

# Londonderry Times

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## Tot Trot

Nearly 100 runners headed out for the second annual Applewood Learning Center 5K race on Saturday morning, April 27, at the Moose Hill Kindergarten. The race is a fund raiser for the local non-profit. The event also featured a Tot Trot. See story page 10. Photo by Chris Paul

## Police Arrest Local Man in Vermont for Sexual Assaults

IDAN VINITSKY  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

Johnathon Purcell, a 33-year-old male from Londonderry, was arrested in Vermont on Monday, April 22, thanks to collaboration between the Londonderry Police Department, the Vermont State Police and the United States Customs and Border Protection agency.

He was charged on five different counts of aggravated felonious sexual assault statutory rape.

According to the Vermont State Police press release, the Department of Public Safety was contacted by the U.S. Customs and Border Protection agency.

toms and Border Protection at 6:26 p.m. last Monday regarding Purcell, who was attempting to enter back into the United States with an active arrest warrant out of New Hampshire.

The warrant had been issued for multiple counts

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## Setback Rules Causes Concern For Conservation Commission

MIKE BYERLY  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

After lengthy discussion, the Conservation Commission reluctantly voted to recommend approval of the site plan and Conditional Use Permit (CUP) for The Meadows of Londonderry with a handful of stipulations. As part of the review, Commission members expressed dismay at how the application of town setback requirements caused the plan to be less environmentally-friendly than it could otherwise be.

As originally drafted and reviewed by the Commission in June, the plan showed that driveways

for the units were to be 20 feet long. Doug MacGuire of the Dubai Group, representing the developer, said that since the development's roads would be private and the houses will be 20 feet apart, 20 feet would be appropriate.

The town planning staff, disagreed pointing out that town subdivision regulations require a 50-foot setback and also that private roads as required to meet the subdivision regulations.

MacGuire said that recent similar developments have been held to 40-foot setback via Planning Board waiver. He said that town staff

agreed to support a similar waiver for the Meadows project.

The Conservation Commission noted that as a result of the required setback seven of the forty-five units came within 10-20 feet of the conservation buffer border. Based on their experience with the Nevins development, where several houses were similarly situated, they expect this to cause confusion and issues for homeowners.

Residents at the Nevins have had issues with trees growing up within 10-25 feet of their houses that pose dangers in heavy storms. They

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## Conservation Commission Earns Fish and Game Award of Excellence

MIKE BYERLY  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

New Hampshire Fish and Game presented Londonderry's Conservation Commission with their 2018 Conservation Organization Award of Excellence. This award annually acknowledges conservation organizations whose outstanding efforts support the mission of the New Hampshire Fish and Game Department.

More specifically, "the award recognizes an organization, group, foundation, or agency that has excelled in efforts to enhance the welfare of fish, wildlife, and marine resources." Nominated organizations are judged

on their efforts to promote the wise use of natural resources for their recreational or economic value.

According to their website, Fish and Game's mission is to serve as the guardian of the state's fish, wildlife and marine resources, working in partnership with the public to conserve, manage and protect these resources and their habitats; inform and educate the public about these resources; and provide the public with opportunities to use and appreciate these resources.

In announcing the award, Fish and Game highlighted that since 2011, "the Londonderry

Conservation Commission has been promoting sustainable forestry and ecologically based habitat management for state-endangered species, non-game species as well as game species, including ruffed grouse, moose, whitetail deer, wild turkeys, and the American woodcock."

During that time period, the Commission

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# Sarah Tubbs Crowned This Year's Miss New Hampshire



Sarah Tubbs was presented her crown and sash by last year's title holder Marisa Moorhouse.

CHRIS PAUL  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

After the heartbreak of being named first runner-up for three years in a row, Sarah Tubbs of Sandown was finally able to walk the Stockbridge Theatre stage as Miss New Hampshire.

As the winner, Tubbs received \$15,000 in scholarship money. She is a graduate of the University of New Hampshire and is a resident of Sandown.

Tubbs performed a lyrical dance to "There

You'll Be" by Faith Hill during the talent portion of the competition.

After the competition Tubbs addressed the crowd, "It's not about me, I'm up here representing a team of people, and my family, and all of the other girls are doing the same. But I'm showing that with perseverance and resilience you can make dreams, that were put in your heart, come true."

She congratulated all the other contestants after being crowned and thanked the judges, the



Miss New Hampshire board, and her family, "Just give me like 25 more minutes and I'll be ready to go, I already have a long to-do list." referring to the work she will be doing to promote the program.

She ended the evening by saying that she would do everything in her powers to make this state proud as they enter the new era of the Miss America Scholarship Program.

Tubbs will be representing New Hampshire at national Miss America event in September.

This year, the Miss New Hampshire Scholarship Program followed a

new Miss America 2.0 format, which was announced last year. The competition, held on Saturday, April 27, at Pinkerton Academy in Derry was the first in the nation to use the new format in its statewide competition.

One of the major changes in the program is the elimination of the swimsuit competition. Talent is now 50 percent of a candidate's preliminary score.

The President and CEO of the Miss America Organization, Regina Hopper was in attendance for the inaugural event, and at the competition she addressed the



Londonderry resident Kenzie Goode made it into the Top 12 on Saturday evening. Photos by Chris Paul

crowd on the changes to the competition. She also thanked Brenda Keith, a longtime organizer of the Miss New Hampshire Scholarship Competition, for her help as a member of the Miss America Board of Trustees.

"Without Brenda Keith, there would not be these great things happening at Miss America," Hopper said.

Organizers also took time to remember Brian Haddad, a nearly 20-year volunteer for the pageant and graduate of Pinkerton Academy.

The top finishers in Miss New Hampshire this year were: first runner-

up Jana El-Sayed, Miss Kingston; second runner-up Katie Carlson, Miss Exeter; third runner-up Brooke Mills, Miss Winnepesaukee; and fourth runner-up was Ashley Marsh, Miss Isles of Shoals.

Other contestants to make it into the Top 12, and the final night of the pageant were: Kenzie Goode, of Londonderry, Elizabeth Henry, Emily Spencer, Alainna Belanger, Grace Emily Orfao, Kaitlin Soucy and Kara Jutras.

There was a total of \$77,000 in scholarship money that was given out this year.

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# Budget Committee Discusses Impact of School Board Plans

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LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Londonderry Budget Committee had a short meeting last week on Thursday, April 25. The original meeting agenda included a budget update from the Londonderry Police Department, but a last minute change caused that update to be postponed to a future meeting.

The Budget Committee members did discuss several issues during their meeting, starting with a briefing about the last School Board meeting that budget members Tim Siekmann and Chad Franz

attended, and the implications that two of the School Board's suggested projects would have on the town's budget.

The first project is the Londonderry School District Data Infrastructure Planning, which wished to create a district wide information network infrastructure.

The committee members mentioned that the School Board raised concerns regarding the short time in which the bidding process for this matter was done in. That time was not enough for vendors to prepare their bids and the due date might

change because of this.

The committee said that the close due date was set so that everyone will understand the sense of urgency in this matter, but the short time might cause many vendors not to bid at all.

The committee also discussed the briefing that was given to the School Board by the Superintendent of Schools Mr. Scott Laliberte and his assistant Ms. Elaine Allen regarding the possibility to turn the kindergarten program into a full-day program. This suggestion is still in its early stages, with

many decision that need to be made, but the Budget Committee emphasized the fact that the small addition of hours that is suggested for the full day program would cost \$10.2 Million and the large addition, \$33.6 Million.

The committee members agreed that the committee must be prepared and have a long-time plan for such a big project. The members also discussed some of the ideas that were brought up during the School Board meetings, such as the building swap: Moose Hill would become the Londonderry

Middle School and the middle school will be the kindergarten building. Mr. Laliberte was asked by the Budget Committee to attend a meeting and brief on the school's budget situation and he is scheduled to do so in the Jun. 27 meeting, but might be present in the next one (May 23) as well.

Another briefing that is scheduled to happen in that meeting is from Chief Hart of the Police Department, while in May the Town and the Fire Department will give their briefs to the Budget Committee, explaining where their budget is compared to

the original expectations and getting ready for the new fiscal year that begins in July.

Finally, the committee members spoke about a publication on this newspaper's previous issue (Apr. 24), regarding the Swimming Pool Committee's recommendation against building a public outdoor pool in Londonderry. Committee members all agreed with this recommendation, and said it was good that the Swimming Pool Committee was created and did its research before giving the recommendation.

# Ex-Lancer NFL Player Ryan Griffin Arrested During Draft

IDAN VINITSKY  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

Former Londonderry High School standout and current Houston Texans player Ryan Griffin was arrested on Friday (Apr. 26) in Nashville, TN, while the city was hosting the 2019 NFL Draft.

According to the Associated Press report, the Nashville Police arrested the six-year NFL tight-end

for punching out a front window of a downtown hotel (Hotel Indigo, on Union Street) in the city. The Metro Nashville Police Department press release said that officers responded to a call of disorderly person at approximately 11:40 p.m.

The Hotel Indigo security people had followed 29-year-old Griffin to the corner of Union Street

and 2nd Avenue North after he punched the hotel window and broke it. Security stayed with the player until the police officers arrived at the scene. The officers who encountered Griffin were able to clearly see that his left hand and fingers are bleeding, as a result from his punch.

Griffin was arrested on charges of vandalism and

public intoxication, and the officers who made the arrest said that he appeared to be intoxicated, stumbling on the sidewalk, almost going into the road and traffic on the road, and unsteady on his feet.

He was physically arrested for his own and others safety, rather than being issued misdemeanor citations. According to multiple reports, a friend of Griffin, who spent time with him in the hours prior to the Texans' player arrest, claimed he was over-served.

Griffin's bond was set

at \$1,750 and he was released on Saturday morning, just after 7 a.m., after spending the night in the Davidson County jail. Brian Gaine, the Houston Texans General Manager, issued a statement saying: "We are aware of the incident regarding Ryan Griffin. We are gathering information and will have no further comment at this time."

A court date in the case has been set for May 31 and in the local Houston media, some speculated that the incident might cost the player his spot in the team's roster for the

2019 NFL season.

Griffin played football for three years at New Hampton School, before transferring to Londonderry High School for his senior year. He went on to play for the University of Connecticut and was drafted by the Texans in the sixth round (201st overall pick) of the 2013 NFL Draft. Last season he started 11 games for the Texans and played a total of 14, finishing with 24 receptions and 305 receiving yards. He missed twice missed games last season due to concussions.

## Arrest

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of aggravated felonious sexual assault.

Purcell was declared as a Fugitive of Justice and was arrested by the Vermont State Police without incident at the 189 SB at Point of Entry, in Highgate, VT.

He was taken the next afternoon to the Franklin County Court in St.

Albans City, Vermont and then jailed at the Northwestern Correctional Center for lack of \$100,000 bail.

He was picked up from the Vermont jail by Londonderry Police Department detectives and is being held at the Rockingham County jail in Brentwood under a \$500,000 bail.

Police suspect that he was trying to eventually fly to Europe, while the

arrest warrant was still active.

There were not many details on the investigation and Purcell's arrest were made public, due to the nature of the charges and the victim being a juvenile female. It is alleged that Purcell was having regular sexual intercourse with his step daughter (through adoption) over a three year period, beginning when she was 13.

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## Editorial

### Preventing Lyme Disease

If you're like me, you came to New Hampshire for the outdoor quality of life. If you're a native, you were born into this with all four seasons, each one with different outdoor activities.

I have long loved getting out of the house and some fresh air. However, my relationship with the outdoors has changed since having been diagnosed with Lyme disease.

Lyme disease is an infection caused by *Borrelia burgdorferi*, a spiral-shaped bacterium that looks and behaves like the bacteria that causes syphilis.

Since summer is around the corner, and in observance of Lyme Disease Awareness Month, it's time for an annual refresh regarding ticks and Lyme disease.

Most people feel that you need to have a bull-eye rash to develop Lyme disease. This isn't always the case. Typically when a person first contracts Lyme disease, he or she will develop flu-like symptoms about 7 - 21 days after the tick bite, with or without the rash.

Lyme disease can spread to most organ systems, including the heart and the central nervous system. Syphilis was nicknamed "The Great Masquerader" since it could develop symptoms that mimicked most any other disease. Today, it is Lyme disease that holds that title, since it, too may appear to be like other illness.

Lyme disease can cause symptoms as serious as cardiac arrhythmias and even sudden cardiac arrest. It can cause neurological symptoms that often appear like Multiple Sclerosis or Parkinson's disease.

Aside from the flu-like symptoms, some other less obvious signs of Lyme include a buzzing or tingling sensation

on the skin, a burning nerve pain, a great amount of joint pain, muscle pain and incredible muscle stiffness. Victims can experience a lot of "Brain fog," resulting in poor memory, difficulty with language skills, and in some cases even out right dementia.

Though they are most prevalent in the summer, ticks can bite every month of the year. However, there are a number of ways to prevent being bitten.

Permethrin, a common synthetic insecticide, can be applied to clothing to make them tick resistant. DEET, or Lemon Eucalyptus Oil can be used as insect repellent for the skin.

Wearing light and bright-colored clothing can help make it easier to spot ticks. Tucking the bottoms of pant legs into socks can prevent the ticks from climbing and hiding on legs. Clothes can also be put in a dryer for 10 minutes on high heat after coming in from outside to kill ticks.

If a tick becomes latched, remove it as soon as possible. The tick should then be placed in a sandwich bag with a small piece of damp paper towel with the date and name of the person who was bitten marked on the bag. It should be brought to a doctor or sent to a lab to see if it was a carrier of Lyme disease or other infections such as Bartonella, Ehrlichia, Babesia or Anaplasma.

Despite everything, I still love to be outdoors. But now I usually do so in long pants sprayed with permethrin, and double up with a natural insect repellent for good measure. I check for ticks even if I haven't been outside.

Enjoy the fresh air this season, but be sure take preventative measures from tick bites and seek prompt treatment if necessary. Stay safe!

## Letters

### Wrong Decision

To the editor,

Did anyone listen to The Exchange on NPR (National Public Radio) April 29th?

Program devoted to local newspapers. One very important point made was the need for a locally owned paper to be able to hold to account local officials. Research is showing that the demise of local papers can be attributed to them being bought up by corporations and they become a shell of there former selves. Also, local business declining to advertise in local papers, as they will say that corporate takes care of adverts.

Could this be motivation for the Londonderry officials gong with The Derry News not a locally owned paper?

Certainly Kevin Smiths decision backed up by John Farrell would seem to be a beginning to undermine the Londonderry Times.

Seems to me a dangerous situation for us in Londonderry.

Please residents speak up and make your voices heard.

Jane Cooper  
Londonderry

### Our News Belongs in Our Paper

To the editor,

I, too, am in agreement with the many Londonderry residents that have concerns about the new plans to use The Derry News for the publication of our town's news.

I've been residing in Londonderry for over 50 years and think the "Head Honchos" that think they are above our needs and desires for fair judgment and decisions

to take matters in their exclusive hands.

I don't and won't buy The Derry News so need for the town of Londonderry to use the local paper as the source of local news.

It is not the time or place for personal vendettas. Is it time for another election? - Just asking.

Respectfully,  
Freda Potter,  
Londonderry

### Bail Outs now Bail Ins?

To the editor,

I believe everyone is familiar with the term: Bail Out. However, ask anyone to tell you what a Bail in is and you'll no doubt get a blank stare. Why is it important? Well, it is now the law under the Dodd Frank Banking Finance Act. Brief history: During the 2008 crisis, 1,200 banks required assistance from the FDIC and it ran completely out of money, requiring help from the Treasury. Most people know this as the 700 Billion Big Bank Bail out.

Good news is taxpayers can now sleep soundly, as taxpayer "Bail-outs" have been taken OFF the table for the next banking crisis. Whew, isn't that a relief! Yes, in a way. However, how will they get themselves out of trouble should it happen again? The process will be called "Bail ins". Explained: With a bank bail-in, the bank uses the money of its unsecured creditors, including depositors and bondholders, to restructure their capital so it can stay afloat. In effect, the bank is allowed to convert its debt into equity for the purpose of increasing its capital requirements. A bank can undergo a bail-in quickly

through a resolution proceeding, which provides immediate relief to the bank. The obvious risk to bank depositors is the possibility of losing a portion of their deposits.

So, just "who is" classified as an Unsecured Creditor, Shareholder or Bondholder? That's right, You and ME! (and perhaps your 401K). To be clearer: Anyone who deposits money in a checking or savings account is now classified as an "unsecured creditor".

Hmm, "quickly through a resolution proceeding"? Title II of the Dodd-Frank Act establishes a new resolution regime for certain financial companies, called the "Orderly Liquidation Authority" or OLA. This will be administered by the FDIC under new authorities given.

You may be thinking wasn't there a repeal of parts of Dodd Frank recently? Yes, there was. In a nutshell what was repealed was: The threshold of 50 Billion for being under Dodd Frank regulations was increased to 250 Billion in assets. What does this mean? It means if the bank has less than 250 Billion in assets; its business as usual. I.E. Exempt from the strict Dodd Frank regulations part. As Nancy Pelosi put it: "The bill would take us back to the days when unchecked recklessness on Wall Street ignited an historic financial meltdown." Without turning this into a Political bashing session. One particular group finds regulations of any type Abhorrent.

In summary, the question is: If it did happen, would FDIC Insurance cover or would "OLA" take precedent? I have

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# Lancer Musicians Head to Sunny Florida During Break

IDAN VINITSKY  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

Londonderry High School's young musicians had the opportunity to enjoy a special experience last week when 63 students, and their teachers, flew from Providence, RI to Orlando, FL. The group spent five days in Disney World where they learned about music in movies and performed on the Marketplace Stage at Disney Springs.

The group landed in Orlando in the afternoon on Monday Apr. 22. The trip started on a high note, with a visit to Disney World's Magic Kingdom amusement park. The next day, the stu-

dents split into two groups: The Jazz Ensemble and Orchestra, directed by Joe Mundy and Serge Beaulieu, began the day with performances at the Marketplace Stage, an open-air venue along Lake Buena Vista. Many visitors of Disney's different parks were able to enjoy their music. After the two performances, the students were taken to the Epcot Theme Park.

Others of the Lancer Music group visiting Disney, the Choir, directed by Danielle Loschiavo, had spent their morning at Epcot. After that this group also had its own performance at the Marketplace Stage.

The second exciting part of the trip was on Wednesday (Apr. 24), as the students participated in a Universal Performance Workshop at Universal Studios Park. At the studio's Sound Design stage, the kids performed music to a clip from the movie Despicable Me 2, while sound recording artists recorded them. Later, the students also added dialogue and sound effects and the primary objective of the workshop was to teach the group about sound design in the movie making process.

The trip to Florida ended with two days of fun. The students visited



Members of the Lancer Music program pose for a group photo in front of Universal Studios in Orlando last week. Courtesy photo

Universal Studios Park on Thursday and Disney's Hollywood Studios and Animal Kingdom on Friday, before flying back home on Saturday morning.

Londonderry High School's Band and Jazz Ensemble will play in their Spring Concert on Wednesday, May 8 at 7 p.m. and the Jazz Ensemble and Orchestra will open this year's Concerts on the Common program, with a Jun. 3rd performance at 7 p.m. on the Londonderry Town Common.

# Fire and Life Safety Poster Contest and Calendar Awards Night

The Department of Safety, Office of the State Fire Marshal and the New Hampshire Fire Prevention Society believe that Fire Prevention and Life Safety should be a part of daily life throughout the year in every New Hampshire household.

To help achieve this goal, the Public Educators at the Office of the State Fire Marshal organize a state third grade fire and life safety poster contest each year. Local fire departments and schools then coordinate within their town to encourage

participation.

There were 600 posters submitted from towns throughout the state.

Submissions were judged by the District Chiefs and Fire Investigators at the Fire Marshal's Office and winners were chosen from ten towns, including Berlin, Laconia, Hanover, Londonderry, Manchester, Merrimack, New Hampton, Plaistow, Plymouth, and Somersworth.

On April 4, a celebration for the poster contest winners was held

with a ceremony and awards. Sparky was there to greet the students and families as they arrived. Special remarks were given to the students and their families, the teachers and fire personnel. The winning students were presented with a Junior Fire Marshal plaque, a certificate, and a children's book, I Survived the Great Chicago Fire, 1871 by Lauren Tashis. A pizza party sponsored by Constantly Pizza immediately followed the ceremony.

The July winner was Sophia Depasse of North Londonderry Elementary. November's winner was Landon Messana North of Londonderry Elementary.

December's winner was Carter Blanco of Matthew Thornton Elementary.

bank deposit accounts totaling ~14 Trillion, it is a very valid question. At the very least, if the topic of bail ins comes up in conversation, you may raise your hand proudly.

Stephen Homsey  
Londonderry

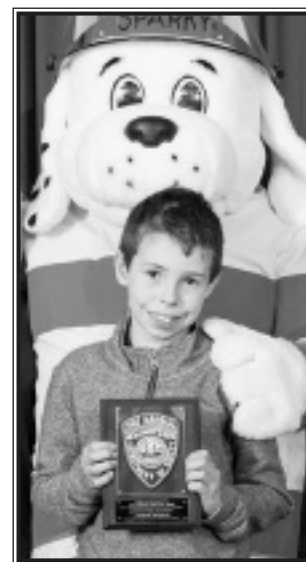
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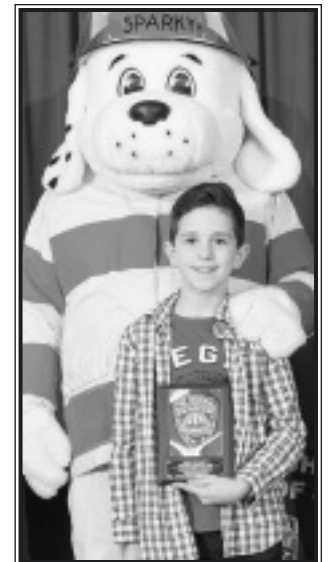
sent off an Inquiry to the FDIC, however as of the time of submission I have not received an answer. With FDIC assets of 40 Billion (maybe) and US



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# Protecting Our Water Sources: May is National Drinking Water Month

MACK LEATHURBY  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

Drinking water is critical to life and clean potable drinking water is something we often take for granted. May is National Drinking Water month and May 5-11 is National Drinking Water Week. Londonderry and all N.H. residents are invited to think about and take actions to "Protect the Source" of our drinking water.

Londonderry residents primarily get drinking water from their own well water systems or from Pennichuck. Some Londonderry residents living on the Manchester or Derry lines may be getting their water through Manchester WaterWorks.

These water utilities participate in the WaterSense Program which is a partnership program sponsored by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). The WaterSense mission is to protect the future of our nation's water supply by promoting and enhancing the market for water quality and water-efficient products or services.

Water is vital to the survival of everything on the planet and it is in limited supply. The Earth might seem like it has abundant water, but only 1 percent of the planet's water is available for human use. While the

world population and demand on freshwater resources are increasing, the water supply for potable drinking water remains constant, so it is important not to waste water. Londonderry has had droughts in recent years that led to public water usage restrictions and some residents have had their wells go dry, so it is important to conserve and protect drinking water.

The Town of Londonderry, Pennichuck and Manchester Water Works are focused to protect our water supply, while helping provide safe, reliable, potable water for residents, institutions and businesses. These utilities observe Federal and State Regulations to ensure the availability of an adequate, quality water supply at reasonable rates.

However, residents in N.H. should not take water quality for granted, and we all should take responsible actions with regard to protecting our drinking water supplies. Over the past several years, as many living in N.H. have found out, excessive radon, carcinogenic pollutants and other disease-causing pathogens have been found in water supplies in certain towns and properties throughout the state.

If you use a well for drinking water, it is easy

to get that water tested and it is wise to test your well water on a routine or even yearly basis. Just because your water is clear and tastes good, doesn't mean it's safe. The only way to ensure it's free of contaminants and bacteria is to have your private well regularly tested.

The nearby towns of Litchfield, Merrimack and even a few Londonderry residents have found PFOA (perfluorooctanoic acid) in some public and private wells. PFOA is used in the manufacturing of a variety of household products such as "clothing, cookware, carpets, furniture, food wrappers and more and these towns have been working with State and Federal agencies to further protect their water systems.

Also, the State of N.H. has recently settled a lawsuit with polluters who were responsible for leaching the chemical additive MtBE (used as a gasoline additive), into our drinking water supplies, and this chemical has now been found in groundwater throughout Southern New Hampshire and is being mitigated accordingly.

Pennichuck confirms good quality drinking water, however, Londonderry residents may want to check the company's web site to monitor changes in the water quality. Also many older homes have lead in their home plumbing fixtures and pipes, which can leak lead into drinking water. This is especially dangerous for young children, therefore it is still important to know

about the water quality coming into your homes, even if that water is originating from a public water source.

The American Water Works Association, along with communities in N.H. and all across North America will celebrate Drinking Water Week this May by recognizing the vital role drinking water plays in our daily lives. Focus will be placed on ways in which water consumers can take personal responsibility in caring for their tap water and protecting it at its source.

"National Drinking Water Week is a special opportunity to shine a light on all of the ways we can protect our water sources and ensure it is there for future generations," said AWWA Chief Executive Officer, David

LaFrance. "When we, as consumers and community stewards, learn about and gain an appreciation for our drinking water sources, it becomes easy to understand the importance of protecting them." Manchester Water Works invites N.H. Residents to join them as they celebrate National Drinking Water Week with several activities. Tours at the water treatment plant, located at 1581 Lake Shore Rd., Manchester, NH will be available during business hours that week. There will also be science fair finals for fourth grade students on Saturday, May 4 at 10 a.m. and a State Drinking Water Festival on Wednesday, May 8 at 9 a.m. at the water treatment plant. Please "Protect the Source."

## Fish & Game

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worked with Fish and Game to develop and implement a plan to create ideal habitat for the threatened New England cottontail and other shrubland species. Londonderry provided access to the Musquash and Fish and Game funded the project.

During 2013 and 2014, an initial 28 acres in the Musquash Conservation Area were forested to create the first part of a 15-year plan to create roughly 75 acres of habitat. This was done in the area of the Blue, White and Ravine trails.

In 2018, a second cut was completed to begin creating additional habi-

tat. This cut occurred in two areas of the Musquash. One is along the powerlines aside the Overlook Trail and across a wetland from Red Fern Circle.

The second consists of 10 acres in the northern Musquash not far from the area created in 2014. This second area consists of three separate pockets. Two of the pockets are bordered by the power lines, the Alexander Rd. Extension and Ravine trails. The third pocket is bounded by the power lines, the Alexander Rd. Extension, Sara Beth, Betty Mack Loop and Blue trails.

Fish and Game also highlighted the involvement of the Commission in adding 150 acres to the Musquash for wildlife conservation. Initially

working with the Mathes family, the private landowner of the tract, the Commission helped assemble a coalition of Fish and Game and the Southeast Land Trust to purchase and permanently protect the parcel. This parcel is managed by Fish and Game with limited trails for hiking.

Fish and Game also applauded the Commission's involvement in regional conservation programs focused on the monitoring and protection of turtle populations. In addition, the Commission promoted recreational opportunities on these parcels, such as hunting, hiking, wildlife watching, horseback riding, snowshoeing, and cross-country skiing.

In accepting the

award, Commission Chair Marge Badoni's, said, "Of course we are honored, and I feel like I should turn around and give the award for all the help Fish and Game has given us including with education and identifying special species within our town. It was definitely a collaborative effort and a great partnership."

Fish and Game said that while the Conservation Organization Award of Excellence is available each year, an award is not given unless it receives nominations that it deems worthy of recognition. Londonderry is the only the second town in the past 15 years to have their Conservation Commission recognized. Amherst was recognized in 2007.

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## Setback

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also tend to not understand that they cannot put objects, plant lawns or use chemicals in the buffers. The Commission expects that similar issues will arise at The Meadows.

MacGuire said that he has pushed back vigorously with town staff to get them to agree to a shorter setback. Town staff told him that he could request a variance from the Zoning Board of Adjustment, but that town staff would oppose such a variance. MacGuire said that the developer is not willing to

continue fighting because they deem it unlikely to bear fruit.

Commissioner Mike Speltz suggested that the Commission could choose to recommend against approval; however, MacGuire and some Commission members said that would be unfair because the applicant is adhering to the town regulations, whether the Commission agreed with them or not in this circumstance.

Instead, the Commission agreed to request a meeting with town planning staff to discuss the downsides of strictly enforcing the town standard in this particular

case. As part of that meeting, the Commission hopes to convince town staff to relax the setback requirement for at least the units pushed back closest to the conservation buffer.

The Conditional Use Permit for the project was requested because of the desire to impact wetland buffers on the property. Two planned wet ponds making up part of the drainage system for the development would impact 6,065 square feet of the buffer.

Another 803 square feet of buffer impact would occur to install a town-standard drainage swale along Old Nashua Road.

MacGuire said that he preferred to use infiltration ponds on a site like this one, but the town building and engineering staff insisted on a wet pond which is their standard approach. Commissioner Deb Lievens asked if the buffer impact would have been less with an infiltration pond. MacGuire said that, yes, the buffer impact would have been reduced.

Speltz questioned the need for the buffer impact along Old Nashua Road. He asked why a swale was needed versus digging a trench or installing an underground pipe which would be less impactful. MacGuire said that the

design of the drainage system was mandated by the state to get an Alteration of Terrain permit.

Speltz asked if the developer would be willing to leave more of the property wild to compensate for buffer impacts. MacGuire said that they would not since that land is needed for leech fields and amenities like gardens.

The Commission drafted a set of comments for the Planning Board to consider when they review the CUP and site plan. These include making sure that the conservation overlay buffer border be properly signed; that river rock be used in the drainage area; that

the condo association management and landscaping plans specify that no chemicals or turf grass be in the buffer; and that houses with small backyards are at high risk of infringement into the buffer by homeowners.

During the meeting MacGuire noted that most of the 45 units would be 2-bedroom single family, but that a few would be two-family homes. He said that they would be smaller and more affordable than the other 55+ homes recently planned and developed in Londonderry. At roughly 1,800 square feet, he described the two-story homes as "cottage-esq."

## Slow and Steady Driving Can Save Local Turtles Lives

MELISSA BETH RUIZ  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

**W**hy did the turtle cross the road? To get to the other side in order to perpetuate her species.

Some readers might recall a 2015 story in the Londonderry Times mentioning a compassionate Londonderry resident who called upon the Conservation Commission to help her in protecting local reptiles, urging them to install "Turtle Crossing" signs on some busy town roads.

Thanks to this resident's kind-heartedness, warning signs were soon installed on South Rd. and Hall Rd., two areas that happen to be nearby turtle habitats.

While this endeavor has made some difference

in keeping Londonderry's turtles safe, thousands of these creatures will be at risk throughout the state this season as motorists fail to mind the terrapin pedestrians.

According to New Hampshire Fish and Game Wildlife Biologist Mike Marchand, the biggest threat to turtle populations in the Granite State today is the motor vehicle, and at the end of this month, thousands of turtles will be put at risk.

The nesting season for most NH turtle populations lasts from late May to early July, writes Marchand, with the season peaking in early June.

During this time, female turtles are compelled to leave the relative safety of their usual habitats in ponds and

wetlands in search of sandy, well-drained areas open to sunlight to lay their eggs.

More often than not, these females must face the sometimes treacherous roads that keep them from their objective. Tragically, many of these journeys will not be completed.

Turtles are a vital part of the New Hampshire ecosystem, as they serve as a food source for native predators, and serve important ecological roles as scavengers, herbivores, and carnivores, says the Turtle Conservation Society. Furthermore, these creatures also often contribute to the production of biomass in their ecosystems.

To help conserve these

beloved and vital creatures during a vulnerable time, Marchand lists the following steps that can be taken by motorists to keep tragedy from striking:

First, slow down and watch for turtles in the roadways. These creatures are small and can blend in with the roadways; so reducing speed is crucial in avoiding an accident.

Second, if it is safe to do so, and the creature is safe to handle (i.e. not a snapping turtle), help a turtle cross the road in the direction it was traveling.

Next, do not take the turtle home or move it far from where it was found. When taken into a human home, a wild turtle is one lost from its local popula-

tion, which contributes to an imbalance in the ecosystem.

If a turtle is injured, contact the NH Fish and Game's Wildlife Division at (603) 271-2461 for a list of rehabilitators in the area. Do not put the turtle in water or attempt to repair or clean any fracture sites without professional assistance.

Turtle sightings should be reported to the New Hampshire Fish and Game's Reptile and Amphibian Reporting Program. To report a sighting to the RAARP, complete and send in a form that can be downloaded from

the NH Fish and Game website by visiting the RAARP page.

Finally, if necessary, and as highlighted above, work with local land trusts and town officials to help conserve important natural areas in the community.

Turtle nesting season is fast approaching, so like the proverbial tortoise who took on the hare, slow and steady will help save the turtles.

For more information on New Hampshire native turtles and other wildlife, visit the NH Fish and Game website at [www.wildlife.state.nh.us](http://www.wildlife.state.nh.us).

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# Londonderry Dancer Becomes First Patriots Male Cheerleader in 35 Years

IDAN VINITSKY  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The last Super Bowl, was great for fans in New England, as the Patriots won their sixth NFL Championship in less than two decades.

On the other side of that match, was the disappointed team, the Los Angeles Rams. But the California, despite the missed opportunity, was still part of something that was never seen before. Their team had the first two male cheerleaders ever in a Super Bowl. That historic event encouraged a Londonderry dancer, Driss Dallahi, to do something special. Now, he is also part of his-

Last month, Dallahi, 23, who graduated from Londonderry High School six years ago and recently moved back into town, was named one of the new cheerleaders for the Patriots 2019 season. Driss, and the 22-year-old Steven Sonntag are the first male cheerleaders in the Patriots team since 1984.

In an interview with

the Londonderry Times, Dallahi explained what finally made him "go for it" and tryout for the team: "I saw the story about the Rams male cheerleaders and wrote their team on Instagram a message, saying that it was so cool and congratulating them for what they did." After that message, he suddenly thought: "Why not me?"

Dallahi began practicing and contacted the Rams male cheerleaders. He asked them questions about their uniforms, their routines and everything he could think of and they helped him get ready for the first audition, on March 2: "They did not mind I was going for the Patriots auditions", laughs Dallahi. "There is no bad blood between the cheerleading teams in the NFL and everyone is helping each other, despite the fact that we had just beaten them in the Super Bowl."

The next thing Dallahi did was to attend a pre-auditions workshop, where he and Steven got all the expected surprised



Londonderry dancer, Driss Dallahi has been named the first Male Cheerleader for the New England Patriots in 35 years. Courtesy photo

looks. It was good for him, because it by the time he came to the first real audition, everybody already knew him: "300 people were trying to get this job and I did not feel that I was being treated differently just because I am a male. I got there and did not know anyone else, but that was not an issue. You do some stretching and talk to the people around you. Even those who came in groups, with friends, were very open. Some were there for the

first time like me, some for the tenth. It was an interesting experience."

Dallahi auditioned for almost a month, until the final decision came on March 30. He got the call and was told he made the team. He was alone, in his car, and felt electric: "It was an out-of-body experience", he recalls. "I felt so proud of my work, of everything I ever did. I would have been proud of myself anyway, but this was such a long and tough process and this

was the pinnacle moment of it. It was really special."

He started dancing in Merrimack, 13 years ago, in a hip hop class with his brother. He enjoyed it so much that he quickly began trying out other genres and after high school, went on to study dancing at the University of New Hampshire. When he graduated, he was not sure what his next step should be, but he knew he wanted to make dancing part of his life, forever, so he moved to New York City for a year and a half, before returning to Londonderry: "The great thing about dancing is the friends for life I made. I met people I wouldn't have met anywhere else, so I will always cherish it."

He was not a cheerleader at Londonderry High School, but played every kind of sport growing up ("Yes, I will be able to explain what is happening on the field," he says).

He started a new job in Boston and the Patriots practices at the same time more or less, a couple of weeks ago, but says the he is at his best when he is busy: "It's a job, like any other job", he says about his first days with the Patriots cheerleading teams. "We have so many preparations, fittings and more. They are making us new uniforms. I did have a few weeks between the

last audition and the first practice to enjoy the moment and relax."

Asked what motivated him, Dallahi answers: "First of all, the dancing that they do in the games is very enjoyable and dancing for such a huge crowd sounded like a dream job. And throughout the entire process I told myself that this is an amazing experience, whether I got the job or not. Yes, it takes a lot of courage to go to these auditions, but it's true for anyone, males or females, because it is exhausting, mentally and physically, but in a great way. I just wanted to keep dancing when I was there and never leave the room."

Now, he is part of arguably the best sports organization in the US: "I will be myself, and give my best. We have two males on the team and it will be exciting, because it will give a new dynamic to the choreography and the shows. I can't wait to see that they will try to do with us, artistically and creatively, and I really want to see the new uniform. If I learned something from all of this is that you don't always have to plan ahead. Life just figures out itself sometimes and you just have to trust the process. Ready? I was born ready. I am on to the next big thing."

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# Kids Coop Theatre Group to Perform School of Rock



Young actors with the Kids Coop Theatre group are busy preparing for the Memorial Day weekend performance of the musical "School of Rock" at the Derry Opera House Photo by Chris Paul

CHRIS PAUL  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The local Kids Coop Theatre group will be presenting the Broadway smash musical, "School of Rock" on Memorial Day weekend, with shows on May 24 at 7 p.m. and May 25, at 1 p.m. and 7 p.m. at the Derry Opera House, at 29 West Broadway, Derry.

The spring production of "School of Rock" is being directed by Mia Berardi, with musical direction by Amanda Morgan. Choreography is by Jen Ryder.

The 42-member cast features children ages 8 to 18 from all over Southern New Hampshire as well as one performer from Northern Massachusetts.

The musical is based on the hit movie starring

Jack Black, which follows Dewey Finn, played by Eric Bourque, 17, of Londonderry, a failed, wannabe rock star, who decides to earn extra cash by posing as a substitute teacher at a prestigious prep school. There, Finn turns a class of straight-A pupils into a hard rock band. The plot revolves around the failed rock star/substitute teacher getting students ready for a local Battle of the Bands, without their parents and the school's headmistress finding out.

All tickets for the performance will be \$15, and are available at [www.kidscoop-theatre.org](http://www.kidscoop-theatre.org). Discounted group tickets are available for groups of 10 or more.

The cast features over 40 members from several towns in the southern

New Hampshire area. Listed by town and who they play are:

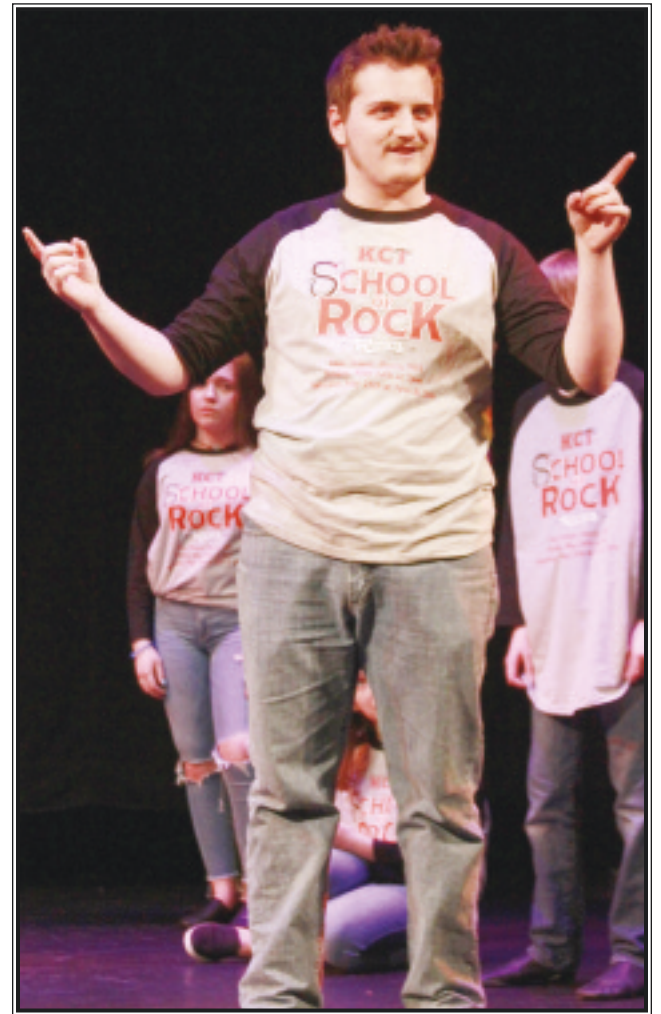
## Londonderry:

Jacob Birch: James Ward  
Eric Bourque: Dewey Finn  
Melissa Brunette: Mrs. Green  
Joseph Cain: Freddy Hamilton  
Timmy Dolan: Zach Lylah Chaffee:  
Mrs. Macapagay Mooneyham  
Martin Dormer: Billy Sandford  
Gianna Fowler: Katie Olivia McCartney: Sophie  
Emily Powers: Patty Dimarco  
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Gianna Ghanem: Emo Girl  
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Leo Gifford: Tony Morgan  
Rowan Gifford: Ms. Gordon  
Audrey Labbe: Madison  
Anna Lawrence: Shonelle  
Brandon Marks: Mason  
Brianna Marks: Emo Girl  
Landon Martin: Mr. Hamilton  
Kacie Moran: Mrs. Hathaway  
Mina Owen: Ms. Bingham  
Braeden Tremain: Mr. Noble  
Windham:  
Jackson Calderara: Charlie Ryder  
Joshua Ozaroff: Gabe Brown/Bob  
Michael Wimmer: Lawrence Turner



Londonderry resident Eric Bourque plays the lead role of Dewey Finn in the upcoming performance of "School of Rock"

## Hampstead:

Isabella Charlebois: Tomika Spencer-Williams  
Justin Sanger: Mr. Williams  
Aislinn Sprague: Summer Hathaway  
Zoe Sternberg: Rosalie Mullins

## Sandown:

Logan Young: Theo  
Alexander Garone: Mr. Sandford

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# Annual Applewood 5K and Tot Trot Held at Moose Hill School

CHRIS PAUL  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

Nearly 100 runners took part in the second annual Applewood Learning Center 5K and Tot Trot, a children's running event on Saturday morning April 27 at the Moose Hill Kindergarten.

The event helps support the local non-profit learning centers financial needs.

In the 5k Race, Nathan Gibson, 31, of Cohoes New York was the first male runner to cross the finish line at 21:46.7. Just fourteen seconds later, Phil Daniels, 45, of Bedford followed for second place overall and in third, Michael Gendreau, 32, of Derry took third at 22:12.9

Gabriela Webber, 31, was the first Londonderry resident to come in.

Her time of 22:20.1 was good for 4th overall and first-place for the women.

Talia Iorio, 12, of Londonderry took second for the women at 24:38.3, and Lindsay O'Brien, 30, of Cohoes New York managed third with 24:48.3.

Besides having the 5k, there were a series of fun runs for the little ones to take part in. A 50-yard dash was set up for three different age groups and despite the fact that children were running in cold damp conditions, each child was overjoyed to receive a participant ribbon.

Before the race began, as folks were registering for the event, the crowd was entertained by the music of children's entertainer Steve Blunt as well as a performance from members of the Kids Coop Theatre group. Londonderry's Eric Bourque, who plays the lead role in the group's upcoming "School of Rock" performance sang as well as his cast-mates Isabella Charlebois and Zoe Sternberg.

The races began after is Clare Mitchell sang the National Anthem, Clare is a 10-year-old student at St. Thomas Aquinas School in Derry.

According to Elizabeth Carlise Brunette, the director at Applewood, "The event went very well. We had 98 runners, which was more than we were expecting. So that was a pleasant surprise. We do plan to continue with the 5K and hope to continue to see if grow each year. This year we raised about \$6,000 for Applewood which exceeded our goal."





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# LONDONDERRY SPORTS

## Lancer Boys Lacrosse Team Takes Two of Three Games

IDAN VINITSKY  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

With two wins and one loss in the past week, Londonderry High School's Varsity Boys' Lacrosse team brought its season record to a solid 5-3 this season, just before entering a tough stretch, that is scheduled to include a road game in Portsmouth on Wednesday, May 1, followed by a home game against Pinkerton Academy on Friday, May 3, at 6 p.m.

That road game against the Astros was scheduled to be at Pinkerton, but with the school currently working on a new surface for their field, LHS will be hosting the game.

The Lancers got a 10-5 home win over the winless Salem Blue Devils on Tuesday, April 23. The Londonderry side had a 3-0 lead after the opening 12 minutes of the game, and led 7-0 at halftime. The second half was a bit closer with 3-5 goals in favor of Salem. Anthony Federico scored three goals, Cole Keegan had two and James Cranmer, Aidan Dennis, James Toomy, Thomas Fougere and Isaac McCune manage to put one ball in the net. Ross Carroll made three saves, Connor Gramstorff had one more.

On Saturday, April 27, Londonderry dropped a close 8-6 game at Exeter

High School. Londonderry scored the first goal of the game and after the home team came back to lead 2-1, the Lancers started chasing, tying the game at 2-2, 3-3 and then, in the third quarter, at 4-4. Londonderry eventually took the lead and had possession, but was not able to score again and once more, Exeter scored two straight goals to lead 6-5. The visitors managed to tie the match for the fourth time (6-6), before the Blue Hawks had the final word, scoring twice.

Zack Fawcett scored twice for the Lancers in the game. Keegan, Smith, Cranmer and Federico added one goal each and Carroll made seven saves.

Coach Roger Sampson was encouraged by his team's performance, despite the loss: "I came out of that game very confident, but we have to play well all 48 minutes."

The Lancers had the chance to quickly put that loss behind them, and that's just what they did, with a 12-8 home win over the 3-2 Windham High squad Monday, April 29.

Once again, Sampson's team enjoyed a great first quarter, leading 6-1 after 12 minutes and setting the tone for the rest of the afternoon. Each team scored once in the second quarter, before a back-and-forth third. Entering the final 12 minutes, Londonderry had a big lead, 11-5, but three Windham goals made it a three-goal game with seven minutes to play, before Hunter Smith sealed the win with 30 seconds on the clock.

Federico scored three more goals; Keegan, Smith and Cranmer finished with two goals each and Derek Melnik, Derek Mower and Aidan Dennis also found the net. Carroll made seven saves.



LHS sophomores Isaac McCune, left and Jacob Naar battle for possession behind the Windham net during a home game on Monday afternoon. The Lancers won that contest 12-8. Photo by Chris Paul

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# Lancer Baseball Winning Streak Ends at Home Against BG

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Two home stands for the Londonderry High School Varsity Baseball Team had the Lancers scoring four runs in each game, but only one of those four-

run games resulted in a win

The Lancers improved their season record to 6-0 on Thursday, thanks to a dramatic 4-3 home win over Bedford High School (1-4) in a game that was original-

ly scheduled for Monday, April 22.

The Bulldogs got on the board in the opening inning and Londonderry answered with runs in the fourth and sixth, but Bedford tied the game in the top of the seventh, to send the game into extra innings.

In the ninth inning, the visitors seemed on their way to a tough, hard-fought victory, as they scored a run to give them the lead.

Then after Bedford got two quick outs in the bottom half of that extra inning, with no one on base, Brandon Fish kept the game alive by hitting a single. Tyler Kayo sent Fish home with a game-tying double. The next batter, Zack Luongo, hit the walk-off single, driving in Kayo to give the Lancers the win.

Owen MacDonnell and Sean Cavanaugh had the other RBIs, while Nolan Lincoln enjoyed another great performance, with seven innings, eight strikeouts and just two earned runs. Cavanaugh played 1 2/3 innings and gave up another run and

Evan Cormier faced one batter.

Then on Monday, April 29, the Lancers suffered the first loss of the season, at home, to the undefeated Bishop Guertin squad (8-0) with a score of 7-4.

The Lancers were mainly hurt by a ball that hit over the head of the

centerfielder, in the top of the third, and got stuck in the muddy field conditions, causing an inside-the-park three-run home run. The play resulted in adding to five-run inning for BG putting the Lancers in a 6-1 deficit.

They fought hard to stay in the game after

that, but could not come back.

Coach Brent Demas was happy with the way his team has started the season, despite the first loss, "I'm just proud of all the hard work the kids put into it. It's a long season. I'm very pleased in general. We have good pitching and hitting."



Brandon Fish took the first loss of the season for the Lancers against BG, but he was the game-tying run in the teams extra inning win against Bedford.

# Lady Lancer Lacrosse Team Gets Big 22-2 Win at Salem

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The weather limited Londonderry High School's Varsity Girls' Lacrosse team to only one game last week, but the Lady Lancers made that one game count, and got a big 22-2 win at Salem High School.

The match against the Blue Devils was scheduled for Tuesday, April 23, but had to be pushed back to the next day due to rain, and the Lady Lancers came out firing on all cylinders as took control of the game, scoring 13 times in the first

half and adding nine more goals in the next 25 minutes.

Londonderry had a great distribution of goals that day, with Grace Chicko and Sarah Duarte leading the way with four goals each. Chicko also had three assists, while Hannah McCutcheon and Caroline Leone scored three goals each. Lauren Doherty (six assists), Jenna Stowell and Sammy Leclair scored twice and Maddy Walden and Izzy Augusta once.

Last week's home game against Hanover

High School was postponed from Saturday, April 27, due to soggy field conditions.

This week, the team was scheduled to face Portsmouth High School on Wednesday, May 1, after the Londonderry Times went to print, then on Friday, May 3, the girls will face Pinkerton, for the second time this season starting at 4 p.m.

That meeting will kick-off the school's annual Beeman Trophy competition and will be held at LHS due to the fact that Pinkerton's field is under construction.

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# Londonderry Lancer Tennis Teams Lose to Nashua South

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Londonderry High School Varsity Tennis teams only had one meet during the past week, as both the boys' and the girls' team came back from spring break and dropped their meetings against the Nashua South High School teams on Monday, April 29.

The boys hosted their meeting with the Purple Panthers at the Skip Burbine Tennis Courts in Londonderry and won four of their matches, while losing five.

The first three Lancers in the order were all victorious: Cam Ness got an 8-4 win, Camden Poitras beat his

opponents 8-2 and Jay Hayes won eight games to six in a close match. Tanner Fortier lost his match 8-2, and Ben Doris and Jacob Escott both suffered 8-1 losses.

The teams got to the double matches tied three games apiece. Ness and Hayes lost their double match 8-6, Camden and Tanner won

8-4 and the deciding game went to South, with an 8-6 win over Doris and Ryan Cullen.

The Lady Lancers, playing on the road, were not able to win a match against the Panthers.

Rachel Cook lost 8-4, Rachel Court 8-0, Amanda Wells 8-2, Emily Hatem 8-3, Melanie Methot 8-1 and Lauren Kim 8-2. In the doubles, Cook and Court lost 8-1 and so did Wells and Methot, while Kim teamed up with Alyssa Treanor and lost 8-0.

Both teams were scheduled to play Concord High School on Wednesday, May 1, after the Londonderry Times went to print.

The teams will then face rivals Pinkerton Academy, at Pinkerton, on Friday starting at 4 p.m. for the annual Beman Trophy competition.



Lancer senior tennis player Cam Ness got an 8-4 win on Monday in his singles match against Nashua South at home. Photo by Chris Paul

## Lancer Softball Team Wins Six Straight, Coach Gets 300th Win

IDAN VINITSKY  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

Londonderry High School's Varsity Softball team keeps rolling. After dropping the first three games of the season, the Lady Lancers are on a winning streak. The team was able to extend its streak over the last few days, and improve to a 6-3 record while also giving coach Wayne MacDougall his 300th career win.

On Wednesday, April 24, Londonderry played on the road in Concord (5-2), winning a close 1-0 game. The only run scored that day was in the second inning, when Alivia Proulx got on base with a single and Sam Minton sent her home with another one. Those were also the only Londonderry hits of the game, but a great pitching performance by Nina Perry, allowing Concord only six hits and no runs, helped the visitors win the contest.

The next day, the

winning streak was in danger at home against the 2-6 Keene High School. The Blackbirds scored the first run of the game, in the opening inning, but Londonderry answered in the third, with a two-run home run by Delaney McGurn after a lead-off single by Olivia Chau. The Lady Lancers increased their lead with another run in the fourth, and then added two more in the fifth, thanks to McGurn second homer of the day and another one by Gia Komst. But the 5-1 lead almost proved to be not enough, as Keene scored three times in the sixth inning, before the Lady Lancers were finally able to close the game and escape with the 5-4 win.

Things were much smoother for Londonderry on Monday, April 29, against the winless Bishop Guertin squad (0-6). The Lady Lancers had a dominant 13-4 win on the road, while at the

same time, getting coach Wayne MacDougall his 300th career win. The Lady Lancers opened the score with a second inning run and scored another one in the third and the fourth, before a wild fifth inning, where each team was able to send four runners home. BG, who cut Londonderry's lead from seven runs to only three, had hopes to rally back and get the surprising win, but the Lancers recovered from that bad inning and scored twice in the sixth and four more times in the seventh inning, to close the game without any problems.

Londonderry was scheduled to host Nashua North on Wednesday, May 1, after the Londonderry Times went to print. The team will face their rivals at Pinkerton Academy on Friday, May 3, at 4 p.m. and Nashua South on Monday, May 6, in two road games.

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# Lancer Track Team Participates in the Black Bear Invitational

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The 18th annual Black Bear Invitational was held on Saturday, April 27, at Coe-Brown Northwood Academy, with Londonderry High School's Track and Field team competing

against teams from Division 1, 2 and 3 in New Hampshire's largest team scored invitational event.

Senior Patrick Hagearty won the Boys' Discus Throw competition thanks to a 142' 8.5" throw on his fifth attempt. He finished ahead of Coe-

Brown's Jonathan Thorn, who in his turn beat Hagearty in the Shot Put event, with a 49' result, while the Hagearty finished with a 47' 6" toss.

Justin Cassidy finished eighth in the 100-Meter Dash Preliminaries with a time of 12.26, missing the finals by only four hundredths of a second. Khalique Bagley finished 20th in the 200-Meter Preliminary round with 25.44 seconds. Kyle Hoglund got the seventh spot in

the 1,600-Meter run with a time of 4:44.71.

Londonderry's 4x100 team (Bagley, Cassidy, Holland and Damon MacLeod) finished seventh as well (47.19) and Nathan Cripe took the ninth place spot in the High Jump, clearing 5' 4" in his second try and 21st in the Long Jump with 16' 6.5".

Suzie Moore, passing 9' on her first attempt, won the Pole Vault Girls' competition. Ashley Grif-

fin came in fourth with 8'. Griffin also finished 14th in the girls' 200-Meter (28.39 seconds) and Nikki Longua was 18th (28.80). Grace McDonough took ninth in the 400-Meter (1:03.17) and Caitlin Boufford had the best time out of three Lancers who ran the 800, finishing 23rd with a time of 2:38.55.

Longua had a terrific 100-Meter Hurdles competition; placing fourth (17.31), while Seana Kelly missed the finals by one

spot and had the seventh best time (17.63) in the qualifiers. She also took the 13th place in the 300 Meter Hurdles with 54.22.

One of the best results of the day for the girls was the third place in the 4x100, with Kelly, Griffin, Longua and Sophie Hagymas combining for a time of 53.40 seconds. The 4x400 team finished eighth with 4:36.55. Paige Velie was 13th in the Discus Throw with 80' 1".

## Athletes of the Week

Week of April 21



**Alivia Proulx**  
Senior, Girls Softball

A team captain, Proulx is leading the Lady Lancers in hitting and RBIs. She had two home runs last week and is playing in a high level on defense, at shortstop



**Zack Luongo**  
Senior, Varsity Baseball

Luongo rove in the game winning run in the ninth inning against the Bedford Bulldogs with a solid single down the right field line. He was two-for-four in the game, that included the walk-off RBI.

Student Athletes supplied by Athletic Department

## Annual Beeman Games Against PA to Be Played This Weekend

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The tradition continues. The annual Beeman Trophy Games will be taking place this Friday and Saturday, May 3-4, as Pinkerton Academy, winner of the last four editions of the spring trophy, will try to go for a fifth straight against its archrival, Londonderry High School, who last won the trophy back in 2014.

The first meeting will be in Girls' Lacrosse and

Softball. The lax game is scheduled to begin at 4 p.m. and will be played at Londonderry High School. The Lady Astros already got a 19-5 win in Londonderry earlier this season.

At the same time, at Pinkerton, the girls will begin their Softball match, as Londonderry will try to continue its great run from the last few weeks, while the home team, who struggled in the beginning of the season, hopes to use

this opportunity and start their own run.

Another great meeting that kicks off on Friday at 4 p.m. is between both Boys' and Girls' Tennis teams, with Pinkerton hosting. The Astros have two strong teams (The boys' were last year's state runner ups), but Londonderry, who is trying to find some stability this season so far, can give them a good fight.

At 5:15 p.m. on Friday, at the Hackler Gym in Pinkerton, the Varsity Boys' Volleyball teams will face each other. Both teams had gotten off to a slow start this season. 15 minutes later, the JV Girls' Lacrosse teams will begin their match, in Londonderry.

The biggest showdowns were saved for the end. First, on Friday, at 6 p.m., at the Londonderry High School field, the Varsity Boys' Lacrosse teams, two of the strongest in Division I, will play what promises to

be an intense match.

The next day, on Saturday at noon, the Astros will host the Varsity Baseball game. Londonderry won six of its first seven games this season, Pinkerton started with a 4-2 record, and this game should also be fantastic.

The final meeting in this year's competition for the Beeman Trophy is scheduled for May 14, when the Outdoor Track and Field Boys' and Girls' team will participate in the Tri-Meet at Exeter High School.

The Beeman Trophy games began almost three decades ago, along with the winter Ball Family Trophy Games (which were controlled this past winter season by Pinkerton), following the success of the Mack Plaque Games, a tradition that began back in 1983. The Beeman Trophy is named after Mike Beeman, who studied at Pinkerton and coached and taught at both schools.



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Work on the network will begin on or shortly after Monday, June 17, 2019. The School District prefers all improvements to its network completed on or before Friday, August 9, 2019.

Proposals must be received by the Londonderry School District Office on or before 4:00PM on Friday, May 17, 2019. Please send proposals to:

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# LHS Robotics Team Competes in National Competition

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The PVC Pirates, Londonderry High School's Robotics team, finished its 2019 season last week, in the National Championship, a competition that was held in Detroit, MI (And simultaneously in Houston, TX) on Apr. 24-27.

The Pirates qualified to the national tournament after finishing their local season in the 14th place in New England, at the New England District Championship, which took place in Worcester

earlier in April.

In Detroit, the team was part of the Darwin Division, one of six divisions that served as qualifiers, with the best team going into the Einstein Field for the final round. The Pirates played a total of 10 matches in their division, winning twice and losing the other eight. They lost their first six matches, before finishing their meeting on a high note, winning two out of the final four matches.

Londonderry's team results ranked them in the 55th place out of 68 teams in their division and the

Pirates did not qualify for the division's playoff, where the teams got the chance to continue to the final round. The meeting in Detroit concluded a great season for the FIRST (For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology) team: The Pirates finished their first competition of the season, in Bedford, NH with the sixth place and their second competition, at the University of New Hampshire, in the 11th place.

In the first competition they won the Excellence in Engineering



The PVC Pirates, the Londonderry High School's Robotics team pictured after winning the Chairman's Award in April. Courtesy photo

Award and in the second, the prestigious District Chairman's Award, which honors teams that are a model for other teams to emulate and best embody the mission of FIRST by transforming the culture to inspire greater interest in science and technology, and encourage more of today's youth to become

science and technology leaders.

The Pirates, who promote STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) education in the community and provide leadership and resources to other local Robotics teams, are funded entirely through donations, providing no-

cost membership for all students. The team was formed in 2003 and its students build the robot almost entirely in-house, from welding to electrical and machining to programming. The team's lead mentors are Kenny Kutney, Brendan McLeod and Pat Pettengill.



## Matthew Thornton Fun Run

Just before students went on Spring Break, students at all grade levels at Mathew Thornton Elementary School participated in the school's fun run. The event was to raise money for the STEM program and for the school to about fitness, leadership and character. Funds will be used for school improvements and projects, STEM kits, Butterfly Garden materials, a compost, and much more.

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## Londonderry Rail Trail Spring Clean-up

Londonderry Trailways has rescheduled its annual spring rail trail clean-up due to recent rain for Saturday, May 4, from 9 - 11 a.m. Volunteers are asked to meet at the North Elementary School parking lot. Garage bags will be provided. Pickup trucks are needed, and work boots and work gloves are recommended.

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The Leach Library will host "Art from the Garden - Creating with Pressed Flowers" on Thursday, May 16, at 7 p.m. Ms. Roden will offer ways to preserve flowers, leaves, and other plant material and transform them into beautiful art. She will share some of her own work as well as various flower pressing techniques, tips, and ideas. The event is free and open to the public with seating limited to the first 90 individuals. It will be held in the library's lower-level meeting room. Light refreshments will be served.

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The YMCA of Greater Londonderry's Healthy Kids Day takes place on Sunday, May 5 at 206 Rockingham Rd., Londonderry, from 1 - 3 p.m. For more information, please contact Lisa Fitzgerald, Branch Director at [lfitzgerald@graniteymca.org](mailto:lfitzgerald@graniteymca.org) or call 603.437.9622.

## Car Seat Check Event

The Londonderry Child Passenger Safety Program conducts inspection events to check your child's car seat installation. Trained technicians check for recall, proper installation and discuss with the caregiver how to improve the installation and therefore the child's safety. We conduct these inspection twice a month, the 2nd Saturday from 9 a.m. 9 - noon and the last (sometimes 4th) Wednesday night from 6 p.m. - 8 p.m. Appointments are required, please. Inspections are conducted at the Londonderry Fire Rescue South Fire Station 17 Young Road. For more information, or to make an appointment to have your seat(s) checked, please call 603-432-1104 ext. 4623 or via e-mail: [cps@londonderrynh.org](mailto:cps@londonderrynh.org).

## Community Toy Sale

Save the Date! Saturday May 18, at Matthew Thornton Elementary is the Annual Community Toy Sale. It's time to start collecting all those used toys, games, and baby items. Let us sell your gently used toys, while you reap the rewards! All proceeds will be donated to the Londonderry Elementary and Kindergarten PTAs. For consignment sale rules and to register, visit the Leach Library or [www.londonderrywomensclub.org/toysale](http://www.londonderrywomensclub.org/toysale). The event is hosted by the

Londonderry Women's Club. Go to [www.londonderrywomensclub.org](http://www.londonderrywomensclub.org)

## Opioid Addiction Forum

An open forum on Opioid addiction will be free to the public on May 16, at 6:30 p.m., at the Londonderry High School. For more info [tkoski@londonderrynhpd.org](mailto:tkoski@londonderrynhpd.org).

## Q & A with Ted Kitchens

Airport of the Manchester-Boston Regional Airport, director Ted Kitchens, will hold a Q&A on Saturday, May 11 at 11 a.m.

## Vintage Movie Night

Roman Navarro in 'The Flying Fleet' (1929) Classic aviation drama filmed on location at U.S. Navy bases; silent with live music will be shown on Thursday, May 23 at 7 p.m. at the Aviation Museum. Cost for Londonderry, residents \$5 for members, \$10 for members-yet-to-be.

## Revival: Reimagined

Join us for an inclusive day of welcome on May 4, with music, spirituality, and exploration. In the afternoon (1 p.m.), we are excited to hear the Rev. Tricia Lyons (Missioner for Evangelism and Community Engagement in the Diocese of Washington DC and author of 'Teaching Faith With Harry Potter') as our featured speaker to learn how to share our faith, engage our communities, to make a difference and find deeper peace and meaning in our lives. In the evening (6 p.m.), we will gather for song and celebration and close our day with a festive Eucharist as God's people. Come for all of the day or some. This is a free event that includes dinner and refreshments throughout the day. This event is a collaboration between two Episcopal Churches in Southern New Hampshire, St. Christopher's in Hampstead and St. Peter's in Londonderry, and is funded by a grant given by the Mission Resource Council of the Episcopal Church of New Hampshire. It is open, free of charge to the public, and includes dinner. Our focus area is Southern New Hampshire.

## Londonderry Voter Information

The Supervisors of the Voter Checklist will meet at

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# Londonderry Police Log

### Selections from the Londonderry Police Logs

**Monday - April 22**  
**9:30 a.m.** Four officers render services for Sudden Death on Hemlock St  
**10:26 a.m.** Warrant served and arrest made on Ashland Street. Chelsey Aloise, 31, of Manchester charged with Harassment by phone.  
**1:56 p.m.** Services rendered for suspicious activity on Winding Pond Road.  
**3:21 p.m.** Sex Offenses investigated on Beacon Street.  
**3:47 p.m.** Assault investigated on Crestview Circle.  
**7:59 p.m.** Overdose transported to hospital from Hall Road.

**Tuesday - April 23**  
**4:15 a.m.** Assisted Londonderry Fire Dept. with transportation to hospital from Fieldstone Drive.

**8:18 a.m.** Burglary investigated on Capitol Hill Drive.  
**8:35 a.m.** Suspicious activity investigated on Kendall Pond Road.  
**7:07 p.m.** Disorderly Conduct investigated at Speedway on Nashua Road.  
**8:07 p.m.** Four officers assist with investigating an accident involving four Motor Vehicles at Mammoth and Westwood Drive.  
**11:51 p.m.** Services rendered for suspicious activity on Winterwood Drive.

**Wednesday - April 24**  
**8:17 a.m.** Warrant served and arrest made on Hall Road. Johnathon Purcell, 33, of Londonderry charged with five counts of Aggravated Felonious

Sexual Assault Statutory Rape.  
**10:32 a.m.** Sex Offenses investigated on Rockingham Road.  
**10:36 a.m.** Services rendered for suspicious activity on Parmenter Road.  
**11:24 a.m.** Services rendered for suspicious activity on Kendall Pond Road.  
**1:39 p.m.** Sex Offenses investigated on Hall Road.  
**10:12 p.m.** Drug Offenses investigated at Sleep Inn on Perkins Road.  
**10:34 p.m.** Services rendered for report of trespassing at Sleep Inn on Perkins Road.  
**10:39 p.m.** Missing Person reported and investigated on Hardy Road.

**Thursday - April 25**  
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### Teen Information for Parenting Success

A weekly support program for young parents ages 13 to 23 will meet every Wednesday, from 5 - 7 p.m. at the Upper Room, 36 Tsienneto, Rd. Derry. This is a free weekly group. Childcare available. Call 437-8477 to register, ext. 12.

## Police Log

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**10:33 a.m.** Services rendered for suspicious activity on Sandstone Circle.  
**12:53 p.m.** Suspicious activity investigated on Mammoth Road at Londonderry Town Hall.  
**1:07 p.m.** Services rendered for Downed Wires on Kimball Road.  
**2:47 p.m.** Services rendered for Juvenile Offenses on Nashua Road.  
**6:15 p.m.** Weapons Offenses investigated near Trimmer's Landscaping on Aviation Park Drive.

### Friday - April 26

**11:52 a.m.** Services rendered in assisting Londonderry Fire Dept. on Golen Drive.  
**5:08 p.m.** Suspicious activity investigated on Liberty Drive at 603 Brewery.  
**9:09 p.m.** Criminal Mischief investigated on Hovey Road.  
**9:12 p.m.** Criminal Mischief reported on Mammoth Road.

### Vaping Deterrent Workshop

Do you know someone who is looking to give up vaping? This workshop will show teens how to break the habit and replace it with healthier options. On Thursday, June 6, from 2:30 to 4 p.m. at the Upper Room, 36 Tsienneto, Rd. Derry. Participants will gain strength by being with other people also trying to quit. This event costs \$25. Call 437-8477 to register, ext. 15.

### Evolve!

A group for young woman ages 13 to 18 to talk about today's challenges meets every Wednesday from 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. at the Upper Room, 36 Tsienneto, Rd. Derry. This is a free weekly group. To register, Call 437-8477 to register ext. 16.

### Transitions Young Adult Strategies

A new group where young adults can talk about things that are challenging meets every Thursday from 6 - 7 p.m. at the Upper Room, 36 Tsienneto, Rd. Derry. This is a free weekly group. Drop ins welcome.

### Saturday - April 27

**1:18 a.m.** Services rendered for Medical Emergency at Manchester Boston Regional Airport.  
**6:57 a.m.** Suspicious activity investigated on West Road.  
**7:32 a.m.** Auto Fire on Auburn Road at Matthew Drive results in vehicle being towed.  
**10:02 a.m.** Services rendered for suspicious activity at Soccer Fields on West Road.  
**10:48 a.m.** Three officers restore peace after suspicious activity on Avery Road.  
**3:20 p.m.** Services rendered in assisting Londonderry Fire Dept. on Quentin Drive.

### Sunday - April 28

**10:04 a.m.** Suspicious activity investigated at Red Arrow Diner on Rockingham Road.  
**11:17 a.m.** Citation Issued for traffic offenses at LAFA Complex on Nelson Road.  
**1:28 p.m.** Suspicious Activity investigated on Winding Pond Road.

come. Call 437-8477 to register ext. 24 for more information/options for dates and times.

### UR Parents

A weekly Resource group for parents, grandparents and caregivers raising teens meets every Thursday, from 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. at the Upper Room, 36 Tsienneto, Rd. Derry. This is a free weekly group. Drop ins welcome.

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or Kim Speers at kspeers@londonderry.org.

### Women's Writing Group

Derry Women's Creative writing group meets the second and fourth Thursdays of every month at the Derry public Library at 6:30 p.m.

### Lamplighters

A womans group with the goal of helping less fortunate woman and people in New Hampshire meets the fourth Thursday of the month at 7 p.m. at Londonderry Presbyterian Church at 128 Pillsbury Road, Londonderry. If you have any questions please call 781-866-9976.

### Bingo

The Londonderry Senior Center at 535 Mammoth Road in Londonderry, has Bingo every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 12 p.m. to 2 p.m. all seniors over 55 are welcome, come and enjoy the fun. Cash prizes, small fee per card. If you want more information call Senior Center at 432-8554.

### Walking Together

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### Journey of Hope

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### Greater Manchester Lyme Disease Support

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### Child Find

Free Community Child Find Program for all Londonderry residents ages two half years through five years, eleven months of age who are suspected of having vision or hearing problems or developmental concerns. The Child Find Program will be held at Londonderry early education program (LEEP) Moose Hill School located at 150 Pillsbury Rd., on April 4. we encourage parents of preschoolers to set up an appointment if they have any concerns. For more information, or to schedule an appointment, call: Kathy Kelley 437-5855, ext. 7223 between 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. No Child Will Be Seen Without An Appointment.

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