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History Lesson Local historian Bill Bringham leads Matthew Thornton Elementary School fourth-grade students on a tour of the Londonderry Historical Society buildings on Pillsbury Road last week. See more photos page 9. *Photo by Chris Paul*

National Grid Discusses Plans to Expand Power Lines

ALEX GUITTARR
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The town's transmission towers and the amount of land they consume may be changing in the near future if a project being spearheaded by utilities company National Grid is approved.

The project, known as Granite State Power Link (GSPL), was recently proposed to the Town Council during their June 19 meeting at the town hall. Presented by representatives Shawn Downey and Danielle Aretz, the GSPL would place a major emphasis on delivering more power to New England by replacing, upgrad-

ing, and adding transmission towers to the current 168 miles of said towers that occupy Vermont and New Hampshire.

According to the representatives, GSPL would increase power input to 1,200 megawatts, as well as maximize use of existing infrastructure, minimize development costs, and create 1,500 annual jobs for the two years that it will take to complete the project. Supposedly, it would also lead to 1.4 billion dollars in electrical savings over the first 10 years of the project's lifespan.

However, in order to accommodate these upgrades and additions, the land separating the

towers from surrounding properties would need to be expanded by anywhere from 66 to 80 feet in certain areas. Downey stressed that the project placed a heavy focus on informing and communicating with everyone affected by GSPL, from elected officials to the landowners who may have their properties encroached upon. Those affected by the encroachment would also see an additional 59 million dollars in property tax revenues over a four-year period.

But, regardless of their efforts to make the process as smooth as possible, the representa-

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Developer Seeks Early Occupancy Permission from Planning Board

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LONDONDERRY TIMES

Construction can often be a messy and lengthy process, causing unexpected lag time on the build and even posing potential threats to businesses.

Mark Forton and Jane Keefe of Remi Forton Realty LLC find themselves in such a situation at the moment after going before the Planning Board on June 14 to seek out a certificate of occupancy for two businesses that will be opening on 298-302 Rockingham Road, despite the build not being fully accomplished. The businesses will be a dog daycare and a nano-brew-

ery named Long Blue Cat Brewing.

Mark Forton, who was representing the appeal, stated that although he and his company have no problem following the conditions of approval for building on their site, including improving the parking situation and establishing up-to-date drainage in the back of the property. The process, due to unexpected delays in approval from their engineer, has taken around two years to get to its present point.

Forton asked the board not to alleviate the requirements for the build, but simply to allow these businesses to begin

preparing their own locations to open while Forton continues to work on the parking and drainage situation, stating that they are only "looking for relief on the time frame."

Upon being asked by Chairman Arthur Rugg what needs to be done to the site, Forton noted that this was exactly what was

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Council Honors Residents and Delves into Land Sale Agreement

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The Town Council's Monday, June 19 meeting was filled to the brim with several agenda items, including public hearings, acceptance of numerous donations, and efforts to honor several members of the community.

At the start of the meeting, Chairman Tom Dolan held a moment of silence for Dottie Grover, a longtime volunteer at Londonderry Access Cable Center who recently passed away. Dolan then cited Resolution 2017-07, which officially renamed the center the "Dottie Grover Cable Access Cen-

ter." Another longtime resident of Londonderry was then honored for his services to the community. Londonderry Superintendent Nate Greenberg, who has served the town and its school district for 17 years, will be retiring at the end of the month.

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Derry and Londonderry Residents Relay Through the Rain

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The rain didn't stop Greater Derry and Londonderry residents from walking in the 20th annual Relay for Life on Friday night, June 16. In fact, even the Flame of Hope, a symbolic torch lit at the start of the event, burned through the storms that passed throughout the night.

As always, dedicated Relay participants pitched tents in the center of Pinkerton Academy's track to stay in overnight. The event began at 6 p.m. on Friday night and ended at 8 a.m. on Saturday morning, with over 40 teams signed up this year and over 70 survivors taking part in the event.

To kick the night off, survivors, family members of survivors, and those who have lost family members to cancer spoke about their experi-

ences as well as their motivations to walk and fundraise for this event. The top team and individual fundraisers were then announced, with Mary-Ann Schroeder in first place raising \$6,277, Bonnie Roberts in second place raising \$2,698, and Fr. Phil Pacheco in third place raising \$1,785.

A lap around the track was then dedicated to cancer survivors, and the next lap to the survivors and their caregivers. The remainder of participants lined the track and applauded to celebrate the strength of the survivors and their family members and friends.

While sitting down to dinner hosted by Amphora Restaurant in Derry, Marian Leoni, who began walking in the Greater Derry Londonderry Relay 20 years ago, explained why she continues to do so. "I have

many family members who have either passed or have survived cancer. I am a cancer survivor myself, and my husband passed two years ago," she said. "It's a great group of people. I did six laps before the opening ceremony even started!"

She concluded by saying, "You have to have hope. We have to have faith for the people that have passed."

Leoni's message of hope was a common one among participants. Anna Meninno of Derry led her team, Relay for Rhonda, in memory of her mother, Rhonda, who lost her seven-year battle to colon cancer several years ago.

"She was very strong throughout all of it," Meninno said. "We used to do this as a family, but now I'm here walking to support her."

Spirits remained high all throughout the night

as relayers danced, hula-hooped, and even dressed in costumes to stay awake and warm, making for another successful Relay filled with

hope of finding a cure.

Relay for Life is the world's largest fundraising event for cancer, and even though the Greater Derry Londonderry event

has now passed, fundraising is open until August of this year. For more information or to donate, visit www.relayforlife.org.



The first lap of Friday's Relay for Life was kicked off with the Survivors' Lap, pictured on top. After that a variety of themes followed throughout the evenings many laps. The New England Santa Society showed up to spread some holiday cheer. Photos by Chris Paul



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Police Chief Pursues Accreditation for Department

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LONDONDERRY TIMES

During the Town Council Meeting on June 19, Londonderry Police Chief Bill Hart came before the board to inform them of his current pursuit of accreditation of the town's police department

through the Commission of Accreditation of Law Enforcement (CALEA).

The commission seeks to establish a set of national body of standards for law enforcement professionals to follow, all in an attempt to, according to Hart, help establish trust in commu-

nities between law enforcement and citizens

By potentially joining CALEA, the Londonderry Police Department would also gain slight assistance in covering insurance for officers and face a major decrease in damages paid from potential lawsuits to the department. No reor-

ganization of the department would be necessary, but a new rank would be established to help regulate these new standards.

Joining would not come free, as Councilor Jim Butler discovered after asking Hart about the cost to the taxpayers, stating, "I'm looking at it

from a dollar standpoint." Hart responded by saying that various fees and charges through CALEA would cost residents roughly \$40,000 annually.

Upon receiving all this information, Dolan sug-

gested that the council and Hart work with Town Manager Kevin Smith to fine-tune any details, as he felt they needed more time to digest all this new information.

Council

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Dolan presented Greenberg with a plaque for his work. Dolan fondly remembered his time with Greenberg, noting how well he "represented the community" and how the two of them worked hard in the past at the state house to protect school funding. Upon also receiving a town jacket with his name embroidered on it as well as a pillow to "help him rest," Greenberg thanked those in attendance, noting that "this is a fantastic community" and that it was well worth supporting over the years.

Followed by this was a quick series of agenda items, including Bonnie Roberts with the Senior Resource Committee informing the council about an outreach program they did with elderly communities about what they see as essential issues in their town, nominations to the town's Capital Improvement Program Committee, and recognition of John Percy, a local Boy Scout, whose Eagle Scout

project helped to design and raise funds for a new fire danger warning sign outside the town's fire department.

The public hearings then began, although most discussion occurred from the council itself.

The first topic was Ordinance #2017-04, which would implement limits on outdoor lawn watering in the event of a drought situation, as well as based around the severity of the drought, although it is currently unused since there are no droughts currently afflicting Londonderry.

Although Butler recused himself from voting, citing a letter he had received saying there was conflict of interest due to his sons landscaping business, the ordinance was passed unanimously.

Soon after, resident Diana Meale, who has been speaking to the council for months on the topic of water preservation, applauded them for their efforts to stem negative effects from droughts in the future.

The land sale agreement between Cross Farm Development, LLC and

the town was brought up next, with attorney Morgan Hollis representing the developer. Upon explaining to the council the purpose of the agreement, which would have the town purchase and resell a small patch of land outside one of Cross Farm's properties to Cross Farm so that they may create a new access way onto Route 102, Hollis was met with numerous questions from the council.

Councilor Joe Green noted that he failed to see the benefit of the purchase, while Vice Chair John Farrell hoped to see more efforts towards avoiding traffic on Adams Road, noting that it is "the only historic road in town." Although some council members doubted the project, Dolan defended it, saying that the town should not "exert leverage we may not have" on the topic of traffic. The coun-

cil is expected to hold one more discussion on the matter in a special meeting on June 29 at the town hall.

In other news, the council accepted a number of donations, including a \$13,000 freightliner van from Ford of Londonderry, airport security and bullet proof vest program grants from the New Hampshire Department of Safety and U.S Department of Justice, and a \$3,000 grant towards the Local Emergency Operations Plan for the Londonderry Fire Department, which the department also donated as well, bringing that to a total of \$6,000 in grants. Fire Chief Darren O'Brien noted that Battalion Chief James Roger was responsible for gaining the \$3,000 grant.

Once several local junk shops were granted licenses to operate by the council, the meeting was adjourned.

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Richard W Lusby



Richard W Lusby of Londonderry passed away June 14, 2017 after a period of declining health. Richard was born December 14, 1943 in Aberdeen, Mississippi to Donald and Emateen (Haney) Lusby. He was raised in both MS and AZ, graduating high school in Aberdeen. After high school Richard joined the U.S. Air Force where he served as an airborne radar technician on the C-121 Constellation. He was stationed at Otis AFB, Cape Cod, MA. While there, he met his wife of 51 years, Gail Greenan. They settled first on Cape Cod, moving to NH after Richard separated from the AF in 1971. Richard and Gail moved from NH to Woburn, MA where they lived for many years. They also lived in AZ for several years before once again returning to NH.

In his Air Force time, Richard had the opportunity to travel around the world. His favorite places seemed to be Iceland and the Philippines, which he spoke of often. After the Air Force, Richard worked as a field service technician servicing main frame computer systems for Honeywell, and later Bull Information Systems. He was a "computer guy" before most of the world knew what computers were. He purchased his first home computer in 1984 and later had a mainframe in his basement office (none of us are really sure what he was doing with that, hacking Russia perhaps?) Richard enjoyed working on cars, and long family road trips which included many Massachusetts to MS or AZ drives for summer vacations. He also enjoyed old-western and sci-fi movies and would never pass up a glass of red wine. He was a loving husband and father, but the greatest role of his life was that of Grandpa to 11 grandchildren and one great granddaughter.

He is survived by his wife Gail (Greenan), their four children and families: Darrell and his wife Terry Sue: Houston, TX and three children, Ryan Lusby and his wife Kay and their daughter Madison: Nashua, NH, Shane Lusby and his fiancée Kelsey: Nashua, NH, and Layla Lusby: Houston, TX; Dyan and her husband Kevin McClamma: Beavercreek, OH and their four children Zack and wife Lauren: Enon, OH, Jesse, Grace, and Devin McClamma; Dwayne and his wife Demi: Houston, TX and daughter Chloe Lusby; Dawn and her husband Joe Lacerda: Londonderry, NH and three children Gavin, Brighton and James Lacerda.

Calling hours will be held on Monday, June 19, 2017 from 5 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. at Peabody Funeral Homes and Crematorium, 290 Mammoth Road, Londonderry. A Memorial Service will follow in the Funeral Home at 6:30 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made in Richards name to St. Jude Crèche fund 435 Mammoth Rd, Londonderry, NH 03053. To send a condolence or for more information, please visit peabodyfuneralhome.com

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Editorial

Celebrating July 4

If you think celebrating the Fourth of July is just a matter of firing up the barbecue, getting out the sparklers, or heading to the seacoast or the mountains for a three-day weekend, we invite you to reconsider. The Fourth of July is also known, of course, as Independence Day, and that's the reason for this extra day away from work and for the lifestyle you enjoy today.

The Declaration of Independence was finalized on July 4, 1776, and set the colonies on the path toward their emergence as a nation. Political speeches, fireworks, and red, white and blue bunting are fine for the occasion, but the signing of the Declaration of Independence is a lot more than a reason for a party.

We think the Declaration of Independence, signed by New Hampshire's own Matthew Thornton, among others, is a document that should be read regularly to remind us of who we are as a country and to make sure we continue in the tradition of those who fought to establish a free nation, whose leaders were expected to listen to those they serve. "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" are perhaps the document's most famous lines, but the list of injustices attributed to Great Britain makes for good reminders of what our government should never become. That's particularly timely reading during a time when political attacks have the potential to rise or sink to unpleasant levels. It's also a straightforward and simple document. Life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. Sadly, not qualities every nation freely grants its citizens. How we pursue that happiness is left to us to decide, not dictated by a ruler. We take that for granted, but to many people across the planet (look, for example, at the uprisings of the "Arab Spring") it's only something to dream about.

So, figure out what makes you happy as you enjoy your holiday weekend. A hearty meal, a good place to swim, and a sky full of sparkling fireworks make for a pretty good celebration of freedom. Especially if you pause a moment to thank those who made it all possible in 1776.

Have a safe and celebratory Fourth of July!



Carr Signing

Radio talk show personality, author and Boston Herald columnist Howie Carr was at Market Basket in Londonderry on Saturday to promote and autograph his latest book, "Kennedy Babylon." Pictured, Sean Daly stops by to pick up a book for his dad for Father's Day. All those that bought a copy of the book got a free t-shirt and magnet.

Photo by Chris Paul

Power Lines

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tives were met with much resistance from town councilors. Councilor Joe Green was curious about how the representatives came up with their property tax figures, to which Downey noted that it was based off of general estimations of the land. Councilor Ted Combes was curious about how much each individual household would see of the 1.4 billion dollars in savings. Downey explained that it would come out to about sixty cents per megawatt hour.

Conservation Commission Chair Marge Badois was also present at the meeting, asking the representatives about the size of the switchyard for the

project, which was an unknown factor at that time, and whether or not National Grid would keep track of conservation easements. Aretz noted that they put forth the utmost care towards minimizing their impact on the environment, stating that "[they] obviously have to undertake environmental studies."

Vice Chairman John Farrell was the most outspoken about the project, citing previous similar experiences with Ever-source Energy and complications their right-of-ways caused Londonderry residents. Farrell stated, "I'm not in favor of granting permission to proceed with GSPL," noting numerous concerns like the size of the project, the impact on the

local landscape, and how it will affect local properties. He also advised the representatives to consider helping develop a community power authority to give the town more reign over use and prices of the electricity.

However, as GSPL is still in a proposition phase in Londonderry, Chairman Tom Dolan advised the representatives to work closely with residents and Town Manager Kevin Smith to smooth out the details of GSPL's positive and negative effects on Londonderry. The Town Council hopes to meet with National Grid in November to discuss the project further. For more information about the GSPL, please visit <http://www.granites-tatepowerlink.com/>.

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Conservation Commission Discuss Zoning Buffers and Musquash Area

ALEX GUITTARR
LONDONDERRY TIMES

At the Conservation Commission meeting held on June 13, board members discussed issues ranging from zoning board cases to improving conditions on the Musquash Conservation Area.

The meeting began as the commission spoke with several individuals representing Cross Farm Development, LLC, who were there to explain the

impact a new elderly housing community will have on the property's wetlands. An entire overview of this section of the meeting can be found on page 7.

The Cross Farm representatives made their case and left the meeting, leaving the commission to discuss Zoning Board Amendment No. 6/21/17-2, which involved the Nevins Adult Community, another elderly housing community which hopes

to decrease the conservation overlay district buffer facing part of their property from 50 feet to 25 feet for the sake of lawn management.

The commission, however, failed to see why this was necessary, as the request seemed to be more about avoiding a restriction on the use of pesticide and herbicides on the lawn. The commission noted that Nevins was told previously that they could still use

potash as a fertilizer, so they refused to support the amendment not only because of the triviality of it, but also because there was some ambiguity behind its overall purpose. The commission said they would like to see some clarification, with Chair Marge Badois stating that "[they] just need to sort it out."

The commission also plans to spearhead a number of improvements to the property surrounding Tanager Way, Scobie Pond, and Kendall Pond, namely adding parking spaces for those visiting these areas. The plans are still in their early stages,

and the commission discussed needing to establish a request for proposal before putting the plan up for bid by talking to neighbors surrounding these locations about these potential changes and putting together a ballpark figure of how much the improvements will cost.

The commission then discussed creating a series of signs to place throughout the Musquash Conservation Area, pinpointing specific locations on maps. It was also mentioned that Ever-source Energy, New England's largest energy provider, had offered to

plant various trees and flowers in place of a gap in a line of trees along Wheelwright Circle, which was caused by tree trimming efforts.

To close the meeting, members discussed their continued efforts to stop the removal of water from public water bodies for commercial use. Unfortunately, a sign next to one of these water bodies that warned about Ordinance 2017-03, which forbids said water removal, was recently taken down and destroyed by unknown individuals. However, a new sign will soon be put up at the location of the original.

Incoming Freshmen Attend Step-Up Day at High School

RILEY WALBURG
LONDONDERRY TIMES

On Thursday, June 15, eighth-graders from Londonderry Middle School and Hooksett Middle School walked and were bused on over to Londonderry High School for this year's annual Step-Up Day.

Each year, LHS holds Step-Up Day for incoming freshmen to help them adjust to what will be their school for the next four years. At this event, they are taken on a tour of the school, they meet upperclassmen, and they see booths created by many of the sports teams and clubs that are or will be available for them to join and participate in.

"I think it's helpful so that [incoming freshmen] see what they may be

interested in and can plan and organize their schedules earlier," senior Kiley White said. "They are also able to talk to high schoolers on more personal levels about any questions they might have."

The day started off with an introduction from Principal Jason Parent and House Four Assistant Principal Katie Sullivan. Performances by the LHS drumline and choir followed, as well as an example of students donating their hair as a part of the popular Pantene Beautiful Lengths campaign. The class of 2021 officers and their advisors were then announced, and a competition was held to see which of the upcoming freshmen was the most spirited.

"My favorite part of the day was seeing the most spirited competition between the three freshmen," junior Layna Holk said. "It showed that the freshmen were already becoming more comfortable with us and the school."

Students who stopped at booths learned useful information about the clubs and sports displayed from students who are currently members of each one. Some booths provided handouts, others games or pictures.

"The most important thing a freshman can do is get involved," Holk said. "Getting involved in sports and clubs is the key to getting the full high school experience."

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Town Council Announce Growth Management Workshops

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It should come as no surprise that Londonderry has been going through quite a growth spurt as of late. With many companies seeing the town's unutilized landscapes as great business opportunities, whether for housing facilities or distribution centers, monumental changes have been made to the layout of Londonderry, earning it the title of the fastest

growing community in New Hampshire by the U.S. Census.

However, a growing community does not always yield positive outcomes. Residents can attest to this, with recent concerns over traffic issues arising on roads such as Stonehenge Road. Threats to local water supplies have also stemmed from the increased presence of these companies, as several are now using water from

local bodies of water for commercial use. Such concerns have led to numerous community disputes with the town council over whether their interests lie with the residents of Londonderry or the companies contributing to its growth.

The town council realizes that action needs to be taken in order to prevent Londonderry's land from being pushed to its breaking point. Chairman Tom Dolan recently

announced that the town will be working out plans to put together a series of growth management workshops, available to all members of the public, wherein a possible solution to the perpetual growth may be found.

During a recent interview, Dolan noted that state law prevents most efforts to implement ordinances that would prevent or mitigate the purchasing of land in the town. However, that does not mean that Londonderry is forbidden from purchasing land in town and then selling it to developers at the town's discretion. These purchases are expected to come out of citizen's pocketbooks, to an extent, meaning that the source of growth management "depends on the will of the people."

Dolan hopes that during the growth management workshops, he will "tap into community knowledge and history" of Londonderry to give the people a sense that the council is listening to what they have to say, soliciting them for their thoughts and managing growth into something more desirable.

The workshops will be split into two different

meetings, with the first informing those in attendance about Londonderry's growth management efforts over the past 25 years and introducing ideas on moving forward. The second will include more public involvement, featuring a "mix of elected officials, town employees and citizens," allowing attendees to break off into smaller groups and develop their own solutions for the workshop to discuss as a whole.

Dolan also emphasized that the town will be working closely with the Conservation Commission to determine what patches of land should be purchased by the town, given their concern for how Londonderry's ecosystem is treated. Anyone who wants permission to build in the town must first go before the commission.

Alternate commission member Michael Speltz said that "although [he is] all in favor of managing growth," he feels that when analyzing the town in these circumstances, we need to look at the bigger picture, saying that growth management is only "one arrow in the quiver." One of his chief concerns with the town actually comes from what he feels is an imbalance between the number of jobs and the number of workers, feeling that if this balance was improved, it would "improve the situation."

The workshops do not yet have an official date, but Dolan noted they will most likely take place sometime in the summer or fall, giving residents and officials time to digest various ideas before voting season begins.

Developer

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causing the delay. He was unaware of precisely what needed to be done, as his engineer has yet to finalize plans for drainage, which is the bulk of the issue. The most Forton could tell Rugg was that four detention ponds and three parallel weirs were required.

sooner as he had received his conditional use permit in March, Forton noted that he was unaware that getting word back from the engineers would take so long, saying that "it has been a learning process." Chiampa, however, seemed unsympathetic, stating that "it's a problem on [Forton's] end, not a problem on the town's end."

Ultimately, Forton's request has fallen on deaf ears for the time being. Without solid, finalized engineering plans for the

drainage, Rugg and board members Peter Commerford and Assistant Secretary Scott Benson all agreed that the board could not come to a conclusion, with Rugg stating that "[They were] not working with anything finite."

Since the town cannot issue temporary certificates of occupancy, the best thing the board could do was schedule another hearing on the issue for its July 5 meeting, as it is expected that by then, the finalized plans should be released. However, there are concerns that those newer plans may feature additional, unexpected changes.

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OBITUARY

Eugene E. Shannon



Eugene E. Shannon passed away surrounded by his loving family after a brief illness on Saturday, June 10, 2017.

Born in Lawrence, MA to Eugene and Elsie Shannon, he graduated from Dorchester High School. He enlisted in the US Navy in 1942 and flew combat missions in the Pacific as a radioman with Torpedo Squadron 81.



After the war, he returned to Boston, married Mary Joyce of Dorchester, and raised two children. The family moved to Londonderry in 1976. A businessman and entrepreneur, he started and operated a number of small businesses and consulted and helped grow a variety of others, most notably as CEO of Geophysical Survey Systems of Nashua. An avid outdoors man, he was a founder of the Ala-Bye ski club of Intervale, and skied and hiked the White Mountains for over 50 years. He enjoyed Boston for 50 years. He enjoyed Boston's sports teams and sailing on Lake Winnepesaukee with his family and friends.

He leaves behind his loving wife of 68 years, Mary Shannon, his brother Robert Shannon and his wife Joyce of Stowe, VT, children Christine Shannon of North Conway and Paul Shannon and his wife Stacey of Londonderry, grandchildren Shannon McCarter and her husband Jonathan of Washington, DC, Eric Matthew Styffe of Bartlett, Kelsey Shannon and her husband Liam of Milford, and Patrick Shannon of Londonderry, as well as great-granddaughter Moira McCarter of Washington, DC, and numerous nieces and nephews.

— PAID OBITUARY —

Cross Farm Talks Wetland Impact With Conservation Commission

ALEX GUITTARR
LONDONDERRY TIMES

Discussions on the land sale agreement between Cross Farm Development LLC and the town of Londonderry continued during the most recent meeting of the Conversation Commission on June 13 at the town hall.

Cross Farm has been working with the town over the past few months to obtain ownership of a 2.8-acre parcel of land

between Route 102 and 57 Adams Road, which is being used to produce a 200-unit elderly housing community. The small piece of land would cost the town for \$360,000 from the Department of Transportation and would then be purchased back from the town by Cross Farm for the same amount. This is all so that said land can be converted into an entrance onto 102.

However, the commis-

sion's main concern with Cross Farm's overall project lies with its impact on wetlands. Thus, in response to a recommendation from the commission from an earlier meeting on May 23, Cross Road sent several representatives working on the Adams Road project, including Jack Szemplinski with Benchmark Engineering, Inc., to meet with the commission and discuss the matter and seek their approval for the

Town Council.

Szemplinski displayed a chart of the eastern portion of the community, or the first phase of construction, which displayed how roads and the creation of the entrance onto 102 would impact roughly 6,400 square feet of the wetlands. John Hollis, another representative for Cross Road, noted that they "wanted to satisfy what the town wanted to do" when taking wetlands and roads

into account.

Once the commission started asking questions, it was easy to see that numerous members were troubled by the impact that the project was having on the area. Members Deborah Lievens and Michael Noone spoke out against the locations of detention ponds in the area, while Noone was also concerned that the 102 entrance would cut directly into another wetland. He wondered why they simply could not move the entrance west to avoid the wetlands.

Resident Ray Breslin, who decided to sit in on the meeting, also took the chance to voice his frustration over how Londonderry continues to have problems with its water system. Instead of only addressing them, the town continues to develop projects around bodies of water that may pose more issues. Breslin said, "There is a lot of work to be done."

However, aside from accepting a proposal for a deed restriction from Chair Marge Badois, Szemplinski was adamant that these plans were optimal for the minimiza-

tion of wetland impact and general impact on the land, as the blueprints showed much of the housing built around the bodies of water. He was quoted, saying that "Whenever you have 200 homes, there will be some impact." To answer Noone's question about the 102 entrance, Szemplinski noted that the state would not allow for such a change, most likely due to a lack of extra property existing along the border between Cross Farm's property and 102 for such construction.

Although the commission was very vocal about defending the wetlands, Noone eventually led a motion to tell the town council that the commission believes that the entrance onto 102 will have less impact than an entrance onto Cross Road, although this does not change their previous recommendation. The motion also encourages a deed restriction from Cross Road to Constance Drive.

Once they had clarified the language of the motion, the board unanimously approved said motion.

Girl Scouts Bridging Ceremony Slated June 22

ALEX GUITTARR
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Girl Scouts always take the process of moving through the ranks of the group very seriously.

Seen as a very important process, any time scouts are ready to move on to the next step of scouting, a special cere-

mony takes place to commence the transition.

Thus, Londonderry Girl Scout Troop 12604 will be holding a "bridging ceremony" on Thursday, June 22, from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Londonderry Middle School.

According to the Girl Scouts website, "Bridging is an important transition

in a Girl Scout's life. It's a defining moment when a girl becomes aware of her achievements and is ready for new adventures and responsibilities. Celebrating this change should be fun, personalized, and memorable for everyone involved."

In order to achieve this goal, the "bridging"

will feature a literal bridge, placed upon a stage as a part of the actual ceremony. Once the event begins, Debbie Johnson, one of the adult coordinators for the troop, will read an introduction to help the audience understand what will occur that night.

Then, the more than 60 troops moving on to their next rank will be introduced. Going in the order of their rank, starting with Daisy scouts becoming Brownie scouts and ending with two Cadettes becoming Seniors, the second highest rank a scout can earn, a short story elaborating on the meaning of their rank and transition will be read before the scouts then cross the bridge, symbolizing the children crossing over to the next phase of their time in the Scouts.

Two scouts will also be receiving Silver Awards, the second highest ranked award in the Girl Scouts.



Winning A Ride

Mathew Thornton Elementary fourth-grader Madison St. Gelais won a trip to school in a fire truck last week. Her parents won the trip through a fundraiser at the Greater Londonderry YMCA earlier in the year. Madison chose to bring her friend Kalliee Cullen on the ride with her. Fire fighter Phil LeBlanc was the driver.

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Londonderry Prepares to Perform Stormwater System Inspections

ALEX GUITTARR
LONDONDERRY TIMES

Local residents should take notice of the town's preparation to send a number of its employees to perform inspection work in and around Londonderry properties.

This comes as a result of the town's Public

Works and Engineering Department's work to examine the state of Londonderry's municipal stormwater system.

However, because these water systems are typically located on the drainage easements on or adjacent to residents' properties, the town employees, including an

intern from the University of New Hampshire, will have to access some of these properties in order to complete their work.

According to Janusz Czyzowski, the Director of Public Works and Engineering in Londonderry, the inspections will revolve around the town's municipal water supply

and be done to test a variety of factors, including confirming the internal design of the systems, inspecting the shape of the catch basins, cisterns which catch and retain matter that could not pass through the sewer readily, and checking to make sure that there are no illicit discharges or

anything other than stormwater coming from within these systems.

Czyzowski noted that the overall process will extend throughout the summer and into the fall. However, he was unable to say how long each individual inspection would take, as that all depends on the number of catch

basins, the size of the systems, and other factors.

The department will also be sending out a series of letters to residents to inform them of these inspections. If you have any further questions about these upcoming tests, contact Janusz Czyzowski at (603) 432-1100 x193.

Mother - Daughter Trio to Hold Fundraiser to Benefit Local Veterans

RILEY WALBURG
LONDONDERRY TIMES

On Saturday, July 1, 2017, there will be a fun and friendly corn-hole tournament at Pipe Dream Brewery in Londonderry to benefit the Boston Red Sox Foundation's 'Run to Home Base' event.

Home Base is a local organization that has served over 11,000 veterans and family members with care and support,

trained more than 45,000 clinicians, educators, and community members nationally, and remains at the forefront of discovering new treatments. All proceeds from this fundraiser will go directly to the Home Base organization.

This fundraiser has been organized by mother-daughter trio Cathy Campbell of Newton, Carin Campbell of Raymond, and Maureen

Chapman of Windham.

The program is especially important to Chapman, as she prepares to run for the fifth time on her fundraising team Paul's Pals, in honor of her friend Paul Coppola and his family.

"Since 2011, when I heard about this organization and ran in honor of Paul and his wife, Sara, I have seen the incredible impact the program has on veterans and their fam-

ilies," Chapman said. "Without the Home Base Program, Paul would not have been able to receive the medical attention from Massachusetts General Hospital that he needed for his brain injury."

After their first successful fundraiser in Middleton, Massachusetts back in April, the trio looks forward to inviting the community to join them for an afternoon of music, brews, raffles, and an exciting corn-hole tournament all to benefit the cause. All levels of corn-hole players are invited to join in the tournament.

Spectators and non-participating attendees will be able to enjoy craft brews from Pipe Dream Brewing, who will also be celebrating their first year anniversary of opening their doors to the public.

"For us, this isn't just about raising money to provide services to our veterans. It's also about raising awareness," Chapman said. "Often times, our veterans are suffering alone, and it is our duty to help make them aware that there are resources

to help them and that we are here for them."

Admittance is free to the public. Tournament teams should consist of two players and are asked to pay a \$30 donation per team to participate. Prizes

will be awarded to first, second, and third place teams. To sign up, visit Pipe Dream Brewing at 49 Harvey Road in Londonderry or email Maureen Chapman at maureen-campbell88@gmail.com.



Maureen Chapman crossing the 'Run to Home Base' finish line in 2015. Chapman, Cathy Campbell, and Carin Campbell will be running again this year on July 15. Courtesy Photo



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Fourth-Graders Get History Lesson at Historical Society



Matthew Thornton Elementary School librarian Penny Webster and Londonderry Historical Society member Bill Bringhurst took fourth-grade Matthew Thornton students on a tour of the Morrison House, Parmenter Barn, and the Clark Blacksmith Shop. Students got to see firsthand what life was like in earlier centuries in New England.

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North Schoolers Enjoy a Day Outside During Field Day



With the end of the school year comes the annual Field Day activities celebrated at all of the towns' elementary schools. Pictured are students at North Elementary School enjoying a day outside of their classrooms on Friday, June 16.

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Lightning 8-U Softball Crew Wins Home Tourney, Qualifies

CHRIS PANTAZIS
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Londonderry Lightning 8-U softball team hit the heights early this season, winning the title for its age level in the Babe Ruth World Series qualifier at the Londonderry Athletic Field Association complex over Memorial Day weekend and, in doing so, qualifying for the 8-U World Series in Florida this summer.

The 11-member Londonderry squad lost all three of its games in pool play on the first day of the tourney, but then rebounded magnificently to defeat its two opponents on day two to bag the

crown.

In doing the fine work it did on its home fields, coach Mike Saucier's young contingent qualified for the nationals in Jensen Beach, Florida in August.

The Lightning organization also had its 12-U team finish third at the Memorial Day tourney and its 10-U contingent end up fourth.

"With 22 teams participating, this was a great showing for the local ladies," said LAFA executive director in charge of softball Brendan Burns.

The tourney-winning Lightning team included players Caileigh Aguiar, Vivien Belanger, Adison

Browning, Regan Burns, Riley Campo, Shannon Crowley, Lilly Dunne, Makenzie Daneau, Emily Flynn, Elisabeth Kearney, and Emma Saucier.

In the pool play on day one, the 8-U crew lost its match-ups with Salem, the Capital Area team from Concord, and the squad from Barrington.

"We had a chance to win every game but came up short," lamented Saucier. "Our girls were a bit nervous and feeling their way through their first real games of the season throughout the day, but you could see their confidence growing."

Then, on day two, with a big rebound required



The Londonderry Lightning 8-U softball squad assured itself of a spot in the national championships by winning a home tourney recently. Courtesy photo

for the local softball side, the Lightning started raining on other teams' parade hopes.

"We played Barrington in the first game. They were the number one seed, and we beat them 7-3 in a really well-played game by both teams," said coach Saucier. "In the finals, we played second seed Concord and beat them 6-3 in another great softball game. All 11 of

our girls played with confidence and contributed both on offense and on defense."

The Lightning coach found plenty to be happy with within his entire group's efforts.

"One team highlight for me was the fact that for this tournament, it was optional for teams to start nine players and keep reserves on the bench, or to have the full

roster in the lineup and play everyone. Of the four teams on championship Sunday, we were the only team that chose to have everyone in the lineup. We were stronger (players) one through 11 and we loved that we could have great success with everyone playing a role."

Saucier was assisted by Lisa Burns, Tara Crowley, Joe Dunne, and Catherine Kearney.



Jiu Jitsu Champion

43-year-old Londonderry resident Ed Tapia was a real powerhouse at the recent Boston NEWBREED Ultimate Challenge Grappling and Jiu Jitsu Championships Saturday, June 17. The local man competed in two divisions and placed first in the Masters' (40+ yrs.) No-Gi competition and second in Gi Beginner Cruiser-Weight (170-189.9 lbs.) competition. Tapia trains at the Woo Kickboxing Academy in Londonderry.

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LMS Softball Crew Powers Its Way to Another Championship

CHRIS PANTAZIS
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Londonderry Middle School's Class M softball squad flattened all of its opposition in repeating as the Division 5 champion.

Veteran coach Joppa Frasch's LMS contingent mowed over its opponents in every one of its eight regular season contests, and then bested each of its two playoff opponents recently in maintaining its status at the top of the Division 5 mountain.

In the championship game against the arch-rival Timberlane troupe from Plaistow, Londonderry had little trouble

of disposing of that opponent in a 17-4 blowout.

Highly-skilled sixth-grader Lauren Laudani pitched every game for the locals and only gave up 22 total runs while her teammates supported her with an incredible 160 runs on the way to their undefeated season. Laudani's fellow talented sixth-graders Emily Goldberg and Maggie Edwards were solid behind the plate in taking turns catching for the hurler.

Sydney Rankin, Shannon Hynde, Maddie Saucier, Sarah Peckham, and Riley Burns were all very solid with their bats and

in the field for the champs, while the rest of the team contributed greatly toward a repeat of the LMS squad's 2016 title success.

Along with the aforementioned players, the squad's roster included Michaela Bartholomew, Bela Jarek, Riley Walter, Abby Sakellar, Sage Matzker, Erin Moloney, and Bridget Myron.

With the Londonderry High School softball program having strong season after strong season, it looks like having strong talent coming up from the middle school like the players on this team will likely continue that.



The Londonderry Middle School Class M softball crew hoisted a championship trophy for the second straight year this spring. The squad included, in back from left, Michaela Bartholomew, Bela Jarek, Riley Walter, Maddie Saucier, Abby Sakellar, Maggie Edwards, and Riley Burns. In the middle row from left are Sarah Peckham, Sage Matzker, Lauren Laudani, Erin Moloney, and Bridget Myron. In front from left are Sydney Rankin and Emily Goldberg.

LHS Junior Varsity Baseball Kicked Into Gear After Slow Start

CHRIS PANTAZIS
LONDONDERRY TIMES

After sputtering somewhat at the start of the 2017

season, the Londonderry High School junior varsity baseball squad slipped into a groove which led to a lengthy winning streak

and that group's realization of how it could sparkle on the diamond.

The deep, 14-player contingent, which was coached by head man Matt Peters and his assistant Billy Riley, consisted entirely of sophomores and freshmen. That crew ended up giving its mentors every reason to believe that the always-

competitive LHS varsity squads of veteran coach Brent Demas will continue to be so in the coming years with their talent advancing up the ladder.

"We started off the season slow, losing three of our first four. But then we began to roll with a combination of effective pitching and timely hitting," said coach Peters.

"We had a few hiccups along the way, but we managed to buckle down and were able to make it to the semi-finals of the JV tournament. Overall, the team improved and the whole team has a very bright future."

The Lancers posted decisive and confidence-boosting victories over the teams from Andover, Mass. and Exeter as part of an impressive, seven-game winning streak following that sluggish start.

The sophomores on the squad included Nick Cote (outfielder and first baseman), Nick Desrosiers (second baseman), Jack Dingman (catcher/shortstop), Zack Luongo

(outfielder/pitcher), Reece Manor (outfielder/pitcher), Alex Peters (outfielder/pitcher), Jake Slide (outfielder/pitcher), Zach St. Hilaire (third baseman/pitcher), A.J. Thistle (first baseman), and Jack Thompson (third baseman).

The crew's four freshmen included catcher/second baseman Tyler Kayo, outfielder/pitcher Luke Marsh, second-sacker Chris Tutt, and first baseman Matt Veneri.

Among the local squad's top individual performances of the fine campaign were home runs blasted off of the sizzling bats of Veneri and Thistle.

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Former Lady Lancer Lax Star Bedell Bags Honors at SNHU

CHRIS PANTAZIS
LONDONDERRY TIMES

Londonderry High School 2014 graduate Alexa Bedell enjoyed a noteworthy career in several sports at the local school. All of that was evidently leading up to something even bigger.

Over the last two springs, Bedell has been an almost unstoppable force on the Southern New Hampshire University women's lacrosse team, scoring goals and tallying points by the dozen and bagging award after impressive award.

This spring Bedell was, once again, an offensive machine for the Penwomen, who had an up-and-down season which ended rather badly after the SNHU squad went 2-7 in nine matches in April.

The team wound up with a 7-10 overall record for coach Kathryn Beall, but the campaign didn't end up being tough because of any sorts of shortcomings which the ex-Lady Lancer exhibited.

The junior midfielder, who was a four-time all-state selection in girls' lacrosse at Londonderry High and who also played

soccer and basketball at the local school and captained lax and soccer squad, led the 2017 SNHU women in assists (35) and points (71) and finished third in goal-scoring (36) before raking in numerous awards for her fine play.

The Economics/Finance major was one of three Penwomen who received Northeast-10 All-Conference recognition, with the LHS grad getting conference honors for the second straight year.

This spring, she bagged a spot on the NE-10 second team after starting all 17 contests and registering her big 71 points as a huge producer and catalyst for her team.

Bedell ranked third in the league in assists, fifth in draw controls (68), and sixth in both points and ground balls (46). She placed 20th in the country in assists per

game (2.13), 24th in draw controls per game (4.33), 26th in total assists, 45th in points per game (4.33), 59th in points, and 87th in ground balls per contest (2.53).

In one of her biggest single game performances of the spring, the former Lady Lancer star amassed eight points on three goals and five assists in an 18-9 victory at Saint Anselm College in late March.

Bedell was also recognized for her placement on the Intercollegiate Women's Lacrosse Coaches Association (IWLCA) North All-Region Second Team.

As hard as it might be to believe, Bedell's sophomore season of 2016 was even a little bit more impressive statistically as she netted 50 goals and doled out 30 assists for 80 points for her SNHU crew. She nabbed numerous major awards following that great cam-

paign as well.

The star middle wasn't the only 2017 Penwoman with Londonderry High School connections either.

Sophomore defender Jenna Conroy, who also played multiple sports at LHS, appeared in nine games with one start for the Penwomen, and former LHS lax standout Kelsey Derhak served as an assistant coach.

Then, there was junior middle and offensive stalwart Kennedy Daziel, a Pinkerton Academy grad whose dad Rob Daziel was the first high school lacrosse All-American in LHS history back in the early 1980's. Kennedy played her high school lax for her dad, who has been the immensely successful Pinkerton varsity girls' coach for a number of years.



Former Londonderry High lax star Alexa Bedell enjoyed a superb 2017 season for the Southern New Hampshire University Penwomen this spring, leading that team in several offensive categories and bagging impressive honors. Courtesy photo

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Lyme disease is the most common disease spread by ticks in the Northern Hemisphere. It is estimated to affect 300,000 people a year in the United States and 65,000 people a year in Europe.

Prevention includes efforts to prevent tick

bites such as by wearing long pants and using DEET. Using pesticides to reduce tick numbers may also be effective. Ticks can be removed using tweezers. If the removed tick was full of blood, a single dose of doxycycline may be used to prevent development of infection, but is not generally recommended since development of infection is rare. If you are bitten and concerned, please seek medical attention.

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Lancers' Freshman Baseball Crew Won Some and Developed

CHRIS PANTAZIS
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The primary jobs of high school sub-varsity sports teams are to continue the development of young athletes, to help prepare them for the higher competitive levels, to hopefully deepen their enjoyment of their sport, to have fun, and to hopefully win some ball games.

Despite facing challenges, the Londonderry High School freshman baseball squad appears to have checked all of the necessary boxes for coach Jake Ratka, despite not quite winning as many games as they dropped.

The contingent went 4-8 overall but nabbed a couple of exciting victories and showed the kind of ability to come together as a unit which left coach Ratka feeling that

talent will be moving forward from his ranks with real promise and a grasp of the team concept.

"This was their first experience at the high school level, and they learned from mistakes and learned how to play as a team," said the coach.

The 17-player roster gave coach Ratka plenty of flexibility and depth, and that roster included Cooper Bartlett (third base), Alex Cafaro (shortstop), Sean Cavanaugh (first base), Kenny Fantauzzi (second base), Tyler Faucon (right field), Ryan Gervais (catcher), Teddy Gray (shortstop), Nolan Lincoln (pitcher), Ricky Lynch (right field), Dylan McNutt (center field), Mike Menslage (second base), Nick O'Connell (left field), Anthony O'Donnell (left

field), Matt Pemberton (center field), Jeremy Roberts (third base), Nate Truesdale (center field), and Nick Walter (right field).

Among the team's top performances of the spring were a nipping of a Blackbirds' crew from Keene and a blowout of Londonderry's arch-rival.

"In our first game we came back from a two-run deficit in the last inning with two outs against Keene and won 10-9. And we ended up beating Pinkerton 10-0," said coach Ratka.



The deep Londonderry High School freshman baseball squad got quite a bit accomplished this spring, working with young talent which is intent on rising to the heights in veteran coach Brent Demas' program. Courtesy photo

Efficient Energy Team is a Power in Local 50 Plus Softball League

CHRIS PANTAZIS
LONDONDERRY TIMES

After five weeks of play, the Efficient Energy Systems team is proving itself to be a real power in the

Londonderry 50-and-over Men's Softball League.

The EES contingent won three games, lost once, and tied once in its first five contests though Tuesday, June 13, tallying

seven points in holding first place in that four-team league.

The Birch Street Counselling Center squad had compiled a 3-2 record for six points though last Tuesday, the Justin Time Snacks Eagles were 2-3 for four points, and the Rocco's Pizza crew was

looking for bit more consistency and offense in going 1-3-1 for three points.

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Bones

Earlier in the month, Dartmouth Associate Professor Jeremy DeSilva talked with Londonderry Middle School Typhoon students about his groundbreaking work with the team that discovered the new hominin species in South Africa, where 500 new caves were discovered called the "Cradle of Human Kind." Over 1,500 bones were recently found there. Students got to examine some of the items DeSilva brought to the school.

Photos by Chris Paul

Former Londonderry Resident to Walk 39.3 Breast Cancer-Crushing Miles

Steve Sullivan, a Londonderry High alumnus, will join thousands of women and men in the upcoming AVON 39 The Walk to End Breast Cancer in Boston, raising funds to enable access to screenings, medicine, fuel

research, and save lives. Sullivan will participate in the 39.3-mile challenge over the weekend of June 24 - 25. This is his first time participating in the AVON 39, and he is training hard and raising funds in preparation for the

event.

Sullivan was inspired to take part in the AVON 39 Boston because his mother, Carol Sullivan of Londonderry, recently went through treatment for breast cancer herself and is currently in remission. He also walks in honor of his friend, fellow LHS alum and Londonderry resident, Kerin Murray, who also recently fought her own battle with breast cancer and is in remission.

"Because of the dedication and passion of our AVON 39ers, we continue to get closer to our ultimate goal of ending breast cancer once and for all," said Kevin Honeycutt, President & CEO of the Avon Breast Cancer Crusade. Since its launch by the Avon Foundation for Women in 2003, more than 235,000 participants

have raised nearly \$620,000,000 in the fight to end breast cancer.

Sullivan has set a fundraising goal of \$2,000. To support Steve's fundraising campaign, send donations to <http://bndfr.com/633R8>. Funds raised by Sullivan and the thousands of

other AVON 39 participants are distributed by the Avon Breast Cancer Crusade to local, regional and national breast cancer organizations to support breast cancer education, screening and diagnosis, access to treatment and support services, and life-saving research. For a

complete list of Avon Breast Cancer Crusade funding, visit www.avonfoundation.org. For more information about AVON 39 The Walk to End Breast Cancer, visit www.avon39.org or join the #FiercelsForever conversation on Facebook, Twitter, YouTube, and Instagram.



Pictured are Steve Sullivan and his mother, Carol Sullivan (center), at a fundraising event for the AVON 39 Boston held at Steve's art studio.

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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.

Concerts on the Common

Every Wednesday evening on the town common from 7 - 8:30 p.m. On June 28, Bruce Marshall Group: They ripped through a catalog of original material and covers that truly set the band apart. Led by Bruce, the musicianship of the entire group was front and center. Blues, R&B, Rock and Southern Boogie. On July 12, The Brian Maes Band: Brian wrote the song "Until Your Love Comes Back Around," which reached #26 on the billboard charts in 1992. On July 19, Evan Goodrow: They produce a genuinely soul pounding sound. In short, it's a lot of sound for three guys. This is going to be a rockin' evening! On July 26, HELP! local Beatle cover band with their authenticity of their performance, capturing the sound, look, energy and spirit of the great Beatles catalog. One of the members of HELP! is Paul Lussier, a Londonderry resident. On August 2, The Delta Generators featuring Brian Templeton: Brian has his brand of R+B, blues and country is simply unstoppable. On August 9, Manchuka an exciting 10-piece dance band consisting of a full rhythm section, a full horn section and two lead singers.

Historical Society Open House

The Londonderry Historical Society will be hosting an open house on Saturday, June 24, from 12 - 3 p.m. at the Morrison House museum, 140 Pillsbury Road. This will be a great opportunity for families to visit our museum and learn more about Londonderry and the Historical Society. Refreshments will be provided along with activities for kids.

Free Community Pizza Party

Elijah's Table, a joint project of Etz Hayim Synagogue and the Episcopal Church of the Transfiguration, will be hosting a free pizza party on Sunday, June 25, at the synagogue at 1-1/2 Hood Road in Derry. Dinner is served from 5 - 6:15 p.m. and we will have ice cream for dessert. The atmosphere is informal and friendly! Meet up with old friends, make new friends, listen to music, and have a great meal. For more information on free meals in the Derry area, visit <http://freemealsinderry.blogspot.com>.

Rabbi And Comedian Bob Alper

On Sun., July 23, at 7:30 p.m., rabbi and comedian Robert Alper will return to

perform at Etz Hayim Synagogue, 1 Hood Road, in Derry as part of its summer tradition. A native of Providence, Rhode Island, Alper was ordained as a rabbi at the Hebrew Union College and was the first person of the Jewish faith to earn a doctoral degree at the Princeton Theological Seminary. Bob has performed at comedy clubs, organizational events, concerts, and conventions throughout North America and Europe. He has appeared on Comedy Central, The Early Show, The Today Show, The Hollywood IMPROV, Good Morning America, Showtime, and T.V.'s Extra. Bob can be heard daily on Sirius/XM Satellite Radio, has made frequent TV appearances, and has headlined at Toronto's Muslimfest. He is also the author of "Life Doesn't Get Any Better Than This." Tickets for the show are \$20 in advance, \$25 at the door, and can be ordered at www.etzhayim.org. For more information or to make reservations, contact Steve Soreff at soreffs15@aol.com.

"Be the Match" Drive

Join Residential Mortgage Services, Inc. for our "Be the Match" bone marrow donor registry drive on Mon., June 26, from 11 a.m. -

2 p.m. at Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices Verani Realty, 1 Verani Way, Londonderry. The mission of "Be the Match" is to save lives by delivering cures to people diagnosed with life-threatening blood cancers through marrow transplants. They work with partners and volunteers to help the more than 14,000 patients in need of transplants. Those interested in donating must be between the ages of 18 and 44. Typing fees for the drive are covered by health insurance or Michael's Fund. Please bring your insurance card with you to this event! We hope to see you there.

Bingo Night

On June 26, Bingo with patients at the VA Hospital in Manchester from 7 - 8:30 p.m. Serving pizza and diet soda as well as awarding \$150 in prize money. Located at 6 Sargent Road, Londonderry (behind the fire station on Mammoth Road). See our website www.legion.org for more information.

Donations Needed

St. Gianna's Place is a home that provides for pregnant women in crisis in the Londonderry community. In order for St. Gianna's Place to continue serving those in need, a yard sale fundraiser is to be held on June 24 across from St. Thomas Church in Derry, 26 Crystal Avenue. We are asking for donations for this fundraiser, including all typical yard sale items, but excluding TVs, skis, couches, computers, and refrigerators. Donation drop off is located at 5 Isabella Drive in Londonderry. A storage module will be located in the parking lot for donations to be dropped off at any time. We ask that you please leave any bagged/boxed donations in this driveway. If you have any questions, call Liz at (603) 437-6678. Thank you for supporting St. Gianna's Place!

Young Adult Summer Reading Program

The theme of this year's Young Adult Summer Reading Program is 'Build a Better World.' Join us this summer at the library to participate in our exciting evening meetings and the reading portion of the program. If you read more than 10 books per week, each additional book must be accompanied by a book report using the guidelines in the young adult

information packet. Participants entering grades 6-12 next September may sign up from June 1- August 7 at the Leach Library main desk. Raffle for prizes runs June 1 - August 7, with a wrap-up Pizza Party on Thursday, August 10, 2017. For more information contact Leach Library at (603) 432-1132.

Barn Raising with Huckle Cat

Kick-off the summer with an old fashioned barn raising celebration at the Leach Library on Thursday, June 22 from 11 a.m. - noon. During these fun-filled programs, we will hear stories of life on the farm and the many animals and machines to be found there. Participants will learn a fun dance, and we will round out our celebration with an energetic rendition of Old MacDonald. There will be plenty of time for a hug and picture with Huckle and our tractor. Each participant will receive a fun bandana, and will also be entered into a raffle for a chance to win an exciting prize bag. Advance registration is required. To register, stop by the Children's Room, or call 432-1127 beginning at 9 a.m. on Thursday, June 15. This program is being sponsored by The Friends of the Londonderry Leach Library.

Summer Fun Book Bingo

Visit the Leach Library on Monday, June 26 from 11 a.m. - 12 p.m. to play a fun picture version of the popular game. Every participant will win and be able to choose books from our special selection table. Registration is required.

Storybook Tales Theater

Join the Bright Star Theater company at the Leach Library on Wednesday, June 28 from 11 a.m. - noon for their performance Storybook Tales. Get ready to laugh out loud as engaging performers bring the stories of Pinocchio and Robin Hood to life in unforgettable fashion. Filled with audience participation and lots of humor, this production will leave audience members shouting for more. Registration is required.

Craft Time

Create your own foam mosaic mirror. Come to the Leach Library on Thursday, June 29 from 10 - 10:45 a.m. or 1 - 1:45 p.m. to create your own foam mosaic mirror. During this program, patrons will be able to design their mirror using self-adhesive

foam shapes. Each session is open to 70 participants. Registration is required.

Lancer Golf Tournament

The Lancer Nation Boys' Basketball Association's 3rd Annual Fundraising Golf Tournament will be held on Sunday, Sept. 17, at the Stonebridge Country Club in Goffstown. The event will feature a four-person team scramble format with awards going to first and last place teams, and there will also be a \$10,000 hole-in-one contest. The cost to participate will be \$115 per person, which will include greens fees, golf carts, a Lancer Nation golf towel, a Corflex bag with giveaways, a backyard BBQ lunch, and opportunities to win raffle and silent auction items. Day of event registration will begin at 8 a.m., with a shotgun start slated for 9. On-line registration at: <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScSve1eAfqxmPUn5bcr1XsHnWGVy2MQrhi0qGLBm4ULWFJg/vi> ewform, and more information can be obtained at lancerbasketballnation@gmail.com.

8th Annual Golf Outing

On June 23, the Lancer Athletic Alumni Association will be holding its Eighth Annual Golf Outing to raise money for college-bound Londonderry High School athletes. The LAAA is the largest provider of scholarships to LHS graduates. This year alone, we are donating over \$3,000 to LHS athletes! The event starts 1:30 p.m. at Windham Country Club. The cost is \$125 per player, which includes golf and dinner afterwards. Hole sponsors are available for \$150 each. Please contact board@lancerathleticalumni.com for more information or register directly at www.lancerathleticalumni.com.

Free Dinners

Free, family-friendly meals will be served in a relaxed atmosphere at the following locations on the following dates. At the Episcopal Church of the Transfiguration, 1 Hood Road, Derry, dinner will be served from 5 - 6:30 p.m. on Sunday, July 9, and August 13. At Etz Hayim Synagogue, 1-1/2 Hood Road, Derry, dinner will be served from 5 - 6:15 p.m. on Sunday, July 16, and August 20. At the First Parish Congregational Church, 47 East Derry Road, East Derry, spaghetti suppers will be served from 5 - 6:30

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Londonderry Police Log

Selections from the Londonderry Police Logs

Monday - June 12

10:34 a.m. Motor vehicle stop resulted in an arrest on Mammoth Road at CVS Pharmacy. Derrick Boutin, 27, of Manchester was charged with driving after revocation or suspension of a driver's license.
10:51 a.m. Suspicious activity was investigated on Weymouth Road.
11:42 a.m. Motor vehicle accident resulted in services rendered on Nashua Road at the Crossroads Mall.
11:39 a.m. Assistance requested by Londonderry fire department and services rendered on Capitol Hill Drive.

Tuesday - June 13

10:00 a.m. Assistance requested by Londonderry fire department at Londonderry Middle School with three units responding.
10:44 a.m. Warrant served and arrest made on Mountain Avenue in Salem. Ryan Cronin, 25, of Salem was charged with possession of drugs in a motor vehicle, possession of controlled/narcotic drugs, and failure to obey inspection. Requirements and brake lights were required.

2:08 p.m. Warrant served and arrest made on Kendall Pond Road. Emile Tremblay, 65, of Londonderry was charged with criminal threatening by use of deadly weapon.

2:39 p.m. Suspicious activity investigated on Oakridge Drive with three units responding.

3:26 p.m. Motor vehicle accident investigated on Mammoth Road near the Londonderry Police Department.

4:26 p.m. Sex offenses investigated and services rendered on Shasta Drive.

9:09 p.m. Structure fire on Ashley Drive.

10:50 p.m. Prowler action investigated on Melody Lane.

Wednesday - June 14

1:01 a.m. Suspicious activity investigated on Horizon Drive with three units responding.

7:20 a.m. Suspicious act-

ivity investigated on Bunker Hill Drive.

9:01 a.m. Motor vehicle accident investigated on Harvey Road at Harris Street.

9:07 a.m. Motor vehicle accident investigated on Orchard View Drive at the Cinema 12 Theater.

9:17 a.m. Motor vehicle accident investigated at Nelson Road at the LAFA Complex.

10:32 a.m. Juvenile offenses investigated at Londonderry School District on Mammoth Road.

2:34 p.m. Juvenile offenses investigated on Constitution Drive.

5:05 p.m. Juvenile offenses and services rendered on Old Nashua Road.

Thursday - June 15

8:55 a.m. Warrant served and arrest made on Lowell Street. Kyle Gordon, 33, of Derry was charge with possession of controlled/narcotic drugs.

4:48 p.m. Motor vehicle accident investigated in Garden Lane at Market Basket.

5:03 p.m. Motor vehicle accident investigated and services rendered on Nashua Road at Citizen's Bank.

6:16 p.m. Criminal mischief investigated and services rendered on Boyd Road.

7:10 p.m. Motor vehicle accident investigated and services rendered on High Range Road at Rolling Ridge Road.

7:19 p.m. Assistance requested by Londonderry fire department on Stonehenge Road.

Friday - June 16

11:50 a.m. Burglary investigated on Scots Place with three units responding.

12:18 p.m. Criminal mischief investigated on Wimbledon Drive.

11:59 p.m. Motor vehicle accident reported and services rendered at Tedeschi Foods on Rockingham Road.

Saturday - June 17

10:17 a.m. Suspicious activity reported and services rendered on Chandler

Drive.
11:04 a.m. Weapons offenses reported and services rendered on Winding Pond Road with four units responding.

12:08 p.m. Motor vehicle accident investigated on High Range Road near Near 241.

12:48 p.m. Fish and game violations investigated and services rendered on West Road.

4:07 p.m. Attempted suicide transported to hospital on Oakridge Drive.

5:03 p.m. Medical emergency results in transport to hospital at Hannaford Food & Drug on Hampton Drive.

5:07 p.m. Weapons offense complaint investigated on Quincy Road.

5:55 p.m. Motor vehicle accident investigated on Alexander Road.

6:24 p.m. Motor vehicle stop and arrest aade at The Stumble Inn on Rockingham Road with three Units responding. James Marks, 22 of Windham was charged with operating without a valid license.

8:02 p.m. Domestic disturbance reported and peace restored on Boulder Drive.

10:16 p.m. Fireworks complaint on Dan Hill Road with three units responding.

Sunday - June 18

1:24 a.m. Domestic disturbance reported and arrest made on Reed Street.

3:10 a.m. Motor vehicle stop and arrest made on Londonderry Road at Hillside Avenue.

7:59 a.m. Shoplifting arrest made at Market Basket on Garden Lane.

7:52 a.m. Criminal mischief investigated on High Range Road.

6:51 p.m. Disturbance investigated at Tedeschi Foods on Rockingham Road with four units responding.

9:28 p.m. Fireworks complaint reported on Red Deer Road.

9:48 p.m. Domestic disturbance reported on South Road.

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The purchase price of LED bulbs can't hold a candle to the price of traditional bulbs. LED prices have been dropping for years, but in a recent trip to a local store, it was discovered that 100-watt LED bulbs were three times more expensive to purchase than halogen incandescents. The latter are incandescent bulbs,

to which manufacturers have added halogen gas to make them burn more efficiently.

The "Estimated Energy Cost" on the packaging was then noticed, and we did the math. It costs about \$1.75 per year to run an LED and \$8.67 for a halogen incandescent. That's a \$66 savings in energy payments over nine years by choosing LEDs, not to mention the hassle of having to replace your "cheap" incandescent lights every two years when they burn out. Multiply all that by the number of the light bulbs in your home.

The higher priced LEDs pay for themselves in one year as opposed to the incandescent. Here's how it breaks down when you compare LEDs, Incandescents and Compact Fluorescent Lights (CFLs):

Cost Comparison of Different Types of Light Bulbs

Manufacturer: Philips
Energy used (watts)
LED: 14.5W
CFL: 23W
Incandescent: 72W

Equivalent watts
LED: 100W
CFL: 100W
Incandescent: 100W

Brightness (lumens)

LED: 1500
CFL: 1600
Incandescent: 1120

Lifetime (years)
LED: 10
CFL: 9.1
Incandescent: 1.8

Unit Price
LED: \$6.49
CFL: \$3.49
Incandescent: \$1.99

Unit Price
LED: \$6.49
CFL: \$3.49
Incandescent: \$1.99

Energy cost (nine years)
LED: \$15.75
CFL: \$24.93

Incandescent: \$78.03
Total cost (nine years)
LED: \$22.24
CFL: \$28.42

Incandescent: \$87.98*
*Includes cost of five bulbs

Note that all three types listed above consume less electricity than the traditional 100-watt incandescent bulb, which the industry is phasing out. Fewer watts means a light bulb that draws less power on your electric meter, saving you money on your electricity bill and producing less pollution from power plants. Because these bulbs use less energy, they generate less heat

while providing more light than the old style 100-watt incandescent.

So, incandescent light bulbs are much more expensive to run, less convenient, less bright, and they generate more waste. Note that CFLs are almost as good as LEDs in terms of cost and longevity, but they have to be treated as hazardous waste due to their mercury content. Residents can recycle CFLs for free at Benson Lumber & Hardware, Home Depot, or the Londonderry Drop Off Center. LEDs can just be tossed in the can when they finally wear out.

Middle School Musicians Wow Matthew Thornton School With Jazz Display

ALEX GUITTARR
LONDONDERRY TIMES

Normally, the halls of the Matthew Thornton School are relatively quiet, save for when the young students move through the halls for classes and other activities. This was not the case on June 16, as the building was filled with the spirited, bold music of the likes of Bobby Ray and Marvin Gaye emanating from the gymnasium.

The source of these tunes was Londonderry Middle School's jazz ensemble. Led by LMS music teacher Brad Houston, the ensemble traveled to the three elementary schools in Londonderry to hold recitals in an effort to raise awareness amongst students, particularly fifth-graders, for LMS's after school jazz program.

Houston, who has worked for LMS for two decades, found a love for jazz at an early age as a

trombone player while in school. Once he graduated from college, he began to play for various big bands before joining LMS as its ensemble leader.

He began organizing these traveling recitals as a means of inspiring students to stay interested in music. Houston is always excited to guide students throughout the year, noting that "every year is so different," with new batches of children keeping things fresh and unpredictable.

The jazz ensemble, which is currently made up of 25 students, is an audition-based program. Houston determines its members based on how well students can play and what instruments are needed at the time, as the ensemble features a wide diversification of musical tools including drums, saxophones, electric pianos and guitars, auxiliary instruments, and so on. The program features mostly seventh and



Brad Houston conducts the Londonderry Middle School jazz ensemble as they perform for students at Mathew Thornton School Elementary School.

Photo by: Alex Guittarr

eighth-graders, but sixth-graders are occasionally chosen.

Houston admitted during the recital that some students have to audition multiple times before getting in.

Houston's team of students played for Matthew Thornton School for roughly half an hour, play-

ing classics such as Rockin' Robin, Heard It Through The Grape Vine, and even Ozzy Osbourne's Crazy Train, while answering questions from students in between. Some inquired about different types of instruments the middle school students were using, while others asked

about the practice schedule, which includes one session after school on Thursdays until 4 p.m.

One particular student asked about whether or not the ensemble normally traveled to different locations to play. Houston noted that although their ensemble typically does not, the Londonderry High

School travels around the world and that students should use that as motivation to practice early.

Some of the musicians in Houston's program are already eager to take that next step. Eighth-graders Tyler Kraics, an alto saxophone player, and Sam Bristol, a tenor saxophone player, will both be continuing their musical pursuits in high school. When asked about how it felt to play in front of large groups like those at MTS, Kraics said that it was "very exciting," while Bristol was proud of how far the band had come.

As the ensemble packed up and set off for the next elementary school, one has to wonder just how many future jazz performers they left behind, perhaps to even perform their own recitals in the coming years.

Around Town

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p.m. on Friday, June 30, July 28, August 25, and September 29. At St. Jude Church, 435 Mammoth Road, Londonderry, lunch will be served from 1:30 - 2:30 p.m. on Sunday, June 25 (this meal will be

located at the Lion's Hall on the corner of Mammoth & Pillsbury Rds. in Londonderry), Sunday, July 30, August 27, and September 24. At St. Luke's United Methodist Church, 63 East Broadway, Derry, dinner will be served from 5 - 6 p.m. on Saturday, July 15, August 19, and September 16.



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The Londonderry Planning Board will hold a Public Hearing on Wednesday, July 5, 2017 at 7:00 P.M. in the Moose Hill Council Chambers, 268B Mammoth Road, Londonderry, NH to consider the following:

Application for formal review of a five lot residential subdivision, 24 Griffin Road, Map 1 Lot 26, Zoned AR-1, Chestnut Realty Partners, LLC (Owner & Applicant)

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