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There were 17 Non-Traditional and 26 Traditional apple pies entered in the Mack's Apple Pie Contest this year. Photo by Chris Paul

Mack's Apples Pies Contest Offer Up A Slice Of Community Fun

ALEX GUITTARR
LONDONDERRY TIMES

Nothing sounds better on a cold February day than the smell and taste of some fresh baked goods. At Mack's Apples, the off-season may be a slow time but they know exactly how to compensate by hosting their twenty fifth Apple Pie Contest last weekend.

It always proves to be a popular event, with 43 pies having been entered into the competition this year in either the traditional or non-traditional category. While tradi-

tional pies tend to follow a similar design and specific number of apple varieties, non-traditional pies allow for competitors to let their imaginations run wild, with some using anything from pecans and caramel to even bacon on their pies.

According to Rose Searles, one of the staff members at Mack's Apples, every entrant would receive a variety of prizes, including access to a free peck of apples during apple season and a half-gallon of cider. The first, second and third place winners in

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Planning Department Hosts Commercial Zoning Workshop

ALEX GUITTARR
LONDONDERRY TIMES

In an attempt to clean up Londonderry's zoning structure, the Planning Board held a workshop during their latest meeting on Feb. 14 to delve into matters concerning commercial zoning districts.

More specifically, Town Planner Colleen Mailloux, who expanded upon the vast amount of details that this overhaul would involve, noted that the restructuring would revolve around the Route 102 and Route 28 corridors, as they currently suffer from sporadic zoning over commercial one and two districts. On top

of this, there is also some major confusion over the purpose of nearby performance overlay districts.

Thus, in order to remedy both situations, town staff hope to amend the districts so that they would all be combined into a commercial performance zone, improving the overall design aesthetics of the districts.

According to Mailloux, roughly six hundred commercial parcels would be affected by the change, while commercial use areas would now make room for more allowed purpose plans, as opposed to permitted use. As such, things like public

recreation projects and group child care situations would be opened for these zones.

One thing of note was that several properties within the affected area are residential lots that contain residents, but Mailloux commented that town staff are well aware of this.

"We're trying to be sensitive in how we're handling rezoning", Mailloux noted.

Ultimately, Mailloux was looking for direction from the board that night, as she realized that such an amendment would be a serious change to Londonderry and would

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Proposed Construction By Route 102 Will Impact Local Wetlands

KATIE O'DONNELL
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Conservation Commission heard a proposal for a gas and water extension last week that could affect some of the wetland areas off of Route 102. A joint effort between Liberty Utilities and Pennichuck Water Works would be laying down pipes to extend utility services from Buttrick Road down towards the new Cross Farm development by the flea market. This exten-

sion is a concern to the commission due to having several impacts on local wetlands.

Jeff Merritt of Liberty Utilities informed the commission that, to complete the project, there would be a total of 16,400 square feet of wetland impacted.

"It's all temporary," he assured the group.

The companies plan to use several different types of construction techniques to mitigate the amount of impact to the

wetlands, including dredge and fill, which would have the contractors refill the wetlands after laying the pipes, and boring that would lay the pipes underneath the wetlands.

Merritt explained that Liberty Utilities would be laying down gas pipes starting at Buttrick Road, then Pennichuck Water Works "comes into play"

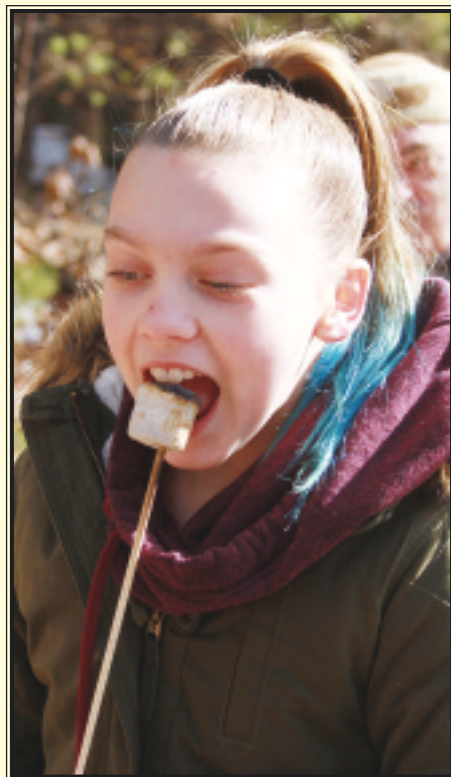
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Musquash Field Day Brings Residents Out to Town Land



Although many of the trails leading through much of the Musquash Conservation Land were covered in ice, a good amount of residents came out to enjoy the beauty and to learn about the local site at the annual Musquash Field Day on Saturday, Feb. 16. Conservation Commission members greeted residents as they entered the area and also met them at the landing where hotdogs and snacks were prepared. There were also guided tours throughout the day as well as a scavenger hunt for the town's younger residents. *Photos by Chris Paul*

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Cross Farm Developer Seeks Permission to Begin Clearing Land Early

ALEX GUITTARR
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The ongoing process of building a new elderly housing development alongside Route 102 was once again brought before the Londonderry Planning Board during their latest meeting on Feb. 14 at Town Hall.

The applicants, Cross Farm Development, LLC, were represented by Jack Szemplinski with Benchmark Engineering. Back

in October, Cross Farm already received approval for the first phase of the elderly housing development, which would cover the first twenty one units out of two hundred, amongst other structures, on the lot that exists within Nashua Road, Adams Road, Cross Road and Route 102.

However, they came before the board this night in order to gain permission to begin construction on the project before

all of their permits were granted, as well as a one hundred and twenty day extension due to the delay caused by these factors.

According to Szemplinski, the project has run smoothly so far, with no private property needing to be dealt with and a dredge and fill process for wetlands having no complications. But they are running into some delays while waiting for permits from water and gas companies. As the expansion

of these utilities would cause temporary impact to the roads of 102, Cross Farm is hoping to move things along quickly.

Both Board Chair Arthur Rugg and Ex-Officio Tony DeFrancesco worried that such a permit would create a dangerous precedent, while Town Planner Colleen Mailloux confirmed what Szemplinski asserted and felt that the decision was a determination that was to be left up to the board.

It was also noted that the rules of not allowing construction until all permits were allowed were created while the Londonderry Home Depot was being constructed, due to the delays in its construction frustrating various residents.

Meanwhile, board member Al Sypek felt that the water systems must come first or the construction simply could not take place, thus leading him to see no problem

with the rule change. Board member Jim Butler also agreed, but warned that such a move was only a risk for Cross Farm.

"If you don't get those permits, we're not going to issue building permits," Butler noted.

Ultimately, both the modification of the rules and the one hundred and twenty day extension received unanimous approval, with the exception of board member Ann Struthers on the former.

Debate on Kendall Pond Continues at Conservation Commission

KATIE O'DONNELL
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The debate over a gate at Kendall Pond continued this month as the Conservation Commission discussed the best ways to not only monitor the entrance, but how to pay for it. During the last meeting, Chairwoman Marge Debois said she

had talked to Assistant Town Manager Lisa Drabik about the gate. Drabik informed Dubois that Steve Cotton was "looking into it," and more information would be available as soon as she got it. Dubois wanted to make sure the issue was resolved before spring so the area would be able to open on time.

At last week's meeting, Dubois came back to the commission with an update on the gate proposal. Dubois informed the group that she not only had a price tag for the gate, but also had some information on a security system. The proposed gate will have more than just a padlock. In fact, it will be run by an

app that the commission or the police can control by phone to make sure it gets closed appropriately every night.

"It will have an electric eye so if it were someone's car it will stop," said Dubois.

To run this kind of gate will take electricity, which Dubois said Eversource would have to install to the area. The benefit of having that power access at the entrance is it would allow the commission to also install a surveillance camera to record and monitor the entrance to Kendall Pond.

A security system like that, though, doesn't come cheap.

"The grand total is just under \$20,000," said Dubois, but that would cover the cost of the gate and the electric pole to power it. The cost of the

security camera would be an additional \$750.

When asked who would be paying for it, Dubois said, "it would probably come out of our improvement project plan."

This sparked a debate between the commission members. Some argued that it should be up to the town to pay for it, since the town owns the land. Dubois also asked about who would pay for the insurance on the gate in case of damage.

"It's a prime candidate for vandalism," Dubois remarked.

There was a motion made to approve \$21,000 to cover the cost of the gate, camera and the

installation of the electric pole. It was quickly withdrawn after members could not agree that the commission should be responsible for the cost. There was a fear that this would set a precedent for the future, one that the commission could come to regret.

In general, the commission seemed to agree that the town should pay for the security system, since it is on town land and is being installed to prevent crime in the area.

A motion was made to present the plan for the \$21,000 to the Town Council for funding. It pass and will be brought forward in a future council session.



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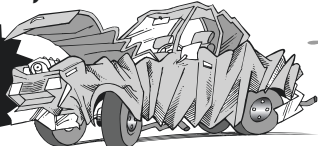
The local Boy Scout Troop 109 took first place at Klondike race this past weekend. They meet Tuesday evenings at the Londonderry Methodist Church.

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Editorial

The Taste of the Season

As winter winds down we see signs of spring, there's no mistaking the sound of birds in the early morning and the change in the quality of light. The calendar tells us spring will not happen until Tuesday, March 20 and who among us is not ready for the change in seasons. While it's still a good idea to keep the plow and the shovel accessible, we have every reason to be looking ahead to the new season.

The smell of home-baked apple pies filled Mack's Apple Farmstand over the weekend as the annual tradition continued there with both traditional and non-traditional recipes.

And there's no better way to mark spring than to celebrate New Hampshire Maple Weekend, which takes place this year on March 24 and 25.

Local maple syrup producers have found recent warmer days and cold nights just what they needed for the flow of sap in the sugar maples, and this coming weekend is the perfect chance to welcome the season with a visit to sugar houses in Chester, Pinkerton in Derry and Londonderry. Hank Peterson's maybe gone but the sugar house on Peabody Row in Londonderry remains pen when the flag is out. Brian and Susan Folsom's sugar house on Candia Road in Chester will be welcoming

visitors from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday's and Sunday's.

Tastes of maple syrup, the quintessential New England product, are offered at sugar houses, along with the chance to purchase your winter's supply of syrup for pancakes, baked beans, ice cream topping, or whatever else would benefit from that distinct maple flavor. People travel for miles and across state lines to see sugar houses in action how lucky we are to have them almost on our doorstep.

We encourage you to take this opportunity to support local agriculture and the "local food" movement you can't get much more local than the trees with the buckets down the road and at the same time, have a great day participating in a New England spring tradition.

Soon enough, the sounds of the peepers will liven up the evenings, and the sap in the maples will stop flowing. Slowly but surely, the landscape will be more like spring and less like winter, as snow becomes a distant memory and spring flowers brighten our yards and kitchen tables.

So savor the moment as we hover on the cusp of a new season, and enjoy the sweet tastes Maple Weekend has to offer.

Letters

Re-Elect Sherry Farrell

To the editor

Re-Elect Sherry Farrell for Town Clerk I am writing this letter in support of Sherry Farrell in the upcoming election for the position of Town Clerk. Sherry is a life long resident of this town and she has been active in the town as a school teacher, Town Clerk, Justice of the Peace and a member of the Senior Resources Committee.

The door to her office is always open to anybody who may have an issue to discuss. Over the past few years as Town Clerk Sherry has brought a new sense of community to this town which I hope to see continue with her re-election. In her role on the Senior Resources Committee Sherry has been active with the Senior issues in town. The Committee has been successful in accommodating seniors with transportation to their appointments in the form of CART. Sherry has devoted her time and efforts for the needs of Londonderry residents. I have personally witnessed as a member of the Senior Resources Committee the

finnesse which she introduces an article for the committee to work on for the betterment of the town. I am requesting seniors and all citizens of the town of Londonderry to go to the polling booths and vote for re-election of Sherry Farrell for Town Clerk.

Richard J. Flores
Londonderry

Re-Elect Sherry Farrell

To the editor

I am writing this letter to the editor in support of our Town Clerk, Sherry Farrell. Thank You for this opportunity to share with my friends and residents of Londonderry my experiences working with Sherry the last 4 years while on the Senior Resources Committee. First and foremost Sherry has devoted her life to the town of Londonderry. She was raised here, taught here, raised her family here and 4 years ago was elected by the people to be their Town Clerk. Residents have her cell phone number and call her day and night with their needs and concerns. Sherry is always honored to help and to

represent every resident.

Sherry is the supervisor of the Clerk's Office employees and she is responsible for every dollar that comes through the Clerk's Office. She puts additional personal hours into studying each year with other clerk's throughout the state so that she is also our Experienced Certified Clerk at the State Level. She is a voice for our elderly and our young families moving into town too. She serves as a member of the State Clerk Legislative Committee so that she has a voice in Bills that will affect our community.

Sherry loves Londonderry but more importantly she is our Experienced Town Clerk...Sherry works hard for the town on every level. She has always given the town she loves 120%.

I am Bonnie Ritvo and I am President of the Londonderry Senior Citizens Inc.

Sherry always calls to see if there is anything she can do for our seniors.

Please Re-elect Sherry Farrell on March 13th.

Bonnie Ritvo
Derry resident, former Londonderry resident

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Wetlands

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with water mains by Young Road. The two lines would then continue on towards the Cross Farm development.

The New Hampshire Department of Transportation "asked us to tuck it as close to the right of way line as physically possible," said Merritt in an effort to reduce wetland impact. There are already underground telecommunications lines over by Young Road.

"All this land we're working with is previously disturbed area," said

Merritt.

The addition of the water mains starting at Young Road will create a wetland impact of 11,000 square feet (which is part of the previously stated 16,400 square foot total). Brian Frost of Pennichuck Water Works explained that the company "tried to bore as much as the line as possible."

"We're trying to minimize overall impact," Frost said.

Frost and Merritt told the commission they had already submitted the appropriate paperwork to the state, but Chairwoman Marge Badois said

when she called the state to inquire about the paperwork, the office informed her that there must be a mix-up.

"When I contacted them, they hadn't heard of you yet," Badois told the two.

Frost and Merritt seemed confused, and Frost informed the commission that they had a letter from the state dated from Jan. 22 of this year confirming the paperwork submission.

The commission seemed to be appeased by the letter and Badois made a motion to approve the extension, which passed.

Local Sea Cadets Take Part in Annual Inspection and Awards Night



CHRIS PAUL
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The annual Inspection and Awards Ceremony for the U.S. Navel Sea Cadet Corps were held earlier this month, on Feb. 8, at the United States Army and Naval Recruitment Center on Harvey Road in Londonderry where the group meets.

The annual event is a chance for local cadets to showcase what they have been working on through-

out the year, test their ability to be presented properly and share their achievements with friends and family.

The evening began with the presentation of colors and was quickly followed by a company inspection, a slide show that chronicled the year and refreshments.

The Inspection Party included New Hampshire National Guard Brig. Gen. David J. Mikolaities, LCDR Andrew Nash,

LCDR John Murphy, CDR Cory Gassaway, CDR David Kenny and YNC Elise Jewett.

The awards handed out at the Sea Cadet Annual Inspection were:

The Navy League of the United States Youth Medal for a Sea Cadet went to Chief Petty Officer Philip Shuten.

The Navy League of the United States Youth Medal for a League Cadet was presented to Cadet Eric Salome.

Petty Officer Second Class Eleanor Lange received the Daughters of the American Revolution Outstanding Cadet.

Petty Officer Second Class Nathan Gadzik received the Sons of the American Revolution Outstanding Cadet.

Also Announced at the event:

- Cadet Daniel Hawken was selected for the Naval Academy Preparatory School.

- Cadet Julia Ramsdell enlisted in the Navy Delayed Entry Program. She is scheduled to leave in October.

- Petty Officer Second Class Eleanor Lange received a nomination to the United States Naval Academy.

- Chief Petty Officer John Shields received a nomination to the United States Naval Academy.

- Chief Petty Officer Joseph Aiello - Received

a nomination to the United States Naval Academy.

- Petty Officer First Class Justin Hoprich - Received an Air Force ROTC Scholarship to Emory-Riddle Aeronautical University.

The local cadets hail from in and around the Manchester area including the towns of Derry, Londonderry, Windham and Bedford.

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Town Council Hopes To Lead By Example with Meetings

LORI COSTA
LONDONDERRY TIMES

Recently, the Londonderry Town Council was given some advice Tom Dolan chair of Town Council, about the most effective ways to run their meetings. Chairman Tom Dolan said the council became more aware of issues they were not before. One example was keeping public comment to a certain amount of minutes due to a time limit and repetition. In this case, if someone were to speak about an issue for ten minutes and another resident speaks the same talking points, the Chairman at his/her discretion can ask if any-

one else has anything new to add before letting the person speak. By using this rule, the council hopes to lead by example and that other commissions and boards will think about invoking this rule as well.

Over the past few months, Dolan has been using a stop watch during public comment to keep residents on track due to a time limit (trying not to go past 10 p.m.), the time limit being set at three minutes per speaker. He has found that when doing public comment over the past few months, there has rarely been anyone who has gone over five minutes and typically

the average has been three minutes per speaker. It is ultimately left up to the Chair to decide the time limit for the public, but it is also a duty of the Chairman to not let a single person dominate the meeting with their speaking points by going over ten or fifteen minutes. Dolan pointed out that this time limit is reserved for public comment, because they are bringing issues or concerns to the council that they are unaware of before their meeting and have no time to research beforehand. This rule can also be used in a public hearing when multiple members of the public have a comment or

presentation to share.

The time limit rules do not apply, however to people the council has invited to the meeting to give a presentation like the Fire Chief or Chief of Police, because they are aware of what they will be speaking about and therefore are able to put it in the agenda.

Dolan also expressed the idea of having the Chairman exempt themselves from a vote. In a typical five person council, there are an odd number of people and the Chair is focused on running the meeting. The Chair should only be voting to break a tie between council members. If the

vote is 2-2, then the Chair would step in and break the tie, but if the vote was 4-0, there would be no need for another vote to make it 5-0. Even though Dolan will not be the next Chair of the Londonderry Town Council in the next few months, he agreed that he would abide by this rule, but it will be up to the next Chair if he or she will use it.

The Town Council also does not allow campaigning during public comment for public office or the promotion of a local business unless they are invited by the council first. The council also cannot shut a person down if they use vulgar or pro-

fane language, because that is a first amendment violation. Although the council can ask for the public to be polite during their comments, they cannot edit the actual words that are spoken.

The Town Council's attorney advised these rules to be accepted for how town meetings are run called "Right to know." One member of the council felt that more time was needed to look over the rules before accepting them. The decision on whether or not to accept them will be made by the Town Council at their next meeting scheduled for Monday, March 5.

Race in April To Help The Upper Room

ALEX GUITTARR
LONDONDERRY TIMES

Any marathon runners in Derry and its surrounding towns will have another date to mark on their calendars, as the Upper Room Family Resource Center will be hosting its third annual Race for Families on April 8.

Started back in 1986 by founder Anna Willis, the Upper Room has worked to strengthen both families and individuals throughout Southern

New Hampshire through a variety of services. Amongst them are educational programs for students hoping to earn their GEDs, a juvenile diversion program that helps youths who have committed chargeable offenses to be held accountable for their actions without court intervention, and parenting strategies for dealing with children of all ages.

However, these services require plenty of funds to be kept up and running, which is where the

marathon, amongst a variety of other events that they do year round, comes in. Now on its third year, the race has already proven successful in the past, having signed on one hundred and seventy nine runners and raised over fifteen hundred dollars last year.

Executive Director Brenda Guggisberg noted that she hopes to have at least two hundred and fifty runners for this year's race, but on top of raising money for a good cause, she finds that it also helps to encourage some hearty exercise; just another way of making a positive impact in people's lives.

"It's also a way to promote our message", Guggisberg stated.

The event will feature four categories, as runner can participate in a 5K or a 10K, and either run in the two races alone or as

a part of a team, the latter of which typically have participating members of the fire department, police department and other community organizations. Both races will begin at Pinkerton Academy's Hackler Gymnasium, with the 5K scheduled to be a straight back and forth on Route 28, while the 10K race will go up the Londonderry Turnpike, take a right onto English Range Road and follow the road onto Chester Road before finishing back at Pinkerton Academy.

On top of this, prizes, entertainment and post race snacks will also be provided, as well as a children's race.

In order to register, you can either do it online at urteachers.org or register on the day of the race at 8 a.m. at the Hackler Gym.

OBITUARY

Pamela Sigalos



Pamela (Hahn) Sigalos, 68, of Londonderry, passed away suddenly in Nashua on Tuesday Feb. 13, 2018. She was born Jan. 18, 1950 in Cambridge, MA and was a daughter of the late Walter C. and Pauline (Lefort) Hahn. Pamela was raised and educated in Cambridge and resided in the area prior to relocating to Londonderry in 1975.

Pamela was employed at Lockheed Martin/BAE systems and retired from BAE in 2005. She lived a very active life and loved gardening, cooking and baking, sewing, many outdoor activities, vacationing and entertaining. She will forever be remembered for the time she spent with her family and beloved grandchildren.

Members of the family include her loving husband of 47 years, John P. Sigalos of Londonderry, two daughters and their husbands, Karen and William McLaughlin of Nashua, and Dori and James DeMaio of Methuen, MA, four grandchildren, Dominic, Sophie, Vincent and Anthony, a brother and his wife, Richard and Kathleen Hahn, of Reading, MA, her sister and her husband, Susanne and Timothy Boyle of Billerica, MA, two sisters-in-law, Diane Duggan and Beverly Chaves, both of Lakeland, FL. She was predeceased by a sister-in-law, Marilyn Hamel.

After cremation, a Memorial Service will be celebrated Saturday, Feb. 17, 2018 at 11 a.m. at Grace Lutheran Church, 130 Spitbrook Rd. Nashua, NH. A springtime burial will take place at Pillsbury Cemetery in Londonderry. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to Grace Lutheran Church at the address above, or Boston Children's Hospital at www.childrenshospital.org. The Peabody Funeral Homes and Crematorium, 15 Birch St. Derry, is assisting the family. To send a condolence, please visit www.peabodyfuneralhome.com.

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Library Art Exhibit Showcases Impressionistic Artist

KATIE O'DONNELL
LONDONDERRY TIMES

This month's art exhibit at the Leach Library showcases a different approach to capturing the beauty of nature. Sally Dion of Derry is a printmaker by trade and nature lover at heart. Some of her designs and pieces offer an almost abstract way of looking at the world around us. Her work is not always a direct representation of what she sees in front of her, but often mirrors the emotion she felt when seeing it. She refers to her work as more, "representative art."

"Most people would kind of say it's 'impressionistic,'" said Dion.

Her inspiration comes from nature—she does a lot of paintings of houses and landscapes because "they have character, like people."

Painting had become part of Dion's repertoire only recently, because the demand was increasing. She took some lessons and started painting with acrylics four years ago and with oils starting last year. She's primarily a print maker, and when asked, said it was her favorite medium. She loves it so much because no two results are ever the same.

"That moment when you peel off the paper and you see it," she said, "you can make happy mistakes and I like that."

Dion chose one of her largest block prints to display in the lobby, a four-foot wide by three-foot tall black and white print.

"I like things big," she said. "I feel they have more of an impact sometimes."

Although she likes to work with bigger prints,

Dion does do smaller paintings and printings that are more appropriate for homes and offices. Some of her prints have even been made into clothes through shopvid.com. But Dion doesn't do it for the money, she has an alter-ego for that.

"I'm a hygienist by day, and a painter by night," she said with a laugh. "Got to pay the bills, you know!"

Dion was lucky enough to attend the Massachusetts College of Art when she was younger, where she met iconic American artists like Georgia O'Keeffe. She started at the Maine College of Art back when it was still called the Portland School of Art. From there, she transferred to Boston College where her professors told her she needed to attend art school. She loved her

time at M.C.A and earned her BFA in printmaking.

"I felt very fortunate going there. It's a great school," Dion said.

Printmaking, while fun, can be hassle for those who do not own their own printing press. Dion does not own a press of her own, instead using the one at the New Hampshire Institute of Art in Manchester. She said, "they're heavy and take up a lot of space." But going to the NHIA has allowed her to join other printmakers for workshops. She said there are usually nine to 10 other artists who go.

"It's an opportunity for all of us to get together and talk about each other's work," said Dion.

During the Derry Homegrown Farm and Artisan Market this summer, Dion and her daughter had set up a mini-printmaking area for kids to try.

"We brought some of old lino blocks and some inexpensive acrylic paint and our rollers and the kids couldn't get enough of it," exclaimed Dion. "I think they were printing up their Christmas presents for people. They kept coming back, 'can we do another one?' It was a great introduction for the



Sally Dion poses with one of her woodblock prints on display at the Leach Library this month as February's artist in residence.

Photo courtesy of Sally Dion.

kids to try and see how easy it is."

Dion was approached to do the exhibit by Wendy Wetherbee after the original artist had to back out. Dion had not applied to do it for this month, so she was hon-

ored by the request. She truly enjoys that the town invests in local artists and brings culture to the community.

"I think it's great they do it," she said. "I feel honored to put in such a nice space."

Zoning Workshop

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require a major vetting process that could not simply be done overnight. She also admitted that the amendment mainly served to put more design control in the hands of the board, giving them more say on dimensional standards, instead of having to run certain things by the Zoning Board of Adjustments.

On top of this, Mailloux noted that the amendment would still make sure that any new projects would still have to fit the overall vision of what the areas are supposed to focus on and that a strong public notice campaign would

be necessary as the changes are more clearly established so that residents could get involved early on.

There were still some concerns from the board, with member Ann Champagne worried that local historical areas like the Lithia Springs could possibly opened up to something like a gas station, and felt that both general historic areas and significant environmental locations needed protection. Furthermore, these broadened standards left several members worried over what kind of impact permitted uses could have on other projects.

Mailloux, once again,

reminded the board that the amendment is still in its early stages and will still require a lot of fine tuning before it can become official.

"I know that there are flaw and problems, and we will try to correct these things", Mailloux stated.

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Plans Continue For Duplex Construction, Despite Flooding Concerns

ALEX GUITTARR
LONDONDERRY TIMES

After two prior delays, representatives from the Seven Litchfield Road Realty Trust came before the Planning Board during their latest meeting on Feb. 14 to discuss a formal review for a subdivision they are prosing on Litchfield Road.

Scot Frankowitz from Brown Engineering served as the representative for the applicants, explaining that they hope to split a lot on 7 Litchfield Road into two separate lots, from which they would produce both a duplex and a sixty six unit elderly housing complex in the future.

Frankowitz noted that their utilities would come from Mammoth Road, while they also had to contend with ten thousand feet of wetlands in the vicinity, which would eventually be brought back their original conditions.

The aforementioned delays were caused by requests by town staff to alter their building plans, including updating the size they would need for the lot containing the duplex, as well as an update on their drainage report.

Aside from the initial review of the subdivision split, Frankowitz also hoped to receive a waiver concerning the size of the

site map due to the unique shape of the lot and its subdivision.

Generally, the board had no issues approving the review, despite their concerns over the rather small area for the projects townhouses.

But it was several abutters to this lot that had plenty to say about the project.

To begin with, Eric Kolifrath shared the concerns of his neighbors that the rather moist soil in the area, primarily caused by the wetlands, could lead to some serious flooding if the project were to be approved due to excessive weight on the soil.

"That much mass on

that area is going to greatly displace water and flow through the area", Koli-frath noted.

Furthermore, abutter Renee Malik feared that the wetland side project could lead to portions of surrounding resident's properties being absorbed for the sake of construction, as has happened to other residents in the past in Londonderry.

She was also concerned that studies being provided were not done by a impartial company and hoped that the town could provide an impar-

tial third party reviewer.

However, their concerns would have to be addressed another day, as the applicants were only seeking a formal review for the plan that night and such concerns would have to addressed when the board reviewed the project's official site plan.

But the abutters did received some assurance from the board, as Board Chair Arthur Rugg noted that no more water was allowed to be placed on any surrounding properties, while Town Planner Colleen Mailloux noted that the applicants would

also have to undergo a storm water analysis for the project.

Board member Jim Butler also noted that, despite supporting the formal review, Brown Engineering would need to work with these abutters to properly educate them on these matters. Rugg agreed, also suggesting that the abutters speak with Assistant Public Works Director John Trottier if they had any other questions.

For now, both the waiver and subdivision requests were approved unanimously.

Women Arrested On Bigamy, Falsifying Evidence and Tampering With Records

In July of 2017, the Londonderry Police Department began an investigation into the alleged crimes of Bigamy, Falsifying Physical Evidence and Tampering with Public or Private Records.

The investigation led to the identification of a potential suspect named Samantha Grenier.

According to the report by the Londonderry Police, Grenier, who was legally married at the time, created a false email address and allegedly disguised herself as her lawyer in an attempt to get her boyfriend to marry her.



Samantha Grenier

According to the report, it is believed that Grenier did this in an attempt to gain leniency during the sentencing phase of a child abuse case out of Manchester where she was the sus-

pect.

It is alleged that Grenier posed as her lawyer and had a series of email correspondences with her boyfriend that led to him marrying her via Sherry Farrell, the Justice of the Peace at the Londonderry Town Hall.

Grenier was still legally married at to her current husband at this time.

On Friday, Feb. 16, Grenier was arrested at the State Prison for Women in Goffstown where she is currently incarcerated. She denied the services of a bail commissioner and was scheduled to be arraigned on Tuesday Feb. 20.

Local Man Arrested for Computer Theft at Airport

KATE O'DONNELL
LONDONDERRY TIMES

A Londonderry man was arrested for stealing computer monitors from the Manchester-Boston Regional Airport. Steven Matloff was taken into custody on Feb.5 by local police on three theft charges from an incident on Jan. 21 when it was discovered that a monitor was missing from the business center at the airport.

Detective Christopher Olson released a statement about the arrest last week. The thefts occurred in the business office, which is one the secure side of the airport.

"A review of the security footage from the inside of the airport was well as the exterior camera led us to develop Mat-



Steven Matloff

loff as the alleged suspect in this case," said Olson.

A police investigation led officers to a vehicle parked in one of the airport's long-term parking lots. Officers obtained a warrant and searched the vehicle where they found the stolen computer monitor, as well as "several other items" that were taken from the business center. The official list of

contents was not made available, despite inquiry, before this article went to print.

There were three other instances of computer monitors being stolen from the airport's business center, prior to the Jan. 21 event. Those had occurred over the last few years.

"At this time we are working to determine whether or not this incident is connected to the three prior ones," said Olson.

Matloff was arrested at his home on Old Coach Road in Londonderry "without incident" and "released on personal recognizance bail," according to Olson.

There was no report on when he will go to trial as of this printing.

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The winner of the traditional apple pie category went to Adele Goyette.
Photo by Alex Guittarr



The winner of the non-traditional apple pie category was Marilyn Eddy. Photo by Katie O'Donnell



Judges get to work making their selections of the best looking and tasting apple pies at this year's contest. Photos by Chris Paul



Pie Contest

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each category earn extra prizes. Along with gift bags and gift certificates, first place winners won custom-made pie plates from Great Bay Pottery so they could proudly display their blue ribbon status.

Although the competition may not be any sort of special way to kick off the spring season, Searles feels that it is still a great way to bring people together.

"This is just something we do annually," Searles noted.

The competition was split up into two portions: first, the twelve judges would try different pies and assess both their taste and appearance, with flavor taking prece-

dence. From there, the finalists would be chosen and sampled by every single judge to determine first, second and third place.

Amongst the various competitors young and old were Sonya Fonseca and her daughter Bianca. While Sonya has spent the last several years practicing her pie crafting skills, Bianca has only just begun. Nonetheless, she managed to take a major liking to cooking, already owning her own set of cooking tools. When asked what their trick was to producing a good pie, they both commented that they taste each part along the way.

"We watch a lot of cooking shows," Sonya mentioned.

There were even a few male entrants this year,

with Paul Martin and his son Benjamin entering the fray. Paul said the family used to live in an orchard, and he and his wife fed Ben apples since he was a baby. This led to Ben's love of apples and making pies with his parents. They have been baking pies together since Ben was little, but this was the first time the son entered one made on his own.

Before announcing the winners, Andy Mack Jr. asked the crowd how long some of them have been competing. Mack asked the crowd if any had participated for over a year, and numerous hands shot up. They dwindled as he called out five year, 10 year, and finally a single hand was raised when asked who has been submitting pies for over 20 years. That hand belong-

ed to local Marilyn Eddy, who said she had been competing for about 24 years.

Finally, the moment came to announce the winners. In the traditional category, the blue ribbon prize went to Hudson's Adele Goyette, Debbie Pierce of Derry took second place and Paige

Roark of Hudson took third place.

The non-traditional category had some tight competition, with the first place, and a year worth of bragging rights was Marilyn Eddy, who was so surprised, she started to tear up. Dorreen Whitley took second place and Cassie Ulliani of Derry taking

home third place.

"I've never come in first," she said. After 24 years of competing she finally had her winning recipe, although she said she could never make again because once it gets published, everyone will know her award-winning secret.

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LONDONDERRY SPORTS

Santos Wins Title, Boucher Second at D-I Championships

CHRIS PANTAZIS
LONDONDERRY TIMES

Led by two skilled seniors, the Londonderry High School wrestling squad finished a solid sixth out of 13 competing teams at the Division I Wrestling Championship Meet at LHS last Saturday, Feb. 17.

Craig Santos went a perfect 3-0 and vanquished Cam McClure of Alvirne in the 145-pound weight class title bout to snare the individual D-I championship. His fellow 12th grader Alex Boucher attempted to climb to the pinnacle of the D-I mountain in his 195-pound class, but had to settle for runner-up honors after being bested by Salem's Beau Dillon in the finals in their division.

Santos and Boucher were the top two-point getters for the Lancers, who tallied a team score of 112 to finish behind the perennial state champs from Timberlane of Plaistow (254.5), second place Concord (192.5), Salem (145), Pinkerton (142), and Nashua South (117.5), but ahead of some seven other contingents.

Santos went 3-0 with



LHS senior wrestler Craig Santos begins his celebration - along with coach Jason Cucolo behind him - after taking first in his 145-pound class.

his first place win and scored 24 team points.

In his Quarterfinal bout Santos won by fall over Matt Cotoia of Exeter at 1:19. His Semifinal match was also won by fall over Ben Widmann of Concord at 1:26.

It took a short overtime period to beat Cam

McClure of Alvirne for the Title Match (12-10).

Londonderry had 10 of its grapplers compete in the meet, with eight of them advancing to this coming Saturday's state Meet of Champions at Nashua High School South.

Along with the afore-



Londonderry High veteran grappler Alex Boucher, top, had to settle for second at the Division I championships last weekend. Photos by Chris Paul

mentioned Santos and Boucher, the home-standing Lancers had junior Vincent Del Signore, junior Ben Psaledas, and sophomore Michael Watts snare fourth places at 160, 182, and 170 pounds respectively. Sophomore Brandon Drake bagged fifth place at 126 pounds, and freshman Johnny McKinnon and junior Taylor Dyer claimed sixth place finishes at 126 and 220 pounds respectively. Freshmen Aiden O'Lough-

lin and Dylan Barnes also competed at the major event for the first time but didn't advance.

"We brought 10 and eight are going to the MOC's," said LHS coach Jason Cucolo. "Obviously we wanted all 10 to go. It's never enough unless you get everybody qualified. You set the bar high, because it has to be."

Santos' title-round defeat McClure was a truly heated one, with the two grapplers ending the regu-

lation three-period span with the score tied at 10-10. The Lancer then bagged two quick points in the overtime and was declared the victor.

"He came at me aggressively and I was able to reverse his move and score the (winning) points," said Santos of his climactic success.

Cucolo said, "It shouldn't have gone to overtime, but this win shows his character and the toughness he has. I've definitely seen a lot of growth from him in the last year."

Runner-up finisher Boucher battled his title-round opponent - Salem sophomore Dillon - hard all the way and fell by a small 11-8 margin. Dillon had gone into period three with a 9-6 lead and Boucher refused to give much ground, but he lost in the end. The Londonderry veteran went 2-1 overall on the day.

Boucher won by fall over Raul Martinez of Pinkerton 9-7 in his first match and his Semifinal bout he won by fall over Noah Giffard of Concord 17-1.

In his finals bout to decide who would finish fifth and who'd settle for sixth at 126 pounds, sophomore Drake pinned Andrew Tate of Nashua North to finish in the higher spot.

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Lancer Icemen Edge Exeter, Get Bested By Bishop Guertin

CHRIS PANTAZIS
LONDONDERRY TIMES

A slim home victory over the Exeter High Blue Hawks followed by a tight road loss to the Bishop Guertin Cardinals last week brought the Londonderry High ice hockey squad into this, the final week of the 2017-18 regular season, with a 7-8-1 record in tough Division I.

Veteran coach Peter Bedford's LHS bunch made Exeter's harried push for a D-I tournament spot a bit harder by handing that opponent a 3-2 loss on Londonderry's home sheet at the Tri-Town Arena in Hooksett on Thursday, Feb. 15. And the Lancers did that deed in pretty impressive fashion with a strong third-period performance.

The Blue Hawks led 1-0 after one period, scoring the lone goal with just 1:45 remaining in that stanza. The two contin-

gents combined for some 23 shots on net during those 15 minutes, with Londonderry High goalie Cam Donovan keeping his squad right in the fray by making 12 saves.

The Lancers knotted the score at 1-1 a mere 2:26 into the second period on a labelled shot by junior standout Patrick Murphy, but Exeter regained the upper hand with 3:29 to go in that stanza on a weird shot about which goalie Donovan could do little to nothing.

A Blue Hawk took a shot from the slot in front of the Londonderry net, and that blast was partially blocked by an LHS defender. The puck flew up into the air and floated over Donovan's right shoulder as he tried in vain to locate the frozen disc.

The shots stood at 20-16 in Exeter's favor at the conclusion of two peri-

ods, with the seacoast side grasping the slim 2-1 advantage on the scoreboard.

However, the host Lancers would claim the victory thanks to third-period tallies from Nate Andrews and Jared Tuccolo and tight checking by the LHS crew as a whole.

Londonderry finished up with a huge, 13-3 advantage in shots on net during the final stanza, with Andrews knotting the score at 2-2 with 7:25 left following a set-up by Tuccolo.

And senior forward Tuccolo potted the game-winner with just 2:21 left in regulation time by banging home his own rebound in close proximity to the Blue Hawks' cage.

Lancer keeper Donovan finished up with 21 saves on the successful day, and he and everyone in Londonderry garb had

reasons to be pleased with their team's seventh divisional win.

"The kids just stayed focused on what we needed to do and wore Exeter down," said LHS coach Bedford.

However, try as they might, the locals couldn't manage any goals against a surging Bishop Guertin crew at the Skate 3 Arena in Tyngsboro, Mass. on Saturday night the 17th.

Guertin, which was looking to get longtime head coach Gary Bishop the 401st victory of his storied high school coaching career, netted a goal just 15 seconds into the match and bagged a second goal in the first minute of the second period. And 2-0 was where the game score would wind up.

That success was Guertin's fourth straight win and made it 10-4-1 in D-I, while the Lancers dipped back below the elusive .500 mark to 7-8-1



Lancer hockey standout Patrick Murphy leaves a Bedford defender in his tracks during recent Division I action. Photo by Chris Pantazis

with final regular season games slated for home against Manchester Memorial this Wednesday the 21st - after Londonderry Times press time - and then at Salem this Friday the 23rd.

Lady Lancer Skiers Fifth, Boys 11th at State Championships

CHRIS PANTAZIS
LONDONDERRY TIMES

Londonderry High School's girls' and boys' ski teams both completed their 2017-18 seasons by competing in the Division I state championships on Gunstock Mountain in Gilford early last week.

The Lady Lancers place a fine fifth out of some 18 teams at that ski area last Monday, Feb. 12, and the next day his

Lancer males ended up 11th out of 18 competing contingents.

At the girls' title event, the Lady Lancers tallied 594 points to go top-five as a group.

They finished an excellent third in slalom action, with Bryeton Evarts ending up second overall and Jordan Galluzzo finishing ninth. With those top-10 finishes, both of those young ladies qualified for the forthcoming state

Meet of Champions on March 1 on Cannon Mountain.

Aiding in the scoring in slalom competition were Julia Deschamps and Juliette Louiselle. Both Rylee McGrath and Leonie Wittig skied hard but came up short in the points chase.

In giant slalom action, the Londonderry bunch was slightly less successful, placing eighth as a team. Standout Everts fell

and took Did Not Finish status. Leading the scoring effort for LHS were Galluzzo, Deschamps, Louiselle, and McGrath. Jacqueline Peabody narrowly missed tallying points despite her great effort in challenging course conditions.

"Next year looks promising as 99 percent of the team returns," said coach McGrath.

On Tuesday at the boys' title event, the 11th place Lancers had Max Dolliver (40th overall) and Drew Gruchot (41st) pace the LHS effort in the

giant slalom.

The locals also received a great effort from Ben Doris, who bagged a season-best third place finish for his squad in winding up 64th overall. Austin Theriault placed 67th, and Sam Palumbo and Kevin Brown closed out the LHS performances.

"Our slalom (performance) saw Drew Gruchot in first for our team and 37th overall, with Austin Theriault close behind in 39th overall," said coach Bob McGrath. "Ben Doris brought his best once

more in placing third for our team, with Sam stepping up to get the valuable points. Kevin Brown was close behind but missed getting a point, and unfortunately team-leader Max Dolliver missed a gate and was disqualified in the final run of his high school career."

The LHS coach added of his boys' crew, "With newcomers picking up the pace this year and skiing without a few of our racers due to injuries, next season's points chase looks promising."

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Victory, Defeat Leave LHS Girls' Basketball at 7-9 in Division I

CHRIS PANTAZIS
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The challenges of the Londonderry High girls' basketball team continued last week as they chased the elusive .500 mark and their best possible finish in tough Division I as the state tournament approaches.

Coach Nick Theos saw his team trounce the struggling Alvirne High Broncos at LHS last Tuesday, Feb. 13, but the results weren't as positive in the locals' double-digit

loss to the Manchester Central Little Green in the Queen City three evenings later.

In the 52-20 walloping of Alvirne of Hudson, the Lancers won each quarter by holding their opponent to precisely zero points in the third period.

Londonderry grasped a modest, four-point lead of 12-8 after one stanza, but it outscored its guests by a 14-5 margin in the second quarter and by a huge 14-0 tally in quarter three to glide into the

final period up 40-14.

"It was a tight game for the first quarter. They came out aggressive and we needed to match their intensity," said coach Theos. "I went deep into the bench in the first quarter and a half to find and motivate the girls, and it paid off. On defense and on the boards we took over the game from the second quarter on."

Freshman force Ashley Rourke led the Lady Lancers in scoring with a dozen points, and sophomore stalwart Courtney Shay contributed 10 with Michelle Marino and Colleen Furlong each adding eight.

"Everyone got in and contributed tonight from the first to the last girl," said Theos. "We worked hard and fought for every possession. It was another step forward for this group and one step closer to being ready for the playoffs. Can't wait to see how everything ends up."

Alvirne slid to 3-13 with that, but in the Manchester Central Little Green the Lady Lancers went up against a 9-6 entity seeking its third straight success in Manchester at the end of last week.

The home-standing Central crew would keep its modest winning skein rolling with a 50-37 success.

The Green won every quarter but the second, holding advantages of 14-9 after one stanza, 25-21 at the half, and 38-28 going into the final period of play.

Rourke once again paced the LHS scoring attack with 15 points, but nobody else in Lancer garb was anywhere near double digits.

"It was a physical, frustrating game," said Theos. "We never really got our legs under us. In the first half it was a four-point game, and we shot 8-14 from the line. We were being aggressive on offense and getting to the basket, but our percentage was not quite there. In the second half we only went to the line once, and we couldn't adjust. The style of the game had changed and we struggled to find our offense."

Still, the coach saw his young crew battle hard and make things tough on its opponent as it tried to close out the victory.

"Down 10 after three quarters, we kept it close for most of the second



LHS sophomore hoop standout Colleen Furlong lofts up a leaner during a recent contest at Pinkerton.

The Lady Lancers came into this week aiming to solidify their playoff standing. Photo by Chris Paul

Athletes of the Week

Week of Feb. 12

Jessica Brien,
Senior, Spirit



A true team player, this veteran is reliable and takes on a big workload. Her advanced tumbling throughout the Lady Lancers' routine is paired with basing their most difficult stunts. She has also stepped up to try a new stunting position as a flyer.

Max Dolliver, Senior,
Boys' Skiing



A determined and dedicated athlete, he has been a force on the boys' ski squad for four years. A positive attitude and quiet disposition have suited him well in his quest for faster times, and he is a true athlete.

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LHS Boys' Basketball Starts To Crank Up For The D-I Tournament

CHRIS PANTAZIS
LONDONDERRY TIMES

After experiencing some distinct ups and downs during January and early February, the Londonderry High boys' basketball squad appears to be getting itself in gear for the forthcoming Division I tournament.

The Lancers upended a couple of very solid opponents - the Alvirne High Broncos of Hudson and the Manchester Central Little Green - last week to get a little win streak rolling and improve their own D-I record to a strong 9-5.

Coach Nate Stanton's crew made the short road trip over to Hudson on Tuesday, Feb. 13 to take on an Alvirne contingent which boasted a 9-4 record rolling into that contest.

But the Lancers ended up being five points better than their hosts on that evening, tallying a 67-62 victory to up their own divisional record to 8-5.

Londonderry led 19-14 at the end of one quarter, and by a 32-28 tally at the halftime break. They then worked their way up to a 51-40 advantage by the close of the third period to hold a double-digit

advantage rolling into the final stanza. And the locals then managed to hold off the bucking Broncos during the final stanza en route to the victory.

Jack Anderson (19 points), Dakota Bertrand (15), and Shane McNamara (10) all finished in double-digits, and Ethan May (9) and Cole Britting (8) just missed out on doing so.

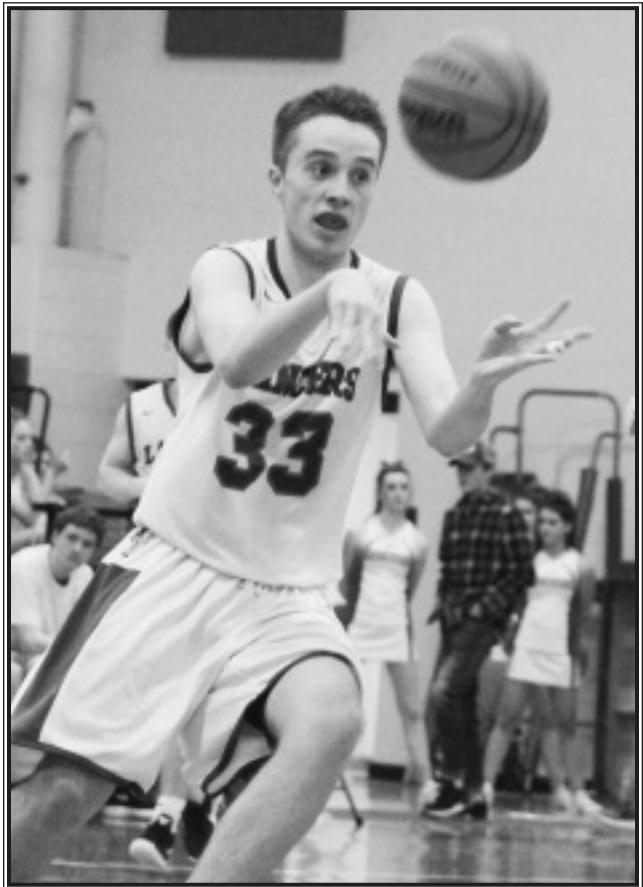
The Lancers then enjoyed an even more decisive victory over the visiting Central cagers at LHS on Friday night the 16th, handing that 9-4 opponent a 55-37 defeat.

Londonderry won

every quarter, grasping leads of 16-12, 31-21, and 41-28 at the close of each of the first three. They then outscored the Green by a 14-9 margin in the fourth in capping off the successful evening.

Anderson led the potent LHS offense with 17 points and Bertrand contributed 12 on an evening during which Londonderry got points from some eight different sources. One of those scorers was Londonderry High unified hoop stand-out Will Boyle, who helps out with the LHS varsity squad and got the chance to play in the game and scored a bucket.

The Lancers then bounded into this week looking at a slate which had them on the seacoast at Dover High on Tuesday night the 20th - after Londonderry Times press time - followed by a significantly longer ride to Keene High on Friday.



LHS veteran hoopster Dakota Bertrand flips a pass to a teammate during a recent contest. Bertand and his crew came into this week aiming to finish the regular season strong. Photo by Chris Paul

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SCHOOL DISTRICT CLERK

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ARTICLES

Article 2 General Fund - Operating Budget

Shall the voters of the Londonderry School District vote to raise and appropriate as an operating budget for the fiscal year 2018-2019, not including appropriations by special warrant articles, or separate warrant articles, one of the following amounts for the purposes set forth in the budget posted with the warrant? **Vote for only one:**

A. \$73,473,218 (School Board Budget as amended) (Estimated Tax Impact \$13.57) **A** ☐

Yes No Abstained

Voted by the School Board: 3 1 0

Voted by the Budget Committee: 5 0 0

OR

B. \$73,068,347 (Default Budget) (Estimated Tax Impact \$13.46) **B** ☐

NOTE: Warrant Article 2 (Operating Budget) does not include appropriations proposed under any other article in this warrant.

Article 3 School Lunch Program and Federal Fund Projects

Shall the voters of the Londonderry School District vote to accept and receive federal grants and other such funds to support the school lunch program and federal projects; further to raise and appropriate such funds in a special revenue fund as follows: school lunch program, \$1,483,000; and federal projects, \$1,453,000; for an estimated total appropriation of \$2,936,000 such funds to be self-supporting through local, state or federal revenue sources? **YES** ☐ **NO** ☐

Yes No Abstained

Voted by the School Board: 4 0 0

Voted by the Budget Committee: 5 0 0

Estimated Tax Impact \$0.00

VOTE BOTH SIDES OF BALLOT

SAMPLE

ARTICLES CONTINUED

Article 4 Special Article (School Buildings Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund)

Shall the voters of the Londonderry School District vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$625,000 to be placed in the School Buildings Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund established at the March 1995 School District Meeting for major one-time capital costs for district facilities including roofs, paving, boilers and small renovation projects? **YES** ☐ **NO** ☐

Yes No Abstained

Voted by the School Board: 4 0 0

Voted by the Budget Committee: 5 0 0

Estimated Tax Impact \$0.16

Article 5 Special Article - Equipment Capital Reserve Fund

Shall the voters of the Londonderry School District vote to raise and appropriate up to the sum of \$150,000 to be placed in the School District Equipment Capital Reserve Fund established in 2013 to provide funds to procure essential small equipment for classrooms, offices, technology, and buildings and grounds? This sum to come from the June 30, 2018 fund balance available for transfer on July 1, 2018. **YES** ☐ **NO** ☐

Yes No Abstained

Voted by the School Board: 4 0 0

Voted by the Budget Committee: 5 0 0

Estimated Tax Impact \$0.04

Article 6 Lease / Purchase and Install New Spectator Bleachers [\$300,000]

Shall the voters of the Londonderry School District vote to enter into a five-year lease purchase agreement for a new set of spectator bleachers for the High School in the amount of \$300,000, and raise and appropriate the sum of \$65,000 for the estimated first year lease payment for the stadium bleachers? **YES** ☐ **NO** ☐

Yes No Abstained

Voted by the School Board: 4 0 0

Voted by the Budget Committee: 5 0 0

Estimated Tax Impact \$0.02

This lease contains a non-appropriation clause. [Simple majority vote required]

VOTE BOTH SIDES OF BALLOT

NEGTC Gymnastics Contingents Excel at Another Regional Competition



The New England Gymnastics Training Center's Level 3 team bagged first place at the recent 2018 Hall of Fame Classic in Massachusetts.



A bunch of talented and determined young Londonderry residents helped their NEGTC Level 4 squad to a title at the Hall of Fame event.



Londonderry resident Faith Carrier helped her NEGTC Level 5 squad to a crown at the Hall of Fame competition. Courtesy photos

CHRIS PANTAZIS
LONDONDERRY TIMES

A number of the New England Gymnastics Training Center's talented teams have been powers at just about every competition in which they've taken part during the present 2017-18 campaign. And that local center had its Level 3, 4, and 5 squads - which all included athletes from Londonderry - all prove unbeatable at the recent 2018 Hall of Fame Classic event in North Andover, Mass.

"All their hard work in the gym is paying off,"

observed NEGTC press liaison Daysha Hatfield.

Londonderry resident Hatfield's daughter, Level 4 standout Shana Hatfield, hit the heights by being one of two NEGTC gymnasts who were named among America's Top 100 Gymnasts for her exceptional all-around score of 37.9 in helping her team to the title at the recent Bay State event.

Along with the divisional wins at Levels 3, 4, and 5, NEGTC had its Xcel Platinum crew collect runner-up honors, its Xcel Silver squad claim sixth place, and its Xcel Bronze

team notch seventh place. And girls who live in Londonderry were contributors just about everywhere one looks.

In Level 3 Children's competition, Londonderry's Hayley Doyle finished third on vault (score of 8.85), fourth in the floor exercise, and sixth in the all-around, on the uneven bars, and on the balance beam.

Level 4 Child's division competitor Addison Doyle tied for second places on vault (9.15) and beam (9.45) and tied for third in the all-around (36.475). She also claimed a fourth

on bars and a fifth on floor.

In Level 4 Intermediate action, the aforementioned stalwart Shana Hatfield was victorious in the all-around, on vault (9.425), on beam (9.45), and on floor (9.475), and she finished second on the bars (9.55).

Also on that level, Katherine Rowan was unbeatable on bars (9.6), placed second in the all-around (36.525), took third on vault (9.225), and finished fourth on floor and eighth on beam. And Cailee Anderson tallied

second on vault (9.3), third in the all-around (35.9), on beam (8.9), and on floor (9.25), and eighth on bars.

In Level 4 Senior Division competition, Sophia Beauregard tallied third places in the all-around (35.45) and on vault (8.95), fourth on floor, and fifth places on bars and beam.

In the Level 5 Children's Division, Faith Carrier collected top-10 finishes in all events and the all-around, and Xcel Bronze Children's action saw Ava Bicchieri tie for

third place on vault (9.15) and tally top-11 finishes everywhere else.

And Xcel Silver Intermediate level competitor Riley Doyle tied for second on floor (9.1), placed sixth in the all-around, and had other top-11 finishes everywhere else.

The local training center's girls' contingents are coached by owner Tim Madore along with Melanie Stoller, Justine Turner, Sherry Harper, Robin Flavin, Georgia Dougherty, and Kelsi Pincence.

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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 londonderrytimes@nutpub.net.

New England Light-house Presentation

The Amoskeag Questers will host the New Hampshire Humanities presentation of "New England Light-houses and The People Who Kept Them" by Jeremy D'Entremont at the Marion Gerrish Community Center, 39 West Broadway on Wednesday, March 14 at 10 a.m. The program is free and open to the public. For additional information contact Meredith Hatch at 434-8673.

Aspiring Female Medical Professionals

On March 8, at 7 p.m., Etz Hayim Synagogue, 1-1/2 Hood Road, Derry, will hold a program on women in the medical profession. If your daughter is thinking about a career in medicine, please join us for a panel discussion by female doctors working in different medical specialties. Bring all your questions: "What's it like cutting into someone's stomach?" "How hard is it to get into medical/dental school?" "What if I got a C in geometry in high school?" "Will I really be able to manage a family?" Our doctors will be "on call" for you. The program is part of Etz Hayim's "Hot Topics, Cool Contemporary Stuff" continuing education program. It is open and free to the public.

Leach Library Hours

Library hours for the month of March are as follows: Mon. - Thur., 9 a.m. - 8 p.m., Fri. & Sat., 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Small Space for Growing Fruit

On Thur., March 15 at 7 p.m., a "Small Space for Growing Fruit" hosted by Mr. David Quigley. The event is free and open to the public with seating limited to the first 90 individuals. It will be held in the Leach

library's lower-level meeting room. Light refreshments will be served.

Democratic Meeting

The Londonderry Democratic Committee is meeting on Saturday Feb. 24. We meet at the Leach Library; downstairs meeting room. Our meetings are usually the 4th Saturday of each month. Please feel free to join us. We have many upcoming events planned through the year.

Movie Time

On Thur., March 8, from 3:15 - 5:30 p.m. for the Leach Library's Young Adult movie is *The Adventurer: The Curse of the Midas Box*. All participants in grades 6 through 12 will enjoy the movie, along with popcorn and beverages. In addition, at this special event, there will be a raffle for fun door prizes. No sign up is necessary.

Celebrate Dr. Seuss

The Leach Library on Mon., March 5 from 4 - 5 p.m. will explore the many worlds of Dr. Seuss. During this program, we will read some of Dr. Seuss' most memorable stories, try to identify some of his most well-known characters and watch a short clip of one of his stories. Each participant will receive a "Reading is my Thing" headband and one lucky winner will receive a plush Cat in the Hat. This fun-filled program is open to 90 participants of all ages and advance registration is required. To register, stop by the Children's Room, or call 432-1127 beginning at 9 a.m. on Mon., Feb. 26.

Dragon Tales with Taco Dragon

Hear stories of dragons big and small on Mon., March 19 from 4 - 5 p.m. at the Leach Library. One lucky participant will win a very special dragon plush friend. There will be

plenty of time for a hug and pictures with Taco Dragon. This program is open to 90 participants of all ages and advance registration is required. To register, stop by the Children's Room, or call 432-1127 beginning at 9 a.m. on Mon., March 12.

Spring Session 1 Programs

The Leach Library's Children's Room will be offering the following programs as part of Spring Session 1: Craft Time; Shake, Move and Read; and Toddler Time. Spring Session 1 will start March 21 and end April 12. Advance registration is required and begins at 9 a.m. on Mon., March 12.

Renew

Renew will be open Saturday, March 10 from 8 - 10:30 a.m. at Calvary Bible Church, 145 Hampstead Road, Derry. Arrive by 10 a.m. Renew will also be open every Thursday 9 a.m. - 11:30 a.m., please arrive by 11 a.m. Derry residence not required. Renew offers free, gently-used apparel. Each household is limited to 20 of the newest items, plus a reasonable number of older items. Enter at the church marquee sign. Donations of good condition, modern clothing may be placed in the donations bin by the door at any time. No donations of money are asked or accepted. For details, search for Renew Derry on Facebook, or email renew-calvary@gmail.com

Looking Good for Lou Gehrig!

2nd Annual Run for Healing for ALS, to raise funds for ALS and to highlight Israeli advances in research and treatment of this heart breaking disease. On Sunday, April 22 from noon - 3 p.m. is the Run/Walk for Healing for the whole family, even people who cannot

walk or run can come and celebrate. The event will begin with an interfaith 'Prayer for the Peace of Jerusalem' for Israel's 70th birthday. Our unity can multiply the power of our prayers. NH4Israel, a 12 year old, organization, is a committed group of Christians and Jews passionate about Israel. The event will take place at Etz Hayim Synagogue on Derry NH's Interfaith Campus 1/2 Hood Road, Derry. Please consider participating, donating, sponsoring and/or volunteering. For more information please visit NH4Israel.org

Free Meals

Please join us for free, family-friendly meals, served in a relaxed atmosphere. Meals are generally held as posted below, but may be rescheduled for holidays. Please call the facility to check on holiday times. We look forward to seeing you! Dinner at First Parish, Derry, on Feb.23, from 5 - 6:30 p.m.; Breakfast at Episcopal Church of the Transfiguration, on Feb.25, from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.; Lunch at St. Jude's Church, on Feb.25, from 1:30 - 2:30p.m.; For more information, please visit: reemealsin-derry.blogspot.com

Author Signing

Local artist and author, Debbie Curtin, will be signing her award-winning military novel, "Today is the Day" on Saturday, Feb. 24, from 1 - 3 p.m., in the Manchester Barnes & Noble store on South Willow Street. Stop by for a meet and greet with the author. In support of our military, Veteran's Count will receive a portion of the sales.

VA Bingo

On Feb. 26, American Legion Post 27 will be playing bingo with patients at the VA Hospital in Manchester from 7 - 8:30 p.m. We'll be serving pizza and diet soda as well as providing \$150 in prize money.

Yoga Classes for Seniors

The Londonderry Senior Center is offering yoga classes to the senior community. Barbara Scott and Lisa Kress will conduct an eight-week series of affordably priced yoga classes which are designed especially for seniors to help increase balance, flexibility and strength, as well as maintaining well-being.

Sign up for either the Tuesday or Thursday class, or both. New session begins on Tues., Feb. 27 from 9 - 10 a.m. at the Londonderry Senior Center, 535 Mammoth Rd., Londonderry. Pre-registration is required and begins two weeks prior to the starting date. For more details call the Senior Center at 432-8554.

Londonderry Republican Committee

The Londonderry Republican Committee (LRC) has exciting news. We now have a new "home" for our meetings. The Victory Baptist Church under the direction of Pastor Tim Hawkins has graciously offered the use of their conference room for our monthly meetings. These meetings will be held there on the third Thursday of each month, 6:30 p.m.

St. Gianna's Closet

St. Gianna's Closet provides free children's clothing to any family in the community that is in need. It is now well-stocked with sizes birth to teen as well as winter coats. Please contact Liz at 437-6678 to receive clothing.

Needle Crafts

Although the long winter months lie before us, the needlecraft books we have on display at Leach Library this month will help you have fun and keep warm indoors. Whether you are a beginner or a seasoned expert, we have something for you. If you have a specific craft or project in mind, the Leach Library Reference Staff can help find the right book for you.

Continuing Education Program

Programs are open to the public at no charge, except as otherwise indicated. Donations to the Etz Hayim Synagogue will allow us to continue to offer these and other programs, and are gratefully accepted. Thurs. Nights, at 7 p.m. Etz Hayim Synagogue, 1 1/2 Hood Road, Derry. For more information, please contact: Stephen Soreff, MD, at soreffs15@aol.com or 603 895-6120.

Lamplighters

A womans group with the goal of helping less

fortunate woman and people in NH meets every 4th Thursday of the month 7 p.m. at Londonderry Presbyterian Church at 128 Pillsbury Road, Londonderry. If you have any questions please call 781-866-9976.

LEEP Applications

Are you considering preschool for your child? If your child turned 3 by September 1st and is a Londonderry resident, consider enrolling your child in the Londonderry Early Education Program (LEEP) preschool program. We are a developmentally appropriate preschool that is respectful of the talents and needs of individual children. Our teachers are all certified educators and the program is provided by the Londonderry School District. Programs for three-year old preschoolers meet from 8:45 - 11 a.m. either 2 or 4 days per week and our program for our prekindergarten students meet from 12 - 2:30 p.m. either 3 or 4 days per week. How do I apply? Applications are available online on the Moose Hill School website. We also have our LEEP Handbook available online on the Moose Hill School website if you'd like additional information on the program. For more information, contact Kathy Kelley at 437-5855 ext. 7223 Please email Kathy Kelley at kkelly@londonderry.org or Kim Speers at kspeers@londonderry.org.

Walk with Me

Are you losing or have lost someone? A child, a parent, a sibling or a friend? It can be a painful journey but you don't have to walk it alone anymore. Just come "Walk With Me". Meetings are the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month at 7 p.m., at the Londonderry Presbyterian Church, 128 Pillsbury Road, Londonderry. If you have any questions please call 781-866-9976.

Greater Manchester Lyme Disease Support Group

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

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Middle School Holds After School Activities on Spirit Week



The Londonderry Middle School held a Spirit Week from Feb. 12 through the 16th where students dressed up during the day and took part in after school activities. There was Bingo, a Trivia Contest, a Talent Show and a Dance-a-Thon to name a few of the activities. Pictured are Wednesday's activities with Canvas painting, Strategy Games and Cup Cake Decorating.

Photos by Chris Paul

Police Log

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chief (vandalism).

Saturday - Feb. 17

2:37 a.m. Vehicle towed after motor vehicle accident on Litchfield Road at Alexander Road.

7:50 a.m. Citation issued after motor vehicle complaint on Bayberry Lane.

8:03 a.m. Citation issued after motor vehicle complaint on Pendleton Lane.

8:09 a.m. Citation issued

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9:17 a.m. Motor vehicle accident investigated on Mammoth Road.

12:28 p.m. Services rendered for suspicious activity on Abington Road.

3:34 p.m. Four officers make arrest at Domestic Disturbance on Fieldstone Drive. John Rufo, 47, of Londonderry charged with Domestic Violence Simple Assault, Domestic Violence; Criminal Threatening, Criminal

Mischief (vandalism) and Endangering Welfare of a Child/incompetent.

4:56 p.m. Peace restored for Domestic Disturbance on Cedar Lane.

4:57 p.m. Suspicious activity investigated at Londonderry High School.

5:09 p.m. Weapons offenses investigated on Royal Lane.

Sunday - Feb. 18

1:54 a.m. Suspicious activity investigated on Wilshire Drive.

2:47 p.m. Services rendered for suspicious activity on Pillsbury Road.

9:40 p.m. Motor vehicle accident investigated on Auburn Road at Old Derry Road.

10:17 p.m. Services rendered for motor vehicle accident on Wilson Road.

10:49 p.m. Assisted Londonderry Fire Dept. on King Henry Drive.

11:50 p.m. Suspicious activity at Morrison House Museum on Pillsbury Road.



TOWN OF LONDONDERRY PLANNING BOARD

The Londonderry Planning Board will hold a Public Hearing on Wednesday, March 7, 2018 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 SUBDIVISION PLAN FOR A LOT LINE ADJUSTMENT BETWEEN MAP 28 LOT 19 AND MAP 28 LOT 20-2-1 AND BETWEEN THE TWO EVERSOURCE AREAS AND MAP 28 LOT 19, ZONED IND-II AND AIRPORT DISTRICT (AD), CITY OF MANCHESTER, BCS REAL ESTATE HOLDINGS, INC. AND PSNH/EVERSOURCE (OWNERS) AND CITY OF MANCHESTER (APPLICANT)

APPLICATION FOR FORMAL REVIEW OF A MINOR SITE PLAN FOR A CHANGE OF USE FROM AN INDUSTRIAL WAREHOUSE (INCLUDING MANUFACTURING, ASSEMBLY, STORAGE, ETC.) TO MANUFACTURING, STORAGE, ASSEMBLY, MOTOR VEHICLE MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR, 15 INDUSTRIAL DRIVE, MAP 29 LOT 20-1A, ZONED IND-II, SAMPO PROPERTIES, LLC (OWNER & APPLICANT).

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