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Master Crafter

Art Beuparlant was one of the many crafters on hand at the annual Summer Craft Fair at the Londonderry Senior Center. Art carved many unique items out of bass wood, his favorite is carving cowboys. See story on page 2.

Photo by Chris Paul

Local Business Leaders Begin the Day with Chamber Forum

KATHLEEN D. BAILEY
LONDONDERRY TIMES

State Sen. Jeb Bradley, R-Wolfeboro, sees two major issues facing New Hampshire: "Heroin - and everything else." The "everything else," he explained, is how to make New Hamp-

shire prosper.

Bradley, Sen. Regina Birdsell, R-Hampstead, Rep. Robert Introne, R-Londonderry and Rep. Gene Chandler, R-Bartlett, were the panelists in the annual Legislative Breakfast held this past Friday by the Greater Derry/Londonderry Chamber of

Commerce. Legislators and business leaders packed the dining room at the Londonderry Country Club to hear what was accomplished in 2015-16 and what still needs to be done.

Chamber Director Will Stewart thanked the legis-

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School Board Gets a Glimpse into Future Enrollment

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LONDONDERRY TIMES

The recession is over, and people want to live in Londonderry. Londonderry GIS Director and Comprehensive Planner John Vogl was the guest of the Londonderry School Board in its June 21 meeting, and he brought a glimpse of what the town's - and schools' - future may look like. For the School Board, it means the end of a period of declining enrollment, and up to 128 new students in 2018-19.

Vogl said the Planning Department has been working on projected school enrollment, based upon the new develop-

ments going up in Londonderry.

"It is not hard to find someone who just bought a house in Londonderry, or new construction," Vogl said.

Back to school

He cited the following construction projects and developments and projected new students for 2016-17:

- Mill Pond, in the northeast corner of the town, projected to bring 13 elementary and eight middle-high school students;

- Lorden Commons, also in the northeast area, and projected to bring seven elementary and four

middle-high schoolers;

- Wallace Farm, in the North School area, 20 elementary and eight middle-high schoolers;

- School House Square, Matthew Thornton area, five elementary, three middle-high schoolers;

- Pinkerton Hills, Matthew Thornton, two elementary, one middle-high school; and

- Wayland Drive, Matthew Thornton, two elementary, one middle-high school.

In 2017-18 the anticipated new students are as follows:

- Mill Pond, eight elementary, five middle-high;

- Lorden Commons,

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Town Looks to Have Special Meeting for Union Contracts

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Londonderry residents will be asked to approve a collective bargaining agreement with members of the town's administrative staff in an upcoming special meeting.

The town has requested permission from the Rockingham Superior Court to hold the meeting.

The agreement is between the town and the AFSCME (American Federation of State, Council and Municipal Employees) group of administrative personnel. The purpose of the meeting is to see if the town will approve raising and appropriating

\$42,905 to approve the cost of items in the collective bargaining agreement.

This group is middle managers at the Town Hall, according to Town Manager Kevin Smith, and includes the Planning Director, GIS Manager, Assessor and Appraiser among others. They have been working without a contract since June 30, 2015, Smith said.

The contract also includes a 1 1/2 percent raise every year for four years, Smith said.

If approved the agreement would, due to a new health plan, save the town \$71,000 and save the union members \$96,000. However, the enrollment

period for the health plan ends Jan. 1, 2017, and the town meeting vote would be three months later.

Smith explained that the savings come from a restructuring of the health plans offered to employees. "We are making a move toward Health Savings Accounts, or HSAs," he said. The em-

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Londonderry Senior Center Hosts Annual Craft

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The Londonderry Senior Center in cooperation with the Londonderry Senior Citizens Inc. (LSCI) hosted their annual Summer Craft Fair on Saturday, June 25, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Londonderry Senior Center.

The event had members of the Fundraising Committee and other volunteers hard at work get-

ting the Senior Center ready for the vendors who showed up early Saturday morning to get things set for the nine o'clock opening of the Summer Craft Show.

There were a wide variety of vendors selling items offered for sale from hair clips to jellies.

Some of these items included: jewelry, doll clothes, designer jams, pickles, photography, crocheted items, wood carvings and much more.

Michelle the Londonderry Pop Corn girl was a popular stop. There were also raffles with items donated by the participating crafter vendors and an enormous amount of choices in the food and drink were available which were prepared by Londonderry Senior Citizens Inc.

The Craft Fair had the Center buzzing with eager and enthusiastic shoppers with vendors happy to be kept busy. With ideal weather conditions

and many vendors inside and out on the back lawn this year's Summer Craft Fair had to be deemed a big success.

Bonnie Ritvo, chairwoman of the Fundraising Committee, said the purpose of the Craft Fair was to raise funds to purchase equipment and materials needed for the Senior Center.

"We worked really hard getting the signs for the Craft Fair all over town," she said. "We didn't go

with the small signs but rather used the big signs."

Ritvo said she had been busy for several days getting sausages made for meatball subs for the show. And the grill cooking from outside the building wafted inside for attendees to smell the grilled hot dogs, sausages and hamburgers.

Working the raffle table Senior Center members Lucile Doerr and Mary Vincenti were busy selling tickets for the

large variety of raffle items.

Doerr said, "We are holding this event to raise money to buy supplies and equipment for the Center. We are going to be expanding and need a new dishwasher and a washer and dryer and that's what this is all about."

Vincenti said, "This is the friendliest place in town. I come here all the time to socialize."



Leela LeClair checks out some of the fascinating wood carvings by Art Beuparlant during the Summer Craft Fair on Saturday at the Senior Center.



Terry and Vivian Devlin served up a batch of popcorn at the annual Summer Craft Fair at the Londonderry Senior Center. Photos by Chris Paul

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Chamber Forum

Continued from page 1 lators for coming. "You make the grand sum of \$100 per year, the least we can do is give you break-fast," he said jokingly.

Stewart added that the Chamber is non-partisan and does not endorse candidates. But, he said, "This gives members of the business community an opportunity to interact with Senators and Representatives."

Stewart asked the panelists to highlight the accomplishments of their committees. Bradley said one of the main accomplishments of 2015 was reforming Workmen's Compensation.

Energy prices are a concern, he said. "We need to strike a balance in protecting property rights while bringing in the energy we need."

Health care is also dominant and Bradley was pleased to see Medicaid expansion. "There are 50,000 people who can't not have health care," he said. "They get sick like everyone else."

Business taxes are also a concern and Bradley said that this past Legislature worked hard "To bring one of the most

anti-competitive business tax environments into the 21st Century."

The "Planet Fitness" bill was in opposition to a tax on any "Infusion of cash" into a business. "This is a disincentive to start-ups," Bradley said, and the tax was removed last week.

Birdsell is Vice-Chair of the Transportation Committee and Chair of the Public and Municipal Affairs Committee. The Transportation Committee dealt with several issues involving OHRVs including making them easier to regulate and allowing larger vehicles on back roads, she said.

"If I'm on Transportation again, the biggest issue we'll address is economic development in the state," she said.

To that end, she recently sponsored a bill to allow businesses to advertise on highway signs.

Introne is a member of the Science, Technology and Energy Committee and said some of the issues they dealt with were wind towers, solar and other alternative forms of energy.

"Net metering" or the



From left, State Rep. Robert Introne, R-Londonderry, makes a point as State Sen. Regina Birdsell, R-Hampstead, listens in the Legislative Breakfast held this past Friday by the Greater Derry-Londonderry Chamber of Commerce. Photo by Kathleen Bailey

amount of solar energy an entity is allowed to sell was another talking point, Introne said. "In 2008 we put a cap on how much people could develop," he said. With more homeowners getting into solar, the cap was doubled. The Public Utilities Commission is looking into the issue of selling back energy, he said, and will create a tiered system.

Chandler, chair of Public Works and Highways, said the big issues this past year were the capital

budget and the 10-Year Highway Plan. The capital budget, which funds all state buildings, is \$100 to \$120 million, a number Chandler said they fought to keep under control. "It's real money," he said. "Sooner or later, you've got to pay it back."

He's pleased with the Highway Plan, calling it "The best plan ever." It is fully-funded, Chandler said. "A few years ago people said things like, 'Oh, we'll just add this in at the end,' and the project remained unfunded. That became a problem."

Stewart noted that the full funding will enable the expansion of I-93 from Salem to Manchester, which will benefit his constituents. Stewart asked

the panel if the Legislature will be looking for more energy sources. "Or have you focused on the more vocal minority?" he asked.


Bradley said he believes they have struck a "Reasonable balance" between environmental and energy concerns. He pointed to SB 245, the "Siting law" established in 2014. The bill adds two members of the public to the Site Evaluation Committee for new energy projects, and has adopted a "Public interest" standard to protect the environment and property values, he said.

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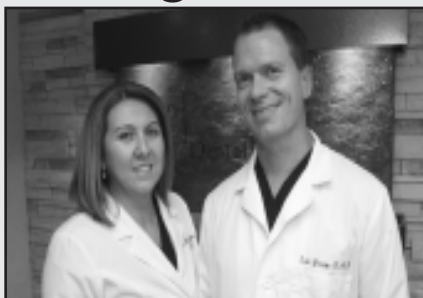


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Editorial

A Reason to Celebrate

July 4 comes on a Monday this year, but whenever it arrives, it should never become just an excuse for a day off or a long weekend.

Without the events of that long ago summer day, we might well be subjects of Great Britain to this day. Instead, the Declaration of Independence was finalized on July 4, 1776, and set the former British colonies on the path toward emergence as a nation.

So what should we be celebrating?

We think the Declaration of Independence is a document that should be read regularly, to remind us of who we are as a country, and to make sure we stay on the path set by those who fought to create a free nation.

"We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness." Those are perhaps the document's most famous lines, and the "created equal" part of the sentence is one we need to remember every day. But the list of injustices attributed to Great Britain also makes for a good reminder of what our government should never become.

And it's particularly good reading during a time when political attacks rise – or sink – to unpleasant levels in the throes of an upcoming Presiden-

tial election and landmark U.S. Supreme Court decisions.

It's also a straightforward and simple document. Life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. Those aren't qualities the rulers of every nation on Earth freely grant their citizens, especially based on the words "That to secure these rights, governments are instituted among Men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed." That seems normal to us, but in many countries, it's only something to dream about.

It's a reminder as well to all Americans that our ancestors chose a form of government whose power comes from the governed. When we don't vote, we're shirking that responsibility, something people fought and died to attain. And when we do vote, the result is the law, whether our side won or lost.

National holidays have become times for public celebration and private parties. But marking the Fourth of July should be more than lighting the barbecue, getting out the sparklers, or heading to a fireworks display. Those activities are all part of the spirit of celebration, but spend some time to remember what this nation stands for as well.

Have a safe and celebratory Fourth of July. Our ancestors would want it to be that way.

Senior Center Readies for New Expansion Project

PENNY WILLIAMS
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Londonderry Senior Center, located in the old Mayflower Grange Building on Mammoth Road in the north end of town will soon be a bit larger.

The plan is to renovate and add to the present building.

According to Cathy Blash, Seniors Affairs Director, "We will be adding on two activity rooms (one with a sink) perfect for art classes or ceramics, a third ADA compliant bathroom, a health office with a sink for the hearing and foot clinics, another office, a storage closet, and enlarging the kitchen."

The need for the expansion is being driven by an increasing number of seniors in town. As the membership at the Senior Center grows, so does the need for additional space.

"If you have never been in our building I invite you to come and check it out," she said. "We actually had a craft fair Saturday, June 25. Bonnie Ritvo, chairwoman of the Senior Resources Committee was in charge of that."

The expansion to the Mayflower Grange will be funded through the towns Unassigned Fund Balance which voters approved with a Warrant Article this year. Voters were asked to approve raising and ap-

propriating \$350,000 for improvements to the Londonderry Senior Center, with funds coming from the June 30th Unassigned Fund Balance.

Blash also stated that while they offer many programs at the Senior Center now, she is always looking for something new to offer members. Bingo, she said, seems to be one of the most popular programs offered. The calendar and newsletter giving details and times for the various programs and events can be found on the Londonderry Town website, she said.

The expansion is set to begin in early July and Accurate Dimensions, a local company that was chosen for the work, and is expected to take about four to five months to complete. It is thought that during the time work is being done on the kitchen the center might be relocated to the Londonderry Lions Club near the town commons.

Londonderry, like many other towns, is trying to provide services for an increasingly older population. The improvements at the Senior Center are certainly needed and the end result will provide a more enhanced facility.

Members of the Senior Center will reap the benefits of additional space and more programs.

Throughout the year, the senior center hosts a number of special events. These include bake sales, barbecues, ice cream socials, and other fundraisers. The center also hosts a craft fair each November and an annual Thanksgiving Dinner presented by the Londonderry Fire Department.

Each week, the Londonderry Senior Center hosts classes, workshops, gatherings and support groups. The issue isn't coming up with programs to offer to participating seniors but rather finding the space in which to hold the programs. Seniors can enjoy yoga, exercise classes and Tai Chi. Knitters and Crocheters meet every week. In addition there is BINGO held twice a week and Mah Jongg and Computer Clubs meet as well. Other programs offered on a consistent basis are a Bone Builder class, Ceramics, Cribbage, Zengevity, a writing group, Wii Games, chair exercise, Rummikub, Pilates, Aerobics, Line Dancing, and more, providing something for everyone.

According to Nutfield Genealogy the Old Mayflower Grange Building dates back to the early 1900s'. It was used as a Catholic Church in the 40s' and 50s' and has served as the town's senior center since 2007.

Special Meeting

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employees may still opt for a traditional health plan, but the town is "heavily incentivized" toward helping them switch. "The town will contribute more toward the HSAs than to the other plans," Smith said. But in the long run, it is still expected to cost the town less, he said.

In order to hold the special meeting in September, three steps must be completed: petitioning Superior Court, holding a couple of

public hearings, and holding a deliberative session, according to Smith.

An evidentiary hearing for those with concerns will be held July 5 at 9 a.m. in Rockingham Superior Court. "That's when we explain the merits of the petition and why we're asking for it," Smith said. "It has to be deemed an emergency."

The town insures through HealthTrust and the entity is offering a "One-time deal," Smith said. If employ-

ees enroll in January, they get a special rate on the deductible for 18 months; if they are forced to wait until July, when the new budget goes in, it will be offered for 12 months. Smith said the special meeting is needed to appropriate the funds and if the town waits until the March town meeting vote, the program won't be implemented until July 2017 and the opportunity will be lost.

For more information, call the Town Office at 432-1100 or visit the town's Web site.

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School Board Receives Discipline Update

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Katie Sullivan and other Londonderry High School staff members weren't surprised when they had to discipline students for incidents with I-phones, I-pads and tablets. The

more students use electronic devices, the more opportunity there is to misuse them, the LHS Assistant Principal told the School Board.

Sullivan and Londonderry Middle School Assistant Principal Donna Dyer gave their final disci-

pline reports for the year to the School Board in its June 21 meeting. While some of the concerns such as the use of devices are in sync with the times, others, such as bullying, are as old as the ages. But overall, both women reported that incidents are generally down.

For Sullivan, that means 184 recorded incidents compared to 185 at the end of 2014-15. She credits the number to programs such as RTI (Response to Intervention) and the Life Of a Lancer initiative for athletes and club members. For children in Life Of a Lancer, she did not see one infraction from this population all year.

She and the staff did see, and anticipated, a fair amount of absenteeism in the spring, which she attributed to good weather and "Senior-it is." The misuse of electronic devices also came as no shock, she said, adding that the staff and faculty are dedicated to helping students become good digital citizens. "We will help them stay on task, and keep educating them in the right way," she said.

Alcohol has gone from three incidents in 2013-14 to zero in 2014-15, and also zero this year, according to her report.

Drug possession and/or use was six incidents, down from last year's 10, her report stated. Fighting went from two (2013-14) to five (2014-15) to zero this year. Being found with a weapon dropped from three in 2013-14 to zero.

Numbers for harassment/bullying (zero), dress code violations (one) and parking violation (nine) may seem low, she said, but that's because these issues are dealt with on a daily basis, and resolved. "It's not that they're not there," she said, "but that they resolve themselves."

Sullivan also congratulated this year's seniors on a flawless Graduation Week. "They showed style, class, they were on time, they got in line when they were supposed to," she said. "That doesn't happen in every school."

She praised all her students, saying, "There are a million opportunities to make a mistake at Londonderry High School, and 93 percent of our students do the right thing."

Board member Dan Lekas, commenting on the "device" issue, said, "I notice some kids get the shakes when they're without their phones for 20 minutes."

Sullivan responded,

"The halls are very quiet at pass time."

Board chair Nancy Hendricks asked about the 20 incidents of students being "disrespectful." "Toward the faculty? Toward each other?" she asked.

Both, Sullivan said. "We try to nip that in the bud."

Hendricks also asked about "sent to house office," and Sullivan said those were usually students who were having a bad day. "They're angry, unsettled, maybe they didn't eat breakfast," she said, so they are sent to the house office so other children can concentrate.

"What is 'unauthorized area?'" Hendricks asked.

Sullivan said it is when a student is found without a pass. They didn't ask for one or forgot it, she said. "They're supposed to be in the library, you find them in the math lab."

Dyer said she logged 192 incidents this semester. "We had 200 last year – it's down a little," she told the board.

Out of the 192, 79 were one-time offenders, and the rest were repeat cases, with five "frequent flyers" who have had five or more infractions. In all cases, she'll ask them to take ownership and be responsible, Dyer said.

But she's pleased that out of 1,000 students, 896 had no discipline issues.

"Roughhousing, pushing and shoving" dropped dramatically, from 34 in 2013-14 to 20, 2014-15 to six incidents this year. Dyer said that was in part due to a new category, "physical contact," which encompasses things such as kicking or tripping. "Roughhousing" is reserved for the friendly horsing around of adolescent boys, she said.

Dyer credited the school's discipline drop to many things, including the "merit system" in which students doing well can be recognized over the loudspeaker; the guidance department, which visits every class to speak on harassment and bullying; and a select corps of seventh-and eighth-grader who are peer mentors with 30 sixth-graders.

Hendricks said, "I still hear a little about bullying on the buses. How do you curtail that?"

Dyer said, "It's hard for the drivers to deal with it when they're trying to drive." Fortunately, she said, the district's buses are equipped with video.

"We had a few incidents this year and we took care of them," Dyer said.

OBITUARY George Francis Winn Jr



George Francis Winn Jr., 83, of Londonderry, NH, died unexpectedly on Saturday, June 25, at his home.

He was born in Methuen, MA on November 5, 1932, a son of the late George and Hubertina (Keller) Winn.

Mr. Winn grew up in Methuen and was educated in the local school system. He later graduated from Tufts University in Medford, MA. Mr. Winn served his country in the US Navy. While living in Methuen, he was actively engaged in town politics, including serving as the Water Commissioner and as a Town Council Member.

He retired to Florida, where he enjoyed golfing and the Florida weather for 25 years, prior to moving to Londonderry two years ago. Mr. Winn was a communicant of St. Mark's Church in Londonderry, and was an Honorary Life Member of the Knights of Columbus.

He is survived by his wife, Carolyn (Cox) Winn, five children, Dr. Kathleen Winn and husband Tony Suhartono, Stephen Winn and wife Deborah, Nancy Ramirez and husband Alonzo, Janice Nohelty and husband Michael, and Cynthia Quinn and husband James; 11 grandchildren, Jeffrey, Sabrina, Jillian, Carly, Stephanie, Danielle, Megan, Stephen, Amanda, Benjamin, and Maureen; two sisters, Catherine Larrabee and husband George and Maureen Smith; as well as many nieces and nephews.

Following cremation, memorial calling hours will be held on Wednesday, June 29, from 8 p.m. in the Peabody Funeral Homes and Crematorium, 290 Mammoth Road, Londonderry.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Thursday, June 30 at 10:30 a.m. in St. Mark's Church, One South Road, Londonderry. To send a condolence or for more information, visit www.peabodyfuneralhome.com.

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Budget Committee Discusses Role, Cancels Summer Meetings

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LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Londonderry Budget Committee decided that because Londonderry Department budgets aren't finalized by their August meeting date it made sense to skip not only the July Budget Committee meeting but also the August Budget Committee meeting which also falls on one of the School District school tours. The committee members agreed and the next regularly scheduled meeting will be Thursday, September 22nd.

Chairman Jay Hooley told the members he had received a lengthy clarification from Attorney Michael Randall in response to the committee's request regarding the Londonderry Budget Committee's authority.

Ramsdell basically said that RSA 32, in its entirety, applies to Municipal Budget Committees that have been adopted by a community. In Londonderry, the Municipal Budget Committee was not adopted. What exists

in Londonderry is an Advisory Budget Committee. Randall said that the powers and authorities ascribed to the Municipal Budget Committee in RSA 32 do not apply to the Advisory Budget Committee.

"Our Advisory Budget Committee is a different animal," Hooley said.

He told the committee members that for departments wishing to make a submission to the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) the deadline is July 15, and the CIP Committee will take the submissions up at their August 8 meeting. Hooley said it will be important for liaison Greg Warner to attend that meeting and if he can't Hooley asked he be notified.

Hooley then went over the process for calling a Special Town Meeting. Londonderry needs to call such a Special Town Meeting in order to approve the cost items in a collective bargaining agreement reached between the Town and the American Federation of State,

County and Municipal Employees, Council 93, LAEA - Unit B - Town Administrative Personnel.

The Special Town Meeting needs to be called specifically because the agreement requires a special enrollment period for union employees to switch to a health savings plan that will provide savings to the Town and to the union members during the term of agreement. Since the enrollment period requires implementation by January 2017, three months before the next annual Town Meeting, the Special Town Meeting will be needed. The approval of the new collective bargaining agreement at a special town meeting will save Town taxpayers money. The petition for the special meeting was filed before May 31 requesting the Court to schedule a hearing on the petition not later than July 6th for the court to grant the special meeting be held on September 13.

There will need to be two public hearings, a

deliberative session and the voting session, Hooley explained, saying this is actually quite a long and involved process but one dictated by law. The Budget Committee had asked Town Manager Kevin Smith to come and talk to them about the contract and special meeting but he declined, noting it wasn't necessary since there would be the two public hearings and it has not yet been approved to move forward. See related story on page 1.

The committee members discussed the residential boom and its potential impact on the schools after Hooley said this had been brought up at the School Board meeting. He reviewed the residential developments that are presently being built and some that are on the horizon, such as Woodmont.

He noted that there is a calculation provided by the state that allows an estimate for the number of children that can be expected from a develop-

ment based on the number of bedrooms per house being built and the School Board is looking at an estimated increase of 60 new elementary students and 31 high school and that number will increase each year over the next few years. The impact will be on the teacher-student ratio, the class size, and the number of classrooms needed. This represents a reversal of the recent reduction in student enrollment enjoyed by Londonderry School District.

Committee member Dana Coons said he questions the actual credibility of the School Board and School District numbers and concerns since it was just five or six years ago the district was looking at possibly closing a school because of declining enrollment and had made the statement they could accommodate a great many more students.

Hooley responded that he thought this was a very good question and

suggested it be brought to the School Board. He did say that he knew that increases in the Special Education numbers has had an impact and that bringing much of the Special Education services in house rather than out of district has saved money but has resulted in using up a lot of space.

"But this is something we can look at," he said.

He recommended the committee members take advantage of the school tours that will take place in August.

On August 23 they should meet at the North School at 6 p.m. and from there they will go to the Middle School and Matthew Thornton. On August 25 at 6 p.m. they should meet at the South School and from there go to Moose Hill and the High School. These tours are important because they allow committee members to see what improvements have been made, what the classroom use is, and what issues exist at each of the schools.



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Enrollment

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six elementary, three middle-high;

- Wallace Farm, 20 elementary, eight middle-high;

- School House Square, six elementary, three middle-high;

- Pinkerton Hills, two elementary, one middle-high

- Wayland Drive, one elementary, one middle-high; and

- Kestrel Estates, three elementary, two middle-high.

While some of the developments will be built-out in three years, others will be coming on-line. For 2018-19 the estimated new students are:

- Albird Estates, three elementary, two middle-high;

- Lorden Commons, six elementary, three middle-high;

- Wallace Farm, 20 elementary, eight middle-high;

- Londonderry Town-

homes, nine elementary, three middle-high;

- Residences at MacGregor Cut, 20 elementary, eight middle-high; and

- Woodmont Commons, 13 elementary, five middle-high.

Vogl summed it up: the estimated new students for 2016-17 are 91, 2017-18, 96, and 2018-19, 128. These are across all grade levels, he said.

"These are big numbers," Vogl acknowledged. "But there are even bigger numbers on the non-residential side that will mitigate them." Senior housing projects are going in that will not put children in school, and industry is healthy, he said.

Dealing with it

But the school district still has to deal with it.

"How do you come up with the numbers per unit?" board member Jen Ganem asked Vogl.

Vogl said he uses impact fee analysis and a 2012 study by Bruce Mayberry. "We matched every

student with a housing type and multiplied," he said.

The formula is not 1 student per bedroom, Vogl said, but 0.394 students per unit. The age of families moving to Londonderry is increasing, and their family sizes are declining, he noted.

"Is 0.394 the standard for the industry?" member Steve Young asked.

"It is for Londonderry," Vogl responded.

Young wondered if the numbers for the projected increase were skewed. "Many of us are empty-nesters," he said. "But we stay on because of the price of housing."

The tax rate may be "Dampened" by an influx of students, but, Young said, "We do have to service these children. We may have to look at adding teachers."

He asked Vogl if there was any way to forecast an increase in Special Education students, which are both "One of the most

expensive and one of the most volatile" of the student population. But Vogl deferred the question to Superintendent Nate Greenberg. "You won't find that in the land use planning field," he said.

Young's point about empty-nesters staying on in their homes is well-taken, Vogl said, though he added that the projected rise in new students is based on new construction.

Board Chair Nancy Hendricks wondered about the cost impact of 91 new students in the district, and Greenberg said, "Numbers can be deceiving." In a class with 18 students, for example, the per-pupil cost is an average of \$14,000. But it's economy of scale, he added: "If you add one new student who just needs a textbook, the

per pupil cost goes down."

The key for board and administration, Greenberg said, is who's moving in and where they're moving to. "Two years ago, there was a significant in-migration to the southern end of town," he reminded the board. "They were all second-graders, and we had to ask the board for an additional teacher. If they were spread out across the grades, we wouldn't have."

Greenberg said they will be better able to plan this fall, after they receive and study a Facilities Report. Londonderry has several options, he said, including redistricting, purchasing land for a new school or obtaining "First refusal," and adding on to buildings.

He noted that from 2006 to 2016, the district

saw a decline in enrollment. But at the end of 2015-16, they had only one student less than last year. "The numbers," he said, "are on the rise."

Greenberg said that during the decline, the district had more space and was able to bring several Special Education programs back home and operate them in-district. "That has saved us millions," he said.

Hendricks thanked Vogl for coming. "We wanted to get a handle on this," she said. "We have to plan our budget 18 months in advance." The district recently saw a Special Ed increase of a half million dollars, Hendricks said. "We need to be prepared."

But, she said, "We feel like we have to prepare for a tidal wave."



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Town Manager Offers Alternative to Impact Fees

KATHLEEN D. BAILEY
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Londonderry Town Council will not reestablish the town's impact fee program, but will work with developers to see that there are no strains on town services.

Town Manager Kevin Smith spoke briefly on the issue in the June 21 School Board meeting.

Smith said the current Council has discussed impact fees and chosen not to reestablish the program.

The then-Council voted in March 2013 to suspend impact fees, which

assess the financial impact of a new development on schools, police, fire, recreation and library services. The action was taken pending an audit of the impact fee program, which came under fire the year before for being illegal. The program, in place since 1994, was found by Judge Marguerite Wagelin to be "widespread misfeasance." At a ruling in December of 2012, Wagelin characterized the town as "at best, lackadaisical in their handling and documentation of impact fees."

The current Council decided not to reestablish

the program in part because the study establishing the former program is outdated. "There would have to be a whole new study," Smith said, a process he described as "lengthy and costly."

He added that impact fees only pay a proportionate share of capital costs, and the town would still have to make up the rest.

And, he said, they can only be used for capital costs. "You couldn't use impact fees to hire a teacher," he told the board.

The picture has changed since 2006 to 2012,

when impact fees were last used. "At that time you had declining population, declining enrollment," Smith said.

The town's attorney has given the issue a "cursorious look" and advised against reestablishing the program, Smith said.

But the Council does want developers to chip in and will still ask them to pay a "proportionate cost of capital costs." "They could work out agreements where the schools benefit," Smith said.

For example, the town worked out an agreement with Woodmont Commons

concerning the development's impact on the school system. He said, "Woodmont has agreed that if we need a new school due to their population, they will sell us land at 80 percent of the market value."

Also, he said, the agreement includes the condition that for the life of the build-out of Woodmont, it has to stay revenue-neutral.

"Their taxes have to offset the cost of having them here," Council Chair John Farrell contributed.

Board chairman Nancy Hendricks circled back to Smith's "lengthy and cost-

ly" comment. "Do we need to commission a new study? What is the dollar figure? How long?"

GIS/Comprehensive Planner John Vogl estimated that it would cost \$20,000 "at the lower end" and take six to nine months.

Whether or not a development is revenue-neutral, "We still need to build a school and staff it," Hendricks pointed out. And if the board takes the new school to the voters and the voters say no, the district still has to absorb those students, she said.

Road Sign Law Hope to Help Drivers Find Businesses

KATHLEEN D. BAILEY
LONDONDERRY TIMES

Area businesses will soon be able to advertise their availability along Route 93, thanks to a recent bill sponsored by four Southern Tier legislators.

State Sen. Regina Birdsell, R-Hampstead, was the prime sponsor of SB

519 along with Sen. Sharon Carson, R-Londonderry, and Representatives Al Baldasaro, R-Londonderry and John Potucek, R-Derry.

The bill recently signed into law by Governor Maggie Hassan would allow highways in New Hampshire to have pylon signs advertising busi-

nesses, similar to the blue signs in Maine and Massachusetts.

Birdsell said that New Hampshire currently has green signs with logos representing lodging, food and gas. "But you don't know what's available until you get off the ramp," she explained at the Legislative Breakfast hosted this past Friday by the Greater Derry Chamber of Commerce (see related story).

The approved signs will list specific business-

es rather than just "Gas" or "Food," and that's a plus according to Birdsell. "The bill we passed will tell you that two miles out there's a Dunkin' Donuts," she explained.

Her husband is "addicted" to Dunks, and that would make him get off the ramp and patronize a local business, she explained.

Birdsell herself would brake for a Shell station, noting that she tries to patronize that chain because they are US-owned.

The signs will also help smaller local business, she said. "If you're the owner of the 'Windham Restaurant,' it might not normally be seen if someone is coming off the exit." But a sign will let the traveler know what to expect.

The signs will combine food, lodging, gas and attractions, unless they are at a major exit. Then there could be one just for lodging, one just for food and so on, Birdsell said.

The idea has been floated in Concord before and usually passed the Senate before getting bogged down in the House. This time around, Birdsell and the other proponents took a different tack. "We made it from the Massachusetts border to Concord," she said.

This works because in the past, opponents to the signs came mostly from the North Country, Birdsell said. They didn't want the views spoiled that many tourists come to New Hampshire for,

and they fought previous bills.

But Southern New Hampshire wanted the signs, and this bill made it work for both.

Birdsell said those wanting to rent space on the signs can contact the Department of Transportation. The DOT will contract with a company to manage the signs and they'll take it from there, she said, adding that she didn't know what the rent would be.

"People don't come to New Hampshire to look at signs," Rep. Gene Chandler, R-Bartlett and one of the panelists at the breakfast, said. "There was a strong sentiment against this in the North Country."

But he decided, "If you people want to look at signs, you can pass a bill to have them down here, and that's what you did," he told Birdsell.

"If we get a number of requests from the North Country for signs, we'll pass another bill," Birdsell said.

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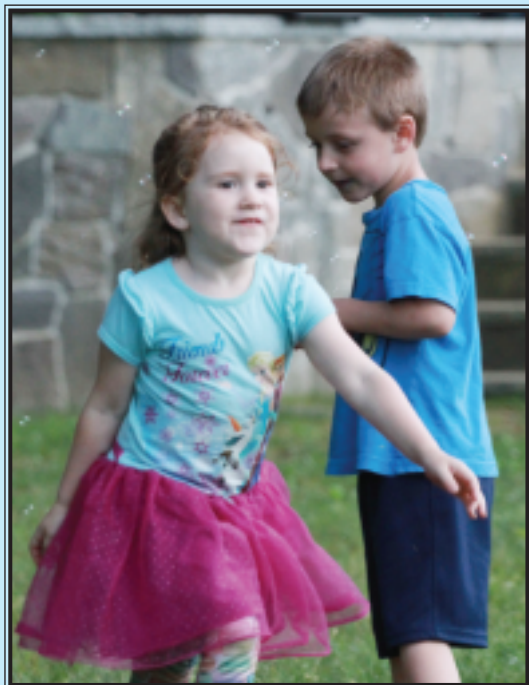
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Police Department Keeps Residents Informed, Wants Input

KATHLEEN D. BAILEY
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Londonderry Police are requesting residents to help

be their “eyes and ears” through a new Crime Tip phone line and a Crime Tip page on the department’s Web site.

The service will start July 1, 2016. The Crime Tip page will be located within the Police Department’s sec-

tion of the town Web site, www.londonderrynh.org. Anyone can leave a crime tip or other crime information, and may remain

anonymous if they desire. The phone tip line is 432-1104. Det. Chris Olsen said the impetus for the tip

sites was that “We had an available phone line, and we wanted to put it to good use.”

The Web page and phone line are primarily for residents who see something they’re uneasy about, but may not be directly involved in.

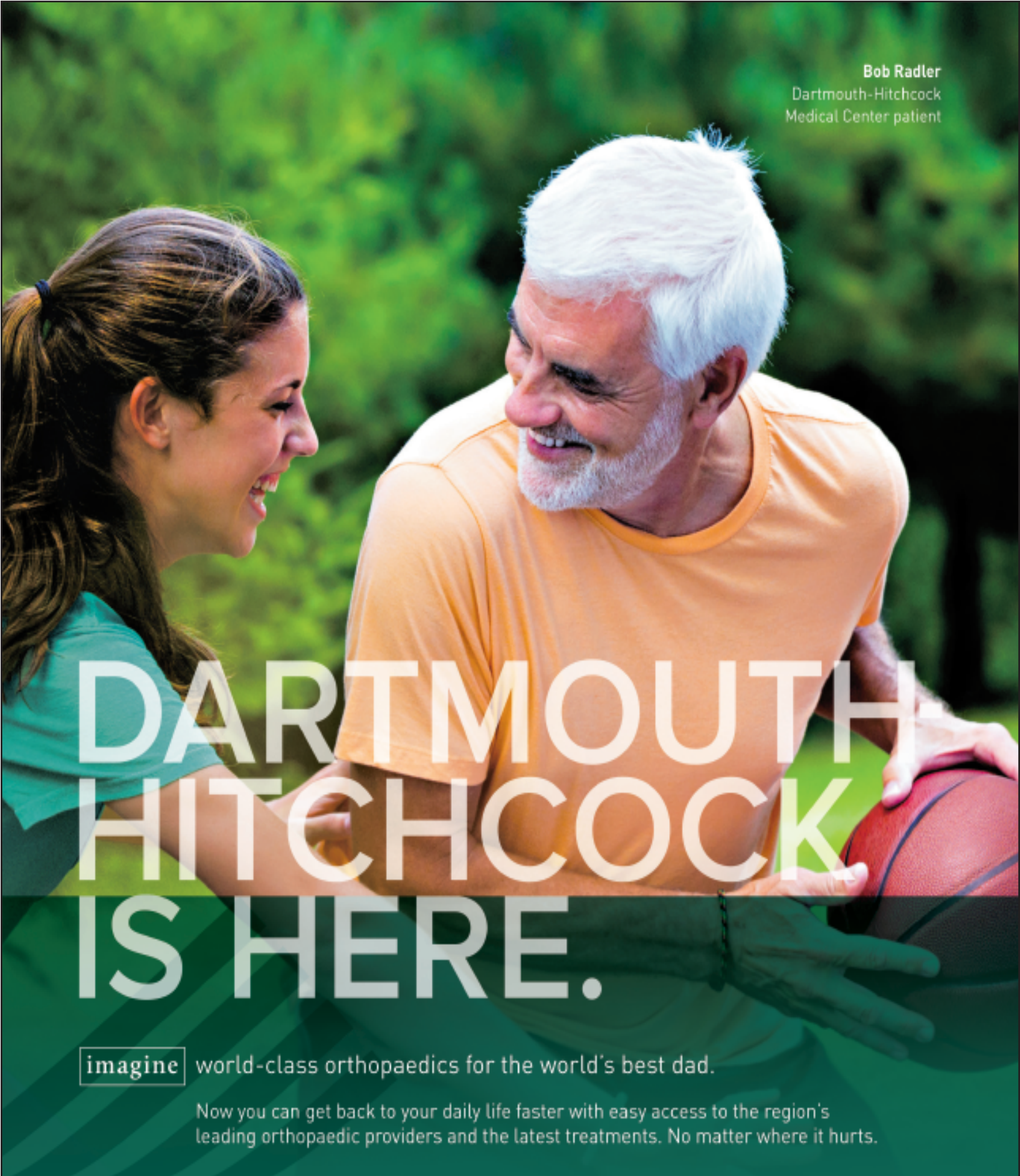
Olsen said the department frequently receives anonymous tips and follows up on them. “I can’t tell you how many incidents we investigate that are based on anonymous tips,” he said.

Some of the things people report anonymously include break-ins, motor vehicle non-compliance, and suspicious vehicles in their neighborhoods. Drug-related activity is also a big topic and usually anonymous, according to Olsen. “People don’t want to be involved in that,” he said.

Olsen said the department is working out a few kinks and expects to have the Web page online in the near future.

Police Chief Bill Hart wrote in a press release that residents can also follow real-time events on Facebook, “Londonderry Police Department,” and Twitter, “@londonderrynhpd.”: The department routinely posts “Wanted” posters and other crime information, Hart wrote.

In addition, residents can subscribe to receive text message alerts through the department’s Nixle program. This is located on the Police Department section of the town Web site. The service is free, but standard message and data rates apply through each user’s cell phone plan, Hart advised. The program is used for community alerts such as road closures.



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LONDONDERRY SPORTS

Londonderry, Derry Legion Crews Engage in a Tight Battle

CHRIS PANTAZIS
LONDONDERRY TIMES

When the Derry American Legion Post 9 and Londonderry Legion Post 27 baseball squads faced off at Pinkerton Academy in Derry Monday, June 20, neither squad walked away from the game particularly pleased with its offensive performance.

But the host Post 9 bunch was able to take solace from the fact that it collected a 3-1 victory from the Londonderry side to even its District B record at the start of the season to 1-1, while the Post 27 crew saw its early-season record slip to 0-2 in the district.

Some of the numbers compiled in this contest were just plain weird, with Derry pitcher Matt Burke - a Raymond High School hardball standout - throwing a near complete game one-hitter with one strikeout and seven walks.

The right-hander bat-

tled his way through some wildness to frustrate Londonderry plenty in this contest. The Post 27 crew kept looking for the timely hit through all nine innings, but failed to do so in leaving 10 base-runners stranded on the base paths.

For its part, the home team had a number of chances to bust the game open against Londonderry hurlers Geoff Kayo and Tim McEacharn. But manager Dylan Mullin's Derry crew also left 10 runners stranded on bases, leaving at least one in every frame but the fifth.

The hosts had a total of seven hits, with Dylan Greenwood and Eric Rear-don each lacing two singles to pace the victors' offensive charge.

"We've played three games and scored three runs every time, but I think the hitting will get going," said Mullin, whose squad played a non-district game with Concord as well as two district

contests to that point.

"The kids had several weeks off after the high school season ended, so they're working at getting going again. But the pitching and defense have been there so far, and I hope that can continue and we can get the hitting going," said Mullin.

Londonderry, which is working its way through the challenging transition from veteran manager Rick Brothers to new co-managers Brian Meskell and Alan McEacharn, couldn't help but feel stung by the fact that it didn't get the big hit when it had runners in place.

"We didn't move runners along, and that hurt," said McEacharn. "Geoff pitched well. He had one rough inning, but other than that he was throwing darts."

Londonderry grabbed a 1-0 lead in the top half of the second without collecting a hit. Kayo walked, stole second, moved to third on a ground-out to

the right side of the infield, and scored on a sacrifice fly off of the bat of Brody Dupuis.

But the home-standing Post 9 side knotted the score at 1-1 in the latter half of that frame when Caleb Eaton reached on an error, advanced on a single by Greenwood, and later scored from third on a double play.

Londonderry's lone hit of the night was delivered by number two batter Cam Fennell, who laced a single in the top half of the third.

And the Derry contingent did all the additional scoring it would end up needing to do in the latter segment of the fourth when it plated two runs

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Londonderry Post 27 second baseman Ricky Perry makes a smooth play on a grounder during his team's tough, early-season loss to Derry on the road recently. Photo by Chris Pantazis

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Lancer Rowers Complete First Campaign With a Strong Spring Showing



The Lancer Crew Team capped off their season with a meet against Pinkerton Academy at Lake Massabesic. Photos by Chris Paul

CHRIS PANTAZIS
LONDONDERRY TIMES

By almost anyone's measuring stick, the Londonderry High School crew club enjoyed a successful first year during the recently-completed 2015-16 school year. And the Lancers finished off that inaugural campaign with some superb showings this spring.

Led by coaches Brenda Balenger from Row America in Manchester and Jason Moskowitz, the

LHS contingent completed the spring campaign with about 33 rowers after having approximately that same number during the fall season.

Speaking of the spring season specifically, team media liaison Carolyn Brown said, "We attended multiple regattas over the past few months, medaling in all that we attended."

The Lancers took part in events in Lowell, Mass., Hanover, NH, and at their home Lake Massabesic in

Manchester where the locals also held their practice sessions along with members of Pinkerton Academy's crew club.

The Lancers held an "erg-a-thon" during May at the Mall of New Hampshire in the Queen City, raising funds to support the team's future endeavors. A pretty stunning 250,951 total meters were rowed by the team in just a few short hours at that special event.

"This is a co-ed team,

which saw much success and improvement over the year," said Brown. "Many teams improved times by significant amounts from first to last races."

Among the Lancer crew athletes' biggest performances was the one put in by the ladies' Novice 4 team, which claimed a bronze medal for its fine efforts at the Hanover Invitational Sleigh Cup in early June. The members of that group were Laura Doherty, Shannon Siders,

Lilly Carlson, Zannie Moskai, and Anna Loginov.

"They were amazing, shaving 11 seconds off of their finals time," said Brown.

The other members of the spring LHS crew club were Brennon Berard, Chance Broderick, Kevin Brown, Nick Byrne, Aidan Crowley, Ethan Cunningham, Kiara Dedier, Ashlie Dodge, Harry Feig, Drew Gruchot, Courtney Johnston, Andrew Kilgus, Gabrielle L'Heureux, Meg-

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The locals will be holding camps over the summer months to continue their strength and conditioning regimens in aiming at still more success this coming fall.

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Londonderry JV Girl Stickers Bagged Tournament Title

CHRIS PANTAZIS
LONDONDERRY TIMES

Giving all kinds of indications that the future is plenty bright for Londonderry High School girls' varsity lacrosse teams, the LHS junior varsity girls' lax crew capped off its excep-

tional season by winning the JV Tournament.

Coach Scott Walden's Lady Lancers - who only lost one match all spring - defeated the always-tough Souhegan High Lady Sabers from Amherst in double-overtime in the championship game. Allie

Marsh potted the winning goal in that overtime stanza, sending her team into full celebration mode.

Souhegan had reached the title match by besting the Pinkerton Academy Lady Astros by a 1-0 tally in the tournament's semifinals. The arch-rival Lady

Astros were the only opponents to beat coach Walden's lady warriors all spring, and that outcome occurred in the final regular season match for both contingents.

With the combination of the exceptional 2016 season enjoyed by the Lady Lancer junior varsity squad and the graduations of no less than 11 seniors from this spring's

LHS varsity girls' lax crew, it's safe to say that a number of Londonderry JV's will be looked to to make the move up to varsity next spring and make significant contributions.

GDTC Run for Freedom Races Slated for July 4

CHRIS PANTAZIS
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Greater Derry Track Club's Fourth Annual 5k and 10k races will be held on Monday, July 4, and registration is rolling on full force for those exciting events.

The runs will begin at Pinkerton Academy at 7:30 on that holiday morning, and the race course will take runners around the residential roads of Derry and includes several scenic vistas.

Tech t-shirts are avail-

able with pre-registration. Race-day sign up begins at 6:30 a.m. at the Pinkerton track, and packet pick-up will be held from 6:30 to 7:15 that morning.

All funds raised via the races will be donated to Liberty House in Manchester, a non-profit organization sponsored by the Manchester Veterans of Foreign Wars which offers transitional housing, medical care, and job assistance to homeless veterans in the Granite State.

All race registrants will receive a free raffle ticket for prizes. Food and drink will also be available.

The race application and brochure are located at www.gdtd.org/runforfreedom. The 5k and 10k races will be chip-timed, with age group winners three deep in both races. The GDTC is a non-profit charitable organization devoted to promoting running and related activities.



Champion Booters

The Londonderry United Soccer U-12 squad won the New Hampshire Soccer League Division 2 Championship recently. The title-winning team included in front from left, Kayla Saye, Lauren Doucette, Robin Batchelor, Natalie Karlson, Paige Thibault, Emily Ahlman, and Ashlyn Doucette. In back from left are head coach Erin Dallas, Madelyn O'Shaughnessy, Abbie Whitley, Lacey DeMeo, Tess Brown, Deyanna DeJesus, and assistant coach Jim Law. Missing from the photo are Laura Bowen and Paige Wagner.

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Oversized Hedgehog Gives Out Hugs at Leach Library

PENNY WILLIAMS
LONDONDERRY TIMES

Senior Children's Librarian, Jennifer DelVilla, at the Leach Library is a masterful storyteller and book reader and when Hedgie, the exciting gentle hedgehog gets added to the mix the young audience is more than captivated.

So it was on Wednesday morning, June 22, when a couple dozen children accompanied by parents showed up for the Summer Reading Program's Kick-off event entitled "Explore a Garden at Night with Hedgie."

During the exciting program, DelVilla brought the children into the world of gardens at night through the stories she read and the discussion she carried on between books.

The attendees got to learn about why animals visit their gardens at night.

DelVilla said that she hopes that from hearing Hedgie's own story, of bats and foxes to fireflies and moths, the children may be inspired visit their own garden some night and to try and see what animals or insects might be out there or perhaps to

engage in catching a firefly in a jar.

DelVilla delighted a couple dozen young people reading Hedgie Like Surprises by Jan Brett, In the Garden: Who's been There by Lindsay Barrett George, and It's A Firefly Night by Dianne Ochiltree, bringing them wiggling and grinning into the world of gardens and their animal visitors. She skillfully tested the children's knowledge of animals by showing shapes on the wall and getting them to identify the animal which they did with ease. The children were engaged but excited antic-

ipating the arrival of Hedgie. DelVilla, sensing the time had arrived, called for Hedgie to appear and to give the hugs the kids were waiting for.

The children lined up for their chance to receive a hug from Hedgie and the parents lined up to take pictures of their children being hugged by Hedgie. The smiles and giggles were testimony to just how much fun everyone was having, children and adults.

Each of the children present was entered into a raffle, and one lucky young lady received a cool prize bag.

The program was sponsored by The Friends of the Londonderry Leach Library.



Nathan and Andrew Fontaine got hugs by Hedgie, the gentle giant hedgehog at Leach Library. The boys had enjoyed the books read but the high point was getting to be hugged by Hedgie. Photo by Penny Williams

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Legion

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on three hits.

Ben Curry - fresh off of an all-state season for the Pinkerton baseball squad - hammered a long double which plated Greenwood. And Curry scored himself moments later on a single

by Jacob McGill.

There would only be one more hit through the remainder of the game, but the two squads combined to leave a dozen runners on base during that span of innings.

Derry starting hurler Burke remained in the game until Londonderry was down to its final out,

at which point reliever Zach Rioux came in and threw just one pitch to end the game.

Since that game, The Londonderry Post 27 record sits at 2-4 with wins against Portsmouth (10-6) and Merrimack (1-0). The team lost to Dover (7-0) and Hudson (12-6)

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Baby Raccoons Rescued

PENNY WILLIAMS
LONDONDERRY TIMES

Michael Matson, a Conservation Officer with New Hampshire Fish and Game met Sheila Johannesen, an Animal Control Officer from Hampstead at the Londonderry Fire Department on Wednesday morning, June 21 to give him two baby raccoons she had rescued.

Johannesen said, "I received a call late Tuesday night about two baby raccoons in the middle of the road. They were like baby kitten size we were told. We went out and saw they were about the size of a five week old kitten. Normally, when it comes to wildlife it's a case by case decision, and New Hampshire Fish & Game was contacted. But at that time Fish & Game was not on duty. I called a licensed rehabilitation person and asked her if I should leave them be by putting them back into the woods or should I take them. Wildlife calls are all different, each call is handled differently, depending on the circumstances of the call. This is why we ask not to touch the wildlife, but to call us first. However, these little guys were in the middle of the road, when they were found cuddled together. The good Samaritan did call it in right away and protected them till help could arrive making sure

they did not get hit. The rehabilitation person suggested I take them as they probably would need to be cared for," she said.

"I held the babies over night, and did consult with a licensed rehabilitation person again as to how to care for them overnight till I could get them to a rehabilitation situation. The next morning I contacted Fish & Game and we made arrangements to meet in Londonderry with the two baby raccoons.

"Fish & Game Conservation Officer Mike Matson asked if I had any problems with being filmed, as the New Hampshire Fish & Game have a video crew riding on their calls at this time. I told Officer Matson I did not have a problem being filmed and we met at the Londonderry Fire Department.

"As I pulled in, the film crew was all set up and the cameras were rolling. Mike and I talked about the raccoons, their condition and how I had cared for them over night and the details on how they were found. The video team filmed our entire exchange and put the baby raccoons in the crate. I love what I do and enjoy working with the all the animals. A lot of what an ACO does is education."

Johannesen said she received a call Thursday morning from the Critters

Control of New Hampshire whom Matson had made arrangements with to transfer the baby raccoons to them at a stop down the road from the Londonderry Fire Department at the Shasta Road Dunkin Donut parking lot a little while later. Critter Control of NH said the two babies, one male and one female were doing well and were only a little dehydrated.

Matson said the babies will be transferred from Critter Control of NH to Maria Colby at Wings of Dawn Rehabilitation in Henniker in a couple of days for more care. He said this exchange of the rescued baby raccoons being filmed by Engle Entertainment out of New York will be on the television show Animal Planet sometime in the winter of 2017.

"These guys are riding with me documenting what we do on a day to day basis and this is exciting," Matson said. "Filming the transfer of the baby raccoons at the Londonderry Fire Department from the Hampstead ACO Sheila Johannesen to me and then shortly thereafter down at the Shasta Drive Dunkin Donut parking lot they filmed my transferring the little guys to Jesse Fraser, Critter Control of NH. It is great for the NH F&G Wildlife Division to get this exposure of what we do on a day to day basis.



Two baby raccoons were rescued and heading to rehabilitation. Pictured are New Hampshire Fish & Game Conservation Officer Michael Matson who contacted Critter Control of Merrimack to meet him in Londonderry to take the baby raccoons for rehabilitation. Holding the cage with the baby raccoons is Critter Control of NH's Jesse Fraser.

We are one of only two state Wildlife agencies that are self funded. We get some federal grants and sometimes a little money from the state but we are basically funded by New Hampshire hunters and fishermen. The many Search and Rescue

missions that are uncompensated fall on the shoulders of these NH hunters and fishermen. I hope this show will make people more aware of the wide variety of things that we do on a daily basis that benefit the public. We just came from sever-

ing the head of a skunk that a private citizen called us about to send it off to have it tested for rabies. People don't realize the many different things we do daily and I hope they will come to appreciate it after seeing this show."

Daniela E. Verani, M.D., P.A.

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Confusing two medications with similar sounding names can happen anywhere. Maybe the provider's handwriting is illegible, the name goes into the computer incorrectly or the wrong drug is pulled from the shelf. When you get a new prescription, ask your provider to write down what it is for as well as the name and dosage. Before you leave the pharmacy verify the medication. Any drug you take has potential side effects. You've heard these on the television ads. The side effects really add up when you take two or more medications at the same time that may interact with each other. To avoid this, ask your provider and/or your pharmacist about the potential side effects including getting written printouts that you can retain for your records. It's all too easy to end up with several medications that have similar actions, although they were prescribed for different conditions. You might have one medication for pain, one for anxiety and one for sleeping; all sedatives combining with toxic results.

Pay attention to the warnings on the packaging of over-the-counter meds (e.g. Benadryl). Look for words like sleepy or drowsy. You may see warnings against driving or taking with alcohol as well. Since drugs are prescribed in a variety of units of measure with abbreviations or symbols, all it takes is a misplaced decimal point to change a 1.0 mg dosage to 10.0 mg. This amount in some medications could be fatal.

Make sure your provider's writing is clear. If you

can't read it, maybe the pharmacy can't either. When you get the prescription verify the dosage.

When you see a cute bright orange sticker warning that you not to drink when taking the medication, you need to take notice. Alcohol can have dangerous interactions with OTC medications. It can also compete with certain medications for absorption which can lead to dangerous interactions. Always ask if it is safe to take if drinking alcohol.

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

Search for Town's Oldest Citizen

The town of Londonderry is searching for town's oldest citizen to be presented The Boston Post Cane. The Boston Post Cane tradition started in 1909 when the Boston Post newspaper

delivered the cane to 700 towns in New England for them to be presented to the oldest citizens. Candidates must be the oldest known citizen in town documented by birth certificate, passport or voter registration; a resident of Londonderry for at least 25 years; and a U.S.

Citizen, Naturalized or registered voter. For more info contact: Kay Webber, Londonderry Historical Society, 24 Peabody Row, Londonderry. Call 432-2886. Deadline is Sept. 30.

Homebuilt Fly-in

Second Annual Homebuilt Fly-in Aircraft Show at the Aviation Museum of New Hampshire, Manchester-Boston Regional Airport, on Saturday, July 16 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. All aircrafts are welcome. This is a unique family friendly event, and there will be demonstrations and activities for all ages throughout the day. There will be raffles to win a scenic flight, or flight lessons. Food will be available for purchase. Regular museum admission applies. Homebuilt/Experimental pilots flying in receive free admission.

Fireworks Display

On Monday, July 4, The Derry Recreation Department will present a fireworks display at dusk from the fields near Gilbert H. Hood Middle School. Best viewing areas are: Hood Commons, Crystal Ave., and Tsienneto Rd. Approximate time will be 9 p.m.

Renew

Renew opens July 9 from 8 to 10:30 a.m. at Calvary Bible Church, 145 Hampstead Road, Derry. Derry residence 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 donations bin by the door at any time. No donations of money are asked or accepted. For details, search for "Renew Derry"



Making the Cut

Residential Mortgage Services Inc. owner Tammy Verani, far right, recently held a Grand Opening - Ribbon Cutting ceremony for her new office at One Verani Way. With her to help with the opening were, from left, Marleen Paquette, Jay Lavallee, Kim Phillips and Robin Cousineau.

Photo by Chris Paul

on Facebook, email renew-clothing@yahoo.com, or call the church secretary at 434-1516.

Garden Club

The Derry Garden Club meets at 10 a.m. July 8 at the Robert Frost Farm, 122 Rockingham Road, Derry. The program will be presented by Richard Holmes, Derry Town Historian, on the grounds of the historic farm where Frost lived from 1900-1911. A tour of the house is optional. Members are asked to bring a bag lunch; chips, drinks and dessert are provided.

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.

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.

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.

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.

Hospice Volunteers

Amedisys Hospice is looking for volunteers to help provide services to patients who are terminally ill and their families. Hospice volunteers help in a variety of ways, including providing companionship at the bedside to general support to patients and families. For more information or to register for volunteer training, contact Valerie Cilizza, Volunteer Coordinator with Amedisys Hospice of Londonderry, at 421-0414 or valerie.arnista@amedisys.com.

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Selections from the Londonderry Police Logs

Tuesday - June 21

11:45 a.m. Caller from Nutfield Country Store on Shasta Drive reported two kids on bikes "jumping" their bikes in front of vehicles across the median of the roadway and riding back down the wrong side of the roadway. The kids last seen going into the store.

1:38 p.m. Caller at TNT

Fireworks on Nashua Road reporting male subject hanging around the area since at least 5:30. Described as a 40-year-old with beard gray shirt and blue pants.

1:42 p.m. Resident in station reporting her garage door remote was stolen out of her vehicle on Mill Road.

6:02 p.m. Quincy Road

resident requesting assistance with a small snake in his garage. He was given the number for a wildlife removal service.

8:22 p.m. Caller on reporting a truck violating no through trucking, on Pillsbury Road and High Range Road heading towards high range.

8:32 p.m. suspicious activity reported on page rd.

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caller states that two subjects with rifles were walking on his property.

11:59 p.m. Caller stating that a car load of kids in small sedan on Alexander Road are attempting to take her mailbox. The mailbox is dented and the door doesn't close, but it is still standing and the vehicle last seen heading toward high range road.

Wednesday - June 22

2:24 a.m. A male subject is reported sleeping in the vestibule of the Bank of America ATM on Nashua Road. Described as having long hair, beard, and in all blue clothing with a white bag. said to have been wandering around for two days.

2:57 a.m. Officer checking a couple of pedestrians who were walking near Hall Road and Lori Lane, then ducked into the woods when they saw the cruiser.

7 a.m. forest street resident reporting his mailbox was hit sometime last night and there is a traffic cone in close proximity to it.

7:30 a.m. Criminal Mischief reported at Castle Court. Mailbox and planter damaged.

7:50 a.m. Caller at Gordon Drive called to report his mailbox was taken down during the night.

9:15 a.m. Mailbox was smashed on Charleston Avenue over night. Was broken in four pieces and mail was scattered everywhere.

9:58 a.m. Baldwin Road caller reported a large urn she had at the end of her driveway was uprooted and smashed on her driveway over night.

4:10 p.m. Caller on King Henry Drive reporting her 2- and year-old daughters are missing. They were wearing identical pink/purple dress. Subjects were last seen downstairs in home but believes they may have been able to open a door and leave in an unknown direction. Officer reports that girls were located. Found by father on King John.

5:58 p.m. Caller on Crestview Circle reporting theft of a firearm from his storage unit at some point after he saw it Saturday.

Thursday - June 23

8:14 a.m. caller reporting he has a sick fox in his yard near gilcreast road and cortland street that won't leave and he's concerned to let his three children go outside to play.

9:51 p.m. Report of Male subject jumping into roadway at South Road and Grove Street with flashlight. Caller stated this is not the first time this has happened. Subject described as tall with short hair, wearing shorts and t-shirt. Last seen heading towards Kendall Pond Road.

Friday - June 24

8:13 a.m. Caller reporting septic company dumping waste into the swamp off Rockingham Road across from Seasons Lane. Officer reports that it was found to be hydroseeding company filling their tank.

5:21 p.m. Disturbance at global gas 1 hampton drive. caller reporting disturbance at station between male subject and clerk.

10:27 p.m. Complaint

from sutton place of neighbor is having party with loud people and fireworks

Saturday - June 25

4:07 a.m. 911 operator requesting police respond with fire department for an 84-year-old unconscious male in the bathroom. Man found to have died.

5:43 p.m. Kendall Pond Road resident reports her mailbow was hit by a pool filling truck (Lawrence Tank) hit mailbox and tore it down. She was able to contact a representative of the company who stated they would fix the mailbox.

8:10 p.m. Caller reporting a dirt bike riding in the roadway on Bear Meadow.

Sunday - June 26

12:08 a.m. State Police received a call reporting a vehicle traveling northbound in the southbound lane between Exits 4 and 5 on Interstate 93. Vehicle not located.

Sunday - June 26
12:25 p.m. Caller reporting a group of juveniles loitering in the fieldstone drive neighborhood, and he would like them moved along. officer reports group couldn't be located.

12:27 p.m. Caller on Stonehenge Road reporting a wounded deer in his yard.

6:16 p.m. Caller at Market Basket reporting a dog left in a car and appears to be in distress. Vehicle described as half white, half grey with wood on top and a tarp on it, caller stated it looked "home-made." Vehicle is not running and there are no windows open.

Monday - June 27

12:01 a.m. Suspicious Activity on Jay Drive. Caller reporting a red jeep with a batman tire cover following him, driving fast by his house and revving the engine and is now allegedly waiting for him up the street. No plate number given and has no idea who it is. Caller does not want to speak to an officer, just find out who is in the jeep and what they are doing.

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TOWN OF LONDONDERRY PLANNING BOARD

The Londonderry Planning Board will hold a Public Meeting on Wednesday, July 13, 2016 at 7:00 P.M. in the Moose Hill Council Chambers, 268B Mammoth Road, Londonderry, NH to consider the following:

NEW PLANS

Non-binding review and discussion of a design review application of a subdivision of one lot into two, 566-574 Mammoth Road, Map 17 Lot 7 - Remi O. Fortin Realty Trust (Owner & Applicant)

Tornados Finish Up On a High Note



Eighth graders in the Tornado Pod at Londonderry Middle School got to cut loose a bit on the last week of school as the set out for the school's Rope Course. Students climbed, hung and zip lined throughout the day.

Photos by Chris Paul



TOWN OF LONDONDERRY LEGAL NOTICE

The Londonderry Town Council will hold PUBLIC HEARINGS on the following items:

1. **Ordinance #2016-05 - An Amendment to the Zoning Ordinance Relating to Transferring Parking and Loading Standards to the Site Plan Regulations**

Proposed Zoning Ordinance Amendments:
The Town of Londonderry seeks to amend the Zoning Ordinance to relocate parking and loading standards to the Site Plan Regulations. Amendments, which includes the removal of parking and loading standards and associated references throughout the zoning ordinance, are proposed in the following sections:

- 2.3.1 Residential Districts
- 2.4 Commercial Districts
- 2.5 Industrial Districts
- 2.6 Overlay Districts
- 2.7 Gateway Business District
- 2.8 Planned Unit Development
- 3.6 Elderly Housing
- 3.10 Vehicle Access and Parking

2. **Ordinance #2016-06 - An Amendment to the Municipal Code Title IV, Public Health, Safety and Welfare, Chapter IV, Junkyard Dealers**

The Public Hearings are scheduled for Monday, July 11, 2016 at 7:00 PM at the Londonderry Town Hall, 268B Mammoth Road, Londonderry, NH 03053. Copies of the proposed amendments may be viewed at the Town Manager's office during regular business hours and online at www.londonderrynh.org.

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