of persuasion.

Dressed in Colonial period costumes, the students argued from the perspectives of the Patriots and Loyalists to declare war against Britain for independence, or to stay loyal to the King.

Fifth grade teacher Debbie Gomez, who has been holding the annual debate in her classroom for over 15 years, has said the project brings history to life for her students and

teaches them to consider different points of view.

"They learn a lot and they get to see both sides of the issue as the Loyalists and Patriots," agreed Mackenzie Douglas, who participated in the great debates when he was a fifth grader at South School. "They live it."

Douglas, who now works for IBM, has volunteered time during his lunch break every Friday to help Gomez's students rehearse for this year's debate.

"The performance I'm seeing is drastically improved," he said after seeing the student's presentation on May 11. "I'm

extremely impressed."

Gomez said her students looked forward to their Friday rehearsals with Douglas, who participated in mock trial in college.

"For a former student to come back and help with this - it feels great. I'm thankful he still has this interest after all these years," she said.

In addition to teaching students to listen to and weigh varying arguments, the project also teaches students to consider a variety of resources when researching a historical event.

Students conducted extensive research on the history of the Patriots' decision to secede from Britain and rehearsed lines for their performance.

To select their roles in the debate, Douglas said the students shared their preferences, then he and Gomez ultimately determined casting.

Roles included "debater," "moderator," bai-



South School fifth graders present the annual "Great Debates" to classmates, teachers and parents. Photo by Kaitlyn G. Woods

liff" and "interviewer," students who were tasked with promoting the event throughout the school.

Students and teachers in other classes were invited to watch the debate, and when members of the audience got too passionate or spoke out of turn, the moderator would strike her gavel and send them off to "jail."

After the debate was over, students had an

opportunity to vote on which side presented the best argument.

The Loyalists rarely win. Even a tight race is a victory for the Loyalists, who have the hardest position to debate, according to Gomez.

But this year's Loyal-

ists earned a victory after their morning debate.

Gomez said she was impressed with this year's class and their dedication to the project.

"They were fabulous," she said. "Every day they brought so much enthusiasm."

## Around Town

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Church, 63 East Broadway, Derry; dinner, Friday, June 24, First Parish Church, East Derry Road, Derry; and Mondays through Fridays, 4:30 p.m., Sonshine Soup Kitchen, Derry.

### HU Chant

A Community Eckankar HU Chant takes place Sunday, June 26 at 9:30 a.m. and again Sunday, June 16 at 7:30 p.m., both at the Holi-

day Inn, 2280 Brown Ave., Manchester.

### Eckankar Worship

An Eckankar Worship Service takes place Sunday, June 12 at 10:30 a.m. at the Holiday Inn, 2280 Brown Ave., Manchester. The service consists of a discussion of the current theme and a short HU chant. Music is often included. Spiritual experiences and questions are welcomed. This month's topic is "HU, a Love Song to God: Instant Access to More Joy."



## TOWN OF LONDONDERRY LEGAL NOTICE

The Londonderry Zoning Board of Adjustment will meet Wednesday, June 15, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. in the Moose Hill Council Chambers, 268B Mammoth Road. Please note: The Board reserves the right to continue presentations, deliberations, and/or discussion to July 20, 2016, if the need arises.

### PUBLIC HEARING OF CASES

**Case no. 6/15/2016-1:** Moreau Living Trust (Owner) requests a variance from LZO 2.3.1.3.B.1 to allow a subdivision of an 8 acre lot with a right-of-way to Colonial Drive into two single family lots each with 50 foot frontage, rear Colonial Drive, Map 5 Lot 20, Zone AR-1

**Case no. 6/15/2016-2:** CMS Limited Partnership (Owner) & Varsity Wireless, LLC (Applicant) request a variance from LZO 3.9.1 and 3.9.4 to construct a wireless communications facility in the AR-1 zone consisting of a new ground base tower which will be located less than tower height plus 10 feet from streets, right-of-ways or site boundaries and less than two (2) times the tower height from abutting residential property lines, 90 Wiley Hill Road, Map 5 Lot 14, Zone AR-1

**Other:** Motion for Rehearing and/or Reconsideration in Case 5/18/2016-3 Complete Auto Driving School, 126 Pillsbury Road, Map 9, Lot 50

**Other:** Public hearing & vote on changes to Rules of Procedure/By-laws on Records section



## TOWN OF LONDONDERRY SEEKING VOLUNTEER

The Town of Londonderry is seeking a volunteer to serve as a member on the Town's Budget Committee. The Committee meets the fourth Thursday of every month at 7 PM in Moose Hill Council Chambers at Town Hall. You must be a resident of Londonderry to apply.

The Londonderry Budget Committee's Charter is to advise the Town Council, the School Board, and the Town of Londonderry on matters related to their budgets, providing a "third party" taxpayer's perspective. The Committee's work typically gets underway by holding preliminary briefing sessions with the Town Manager and the Superintendent of schools, as well as various town department heads. This process not only provides committee members with a basic outline of town, school & department-level finances, but also affords the managers an opportunity to brief the committee on their current budgets and future requirements. Such advance information is valuable for putting department budget requests in perspective during the often lengthy budget review process. In addition, the committee also participates in several budget workshops with the Town & School during the annual budget process.

**There is an application deadline of Wednesday, June 22, 2016 at 5:00 PM.**

Information regarding the Budget Committee can be found on the Town's website at [http://www.londonderrynh.org/Pages/LondonderryNH\\_BComm/Budget/Index](http://www.londonderrynh.org/Pages/LondonderryNH_BComm/Budget/Index)

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## TOWN OF LONDONDERRY LEGAL NOTICE

The Londonderry Town Council will hold a PUBLIC HEARING on the following item:

- 1.) Ordinance #2016-04 - An Amendment to the Zoning Ordinance Relating to Rezoning Map 16, Lots 9-5, 9-6, 9-7, 9-8 and 9-9, 13 thru 21 Wilson Road

The Public Hearing is scheduled for Monday, June 20, 2016 at 7:00 PM at the Londonderry Town Hall, 268B Mammoth Road, Londonderry, NH 03053. A copy of the proposed amendment may be viewed at the Town Manager's office during regular business hours and online at [www.londonderrynh.org](http://www.londonderrynh.org).

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