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Ultimate Battle

Eighth grade Heatwave and Blizzard students at Londonderry Middle School took to the fields again this year for the annual Fire and Ice competitions on the last week of school, and for the first time in years, the Heatwave team won. See more page 10. *Photo by Chris Paul*

Board and Committee Members Learn to Run Effective Meetings

ALEX GUITTARR
LONDONDERRY TIMES

Londonderry's system of governance tends to come off as a double-edged sword at times. Having volunteers throughout the town fill various positions on numerous commissions, residents often get the sense that these individu-

als have only their best interests in mind.

However, utilizing volunteers who may not have experience in government, particularly on how to effectively run meetings, tends to open up the possibility for negative consequences, including potential backlash from fellow citizens.

In order to make sure these volunteers are prepared to handle the rigors of these positions in the future, the town held a presentation on June 22 to educate them on state Right-to-Know laws and the means to effectively handling public meetings.

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School Board Discusses Need For New School, Auditorium and District Offices

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LONDONDERRY TIMES

As the town of Londonderry grows in population and with the next school year mere months away from beginning, the Londonderry School Board recently started discussions for potential improvements to facilities in the district.

Plans for the district were featured in the town's annual Capital Improvement Plan, which takes into account town government and school requests for improvements to conditions in the area for the fiscal years of 2019 until 2024.

The ideas suggested for the CIP include a new

school district office, a new high school/district wide auditorium, renovations to numerous facilities, such as lighting, and a new elementary school in the area. The suggestions for a new elementary school and auditorium have been rejected several times in the past by the town.

The CIP would first be brought before a Capital Planning Committee on July 11, comprised of members of the school district, Budget Committee, Planning Board and Town Council, to review and rate the various suggestions before eventually putting the ideas before the Planning Board and public hearings. Accord-

ing to Superintendent Nate Greenberg, the CIP "provides the board with some framework" to smooth out any details.

The new school district office would be roughly 10,500 square feet and is being suggested due to a number of issues with the current offices. For one, space has become a major issue because of staff almost doubling since the building was first built in the late 70's or early 80's. Greenberg made the suggestion that leasing space elsewhere for a temporary office while a new one is being considered is a possibility.

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Nate Greenberg Retires After 17 Years as Superintendent

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LONDONDERRY TIMES

After 17 years of dedicated service as the superintendent for the Londonderry School District, Nate Greenberg will be retiring from his position, leaving behind a school system that has improved dramatically since he first began his journey here.

His interest in education began far before his time in Londonderry. Born in Brooklyn, New York, Greenberg first sought a career in education with some encouragement from friends and family members who were teachers. Upon receiving his BS in Ele-

mentary Education from the State University of New York at New Paltz, he began teaching fourth and sixth-graders in Deacon, New York, while also pursuing his MS in Elementary Education and Behavioral Science and a Certificate of Advanced Graduate Studies in Administration from the University of Bridgeport in Connecticut.

Greenberg eventually evolved beyond teaching into various administrative positions, starting as an assistant principal for Squadron Line Elementary in Simsbury, Connecticut in the 70's before becoming a principal in Glastonbury, Connecticut

and soon moving into the position of assistant superintendent of the Exeter School District. Full-fledged superintendent positions were made available to him in the 90's in both Portsmouth and an area right outside of Phoenix, Arizona, the latter of which allowed him to be closer to his

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South School Field Days Signals Summer Vacation



Elementary School students at South School took to the fields during the last week of school to take part in a wide variety of games on the school's ball fields. Volleyball, kickball, water relays and jump rope were some of the many activities enjoyed as the prepared for summer vacation. *Photos by Chris Paul*

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Nevins Community Looks for Lawn Relief from Zoning Ordinance

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Although many Londonderry residents value their environment and the personality it gives to the town, efforts to protect natural resources can sometimes come in conflict with development efforts. This was made apparent during the June 21 Zoning Board

of Adjustment meeting.

For a second time that night, Zoning Ordinance 263 caused a disturbance with homeowners living in an 50-plus community owned by the Nevins Retirement Cooperative Association (NRCA), as it prevented 22 units within the cooperative from using chemical fertilizers or pesticides on their

lawns. A Conservation Overlay Buffer extends onto their properties, causing this prevention.

The association was represented by their attorney Robert Shepard, while NRCA's President of the Board of the Directors Anthony Vialanti was also present to answer questions. Prior to purchasing the already designed land a few years ago, the NRCA was completely unaware of the buffer's existence. The issue was brought to light after an inspection of the area by the Conservation Commission. It should be noted that while the homes are owned by the residents, the NRCA owns the property on and around the homes.

Shepard voiced his

disapproval of the conflict, stating that they came before the Zoning Board "basically because of a poor plan." He noted that the NRCA was in no way seeking an "elimination of the buffer," but rather, simply to give affected residents a chance at having "modest backyards with a lawn" that they could use as they see fit. He also argued that allowing homeowners to have better access to their lawns would increase the value of the homes, as only potash is allowed to cultivate the grass.

Shepard and Vialanti were not alone in their efforts, however, as numerous homeowners affected by this ordinance were also present to speak out

in favor of a variance to alleviate these circumstances. One resident, Phil Marineau, criticized the Conservation Commission for trying to protect the local environment by supporting the ordinance, believing that some fertilizer and pesticides would be minute compared to the supposed heavy level of contaminants in the area.

Resident Peter Woodberry, doubted the effectiveness of potash when compared to the banned substances, stating that "[residents are] being punished" for circumstances that are not their fault.

Essentially, the frustrations of these homeowners matched the frustration conveyed by the NRCA. Nonetheless, the

board struggled to come to an agreement on where to take the issue. Both board member Jim Tirabassi and Chair Neil Dunn questioned why the developer and homeowners were not aware of the buffer issue beforehand, with Tirabassi stating, "I don't think we're going to find a resolution" to the issue until circumstances are made clearer.

As a result, Neil moved to continue the discussion at a later date once the board has had a chance to get more information from the Conservation Commission on the history of this buffer and the houses being affected. The matter will be picked up again during the board's next meeting on July 19.

OBITUARY

Frederick M. Riccio

Frederick M. Riccio of Chester, formerly of Amherst, passed away peacefully on Wednesday, June 21, at Elliot Hospital. He was 82.

Fred was born April 16, 1935, in Staten Island, NY. He lived a short time in Newark, NJ before moving to Belleville, NJ where he attended Belleville public schools and graduated from Belleville High School, class of 1953. He played on two Group 4 championship basketball teams there before attending Bloomfield College, NJ where he earned a degree in business, played on the basketball team, and captained the golf team. He graduated in 1959.

In 1960, he married his childhood sweetheart, Anita, and worked in his family's grocery business in Newark until 1967. In 1967, he took a job in pharmaceutical sales for Winthrop Laboratories, where a job promotion to Northeast regional accounts manager moved him and his family to Amherst, NH. He remained with Winthrop until 1976 when he opened Riccio's Village Deli in Londonderry, NH, a popular eating spot which he operated and sold after 11 years. Shortly thereafter, he ventured into the retail food business, operating Fritz Foods Inc, for 10 years.

In his retirement years, he was a fixture in his son and daughter-in-laws' restaurant, Café Teresa, Inc. of Londonderry, helping in the kitchen, running errands, and making friends with customers.

Fred was a kind, loving, generous, funny and humble man who impacted a great number of people's lives from his devoted family to all of his friends. He will be missed by countless people and remembered fondly.

Fred leaves behind his beloved wife, Anita, his son Michael and his wife Judy, his son Anthony and his wife Lauren, his six grandchildren, Dominick, Finn, Sofia, Michael, Caleigh, and Alec, his beloved brother-in-laws, Dr. Orlando Manfredi and Ernest Zoppi, beloved sister-in-laws, Diana Manfredi and Elena O'Brien, one niece, six nephews, and five "granddogs".

Per Fred's wishes, funeral services will be private. The Peabody Funeral Homes and Crematorium, 15 Birch St., Derry is assisting the family with arrangements. To send a condolence, please visit www.peabodyfuneralhome.com.

Meetings

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time such a presentation has been held. Typically, the town attorney would handle the proceedings. However, with the recent hiring of Assistant Town Manager Lisa Drabik, her prior legal experience made her the better economical choice to present, as the town attorney is paid by the hour for his services.

Drabik took things a step further at the meeting. As Londonderry is a member of the New Hampshire Municipal Association, the town has access to the services of their legal counsel, namely having a representative sent to Londonderry who is well-versed in handling public meetings.

The representative, Stephen Buckley, ended

up taking charge of the June 22 presentation, with 30 years of legal experience and a dozen years on a planning board to assist Londonderry's residents. When asked about the choice to utilize Buckley's expertise, Town Council Chair Tom Dolan noted that it is "something the council believes is going to be worthwhile."

Roughly the first half of the presentation was focused on the legal ramifications surrounding public meetings, teaching the volunteers about the state's Right-to-Know law, the difference between meetings and hearings, and the general "do's and don'ts" of handling effective meetings.

A large focus was also placed on how the public perceives a board or commission's actions

throughout meetings. Buckley emphasized that maintaining a respectful appearance and a good sense of decorum are keys to keeping both citizens and fellow volunteers content, noting that one should avoid spending time on personal electronic devices and keeping calm when dealing with difficult public commenters.

The meeting itself was attended by dozens of members of the town's government, including several town councilors,

Roger Fillio with the Conservation Commission, Mary Wing Soares with the Planning Board, and Paul Margolin with the Solid Waste and Environment Committee.

Before Buckley began his presentation, Dolan spoke before those in attendance to give his thoughts on the presentation, telling the audience just how important a well-run meeting is to the town and that they "could not run New Hampshire local government without volunteers."

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Editorial

Making Public Business Public

All too often, we hear comments about news being taken out of context, or that something got “bad press.” More often than not, what this really means is that something people would prefer to be kept quiet appears in the newspaper, often involving a public official.

Honesty works best. Maybe it’s the Live Free or Die philosophy gone haywire, but the State of New Hampshire does not have an ethics code or disciplinary mechanism for local officials. That’s left to individual municipalities, and many have none. Even in towns with written ethics codes, it’s not uncommon to hear a local official take a swipe at the code and question both its validity and necessity. When voters approve an ethics code, it is often missing any enforcement mechanism, putting its effectiveness in doubt. We don’t agree with the viewpoint that anything goes and that officials know fleece themselves when a potential conflict or appearance of conflict of interest arises. In fact, some officials are quick to say the alleged conflict is none of anyone’s business.

What takes place at all board and community meetings is public, and we report accurately on it to let residents know how their tax dollars are being spent. Letting the public keep the members of boards and committees transparent it is our job, no matter how hard, because that many not be the will of them. The public should, at any time, be able to address what is

happening or what has happened at a meeting and to express their concerns and have their questions answered publicly. We strongly suggest letters to the editor as a way to do this.

The boards and committees sometimes choose not to respond to the press, but that does not present a transparent image and is disrespectful to the newspaper. We know that just because people are related doesn’t mean they don’t think for themselves and follow opposing viewpoints. But, when it comes to rescuing yourself, especially in your work, some connections like family members pose questions. It is suggested to just be forthright and say why you rescuing yourself. People will notice and respect you for being the bigger person.

We also know, especially in towns with written ethics policies and or committees that we heartily support, that appearances matter, and any appearance of a conflict of interest should be stated publicly.

We know something else, too. Reporting that the parties involved in any matter are related does not create a problem. Making public business public does not equal “bad press.” We report facts, and residents can form their own opinions.

A newspaper should be the watchdog of the public’s right to know what their officials are doing. That’s what reporting on taxpayer-funded salaries, ordinances, policies, and procedures is all about.

Solid Waste and Environment Committee Welcomes New Members

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Londonderry residents Rick Darveau and Lynn Wiles have offered their services to the Solid Waste and Environment Committee, which has been seeking out new members in recent months.

During the committee’s monthly meeting on June 12, Darveau and Wiles were in attendance for the first time, and Chairman Paul Margolin was eager to educate them on the history and purpose of the committee.

Darveau, a retired engineer, noted that he chose to volunteer out of a sense of commitment to his community. A resident of Londonderry for a year and a half, he is interested in recycling and sustainability. After reading Paul Hanley’s *11*, a book which describes Earth’s rapidly growing human population and the risks it may pose to the environment, he was inspired to make a change.

Wiles, however, had other reasons for joining. Having lived in the town for three decades, Wiles has served on the Planning Board for a decade in the past but was forced to resign due to career obligations. However, he still had a desire to assist the community, albeit in a fashion that fit into his schedule. He was accepted into the committee by the

Town Council on June 5 and hopes to help improve solid waste removal practices as Londonderry continues to grow.

With two brand new members, the bulk of the meeting was devoted to introducing them to the committee. Beforehand, however, members had to review the progress of their current projects.

Margolin mentioned that he had previously spoken with the Londonderry Times about printing the committee’s Going Green articles, which highlight various ecological concerns and what citizens can do to help ease them. Although the committee did admit that is was sometimes difficult to produce new, refreshing articles on the topic of recycling, several members, including Jocelyn Muller, offered to write their own articles. The idea of sharing this responsibility with the Conservation Committee was also thrown around.

Other matters discussed included the committee’s outreach program for small businesses, which warns them about improper disposal of fluorescent light tubes and has worked to establish a kiosk in the Town Hall for the safe disposal of medical syringes, or sharps, owned by residents. Unfortunately, said kiosk was recently found to be damaged and the

committee was forced to order a new one. It is expected to arrive within a week or two. It is advised that if you wish to drop sharps off, you should store them in thick containers such as Clorox bottles.

Once Margolin handed a series of papers out to members new and old which explained the committee’s past achievements, origins, and charter, the rest of the meeting was simply a generalized discussion about numerous environmental practices and areas that the committee can explore such as producing videos on YouTube and reaching out to other towns to share ideas about recycling.

Although the older members offered their usual insight, Darveau and Wiles also had plenty to share with the committee. Darveau expressed interest in landfills and composting, and even producing a Going Green article on the subject. Wiles made several suggestions on the topic of sharps, including reaching out to pharmacies for help with disposing of syringes and producing a video that details how to properly store the used needles.

After this meeting, it appears that the two newest members will be right at home in the committee.

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break.

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Media's Missing Link

Greenberg

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parents.

Finally settling down as the superintendent for Londonderry in 2000, Greenberg had already taken a great deal from his experiences across New England and even Arizona, but he noted that no matter what point he was at in his career, there was always more experience to gain, stating that “every step of the way, you begin to learn more and more.”

As he continued to grow alongside the school district, he helped establish a diverse list of additions and improvements to Londonderry's schools. He is proudest of

Londonderry High School's adult education program, which has helped over 600 students avoid leaving high school without a proper education since its first implementation.

Amongst his other accomplishments are his expansions of the special education programs, the dual credits system that allows students to earn college credits while in high school, accountability measures for SAT testing, and the expansion of co-curricular activities, just to name a few.

His hard work has left a great impact on those who have worked with him over the years. LHS Principal Jason Parent has spent 14 years with Greenberg and was offered the assistant prin-

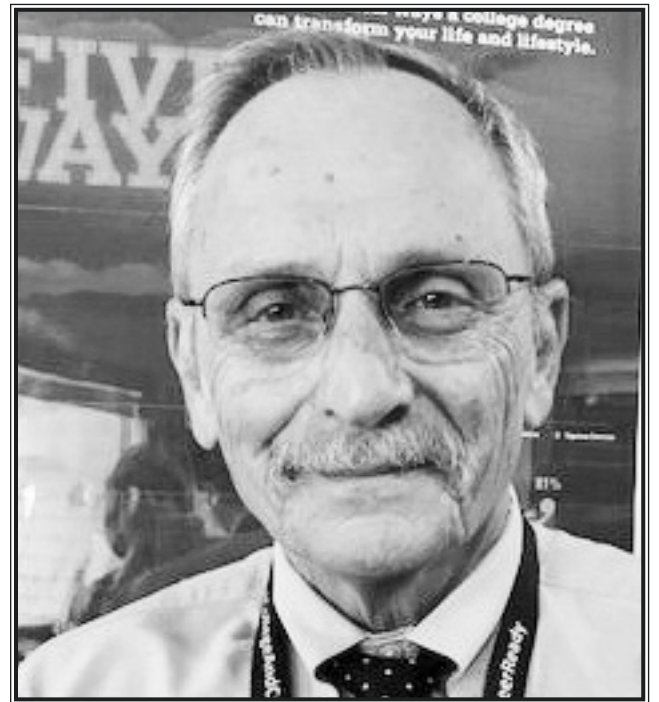
cipal's position by him at one point. Parent admired Greenberg because of how well the district took to him and how hard he worked to help high school students prepare for college, labeling him an “outstanding superintendent and superior leader.”

Dan Lekas, the chair of the district's school board, spent a decade with Greenberg and admired his work ethic, noting that he would usually work in his office until 7 or 8 p.m. to get his job done. Lekas was proud to have worked with Greenberg, stating that he “accomplishes something every year.”

While all this praise is nice, Greenberg has always been very humble

about his time in Londonderry, saying that “it's not really [him]” alone who was responsible for the success of the school district. Greenberg felt that the town's school system would not be where it is today with the dedicated staff members and students who bring the schools to life, stating that “schools are people-driven.”

Assistant Superintendent Scott Laliberte is set to take Greenberg's place for the upcoming 2017-2018 school year, but although he leaves to start the next chapter of his life, Greenberg's legacy will last forever with the students of Londonderry, both past and present.



Nate Greenberg retired this week as the Londonderry School District Superintendent after 17 years.

School Board

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of the building's age, air quality has also become a concern, with Business Administrator Peter Curro noting that the air quality system in the building “can't maintain the power that it needs, given the additions and the amount of people that are in it.” Greenberg was equally vocal about the issue, stating that the “time has passed” to appropriately address the air quality.

A new 500-student elementary school was proposed due to the sheer size of Londonderry's growing youth population. Although Greenberg said that “it's a good thing that we're getting more kids,” he was adamant that the potential for overpopulation in Londonderry's current ele-

mentary schools is an issue that needs to be addressed sooner rather than later.

By focusing on enrollment projects and solving this issue, as well as the district office, Greenberg stated that addressing faculty needs would also help the educational needs of the students. Suggestions were made to move kindergarten classes out of the Moose Hill School and around the other schools for the sake of making room for elementary students.

Curro briefly brought up the possibility of an auditorium, acknowledging that voters have denied the project numerous times in the past. Nonetheless, he noted that he still feels that there is a need for a new auditorium or, as he described it, “multi-purpose acoustical building.”

If approved, the project would not be addressed until fiscal year 2024.

No decisions were made during the school board's meeting, but several members did speak out about the CIP. Chair Dan Lekas realized that the district should make a decision on these issues soon, but also wondered if the potential new elementary school and new district office could share the same building. Greenberg agreed that this could be a possibility.

Member Steve Young, who also will be leading the Capital Planning Committee, was happy that the town was looking into these and future concerns right now, but described the four million-dollar price tag for a new district office, before land acquisition, as “outrageous,” saying that he would not be willing to support it.

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Policy Changes and District Projects Put Before School Board

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LONDONDERRY TIMES

With most students either on summer vacation or finishing off their last lessons for the school year, the Londonderry School Board dedicated its June 20 meeting to finances and policy changes for next year.

During the meeting at the town hall, Director of Pupil Services Kimberly Carpinone came before the board to discuss the first readings of alterations to school policies, primarily concerning confidentiality and student

information, as a means of bringing the school district into compliance with current federal and state regulations. This includes the federal Family Educational Rights and Privacy Rights Act (FERPA).

One section, Policy JO, would be rescinded entirely. The policy notes that various information is kept on, maintained, and disclosed in accordance with FERPA, but was described as “redundant” by Carpinone under new FERPA policies, hence the rescinding. Two more sections, Policy JOA and JOA-E, would be

amended to remove more redundant language concerning confidentiality.

The biggest changes would come with three brand new policies, labeled JRA, JRA-R, and JRA-E. The new policies would explain who could access student information, including for health and emergency services, the procedures to which school staff will undergo handling this information, and the notice that parents would be given concerning these matters.

Vice Chair Jenn Ganem shared her concerns over local police having access

to student information, as stated according to JRA, asking Carpinone, “Does this mean the Londonderry Police Department can access everything on my child?” Carpinone said that she would ask the town attorney for clarification on the matter, but assured Ganem that this type of information would only come into play in an emergency situation.

The other major focus of the meeting came from Peter Curro and Superintendent Nate Greenberg’s introduction of a proposed Capital Improvement Plan for the school

district the 2019 - 2024 fiscal years. Taking into account requests from both town and school governments, the plan is assessed by the Capital Planning Committee before being put before the Planning Board and the two local governments for approval.

This particular plan includes suggestions for a new district office, due to the old age of the current one, a high school/district wide auditorium, a new elementary school to account for an increased student population, and various building renova-

tions. The initial estimations project that the cost of all four projects over the course of the six fiscal years would be around 52 million dollars, albeit if all suggestions are approved.

In other news, Chair Dan Lekas announced the retirement of Instructional Assistant Holly Gorgol from the North School. Working with the school for 17 years, Lekas noted that Gorgol went “above and beyond for all of her students” and was able to honor each student’s uniqueness, providing them with “guidance, compassion and support.”

Londonderry and Manchester Officials Discuss New Hampshire Rail System

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LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Manchester-Boston Regional Airport recently held its latest meeting of the Manchester Airport Authority (MAA) on June 22, and although most matters that were discussed served to elaborate on the state of the airport, one presenter provided ideas with far wider implications for the region.

Due to the sheer economic and physical scale of something like an airport, the MAA’s board not only features staff and administrators for the airport such as Deputy Director Tom Malafronte, but also officials from both Manchester and Londonderry, including the former mayor of Manchester, Raymond Wieczorek, and Londonderry School Board member Steve

Young, who also serves as the chair of the MAA.

According to the MAA’s page on londonderry-nh.org, it serves to “successfully meet the air transportation needs of the region while continuing to strike a balance between the development of the airport and the quality of life issues that are so important to the citizens of the Town of Londonderry.”

So, it seemed fitting to have these residents present when Nathan Miller, Deputy Executive Director for the Southern New Hampshire Planning Commission (SNHPC), came before the board to dis-

cuss the New Hampshire Capitol Corridor Rail Project, which hopes to include New Hampshire in a commuter railroad system running from Canada down to Boston and with a stop near the airport.

Noting that such a system has not been in use since 1967, Miller described how the New Hampshire Department of Transportation and New Hampshire Rail Transit Authority, along with other groups like the SNHPC, have been producing various plans and studies over the years for the state to consider. This eventually led to culmi-

nating in the Capitol Corridor Rail and Transit Alternatives Analysis study that outlined several options for the state that would lead to such a rail service.

Unfortunately for these groups, state representatives Governor Sununu have repeatedly shot the idea down, while Vermont, Massachusetts, and Quebec have formed the Northern New England Intercity Rail Initiative with plans to simply bypass New Hampshire, save a couple dozen miles along the southwestern border.

With New Hampshire’s stake in the rail service in limbo at the moment, Miller tried to gain support from the board, telling them to “talk with elected officials” about working with the plan, as

such a service near the airport would provide major economic gains to the airport and surrounding region.

Several concerns were raised by the board, however, as Corey Aiken, a licensed pilot for the airport, was worried that such a service would simply lure people away from New Hampshire in favor of a direct route to Boston.

Wieczorek was more direct about his concerns. Curious about how the state would pay for such a massive project, he asked, “How will we be getting around this problem?” Miller noted that operating subsidies and interest from private sectors would have to be taken into account, that is, if the project ever gets back on its feet.

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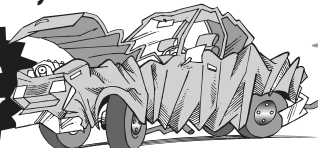
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Historical Society Holds Open House to Teach About Londonderry's Past

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Since its inception in 1722, Londonderry has been host to a plethora of historical events, from explaining how the first settlers of the area sowed the seeds for the town's legacy to its evolution over the decades alongside the rest of the county. But, history does not always peak the interests of certain people, nor are the mementos of the past guaranteed to survive the ravages of time in a constantly moving world.

This is why groups like the Londonderry Histori-

cal Society exist. In order to help citizens gain interest in the town's past, the society recently held their latest open house at the museum on June 24. Designed to preserve and detail the long and colorful history of the town, it was founded back in 1956 in response to the sale and relocation of the "Ocean Born Mary House," named after the titular woman whose family supposedly survived pirates pillaging their ship because they named the recently born Mary after the lead pirate's mother.

Eventually becoming a

non-profit organization in 1968, the society has worked tirelessly to preserve historical artifacts that make Londonderry what it is today. Many artifacts can be found in the Morrison House Museum off of Pillsbury Road.

Having been a part of Londonderry since 1760, the Morrison House was built and owned by the Morrison family, one of the first settling families in the town's early days. The building has served as a cornerstone of times long gone, eventually being moved from the corner of Rocking-

ham and Clark Road in 1990 onto its current location.

The Morrison House's primary purpose now is to showcase a variety of tools, furniture pieces, and belongings of those who lived during the time of the Morrison family, from recreations of sleeping quarters and living spaces to an exhibit on flax spinning that detailed how the material was converted into linen.

But, the museum, which also features a barn and old-fashioned blacksmith shop, serves to also house a long list of mementos, including

farming equipment, century old advertising signs, and specialized displays for businesses like the Londonderry Lithia Springs, a mineral water producer in the late 1800's and early 1900's.

Numerous members of the society were present during the six-hour-long open house, with curator Ann Chiampa leading visitors throughout the house to go into detail about the history lining the walls of the Morrison House.

President John Savina, who was also present for the event, noted that the society is "trying to have

more events," with the open house serving as just one of many planned for the future as a means of "being more involved in the community." Savina hopes that if they continue to garner attention and support from residents, the town will be more willing to support their other restoration projects including the next addition to the museum: the original home of Reverend Morrison.

For more information about the Londonderry Historical Society, please visit londonderryhistory.org.

St. Jude Parish Hosts First Annual Community Festival

ALEX GUITTARR
LONDONDERRY TIMES

With summer and picnic weather upon us, St. Jude Parish took advantage of the sunshine to start the inaugural St. Jude Parish Festival on June 25, which the church hopes to turn into an annual tradition.

Lasting from 1 - 6 p.m., the festival was host to members of the community, both young and old, lending their hands to support the event and or kicking back and enjoying the festivities. The festival had everything from a cookout and cotton candy machines to church members selling custom made pencils, clothing, and totes. However, the highlight of the festival was the dunk tank, where for \$2 for one ball or \$5 for four, participants could take a chance at dunking

members of the staff, including Father Robert Gorski and Deacon Marc Payeur.

According to Gorski, the festival was a "great social event to get people together."

Although there were many volunteers who helped make the festival happen, Carol Connolly particularly stood out for her hard work and determination.

Connolly, who is the chair of the church's Development Committee, led efforts to put the event together and helped to organize components such as the dunk tank, which reportedly caused Gorski to "roll out of his chair laughing" when Connolly made the suggestion to him. But, Gorski and Payeur also had a special surprise waiting for them at the

end of the festival, with church members presenting the former with a bottle of Glenfiddich 12 scotch and the latter with a bottle of Seven Deadly Zins wine for all their hard work.

Connolly was happy to say that the festival had "plenty of volunteers," from David O'Rourke doing much of the leg work setting up, and Eric Malanson being one of the first to sit in the dunk tank. The Maiden's of St. Joan of Arc, the church's girls youth group, assisted some of the older community members throughout the event.

The most important table to Connolly belonged to members of the Red Hat Society, an international social organization, which was raffling off various belongings of Helen Conti, a long-time



Volunteer Eric Malanson sits waiting to be dunked in the dunk tank at the first annual St. Jude Parish Festival. Photo by Alex Guittarr

member of the church and community who recently passed away. Any and all money raised by the raffle was given to the church in Conti's name, which will be uti-

lized at the "discretion of the pastor," according to Connolly, along with any other money raised during the festival.

Although the day seemed to be a major suc-

cess, Connolly admitted that there was a lot of "trial and error" involved in setting it up. She hopes that subsequent festivals focus more on assisting the community-at-large.

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Orchard Christian Fellowship Hosts Week-Long Vacation Bible School

ALEX GUITTARR
LONDONDERRY TIMES

Getting the youth excited about religious studies is never an easy task, especially when the summer rolls around. With school out of the way until the fall, the last thing kids want to think about is learning about anything. However, the Orchard Christian Fellowship (OCF) may have a solu-

tion that kills two birds with one stone.

During the week of June 26 - 30, OCF held its annual Vacation Bible School (VBS), a five-day-long event that takes on a different theme each year as a means of teaching the values of the Bible to local children while still allowing them to enjoy their summer.

Started by Sunday school teacher D.T. Miles

in 1894, the VBS event has been managed all over the country by numerous church congregants. Not the least of which is Nicole Cobb, OCF's Children's Ministry Coordinator. Having been with the church for 19 years, Cobb has assisted with the VBS program ever since she started with OCF.

This year's theme, Maker Fun Factory, was as great a success as previous years. It blended biblical studies with scientific activities and catered to children as young as three and as old as sixth-graders. Stations were be set up both inside and outside the church for the children to build toy robots, partake in theater activities, and learn about how the world of science connects to the world of the Bible. The church was decorated with a variety of decorations that fit the theme of the event.

The church is never short of volunteers during these events, as the church had over 120 volunteers to assist with setup and guiding children throughout the five days of activities. One volunteer, high school sophomore Emily Powers, has been with the church for her entire life and always looks forward to "teaching kids about Jesus" and helping them participate.

Cobb, who has a daughter who has participated in the VBS for the last three years, always looks forward to the event, saying that "it has always been a huge success" and describing it as "organized chaos." With around 200 children participating in the VBS program this year, the Orchard Christian Fellowship had its hands full managing and teaching throughout the week.

On Tuesday morning, June 27, long-time volunteer Mary Calawa directed what will be her final performance after 19



years of helping with the VBS's play.

An appearance by C.W. Trails, a bicycle stunt show run by New Mission Systems International,

will be presented on Friday, the final day of the program. It will captivate audience members while also teaching them about the Bible.



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Courtney is the recipient of the Londonderry High School Rachael & Sean Doyle Scholarship award. For the past five years, Courtney has been actively involved in human service projects and knows first-hand the importance of making a difference in the lives of others.

Courtney has been accepted to Lesley University and will begin her formal study this fall to pursue a Bachelor of Science degree in Human Services. Lesley is an ideal choice for those passionate about bringing constructive change to the world. Lesley University is a private, co-educational university in Cambridge, Massachusetts. Lesley offers doctorate, masters, and bachelor degree programs in education, expressive therapies, creative writing, counseling, and fine arts programs.

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LONDONDERRY SPORTS

Londonderry Legion Crew Wins One of its First Four Contests



Londonderry Legion pitcher Pat Rauseo started against Nashua late last week, but he and his teammates lost that night. Photo by Chris Pantazis

CHRIS PANTAZIS
LONDONDERRY TIMES

Less than a year after the Londonderry American Legion Post 27 baseball squad had to suspend its 2016 season, the locals took aim at recharging their program with a strong 2017 campaign this spring and summer.

The Post 27 crew got rolling recently with a blowout loss followed by a blowout victory to start up at 1-1. But, co-coaches Rich Salcito and Brian Meskell then saw their

team drop a one-run decision to undefeated Rochester and an 8-4 game to Nashua, with the Londonderry crew having led by decent margins in both games before seeing their hosts bounce back to bag wins.

The locals took to the road for their 2017 season-opener on Tuesday, June 13 to play the tough Exeter team. The hosts tallied a convincing 8-2 win.

But, six days later the Londonderry crew was on its home diamond playing host to another seacoast

opponent, and the local side thumped its way to a 7-0 victory.

Three nights later, the local hardball side made the lengthy ride out to Rochester and raced out to a 5-0 lead, which later withered into a 6-5 defeat.

The next evening, Friday, June 23, Londonderry was on the road for a trip to Nashua and Bishop Guertin High School's Elliott Field to play Nashua Post 124 in the first game of a home-and-home mini-series between the crews. And both teams stepped having 1-2 records.

The Post 27 bunch scored once in the first inning and then twice more in the second, but the Nashuans would go on to score eight of the final nine runs of the game to snag an 8-4 victory.

Londonderry's lead-off hitter Pat Rauseo, who has played his high school ball at Alvirne High in Hudson, helped his own pitching cause by scoring the first run of the game after being hit by a pitch. And he eventually scored on a wild pitch.

His offense supplied him with a 3-0 lead by scoring twice more, with two outs in the top half of the second inning after Nashua left two runners on base without scoring in the bottom of the first.

Matt Brickley led off

the second by lacing a solid single to left field, but the next two Londonderry batters made outs. However, Matt Minton then sent Brickley scurrying home with a double, and Minton scored moments later on a single by Jake Bolduc.

The Nashuans got one of those runs back without the benefit of a hit in the latter half of the third to make it a 3-1 game, and the hosts took the lead for good by scoring four more times on three hits in the bottom of the fourth.

As the stifling weather in which the game started gave way to cooler temperatures with some dark clouds overhead, Nashua advanced its lead to 6-3 by scoring once in the latter half of the sixth.

Londonderry got that run back in the top of the seventh when Bolduc, who had led off with a walk, scored on a grounder off of the bat of Andy Ross.

However, it was the host Gate City side which would put the final runs up on the scoreboard, scoring

twice more in the bottom of the eighth to make the score 8-4.

Londonderry finished up with a decent total of seven hits, with Brickley and Minton each collecting two of them. But the local crew also stranded eight runners on base.

The local team and Nashua came into this week looking at completing their home-and-home set with a game at Londonderry High this Tuesday, June 27, after Londonderry Times press time.

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Londonderry 10-U Hardball Crew Wins District Crown, Advances

CHRIS PANTAZIS
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The fine group, which makes up the Londonderry 10-U all-star baseball squad, has been extremely successful as a unit for a number of years now. The successes keep rolling right on in for that talented crew.

That team, which won the 9-U state championship last summer, is on its way toward repeating that success at the 10-U level after winning the District 5 tournament at its own Londonderry Athletic Field Association complex on Sunday, June 25.

The locals won all of the four games they played in the district tourney, receiving a combined no-hit performance from two pitchers in game two and absolutely walloping the arch-rival Hudson contingent by a 15-0 count in the championship contest.

The 10-U team now moves on to the state tournament in Lancaster this weekend, with its first game slated for Saturday, July 1.

"We have a phenomenal group of talented kids that have so much fun playing together," said team press liaison Natalie Cook. "Every single player contributes and makes a difference. We are fortunate to have so many great pitchers. Most clubs have one or two that they rely on, but we have a handful of pitchers that the coaches use more regularly, and every single kid on our team can pitch and pitch well. Our depth is exceptional, and when our bats are connecting these kids are unstoppable."

The locals played their first three games of the district tournament on home soil on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday of last week in advancing to the title contest on the

morning of Sunday, June 25.

In game one against Quintown on Tuesday, June 20, the Londonderry side thumped its way to a lopsided 13-7 win.

The big inning for the hosts was the third, in which they plated six runs. Londonderry took advantage of two Quintown errors in scoring three of those runs, and Jonathan Wilson also laced a two-run double.

The host team also made the fourth inning an extremely productive one, scoring six more times as Devin Boles thumped a solo home-run and Jayden Hamilton, Casey Marsh, and Wilson all knocked singles.

All in all, the local crew smacked out some 15 hits with Boles, Marsh, Zach Mantegari, Hamilton, and Wilson each collecting multiple hits. Boles paced the potent attack by going 3-for-3, and Wilson went 2-for-3 and drove in three runs.

Hamilton, Brady Gillis, and Marsh all pitched, holding Quintown to seven hits and combining for eight strikeouts.

The next day, pitchers Wilson and Gillis combined on a masterful, no-hit shutout in a 3-0 blanking of a frustrated Concord crew.

Wilson drew the start and went four innings, collecting 10 strikeouts. Gillis then came on and pitched the final two frames, striking out five would-be hitters and only



The District 5 champion Londonderry 10-U baseball squad includes, in back from left, assistant coach Brian Belanger, head coach A.J. Marsh, and assistant coach Dave Hamilton. In the middle row from left are Devin Boles, Boden Belanger, Ryan Williams, Ryan Perry, Jonathan Wilson, Jayden Hamilton, and Carter Browning. Kneeling from left are Brady Gillis, Cole Metivier, Frankie Jarek, Casey Marsh, and Zach Mantegari. Courtesy photo

throwing 19 total pitches. Of those, a pretty stellar 16 were strikes.

"They were two walks and one error away from a perfect game. It was awesome," said Natalie Cook.

Offensively, the locals received run-scoring doubles from Wilson and Boles and an RBI single from Mantegari. Other hits were smacked by Gillis and Ryan Williams.

Londonderry played its third game on Friday, June 23 and dealt arch-rival Hudson a 6-3 defeat.

The locals collected seven hits in that contest, with Mantegari and Boles each bashing two and Boden Belanger smacking an important, early double. Boles hammered a two-run homer to right-center field.

On the mound, Hamilton and Gillis combined

to give their victorious squad a fine effort.

Now sitting pretty with a 3-0 record in the double-elimination tourney, Londonderry had to wait to see who it would play in the finals on Sunday, knowing that that opponent would have to beat the host team twice to snare the district crown.

The locals had no trouble with powering their way past that same Hudson contingent in the title battle, beating the rival by a 15-0 tally in a game which required just three innings.

"The boys left no doubt about going back to defend their state title,"

said Natalie Cook. "Everything came together today. The pitching was great, the defense was amazing, and the bats were on fire."

Wilson was on the hill for all three frames, tossing 38 total pitches with 30 going for strikes. He only allowed one hit and two base runners.

Offensively, the powerful locals had Belanger, Marsh, Mantegari, Wilson, and Boles each collect two hits. Carter Browning and Cole Metivier each tallied one smack, with Boles driving in some four runs and Belanger, Browning, and Wilson tallying two RBI apiece.

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Former LHS Star Coburn Helped His 2017 Warrior Laxmen Succeed

CHRIS PANTAZIS
LONDONDERRY TIMES

Anybody who got the chance to see Eric Coburn exhibit his impressive mix of physicality and finesse during his years as an all-state lacrosse and ice hockey player at Londonderry High School knew they were watching something pretty special.

When it came time to choose which sport he felt he could and he wanted to play at the collegiate level, the athlete chose Merrimack College and its men's lacrosse program.

Through three successful seasons in that program at the North Andover, Massachusetts school, the 6-foot-3, 205-pound Coburn has become a pivotal member of the Warriors' defensive corps. This spring, he helped his team get all the way to

the NCAA Division II championship match at the tail end of a season during which coach Mike Morgan's men went a pretty impressive 15-4 overall.

The former LHS Lancer played in all 19 matches, tallying three goals and six assists for nine points and finishing first on his squad in caused-turnovers (27) and second in ground balls (60). He also won 10 of the 19 face-offs in which he participated.

Coburn and his teammates went 9-2 in the Northeast-10 Conference and got as far as the conference semifinals before being eliminated in an overtime loss to LeMoyne in Syracuse, New York.

However, the Warriors and LeMoyne would meet up again shortly thereafter in the NCAA quarterfinals, and Merrimack would end that oppo-

nent's 2017 season with a 10-5 defeat.

The Warriors then battled Adelphi in the NCAA semifinals and bested that opponent by a lopsided 17-9 score, but in the finals at Gillette Stadium the Merrimack contingent fell to Limestone in a tight, 11-9 match.

During his sophomore season of 2016 Coburn, who is studying Sports Management and Finance at Bay State college, started 14 of the 15 matches in which he appeared and enjoyed a very strong campaign as a key member of a defensive corps which ranked 16th nationally in goals allowed (9.0). He also produced five points from an offensive standpoint with three goals and two helpers, and he scooped up 45 ground balls, caused 19 turnovers, and set personal game-highs in points (two), goals

(two), and shots (four) in a contest with Bentley.

The former LHS multi-sport standout dressed in 10 games during his rookie campaign of 2015, snagging five ground balls and causing one turnover.

During his illustrious Londonderry High days, Coburn was named the New Hampshire Division 1 Defensive Player of the Year as a junior in 2013 and also made First-Team All-State that season. A four-year varsity lax starter, he served as a Lancer defensive captain and became the all-time ground ball leader in program history. He tallied 111 ground balls, six goals, and 16 assists during that great junior season. Coburn also played club lacrosse for the New Hampshire Tomahawks.

Among Coburn's teammates on the Merrimack College team are former Pinkerton Academy rivals



Former Londonderry High lacrosse and ice hockey star Eric Coburn has become a key part of the stingy defensive unit on the Merrimack College men's lax team. Courtesy photo

Bailey Walsh (a versatile and Ryan Burke (a sophomore junior attack and middle) more defender).

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Some people find that catnip is even better at repelling mosquitoes than chemicals, such as DEET. Best of all, catnip is safe. It can even be grown next to plants that typically attract mosquitoes as a deterrent. Keep in mind, however, that the catnip will attract cats into your yard. Catnip is an aggressive grower, like a weed. Be sure to keep it reined in, or it will take over your flowerbed.

Citronella masks the surrounding scents around your home and garden that attract mosquitoes, preventing them from coming too near. Verify that the citronella plants you use are called Citronella winterianus or Cymbopogon nardus, as opposed to plants labeled "citronella-scented," which may not be authentic citronella plants.

For the chefs in your home, you have something that you can use in your cooking, herbs, that will be keeping the mosquitoes away. Many herbs also develop small white or purple flowers. Some popular herbs that keep mosquitoes at bay include Basil, Garlic, Lavendar, Lemon balm, Lemongrass, Peppermint and Rosemary.

Flowers not only add color to your garden, but they have other benefits. Ageratum secretes a scent considered offensive to mosquitoes. It is suitable for just about any climate. The plant grows up to 18 inches (45.72 cm) tall, making it

ideal for the back of flowerbeds. It needs partial or full sunlight. Plant marigolds in areas with fertilized soil that can be exposed to full sunlight at all times. You can also use Geraniums, Mums, Pennyroyal or Tansy.

These are a few ideas that can help brighten up your home and keep some annoying pests away when you want to enjoy the outside.

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Lancer, Astro Gridders Teaming Up in 2017 East-West Contest

CHRIS PANTAZIS
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The storied, vibrant, and historic rivalry between all of the sports teams from Londonderry High School and Pinkerton Academy is a long and intense one which always draws attention and crowds.

And it's also certainly a special thing when athletes from the two local schools get to work together for a cause.

That will be the case once again this Friday evening, June 30, when recently-graduated Londonderry High and Pinkerton football players don the same uniforms and work together in an effort to get the New Hampshire East team a third consecutive victory in the sixth annual CHaD NH East-West High School All-Star Football Game at Saint Anselm College.

Former Londonderry Lancer gridgers Jake



Recent LHS grad Jake Stevens will play in the East-West grid game.

Stevens, Peter Navarro, and Zac Garside and Pinkerton Astros Nico Buccieri and Austin Fields will be on the same side as they aim to help the East contingent even the annual series at 3-3 with a victory.

The West gridgers won the first three games in 2012, 2013, and 2014,

but the East crews snagged victories of 29-15 in 2015 and 28-14 last June in making the series tally 3-2 to date.

The East team will be coached by Laconia High School head man Craig Kozens, and his assistants will include Londonderry High head coach Jimmy Lauzon. The West crew will be directed by former longtime Manchester Central head football coach Jim Schubert.

The game is a major fundraiser for the Children's Hospital at Dartmouth-Hitchcock, better

known to many folks in the Granite State as CHaD, with the major effort having raised some \$1.3 million in the first five years.

The intrastate game features the two, 40-member squads which were selected from nominations taken from head football coaches during the previous fall.

To be eligible for nomination, an athlete must compete for a New Hampshire high school football program recognized by the New Hampshire Interscholastic Athletic Association (NHIAA). Each

NHIAA division is represented by at least one athlete, and each school may not have more than five athletes selected as all-stars. The teams are divided based on geographic location into an East squad and a West squad; routes 3 and I-93 serve as the dividing line.

The teams began their practices last Friday, June 23, with Team East at Manchester Memorial High School and Team West at Manchester West High.

Kick-off for the contest is slated for 7 p.m. on Fri-

day night, and tickets are \$10 each.

The CHaD all-star gridgers enjoyed a real treat during their training sessions in the form of a visit from Londonderry High graduate and Houston Texans' standout tight end Ryan Griffin.

After graduating from LHS the 6-foot-6, 265-pound football star went on to a superb college career at the University of Connecticut before being drafted by the Texans in 2013. The four-year NFL veteran had a career year in 2016.

LHS Senior Fitzmaurice Tackles the Heptathlon

CHRIS PANTAZIS
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The heptathlon is one of the most challenging track and field competitions any female athlete can take on. Londonderry High School senior Keira Fitzmaurice decided she was up to the challenge this year.

The Lady Lancer was one of nearly 50 New Hampshire high school heptathletes to compete in the New Hampshire Interscholastic Athletic Association event at Nashua High School

South in the Gate City on Saturday, June 17 and Sunday, June 18.

Competitors take part in seven events, and one of the keys is of course to do as well in each as is possible to tally points. But, most track and field athletes specialize in specific events like sprints, distance events, and field events. Often precious few are well-rounded enough to excel in all or even most of them.

The 2017 heptathlon title was won by Bow High School junior Dominique Biron with her total of

4,321 points.

Londonderry's Fitzmaurice worked intensely to compete well with the talented crew of track stalwarts from around the Granite State, and she did admirably by finishing up 43rd overall with 916 points.

The Lady Lancer ended up among the top 40 finishers in three different events, with her best finish being a 30th place

in the shot put.

Fitzmaurice placed 39th in the 100-meter hurdles, 40th in the 800-meter run, 42nd in the javelin, and 43rd in the high jump, 200-meter dash, and long jump.

Fitzmaurice wound up being the one and only Londonderry High girls' or boys' track and field athlete to take part in the heptathlon or decathlon this year.

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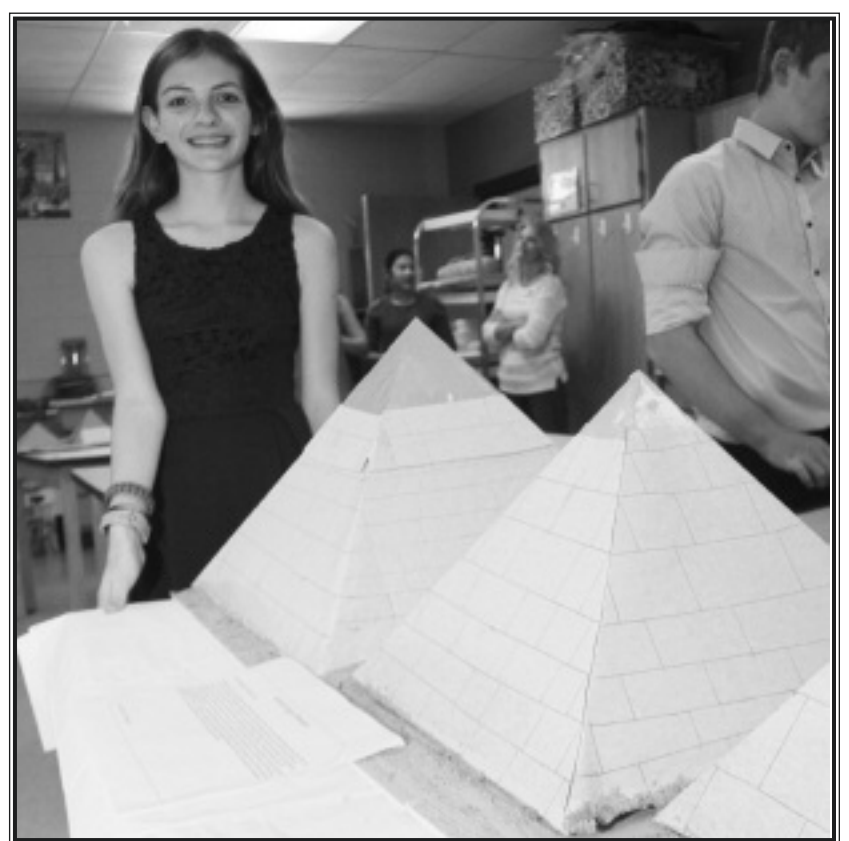
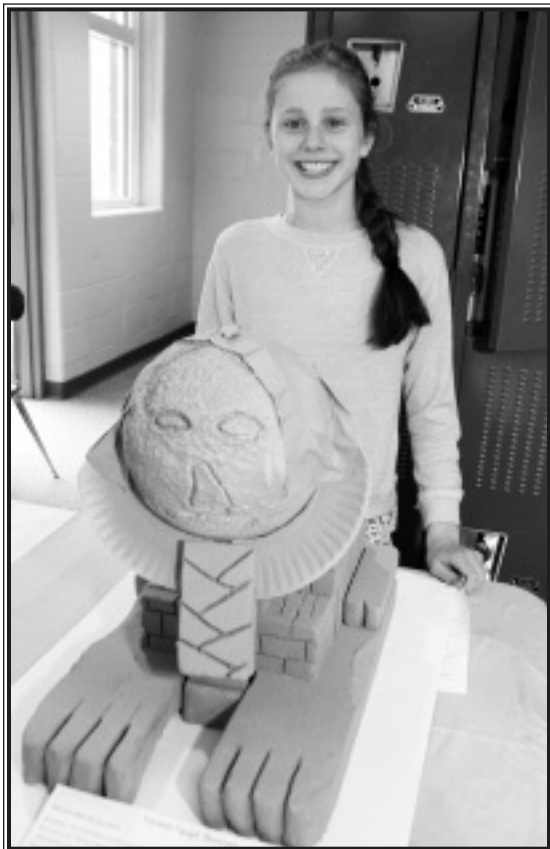
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Seventh-Graders at Londonderry Middle School Create Classroom Museums



At left, Allyssa Salie displays her Sphinx made of foam, above Matthew Giangrande explains the Canopic Jars with organs and at right Caitlin Shapleigh built three pyramids for her Egyptian project. Photos by Chris Paul

ALEX GUITTARR
LONDONDERRY TIMES

It's a common misconception that decent museum experiences can only be had in big cities like Boston. In fact, a great museum was recently created right here in town by Londonderry Middle School students.

Throughout the last semester, seventh-graders in the Typhoons pod at LMS were tasked by history teacher Jennifer Maurice to recreate various elements of ancient Egyptian society as a part of a major assignment. This was all done in preparation for June 15, when the students set up their projects throughout their classrooms and pod, creating an ancient Egyptian museum exhibit for the public.

Maurice, who has taught at LMS for 20

years, explained that this is the eighth year she has held this museum event. Along with research papers and in-class presentations, the students narrowed down a list of topics about Ancient Egypt to a few subjects, which were then assigned to each student by Maurice. Maurice said that she had to be the one who assigned the projects since certain popular subjects such as pyramids would dominate the exhibit, if it was up to the students.

The students, who could work alone or in teams of two or three, were then given creative freedom to reproduce their assigned subject at home in any fashion they saw fit. Maurice noted how much both she and the students loved this project, as the students were "able to be as cre-

ative as they wanted." She stated that the LMS staff loves the idea as well, as it corresponds with the school's love of promoting more choice for students in education.

On the day of the exhibit, over 60 projects were put on display in the Typhoon's pod, including timelines of ancient Egypt's history, maps of the Nile River, a variety of canopic jars, which were used to store a body's major organs during the process of mummification, colorful and extravagant sarcophagi, including several which contained actual "mummies," recreations of ancient Egyptian art and hieroglyphics, and, of course, dozens of pyramids.

The projects, which took on a wide variety of sizes and design materials varying from cardboard and paint to clay, also had

the students who created them serve as their curators, explaining the purpose and significance of their subject to the museum's "visitors," many of whom were students' parents.

Some of the junior curators included Alexis Marx, who designed an ancient Egyptian painting that depicted the process through which the deceased are mummified and transcend into the afterlife. She was fascinated by the personality put on display in these paintings, drawn in by how they depicted the differences between their culture and ours, showing "how they thought and

their way of life."

Meanwhile, Caitlyn Shapleigh was one of the many students to design a pyramid for the exhibit, although hers was taken a step further. It featured an interior that contained a miniature sarcophagus and miniature treasure and jewels, which the deceased would keep by their side to take into the next life. The project, which took about three weeks to complete with help from her mother, came with "lots of trials and errors," but was a success nonetheless. Shapleigh said that her interest in the pyramids came from the fact that they are one of the Seven

Wonders of the World and that they embody ancient Egyptian culture.

Alyssa Carpenter took a different approach to the project than others, creating a small effigy of Ramses II, which took roughly two to three weeks to make. Noted by Carpenter as being the oldest Pharaoh in history, dying at the age of 92, she laid out the numerous accomplishments of Ramses II, saying that he "liked building and being creative." As for the future of the exhibit project, Maurice noted that she sees no reason why it would not be conducted by next year's seventh-graders.

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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.

Greater Manchester Lyme Disease Support Group

Hosted by David Hunter, the group meets on the third Wednesday of every month at 6:30pm at the Bedford Presbyterian Church 4 Church Road Bedford. For more information call 660-3425 or email dhunter31@gmail.com

Robert Frost Farm Events

Karen Kilcup's presentation titled "Robert Frost Reads Emily Dickinson," will discuss how Frost encoun-

tered Dickinson at a transitional moment for American poetry and found in her an unexpected precursor and virtuoso model, as well as, perhaps, a clever means to woo his sweetheart Elinor to marry him. This event will be held on July 9 at 2 p.m. David Sanders will present "Home and the Independent Hero: Robert Frost, John Stark, and Odysseus in "The Generations of Men" on July 16 at 2 p.m. Sanders will discuss how this poem reveals surprising dimensions of Frost's intellectual interests, poetic ambitions, and artis-

tic craft. Free admission. J.T. Turner will portray Robert Frost in his highly acclaimed one-man show, "Robert Frost, Light and Dark" on July 30 at 2 p.m. Turner's script amplifies the situations in Frost's poems by relating them to the poet's life. Join the actor as he brings America's great poet to life including readings of Frost's most popular poems. Mr. Turner's portrayal of Robert Frost is a deeply moving tribute to the poet, an unforgettable performance you won't want to miss! Free admission. Donald Sheehy will discuss the first American edition of Robert Frost's North of Boston published 100 years ago by Henry Holt on August 2 at 2 p.m. During his presentation, Dr. Sheehy will explore how Frost, while living in England and homesick for New England, reinvented himself and, in so doing, revolutionized American poetry. All Events will take place at the Robert Frost Farm in Derry. Free admission to all.

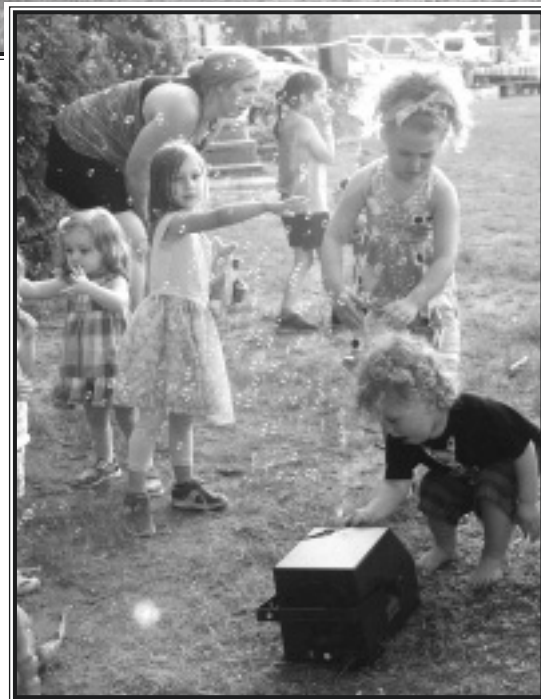
Youth Football Camp

The Londonderry High School football coaching staff will be hosting a Youth Camp on July 18, 19, and 20 this summer at the Wildcats Par Five practice field behind Londonderry Middle School from 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. each night. Students in grades one through eight are welcome. The price of registration is free with all paid 2017 Wildcats registrations or \$60 per participant and \$30 each additional participant. All participants registered online by July 14 will receive a free camp t-shirt. Register under "Camps & Clinics" online at www.LYFS.org <<http://www.LYFS.org>>. With questions, please contact Jimmy Lauzon, head football coach, at JLauzon@londonderry.org.

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Concerts Bring Crowds to Commons



The annual "Concerts on the Common" are ongoing throughout July and fun for the whole family. Every Wednesday evening on the town common from 7 - 8:30 p.m. with the exception of July 5. If bad weather is in the forecast the concerts will be held at either Matthew Thornton or in the High School Cafeteria.

Photos by Chris Paul



TOWN OF LONDONDERRY PLANNING BOARD

The Londonderry Planning Board will hold a Public Meeting on Wednesday, July 12, 2017 at 7:00 P.M. in the Moose Hill Council Chambers, 268B Mammoth Road, Londonderry, NH to consider the following:

- A. Public hearing on an application for formal review of a site plan to construct Phase 1 of an elderly housing development, consisting of 21 housing units, a clubhouse and associated site improvements; Nashua Road/NH Route 102, Adams Road and Cross Road - Map 6 Lot 84 & Map 6 Lot 59-1, Zoned AR-1, Cross Farm Development, LLC (Owner & Applicant)
- B. Public hearing on a zoning amendment to revise section 2.3.1.2.A of the Londonderry Zoning Ordinance relative to the storage and use of travel trailers, to insert the underlined language as follows:

No lot in the agricultural-residential (AR-I) district may be used for the outside storage of more than one unregistered motor vehicle (in accordance with RSA 236:92) or the outside storage of more than one boat, other than a rowboat, canoe or other boat less than twenty (20) feet in length. At no time shall a motorhome, travel trailer (camper) or similar recreational vehicle be stored on a property in a manner such that a public nuisance be created as to sight, sound, smell or any other action which would interfere with nearby property owner's rights. A motorhome, travel trailer (camper) or similar recreational vehicle shall not be used as an accessory living space on any residential property in the AR-I district.

The full text of the proposed amendments can be found on the Town's web page, and is available for viewing in the Town Clerk's Office, Planning and Economic Development Department, and Leach Library during regular business hours.

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 slat-

ed for 9. On-line registration at: <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScSvel1eAfqxmPUn5bcr1XsHnwGVy2MQrhi0qGLBm4ULWFJg/vi> ewform, and more information can be obtained at lancerbasketballnation@gmail.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 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.

Concerts on the Common

Every Wednesday evening on the town common from 7 - 8:30 p.m. On July 12, The Brian Maes Band. On July 19, Evan Goodrow. On July 26, HELP! local Beatles 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.

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Londonderry Police Log

Selections from the Londonderry Police Logs

Monday - June 19
12:34 a.m. Motor vehicle stop and arrest made at Speedway on Nashua Road. Gladiany Rivera-Sanchez, 28 of Manchester was charged with operating a vehicle with a suspended registration, driving after revocation or suspension, possession of controlled/narcotic drugs, possession of drugs in a motor vehicle, and failure to turn on front lights when required.

3:56 p.m. Attempted suicide was responded to on Elijah Hill Road and the individual was transported to the hospital.

5:32 p.m. Four units responded to and investigated a disturbance on Symmes Drive.

9:23 p.m. Juvenile offenses were responded to and services were rendered on Sunset Drive.

Wednesday - June 21
1:05 a.m. Three units responded to a motor vehicle stop and an arrest was made on Avery Road near the Londonderry Flea Market. Stephen Galvin, 36, of Salem was charged with driving under the influence of drugs or liquor.

9:25 a.m. A warrant was served and an arrest was made at Raleigh Drive in Nashua. Tracy Moraros, 50, of Nashua was charged with simple assault and vandalism.

9:28 a.m. A violation of protective order was investigated on Capitol Hill Drive.

9:30 a.m. Assistance was requested by Londonderry Fire Department and services were rendered on Gilcreast Road at Nashua Road.

10:14 a.m. Juvenile offenses were reported and services were rendered at Londonderry High School.

11:27 a.m. Unlawful activities were reported and services were rendered on South Road at Goat Farm.

11:59 a.m. Four units responded to a reported disturbance at Twins Smoke Shop on Perkins Road.

3:58 p.m. Drug offenses were investigated and services were rendered on Symmes Drive.

4:06 p.m. A warrant was served and an arrest was made at the New Hampshire State Prison For Women in Goffstown. Jessica Shepard, 33, of Concord was arrested for theft/shoplifting.

4:27 p.m. Drug offenses were reported and services were rendered on Hillside Ave.

8:22 p.m. Trespassing was reported and services were rendered on Stonehenge Road.

Thursday - June 22
9:52 a.m. Homeland Security services were rendered at Granite Clover Self Storage on Mohawk Drive. Four units responded.

11:34 a.m. Motor vehicle accident investigated on Mammoth Road, north of Londonderry Middle School.

12:11 p.m. Disturbance investigated at Navigator Road and Harvey Road.

12:17 p.m. Medical emergency services rendered at the Crossroads Mall on Nashua Road.

12:27 p.m. Four units responded to a motor vehicle accident and investigation on Nashua

Road at Exit 4 Southbound on-ramp.

3:58 p.m. Motor vehicle accident investigated at Burger King on Nashua Road.

5:04 p.m. Domestic disturbance reported and services rendered on Royal Lane.

5:38 p.m. Assistance requested by Londonderry Fire Department and services rendered on Pine Hollow Drive. Four units responded.

9:04 p.m. Disturbance reported and peace restored on Perkins Road.

Friday - June 23
1:35 a.m. Disturbance investigated on Scots Place.

11:31 a.m. Suspicious activity investigated on Pendleton Lane.

11:49 a.m. Seven officers responded to a disturbance at Nelson Road LAFA Complex.

3:35 p.m. Four officers responded to an attempted suicide, resulting in transportation to the hospital on Stonehenge Road.

6:37 p.m. Weapons offenses investigated on Shasta Drive.

7:02 p.m. Three units responded to and investigated a disturbance at Burger King on Nashua Road.

11:32 p.m. Motor vehicle stop and arrest made on Rockingham Road at Heritage Truck & Automotive Inc.

Saturday - June 24
1:56 a.m. Three units responded to a disturbance on Winterwood Drive. Peace was restored.

2:57 a.m. Suspicious activity was investigated on Bartley Hill Road.

9:23 a.m. Three units respond to a disturbance on Boyd Road. Peace was restored.

6:11 p.m. Suspicious activity was investigated on Midridge Circle.

7:49 p.m. Four units assisted the Londonderry Fire Department with a transport to the hospital at Shell Food Mart on Nashua Road.

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