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Tracing Ties

During a recent Open House at the Morrison House Museum of the Londonderry Historical Society, a visitor from Belmont, Mass., Marsha Craig Knoll, chatted with Museum Curator, Ann Chiampa, left, about her families ties to the town of Londonderry before they moved to Rumney, N.H.

Photo by Chris Paul

School Board Gets Adult Ed and Summer School Presentation

IDAN VINITSKY
LONDONDERRY TIMES

A report on the Summer School and Adult Education programs was presented to the School Board during its Tuesday, Sep. 24 meeting at Town Hall.

Crystal Rich, Assistant

Principal at the Londonderry High School, told the board members that the Summer School program was widely successful and that the IT Department was very helpful in moving computers and equipment around, as some construction was done at the school

throughout the summer. A few kids from Litchfield also came and took classes and Kelly Gibson, who teaches at the high school and completed her first year as a Summer School teacher, added that "it was a great way to spend the summer."

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State Budget Compromise May Benefit Town Budgeting

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It took a summer long of debates and negotiations until finally, last Wednesday, Sept. 25, a compromise was reached between Democrats and Republicans and the New Hampshire state budget for Fiscal Years 2020-2021 passed.

The \$13 billion budget was endorsed by both parties nearly three months after Gov. Chris Sununu vetoed the first budget the Democrats passed. The agreement between the parties put an end to months of uncertainty and was reached just as the temporary spending agreement that started after the Jun. 28 veto, was coming to an end.

According to the new state budget, Londonderry will receive an Education Funding of \$270,213 for Fiscal Year 2020 and a smaller amount of \$259,016 for Fiscal Year 2021. This money will go to the town's schools, while the \$51,623 is budgeted for Infrastructural use, such as building projects, maintenance and other kinds of "one time spending."

The Town of Londonderry will receive \$266,556 from the new budget in Fiscal Year 2020 and a similar amount in Fiscal Year 2021 for Municipal Infrastructure, for roads, building maintenance, etc.

In a recent Town Council meeting (on Sep. 16), following the Governor's

Advisory Commission of Intermodal Transportation (GACIT) hearing that was held in town a week prior to that, Town Manager Kevin Smith told the Town Council members that in the new budget there may be an appropriation for the town of about \$500,000 and that this money could be used for any purpose in town.

The sum that the town will receive for Municipal Infrastructure in the next two Fiscal Years according to the new state budget is \$533,112 and according to State Representative Al Baldasaro, this amount could be used to continue the project at Stonehenge Road and Rt. 28 intersection.

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School Board Member Opposes Leasing and Charter Change

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At the Tuesday, Sept. 24 meeting of the School Board, despite opposition by one of its members, the Board passed several matters, by a vote of 4-1.

In one of the items, Deliberation 6.1, was to see what action(s) the board would take regarding a resolution for adopting capital leases.

This issue was postponed from the meeting that was held two weeks earlier, on Sept. 10.

At that meeting, board member Steve Young ask-

ed the School District's Chief Financial Officer, Peter Curro, about the bidding process and the details on the equipment, which total cost to the budget is approximately \$150,000. That sum includes the leasing of a bobcat, a one-ton truck with plow, an Exmark mower and a field groomer.

Young asked Curro to see all the bids and the subject was brought up again in the recent meeting.

Curro, as he did in the prior meeting, emphasized the fact that this was all discussed during

the budget process.

At last Tuesday's meeting, Young said that the School District budget is approximately \$77 million and that he does not believe that the district should be leasing \$150,000 of equipment, instead of expensing and

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Storybook Tale Revealed by Girl Scouts in Kent Allen Forest

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In the Fall of 2018, Cadette Girl Scouts - Troop 12591 leaders Gwen St. Germain and Sarah Fagan began support for an interesting Cadette Silver Award project for their troop that would be set-in the Kent Allen Forest.

The project is called "A Storybook Tale" - and it was revealed with special ceremony this past Saturday, Sept. 28. The project itself is a nature-walk, story-trail and the project is now ready for public viewing.

The girls in the troop are hopeful this project, involving the town forest, will be beneficial and leave a lasting mark with the Londonderry community.

The scouts began their project with support from Kent and Meredith Allen, who are curators and stewards of the town forest and with the approval this past summer of the Londonderry Heritage Commission, lead by Chairman Krystopher Kenney.

Six members of Londonderry's Cadette Girl Scout Troop 12591 set out to earn their Silver Awards, as per Cadette Girl Scout procedures, with this project. Troop members involved included Shaelee Ambler, Katia

Chylinski, Alyssa Fegan, Hailey Grenier, Sophia Miller, and Megan St. Germain. Emily Galante, a seventh member was to be involved to help with fundraising and other aspects of the project. The Silver Award is the highest award, a Girl Scout Cadette is able to earn. To earn this award, the scouts must complete a sustainable community service project and each girl must also dedicate a minimum of 50 hours towards the project.

As the Cadette Scout group examined the town forest area last fall and walked the existing trail, a story based on scout principals - referred to as "Leave No Trace" - spoke to them about underscoring lessons they had learned about respecting nature, wildlife and promoting its awareness.

Specifically, the troop had learned about "The Seven Principles of Leave No Trace" and decided to incorporate these principles into a story, which they wrote, illustrated and constructed using 8 kiosks set along one of the trails in Londonderry's Kent Allen Forest.

"The Seven Principles of Leave No Trace" are:

1. Plan Ahead
2. Respect Wildlife

3. Dispose of Waste Properly

4. Travel and Camp on Durable Surfaces

5. Minimize Campfire Impacts

6. Leave What You Find
7. Be Considerate of Other Visitors"

(According to the Leave No Trace Center for Outdoor Ethics at www.LNT.org)

The story, which was the result of this group effort, is named "A Storybook Tale" and the goal of the project is to educate others in an interesting manner about how to respect nature. The story itself is told using woodland events and details of nature that can be found around Londonderry, including creatures the girls named Dottie the deer, George the goat, Trevor the turtle, Charlotte the chipmunk, Walter the woodpecker and Olivia the owl. This trail is now a great place for a family, including kids to check out for a local fun outdoor event with fresh air and beautiful forest scenes as a backdrop.

Troop 12591 leader Gwen St. Germain says, "It was wonderful to see each of the girls grow through the process of obtaining their Silver Awards. Some knew exactly what they wanted to do at first while others



Girl Scout Cadets and their sponsors pose during the ceremony for their "A Storybook Tale" at the Kent Allen Forest on Saturday.

were hesitant and wondered how they could contribute to the project."

"They learned that each of them worked at a different pace but were talented and could add value to a common goal. In the end, they all needed to be flexible and to be able to chip in where they were needed, Germain said. "To be honest, some doubted that the Girl Scouts could pull off a project of this magnitude-eight storyboard kiosks in the Kent Allen Forest."

St Germain reported that through perseverance, compromise and a little nudging, the troop learned how to work together with Town leaders in the community, including Kevin Smith, Laura Gandia and the Heritage Committee, who ultimately approved the storybook trail. The troop

met with their advisors, graphic artists, product managers, printers, and were the ones asking which varnish to use or picking out which lumber would last the longest.

St. Germain said, "For me, the sweetest and most unexpected reward was getting to know Kent and Meredith Allen who were not only great mentors but became friends to all of us in the process." Although the troop worked together through the year, they have all transitioned into Londonderry High School and the reveal this past week was their first time seeing the end result of "A Storybook Tale".

The girls want to thank everyone - including their sponsors - who helped make the storybook trail a reality, Kevin Smith (town manager),

Laura Gandia (town planner), their advisors and parents as well as troop leaders Sarah Fagan, Barbara Fowle, and Gwen St. Germain, the Londonderry Trailways, the Conservation Commission and Heritage Committee, Benson's Lumber, Uber Guy Neal, Haas Dental, the Lion's Club, and especially Meredith and Kent Allen who have spent many selfless hours creating the trails, beautifying the Town Forest and becoming mentors and friends to all of the troop.

If anyone would like to sponsor a kiosk, so that they can be maintained for years to come, please email Gwen St. Germain atrgstg@comcast.net for all the details. Please see the map of the back and follow the numbers through "A Storybook Tale".



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Tennessee Gas Pipeline Maker Replacement Program to Began Oct. 1

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The Town of Londonderry announced on Monday (Sep. 30) that the Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company's Maker Replacement Program is planned to begin this Wednesday (Oct. 1) and be completed by the end of 2019.

The town published a

letter, sent from Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company that said that the company has safely operated natural gas transmission lines in New England for over six decades and continues to work to maintain safe pipeline operations. "As part of that diligence, we will always ensure our pipeline marking system meets federally

mandated standards", wrote John Kennedy, the company's Damage Prevention Supervisor.

The company operated natural gas transmission pipelines that cross through Londonderry and over the next few months, will conduct a maintenance program on

the pipeline markers in order to certify compliance with the required Department of Transportation regulations. The pipeline markers, said the letter, are a white PVC post base, with a yellow top and they have the company's contact information written on them.

"The markers are critical in identifying the location of our pipeline(s) and aid in preventing third party damage by excavators", explained Kennedy. "They also provide property owners and excavators our contact information in the event of an emergency."

The company will install new markers if any of them are missing or needed to be added and prior to this installation, will try to contact the landowner by knocking on his/her door. In case there is no answer, the compa-

ny said it will leave a "door hanger" and a letter, explaining that it will be installing a marker on the property within 14 days. The "door hanger" will include Tennessee Gas Pipeline's contact information and the location of the upcoming new marker will be identified with a yellow stake or flag in the ground.

Any questions or concerns can be directed to Kennedy at 413-821-2058 or by email, to JohnP_Kennedy@kindermorgan.com.

OBITUARY

Joan Marie McFadden Jensen



Londonderry and New London, NH - Joan Marie McFadden Jensen, "Jo" died peacefully at her home at the age of 87 on Sept. 30, 2019.

Jo was a long time resident of New London and Londonderry, NH

She was born in Chanute, Kansas on September 6, 1932 to John Henry and Lael Harmon McFadden. She grew up in Chanute and Kansas City. She loved dance and was an avid ballet dancer and water ballet performer. While attending Wyandotte High School she met her perfect match and husband to be - Jack W. Jensen. They married in 1950 and had a love like no other. They led a wonderful and adventurous life. They attended Yale Divinity where Jack was recruited by then Colby Junior College in 1957 to be the chaplain and a professor. While Jack taught philosophy, ethics and religion, Jo raised two children. Jo worked at the First Baptist Church for many years as a church secretary and at Windy Hill School, jobs she loved. Jack was a minister at two churches, Jo was a Buddhist. This balance of the two never failed to amuse them. Their deep love was felt by all who knew them. Jo and Jack travelled the world spending extended periods in Greece, Turkey and Egypt to name just a few. Jo spent the last 20 years of her life living with her daughter and her family in Londonderry and being a wonderful grandmother. Her family treasured and loved this wonderful woman and the life she helped us lead.

Jo was predeceased by Jack in 1990 and her son John Mark Jensen in 2007. Jo left this world having had a "beautiful life". She is survived and will be dearly missed by her daughter, Kristina Lindsay Jensen-Nikolaidis, Kristina's husband Christos and their three children, Jack, Alexander and Sophia. Mom, Grandma, Jo we will always miss you, in laughter and in our tears, in rain and in sunshine, in night time and day time and in the clouds. Until we meet again.

Per her wishes, a small graveside service will be held on Sunday Oct. 6, at 1p.m. at New London's Old Main Street Cemetery. To sign an online guestbook please visit www.chadwickfuneralservice.com.

Leasing

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buying it. "For me, leasing this equipment, and maybe I should've spoken up during budget season, and I will this year, seems silly," Young told the other board members, before the vote. He opposed, but the others approved the resolution.

Young also opposed, "firmly" as he announced, the next deliberation, to see what action(s) the Board will take regarding approval of the interest rate for the capital lease. The School District is working with a company in Vermont named Municipal Leasing Corp (MLC) and their interest rate is 3.87 percent for a three-year capital lease (However, a five-year interest rate, as it was originally budgeted, was eventually voted on and accepted by the School Board).

Young said that the School District is going to spend an additional \$17,000, just to use \$150,000 to lease the equipment. He asked if there are any tax advantages to leasing instead of buying and when Curro answered that there are none, Young replied that he already knew the answer to that question and added: "There's no reason for us to be leasing. Thank you."

Young also opposed the deliberation to see what action(s) the Board will take regarding approval of moving the approved Charter Amendment to the official ballot in March 2020. The Charter Amendment, concerning the definitions and calculations of the default budget, and was first discussed by the School Board, at a public hearing, at the meeting on Aug. 6.

In a memo sent to Superintendent Scott Laliberte on Sept. 20, by Curro, the CFO, he wrote, "the School District has received a positive answer from the Department of justice regarding our request for a charter amendment."

The only deliberation that passed unanimously at Wednesday's meeting was about the annual overnight field trip requests from the co-curricular organizations, including music and athletics, for the 2019-20 school year. Jason Parent stated that the requests have no cost for the taxpayers.

The total amount of the field trips for this school year is \$189,850 and they include trips to New York, Connecticut, Massachusetts, Michigan, Rhode Island and Pennsylvania.

OBITUARY

Pauline A. Caron



Pauline A. Caron, 79, of Londonderry, died peacefully on Sept. 28, 2019. Pauline is predeceased by her husband, Roland (Bud) Caron; her parents, Leo and Florence Antaya, and her brother, Francis Antaya. Pauline is survived by her sister, Jeanne (Carl)

Edwards; her daughter, Michelle Barton; her granddaughter, Jessica Barton; and numerous nephews, nieces and cousins.

Pauline was an active citizen and volunteer in the town of Londonderry, dedicating much of her time to the Londonderry Leach Library, which she dearly loved. At various times, Pauline held positions as President and Treasurer of the Friends of the Londonderry Leach Library, Trustee of the Londonderry Leach Library, and Commissioner of the Londonderry Heritage Commission. Pauline was also a past member of the Londonderry Historical Society. A graduate of the New Hampshire School of Accounting and Secretarial Science, Pauline enjoyed working as a legal secretary until she was 77, having transitioned to part-time status after she retired. Pauline was a talented knitter, and made numerous afghans that she shared with friends and family.

Private services will be held at the convenience of the family. Her family requests that donations be made in her memory to either the VNA of Manchester and Southern NH, 1070 Holt Ave., Suite 1400, Manchester NH 03109, or the Friends of the Londonderry Leach Library, 276 Mammoth Rd., Londonderry, NH 03053. The Peabody Funeral Homes and Crematorium of Derry and Londonderry are assisting the family with arrangements. To send a condolence or for more information, please visit, www.peabodyfuneralhome.com.

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Editorial

Celebrate Freedom to Read

Last week bears the quirky title of Banned Books Week. This is an annual event celebrating the freedom to read and its purpose, of course, is to celebrate the freedom to read what you want. The week focuses on attempts to keep that freedom away from Americans by removing or restricting access to any books that self-proclaimed book banners think we should not be allowed to read.

While most challenges of books are made to libraries and schools, it's every American's responsibility to defend every other American's freedom to read. Each of us has the right to read what we choose. Banned Books Week reminds us that no one should be allowed to tell us what we can't read.

Don't take your freedom to read for granted. There are people eager to tell you and libraries and schools what they should make available for us to read, and what they should keep away from us. In plain English, that's called censorship. No other word applies. And there is no place for it in American society.

We recognize that parents may not consider all books appropriate for children. That makes perfect sense. And as long as parents apply their standards and moral viewpoints to their own children, we applaud their efforts at working to instill their values in their offspring. When they decide their standards must apply to all chil-

dren or all library patrons or students that's censorship once again.

Imagine if you didn't have the right to select your choice of books; if the books available were only those allowed by government-sanctioned censors. According to the American Library Association, 480 books were challenged in 2019. Some books that made the top 10 challenged books were "Brave New World" by Aldous Huxley and "To Kill a Mockingbird" by Harper Lee, which make the list just about every year. "The Hunger Games" trilogy, and Captain Underpants series, written and illustrated by Dav Pilkey, made it to the top 10 this year as well.

Books are challenged for a variety of reasons religious belief, concern about profanity or slang or sexual content. But in all cases, the challenge, the attempt to ban a book from public access, involves someone saying he or she has the right to tell others what they cannot read. We can't accept that.

This week, in honor of Banned Books Week, do something to celebrate your right to think for yourself. Read a book. Any book you want. The freedom to read is as important as the freedom to speak. This also includes papers and how we get different perspectives on the issues facing our world. Hold tight to your freedoms before you lose them one at a time.

Letters

Traitor-in-Chief, Again

To the editor,
Here we go again, is all I have to say. Not really though. I am not quite sure why no one is writing about this Lying Con Artist, Treasonous, Traitor? Or, perhaps this Criminal Banana Republic we all live in now. How we witness these Soulless, Unpatriotic Republicans continue to defecate all over the constitution, rule of law, every single moment of every day. I find it hard to believe anyone can even acknowledge this Lying Traitor as their President (certainly not mine)?

Let's take it from the top: Lie count ~ 13,000. Hiding his tax return; continues to use every legal means to stop their release. Does it really matter at this point? I mean who other than a Republican believes he is nothing more than a Tax cheating, Russian money laundering, criminal as this point anyway. Funny, they asked the acting DNI last week what his security clearance exercise was like. A: checked out my past employers, spoke to neighbors & friends,

looked into "MY FINANCES". You know, standard stuff. Yeah, that's right, this is how it's done!

How about the Mueller report? Anyone else angry the report WE paid for was submitted to the White House and Attorney General (who is under contempt charges) 30 days prior to it being delivered to Congress? And the report they did receive was REDACTED? You may know it as taking out the really bad stuff. Still it showed 10 instances of obstruction of justice. All the while this pile of garbage does what he does best; Lies to his mindless lemming followers. Nothing to see hear folks, Fake news, Witch Hunt blah, blah.

How about Committing Treason in the Ukraine Cover up scandal? Which part you may ask? The actual Act, the cover up or the WH SPIN machine before it became public? Hiding it on a different secure SERVER? Pick one. I assume everyone is programmed with the word SERVER, right?

I for one am glad he said: "they are nothing more than spies, (WH

Aides to the Whistleblower) you know what we used to do with spies in the old days?" This means he must also know what we used to do with Lying, Con-artist, Treasonous, Traitors in the old days as well. Care to guess?

As of writing this (I kid you not) Mike Pompeo has just defied 3 independent bodies request for information on Ukraine back to June. I guess he forgot who he works for (or perhaps he remembered)? Also, US Envoy to Ukraine has just resigned.

Need another example: Cory Lewandowski to Congress: I was never part of this administration; therefore, I cannot claim executive privilege. However, I'm not going to tell you because the person I serve doesn't want me to. What kind of Banana Republic crap is that?

The only question really left is: How long do we (Americans) let this Lawless, Constitution subverting, criminal regime continue to exist?

Steve Homsey
Londonderry, NH

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State Budget

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the Department of Transportation's Ten-Year Plan, but is currently stuck since the cost proved to be around \$1.7 million, and not \$1.1 million, as the town initially believed it would be. The town was planning to use a \$519,000 grant it received from the state to pay for half of the

project, with the DOT financing the other half.

However, when the cost proved to be higher, the DOT still demanded Londonderry to pay for its half, while the town answered that an additional spending of approximately \$300,000 would have to approve by the voters in the next March elections. Now, if it decides to do so, the town

does not have to go to the voters and instead, use part of the Municipal Infrastructure money.

Baldasaro also told the Londonderry Times: "The Republicans fought to make sure there will be no downshifts to the towns, no new taxes. The governor vetoed the first budget because there were too many taxes and lots of spending there."

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Great Blue Herons and Egrets Sightings Becoming Less Common

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In the Greater Londonderry Area, there is an abundant amount of wildlife – from wild turkeys to foxes, deer and lots more.

Recently, residents Brian Salemi, who lives in Londonderry and Gail Bishop, who lives near the Island Pond area in Derry, reported having Blue Herons living in wetlands near their homes.

The Great Blue Heron is the largest heron in North America. It is 3 to 4 feet tall and has a wingspan of almost six feet. It has blue-gray feathers on most of its body and a plume of feathers on its chest and back, and the bird has long legs with rusty-red thighs and a long, straight, dagger-like yellowish bill that turns orange at the beginning of the breeding season. Adults have white on the top of their heads and long black plumes above their eyes.

Great Blue Herons can be found in marshes, rivers, lakes, saltwater shores and ponds and they hunt for food during the day and at night. They stand in the water and wait for prey, like frogs and fish, to pass by and then grab them with its long bill. They will also eat salamanders, lizards, snakes, shrimps, crabs, crayfish, dragonflies, grasshoppers, aquatic insects, and occasionally birds and small mammals

like mice. The Great Blue Heron migrates in the fall, although some stay in the northern part of their range.

Salemi reported, "The Blue Herons in my area are very skittish to humans. However, we may have a nest near our pond, as we see a Blue Heron there every day, multiple times a day in my backyard pond.

"We also have a white bird living there too that turned out to be a Great Egret," Salemi says. "I spoke with the Audubon society regarding this bird too, and it is in our backyard pond all day – and has been every day for the past couple of weeks now. These big birds are quite noisy throughout the day and even late at night."

According to Fish and Game information, southern N.H. is one of the places in New England where Blue Herons and Egrets can still be seen, though these sightings are becoming less common. Unfortunately, the bird population has been severely impacted in the U.S. according to recent newspaper reports across the country.

Time magazine reports that birds across the U.S. are disappearing in big numbers, though many of us may not have noticed. Time further reports that since 1970, North American bird populations have undergone a crisis that has not been noticed by many

Americans.

Scientists are now estimating that 29% of its total avian population has disappeared, as was revealed in the Journal of Science in this September's issue. That's a loss of nearly 3 billion birds in the last half century.

According to UNH Extension documentation for good forestry, it is key to the survival of big birds like Herons and Egrets we pay attention to their care. Here is important information provided by UNH about these birds and with considerations about interacting with them.

Great blue herons are large wading birds that nest in colonies of several to many pairs. Nesting colonies usually are found near wetland and shoreline feeding areas, though they occasionally will nest at some distance from wetland feeding areas. Most southern New Hampshire nests occur in dead trees and near beaver ponds. Heron colonies come and go over time often as nesting snags fall and trees lose their branches or as a nearby food source changes.

Human activity in the vicinity of a nesting colony during the breeding season may lead to

abandonment; distance from human settlements appears to be a significant factor in Heron or Egret colony site selection. Great Blue Herons will flush from nests in response to intrusions at distances of roughly 400 to 600 feet early in the breeding season (April through May) before incubation has begun, and at distances of roughly 100 to 300 feet during incubation and nestling periods.

Information on location and numbers of Great Blue Heron colonies across N.H. is lacking though many known colonies are located south of the White Mountains and areas including the Greater Derry and Londonderry area.

Hérons and Egrets are protected, as are all migratory birds, under the federal Migratory Bird Act of 1918, so do not to approach them directly or harm their eggs.

Road construction in the vicinity of a nesting colony may result in nest abandonment. Nesting herons may tolerate vehicle traffic on existing roads, but pedestrians visible from nests often present more of a problem than traffic.

Within roughly 330 feet of an active, occupied heron colony, refrain from cutting live or dead nest

trees. Residents and town

public works departments should limit harvest activity to single tree selection outside the breeding and nesting sea-

son. Please report any heron colony locations to the Non-game and Endangered Wildlife Program at N.H. Fish and Game or NH Bird Records

OBITUARY

Debra S. Leitch

Debra S. Leitch died on Sept. 24, 2019 at her home in Londonderry, NH after a long, determined battle with numerous medical complications due to fibromyalgia. She was born on May 31, 1954 in Andover, MA. She graduated from North Andover High School and attended Mass College of Art in Boston. On May 31, 1976, she married Peter Leitch. Together, they raised three children, Meghan, Geoffrey, and Amanda, of whom she was very proud and supportive.

Debi grew up showing Saddlebred horses around New England, traveling to Kentucky in the summer to train with the noted saddleseat expert Helen Crabtree, and was an accomplished rider and trainer. She later started her own riding program at a barn in Londonderry, coaching numerous young riders, including her daughters, who carry on her legacy of horsemanship. She worked in sales at Jordan Marsh and for Calvin Klein. Her engaging personality and love of stories helped her excel in that career, and she passed these traits to her son. When her kids were in school, she was a teacher's assistant in the Londonderry schools for several years and was active in the PTA. She was also a talented artist and loved drawing, painting, and crafting, as well as coloring with her children and grandchildren. She was a great animal lover, had numerous pets of all species, and supported many organizations devoted to animals and wildlife. She was a voracious reader and collected jewelry and gemstones. Even through her long illness, she was always full of life and did everything she could to support her family, encouraging their interests and education.

Debi is preceded in death by her father, C. Lincoln Giles, and mother, Janice Giles. She is survived by her husband, Peter; her children, Meg Fox, Geoff Leitch, and Amanda Burris, and their spouses; her brother, Rick Giles, her sister, Jannie Giles and their families; her grandchildren, Maddy, Jackson, and Caleb; and numerous in-laws, nieces, and nephews.

A calling hour will be held on Saturday, Oct. 5, from 9:30 - 10:30 a.m. in the Peabody Funeral Homes & Crematorium, 290 Mammoth Rd., Londonderry. Funeral services will follow at 10:30 a.m. In lieu of flowers, the family would like donations to be made in Debi's name to Canine Commitment of New England, 733 Bedford Rd., New Boston, NH 03070 <http://caninecommit.org/donate>, or Saddlebred Rescue, 6 Meadow Cliff Lane, Hardwick, NJ 07825 www.saddlebredrescue.com/donate.html. To send a condolence or for more information, please visit, www.peabodyfuneralhome.com.

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Londonderry Police Department Welcomes Three New Officers

IDAN VINITSKY
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Londonderry Police Department had recently welcomed three new officers in a ceremony held at the Moose Hill Chambers at Town Hall with Chief of Police William Hart, Town Manager Kevin Smith and Town Clerk Sherry Farrell.

The three new LPD officers are all New Hampshire certified officers and joined the local department with different levels of experience, from several New Hampshire police departments. They have already completed their two-week in-house academy and can be seen on the streets of Londonderry, accompanied by a specially designated veteran officer, as they complete their field training.

The in-house academy included the firing range and defensive tactics training. The new officers started their field training program on Sept. 16.

Officer Anthony "AJ" Marciano was a State Trooper for four years. About two years ago, he left the State Police and went to work in his family business to help out his father. After doing that, he decided he wanted to rejoin the law enforcement and applied to the Londonderry Police Department and was hired.

Officer Muzafer "Moose" Aku was employed full time be the nearby Auburn Police Department for approximately

eight years. Prior to that, Aku was also a police officer with the Hooksett Police Department. He decided he wanted to work for a larger police agency, and joined the Londonderry Police Department.

Officer Cameron Verrier worked for the University of New Hampshire Police Department in Durham for three years. He is a six years veteran in the United States Marine Corps and currently still serves in their reserves unit.

Captain Patrick Cheatham from the Londonderry Police said that the new officers will be officially introduced in the police awards night soon, and added that the



New Officers, from left, Anthony "AJ" Marciano, Muzafer "Moose" Aku and Cameron Verrier were sworn in by Chief Bill Hart, far right. Courtesy photo.

Police Department has a couple of vacancies and that the three new officers' process of joining the department started earlier in the summer, after they completed a background process and passed a test. They were

sworn in on Sept. 3.

The Londonderry Police Department is currently down six full time police officers and is calling anyone who wishes to apply. If you are already certified in New Hampshire, you can contact Lt.

Joe Bellino (jbellino@londonderryhpd.org) and if not, you can sign up for the Great Bay Community College regional written test. Questions can be sent to Lt. Bellino or Sgt. Keith Lee (klee@londonderryhpd.org).

Fall Family Fun Can Be Found at Elwood Farm Corn Maze

MELISSA BETH RUIZ
LONDONDERRY TIMES

"We just keep getting more and more people every year," said Wayne Elwood, co-owner of Elwood Orchards in Londonderry. "I guess people like to have a challenge and a nice family activity

to go along with apple-picking."

Local residents looking for outdoor activities for the family and friends are invited to visit Elwood Orchards and take part in their corn maze. This locally grown network of maize paths and walls has

provided locals with hours of seasonal fun for over a decade.

For over a century, Elwood Orchards has been family owned and operated. Founded by the great-grandfather of current owners Wayne and Wayland Elwood, it began as a wholesale apple orchard. Decades later, Elwood Orchards would venture into retail with Pick-Your-Own apples, eventually branching out to more produce and

adding the Corn Maze at the end of the growing season.

The maze has grown to about 15 acres, and for those worried about losing party members or sustaining injuries in the stalks, there are simple measures that can be taken to ensure parties stick together or are easily reunited at the end of the maze, and that friends and family avoid any injury inside of the maze.

First, consider estab-

lishing a "buddy system," ensuring that at least one member has a cell phone in case of emergency. Tread carefully to avoid tripping, especially after rainy weather, as paths can become slick after rainfall. Finally, be sure to wear appropriate clothing to avoid scratches and skinned knees.

On an opening day visit to the orchard on Friday, Oct. 4, one couple completed the maze in two hours. Wayland reported that he's seen some take as much as three and a half hours. The corn maze is now open through the first weekend in November. The entrance fee for day and night mazes is \$10 per person, and is free for children five years old and under. In addition to

its impressive corn maze, Elwood Orchards also offers hayrides on its property.

The rides are 15 minutes long and offer a beautiful hilltop view where riders can catch a glimpse of Mount Wachusett, Mount Monadnock, and the area of the Merrimack Outlets. Hay rides are available free of charge on Saturdays and Sundays through the end of October. Though it may sound corny, a day of apple picking, a hayride, and a trip through the corn maze at Elwood Orchards will provide "amaize-ing" memories to last a lifetime. For more information on what Elwood Orchards has to offer, visit www.elwoodorchards.com

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Lions Present Four Groups with Donation from Motorcycle Memorial



Salvation Army Captain Michael Harper accepts his check from Sherman Packard



Liberty House representative Jeff Nelson with Packard. Photos by Chris Paul



Lloyd Wagoner of the Sonshine Soup Kitchen thanks Packard for his contribution.

Back on June 22, Londonderry Lions Club member, and State Representative Sherman Packard held a motorcycle rally in honor of his wife Joanne who had past away last year. The Joanne Packard Memorial Motorcycle Run had over 80 participating motorcycle riders who set out from the Lions Hall to take part in the Memorial Run and over \$9,000 dollars was raised in her memory through the run and by way of private donations. The money raised was aimed to help a

number of organizations Joanne and Sherman were part of, or helped organize over the years.

Representatives from four of those groups were invited to the Lions Hall recently and were presented checks for \$1,500 each. Those organizations were: the Liberty House, the Sonshine Soup Kitchen of Derry, the local Salvation Army, and the New Hampshire Motorcyclists Rights Org., which was created by Joanne in 1975.

Presentation

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Gibson worked in collaboration with middle school teacher Ryan Berry. "We Tried to breach the gap between middle and high school", she said. "We tried to set the kids up with the tools to breach the gap and give them life skills so they won't get lost among the 1,500 students when they enter the high school." The program helps the kids have some

familiar faces of teachers in their first high school days and gives the participants some high school credit later.

The LIFT program had kids coming in between 8 and 11:30 a.m. and included field trips to the mall and to Hannaford supermarket, where the kids got the chance to see job training and learn about nutrition.

Gibson explained that this is important for high school kids, who have to get used to waking up earlier

for school. The kids were also sent to ask for job applications and then worked on these.

64 students enrolled in all Summer School programs this year, with 60 of them (94 percent) earning credits. All 23 LIFT students earned some sort of credit, according to the high school's report.

31 students enrolled this fall in the Adult Education program: 26 in Adult Education Diploma Program and six day students in the Credit Recov-

ery program. The report says that 12 students are anticipated for graduation in the Evening program, on Jan. 15, 2020.

The 2019 Fall Course offerings include a Mondays and Wednesdays program of biology, media & the world, creative welding and life skills/tutoring (2:30-5:30 p.m.) and a Tuesdays and Thursdays program of women in lit, US history through pop culture, civics/economics and English 101 (2:30-7 p.m.).



Traci Beurivage of the N.H. Motorcycle Right Org. speaks to the Lions Club after receiving he check.

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Annual Wellness Day Held at Londonderry Middle School

IDAN VINITSKY
LONDONDERRY TIMES

Londonderry Middle School held its Wellness Day on Friday, Sept. 27, a special event that has been going on annually since the beginning of this decade.

Every kid in school was involved in the Wellness Day that included a one-hour run or walk around the school. This served as a fundraiser and the kids sought donations from their parents and grandparents, either for each lap their kid completed around the facility or any other amount they wished to donate to the cause.

Proceeds from the fundraiser serve to replace the water filtration system in the school's water fountains. The school wants to add two more water bottle filling stations and provide each

grade level area with two of them. The water bottle filling stations help teach the students about recycling and the environment. The cost of this project was estimated to be approximately \$1,500.

Suzan Rowe, Londonderry Middle School teacher, who led the Wellness Day, said that the school is hoping to raise much more than the \$1,500 through this event, and use the money for other projects. She added that parents who still want to make a donation are more than welcome to do so.

Other than the run/walk around the school, students also participated in an hour long Move-a-thon, where they had the option to choose one of 11 different activities, that kept them moving for 60 minutes. There were workouts, such as hiking,

yoga, dancing and more and large group games, including "catch the football", "catch the flag", a Lord of the Rings game and kickball. There was a raffle with sponsored gifts from the Londonderry Country Club, SportsZone and the big prize: Two bicycles from Walmart.

Each grade also had speakers, who gave "mini-speaks" about a variety of topics revolving wellness. The teachers spoke to their students about mental, emotional, physical and different kinds of wellness and each grade had one hour in each station. "It's a great day", added Rowe. "Everybody is out, it's less formal and we all enjoy each other's company."

One of the main events of the day was a presentation by artist Rob Surette. The speed-painter creates paintings in five minutes

or less and presented the kids different challenges such as chasing your dreams, explore the arts and be kind to one another. He painted influencing figures, including Abraham Lincoln, Mother Teresa and Albert Einstein and used a slide show to help the kids learn about his work. Surette arrives at the school every three years, so each kid meets him once.

Another activity was a King Arthur's demonstration on how to make bread. Each kid received the instructions needed to make three loafs of bread. They kept one for themselves and returned on Monday morning with 200 loafs more, which were then donated by the school.

"Wellness is very, very important to us", concluded Rowe. "Our school



Eighth graders Maddie Plante and Hannah Newman-Williams enjoy some tailgating games.

theme this year and last year was teaching the kids how to help others instead of being focused on themselves. How to make the world a better place."

New Hampshire Tackles Hunger Program Held at Mack Plaque Football

IDAN VINITSKY
LONDONDERRY TIMES

A lot was happening on the field on Friday (Sep. 27), when Pinkerton Academy's Varsity Football team hosted Londonderry High School for the Mack Plaque game, but off the field, prior to the game, there was also a lot happening.

Students and teachers from both high schools stood side by side at the entrance to the field in the minutes before kickoff and collected donations of non-perishable food as part of the New Hampshire Tackles Hunger program. The deal was simple: A donation equals a ticket for the game and

the baskets were quickly filled with more and more cans. Last year, 5,820 pounds of food was collected and \$5,636 was raised at the Mack Plaque game.

Amy Downing, a teacher at the Londonderry High School, explained: "We have about a dozen kids from Londonderry operating this. It's mostly kids from the freshmen class officers that organize the volunteers and all the food goes to either St. Thomas Aquinas or St. Jude's, to support their pantries."

Lani Buskey, coach of the Pinkerton Girls' Varsity Basketball team, led the operation on the

Astros side, added: "Londonderry and Pinkerton kids are working together on this, organizing everything." She said that the kids from the Athletic Leadership Council on each school also went shopping earlier in the week with gift certificates.

For senior, Derek Hiscox, of the Pinkerton Athletic Leadership Council, this was the second year volunteering for the New Hampshire Tackles Hunger program in the week leading up to the Mack Plaque game and he said: "There were a few of us, with Mr. Sojka, the Assistant AD, who went on Wednesday to Hanaford with a \$250 gift

card. We went shopping for can goods. I think it's incredible, it's a great cause that we have all these high school students that are working to help people who need food. I'm very proud that Pinkerton and Londonderry can combine and work together and do something like that."

HOSA, the Health Occupations Students of America, also had a stand outside the field and was raising money for the Pediatric Cancer Research Foundation. The organization has a club in Pinkerton and the students were selling different sweets, treats and goods they prepared and

donated for \$1. Emilia Johnston and Julie Giannopoulos, who are officers in the HOSA club this year, said that in the week leading to the game they already managed to collect about \$500 and that approximately \$200 more are collected on game day.

Other than this event, the club also has fundraisers, including a walk for breast cancer research and survivors and an open mic night. Every year, a different association is chosen by the students and the money that is raised in the events throughout the years goes to that association.

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Eagle Scout's "Bat Boxes" Project Takes Aim at Mosquito Problems

MACK LEATHURBY
LONDONDERRY TIMES

Sam D. Kimpton is a young man on a mission who is doing his share to contribute to our community. Recently Kimpton moved forward with his unique and timely plan to help lower the Londonderry mosquito population - and to help fight dangerous Eastern Equine Encephalitis (EEE) outbreaks that have been occurring in our area. Kimpton placed innovative "Bat Boxes" along a popular hiking trail in town and adjacent to the Londonderry Town Common, nearby schools, and Mack's Apples orchard - as part of his Eagle Scout project.

Kimpton told us, "I got the idea for this project from a memory when I was age 8. It was during a "Snowtober day" and the outside was particularly cold. I woke up that morning and on my windowsill was a little baby brown bat. I named that bat Bruce, after Bruce Wayne - Batman."

On Saturday, Sept. 29, Kimpton who is 17 years old and lives in Londonderry, installed his 4 custom designed "bat boxes" in key locations of the town. Kimpton was the project lead with regard to the design, public education, materials acquisition, construction, and installation of these "bat boxes" - which will create new habitat for hundreds of bats. Sam and his fellow Scouts put in over 100 hours for this project, along with the guidance of his grandfather, David Kimpton, acting as Sam's

mentor through the process.

The Scouts' work will help address declining bat populations from loss of habitat and "White Nose" Syndrome. Additionally, since bats are a natural predator of mosquitoes, this project may help reduce the number of mosquitoes potentially carrying the EEE and the West Nile viruses.

"The community will likely see a substantial reduction of mosquitoes in the area," says Kimpton. "They will also see that houses in the general area with bat inhabitation situations might have their bats move out of the house and into these boxes."

Kimpton is an advocate for the benefits that the bat population brings to our community. He says, "I believe bats get a bad reputation - due to the way pop culture sometimes has addressed them as evil signs, which is entirely untrue - as they are one of the most helpful animal species around, only rivaled by honeybees. And yes, bees are in danger of big population losses at this time, but they are not the only thing we should care about - as bats also provide a significant amount of pollination support, including the pollination of such things as the cacao plant that provide us with good chocolate."

Kimpton's project is one of his final requirements for earning the rank of Eagle Scout, the highest award in the Scout's Boy Scouts of American (BSA)

program, which fewer than 4% of all Scouts actually achieve. In addition to required skills and leadership experience, qualifying for the Eagle Scout rank requires a service project for the community.

"Eagle Scout is not simply a patch that says you're an Eagle Scout," Kimpton tells us. "It signifies you're a member of society who is ready to deliver anything important that is asked of you in a very professional manner. Eagle Scouts have a track record of becoming highly decorated military officers and police officers, as well as succeeding in other important public safety and defense positions."

Kimpton is a member of Scouts BSA Troop 263 of the Daniel Webster Council of the Boy Scouts of America. Sam was recently recognized for his project with the World Conservation Award from the BSA and joined his classmates recently for an ocean cleanup project in cooperation with Blue Ocean Society.

Sam inspired and helped bring his entire scout troop on an August 2017 backpacking trip to Yellowstone Park to witness the solar eclipse;



Future Eagle Scout, Sam Kimpton, pictured kneeling, gets help from Boy Scouts Manny Sweeney, Reid Krizan, Sam Walden, Joey Fortin, Adam Burke, and Ryan Gilsenian, as they set up a new bat house.

this adventure was covered both by WMUR and the Londonderry Times.

Kimpton is currently a Senior at Londonderry High School where he is active in carpentry classes, marching band, and environmental studies. He is interested in a career in conservation law enforcement after graduation.

Once he completes his project, he will go before a review board on Nov. 20. And if Sam is awarded the Eagle Scout rank, he will be the 4th consecutive

generation of Eagle Scouts in his family.

Sam wants all young folks in the community to know, "If anyone wants to take anything positive away from our project - it's to try to convince the kids you know and their friends, - or better yet any anyone who is of scouting age - to join a scouting program. With inclusion of girls into our scouting program now,

it's become a massive movement for people who just want to be the best they can be in their community. I've been in scouting for 6 years and I've never seen so much interest in the worldwide scouting movement as now."

Cheers to Sam Kimpton and his fellow Scouts for making our community an even better place for living.

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Ovation Theatre Company Will Present 'Into The Woods'

Following the success of its debut production this past spring, Ovation Theatre Company is launching a full season of shows, starting with *Into the Woods* which will have the first of four shows starting on Thursday, Oct. 10. Their first show, *Les Misérables*, Student Edition, sold out five performances in May and the *Into the Woods* cast is prepared to deliver another talent-filled, musical production.

Stephen Sondheim's *Into the Woods* is a brilliant "fractured" fairy tale, expanding the original Rapunzel story and weaving in other characters and plots from several Brothers Grimm and Charles Perrault fairy tales, including *Cinderella*, *Little Red Riding Hood* and *Jack and the Beanstalk*. The plot bril-

liantly draws all of these characters together "into the woods," as they seek to fulfil their wishes and find there happily ever after. Throughout the first act, the characters appear to achieve their goals. The real twists come in Act II, when everyone discovers what happens after the happily ever after, which isn't always so happy.

The cast is drawn from virtually every town in greater Manchester, plus Nashua and northern Massachusetts. The enchantress who propels the entire story is played by Betsy Brown, of Londonderry, and the couple who tries to break her spell are portrayed by Zac Barnaby, of Pepperell, Mass., and Tracy Hickey of Derry. They first encounter Little Red in her riding hood - Cailean Anderson (Hud-

son), heading to see her grandmother - Meara Horan, of Londonderry - only to encounter a deliciously devious wolf, hilariously portrayed by Adam Furgal, of Auburn. Meanwhile, *Cinderella* - Jenna Sullivan (Derry) - is hoping to get to the ball, while having to wait on her step-mother and step-sisters - Ashlynn Elkin (Derry), Michaela Horan (Londonderry) and Lauren Accolla (North Reading, Mass.). The ensemble is rounded out by stewards Jonathan Uber, of Hampstead and Luke Thibodeau, Hampstead, *Cinderella's* father, Logan Hodson, of Derry, *Cinderella's* mother/giant, Lela Spira-Savett (Nashua) and the *Mysterious Man* - Aleksy Garcia (Hudson).

Meg Gore leads the production team as direc-



Ovation Theatre Company's production of *Into the Woods* will begin on Thursday, Oct. 10. Cast members have been gathered from many area towns. Courtesy photo

tor, partnered with Musical Director Kevin Fisher, Choreographer Mari Frederique-Streitburger and Stage Manager Tim Gore.

Into the Woods will be presented at Granite State Arts Academy, at 33 Keewaydin Drive, Salem, N.H. on Thursday, Oct. 10, Friday, Oct. 11 and Satur-

day, Oct. 12 at 7 p.m., and Sunday, Oct. 13 at 2 p.m. Tickets are available at OvationTC.com; anyone interested is encouraged to purchase the reserved-seating tickets in advance, as there may be very few available at the door.

While *Into the Woods* kicks off the 2019/20 sea-

son, Ovation is also looking forward to presenting *And a Child Shall Lead*, opening January 31, followed by spring and summer productions of *Jekyll & Hyde*, *The Musical* and *A Chorus Line*.

Auditions for *And a Child Shall Lead* are coming up soon (Oct. 26), with registrations available on the Ovation website.

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LONDONDERRY SPORTS

Lancer Football Squad Beat Astros in Mack Plaque 42-24

IDAN VINITSKY
LONDONDERRY TIMES

Many of the players who were on the football field on Friday, Sept. 27, were not even born the last time the Lancers won a game against the rival Astro team, but that 22-game losing streak, that stretched all the way back to 2001, finally came to an end for Londonderry, with a huge 42-24 road victory in front of thousands of fans. The Lancers managed a huge 42-24 victory at Pinkerton Academy, and kept their season record perfect, at 4-0, while PA fell to 2-2.

After the teams traded punts in their opening drives, the first big play of the game was a Alex Tsetsilas' first interception of the evening, which he took back all the way to the Astros 20-yard line. This was followed quickly by Jeff Wiedenfeld's two-yard rushing touchdown. The Lancers took the lead eight minutes into the game, and held onto it until the end.

Pinkerton tried to answer with quarterback Jeff Potvin finding Trent Leduc for a 54-yard completion, but the Astros lost the ball on downs. Londonderry took over on their own 32-yard line and Jake McEachern quickly found Cole Keegan for 43 yards to move

into Astro territory, setting another touchdown run by Wiedenfeld in the opening minute of the second quarter.

The home team scored on their next drive down the field, when Jake MacInnis found some space and ran for a 35-yard touchdown, but the Lancers quickly answered. McEachern completed two long passes to Keegan and Tsetsilas, who caught the ball and took it to the end zone.

With less than four minutes to play in the first half, Londonderry scored with another deep pass, a 56-yard touchdown catch by Keegan (who had 146 receiving yards in before halftime) and after the Astros got to the Londonderry red zone, Matt Pemberton made a huge defensive play, returning a fumble for 80 yards, all the way to Pinkerton's 14-yard line. That gave the visitors enough time, and Tyler Kayo scored Londonderry fourth touchdown of the second quarter, on a 2-yard run with 17 seconds left in the half, to make it 35-7.

But Pinkerton refused to give up, and came back from the locker rooms with full of energy. The Astros scored a field goal and after McEachern made his only big mistake



Tyler Kayo was one of the many scoring threats during the Lancer victory over Pinkerton on Friday night in Derry. Photos by Samantha Paul



Jeff Wiedenfeld ran for 86 yards and had a couple of touchdowns during the Lancer victory over the Astros at the annual Mack Plaque game.

of the game with a mid-field interception, the home team cut Londonderry's lead even more. The Lancers were stuck in those moments of the game and Pinkerton third touchdown of the game, on the first play of the fourth quarter, made it an 11-point game, 35-24.

The Lancers, then ended any PA hopes for a comeback with a long drive (75-yards on 10 plays over almost four and a half minutes), scored a 10-yard touchdown on a quarterback keep by McEachern to

secure their lead and victory. Tsetsilas, then had his second interception of the game, made the last big play and the blue-and-white celebration started.

McEachern finished the game with 216 passing yards (8-for-11), two

touchdowns and an interception. He added 59 yards and a score on the ground. Wiedenfeld ran for 86 yards and a couple of touchdowns and Keegan's day ended with 157 receiving yards and a touchdown catch. On the

other side, quarterback Jeff Potvin completed four of his nine attempts for 116 yards and a touchdown and had to leave the game in the final quarter after taking a big hit. MacInnis ran for 79

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Londonderry Girls Soccer Keeps Undefeated Streak Alive



Lancer freshman Mia Stowell works her way around an Astro defender during the very one-sided victory over the Astros. Photo by Samantha Paul

IDAN VINITSKY
LONDONDERRY TIMES

Londonderry High School's Girls' Soccer team remains undefeated (9-0) this fall season following another dominant week that saw Derek Dane's players get big wins at Pinkerton Academy, in the Mack Plaque game and at Bedford High School.

The Lady Lancers traveled to Bedford on Tuesday, Sept. 24, and scored four unanswered goals against another undefeated Lady Bulldogs team, who the Lady Lancers handed their first loss of the season. Olivia Stowell opened the scoring for the visitors in the 35th minute and the second half saw Gewn Barnes (47th minute, assist by Lea Baum), Baum (51st minute on a free kick) and Alyssa Anderson (65th minute, assist by Stowell) find the back of the net as

well. Londonderry scored four times on 12 shots, while goalie Jasmine Richards made six saves.

On Saturday, Sept. 28, Londonderry conceded only its third goal of the season, when Chayse Dube set up Mattie Sullivan's goal for the hosting Astros in the 12th minute. Ashley Manor tied the game 13 minutes later thanks to an assist made by Anderson and the teams were tied after one half. Londonderry quickly took over as the dominant team after the break.

Six minutes after the half, Baum scored on another free kick. The goal was reviewed by the referees for a while, as it was unclear if Pinkerton's goalie, Lindsay

Blum, touched the indirect free kick before it crossed the goal line. Eventually, the referees decided that she did, Londonderry took the lead and quickly (53rd minute) scored another goal, with Mia Stowell receiving an assist from Manor.

In the final minutes of the game, the victory became a real celebration for the Lady Lancers, when Olivia Stowell (Darby Dupuis assist) scored in the 77th minute and Manor (79th) scored on a bizarre goal after Kelly Calawa passed her the ball, and where the PA goalie didn't move because everyone, including her, thought it was going over the crossbar, and it suddenly fell in. Richards, again, had

six saves.

Dane said after the game, "We made it difficult in the first half. We were fluid in what we wanted to do in the first minutes, and then we got away from it. We are good in certain things and that is what we want to do. That was the halftime conversation. Stick with what we do. In the second half we moved the ball and we were fine. We are working on playing full 80 minutes, no matter who is on the field. It had nothing to do with Pinkerton. We score goals in bursts and it's a mentality thing."

Londonderry will now play two home games. On Friday, Oct. 4, at 4 p.m. against Goffstown and then on Monday, Oct. 7, at 4 p.m. against Salem.

Competition Remains Fierce During Mack Plaque Contest

IDAN VINITSKY
LONDONDERRY TIMES

After a great weekend of contests between Pinkerton Academy and Londonderry High School, the 2019 Mack Plaque now stand at 4-3-1 in favor of the Astros and will now have to be decided in the Division I Fall Spirit competition being held on Nov. 10.

That state competition will be hosted by Pinkerton, and if the Astros finish in front of the Lancers, PA will receive their 19th straight Mack Plaque victory, despite Londonderry putting up a very good challenge this year.

The last close race to the plaque was in 2012, where the Astros eventually won 5-4. Since then, every fall ended with at least a three win margin in favor of Pinkerton, including 8-0 in 2017 and 5-2 last year.

This season, the schools split the Cross Country meeting that was held earlier in September

and Pinkerton won the Varsity Golf meet, going into last weekend with a 2-1 lead.

On Friday night, Londonderry was the winner of the football game at Pinkerton, with a score of 42-24, something it has not done in 18 years.

The next day started with two Astro victories, 3-1 in Volleyball and 4-0 in Field Hockey.

The Lancers answered with a 5-1 win in Girls Soccer and were leading until the final minutes of the Boys Soccer match, before that ended in a 1-1 tie after two overtime periods.

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Londonderry Boys Soccer Tie Astros and Lose to Bedford

IDAN VINITSKY
LONDONDERRY TIMES

An unbalanced season for Londonderry High School's Boys' Varsity Soccer team continued last week, with a heavy defeat to last year's Division I champions Bedford Bulldogs, followed by a dramatic draw at Pinkerton Academy, in the Mack Plaque game.

The Lancers, who currently have a 2-4-2 season record, could not stop the Bulldogs star seniors, Vitor Rodrigues and Zach Verow, who scored two goals each on Tuesday, Sept. 24, and gave the visitors a

large 4-0 victory in Londonderry. Bedford remains the only undefeated team in Division I this year, with seven wins and a tie.

Lancer head coach Todd Ellis's team was so close to a victory in the game on Saturday, Sept. 28, they could taste it, after taking a 1-0 lead in the 59th minute at Pinkerton Academy. Bisan Gurung scored what seemed like the game winner from close range, after a few minutes of heavy pressure on the Astros' goal. However, Londonderry missed on a few more chances and was pun-

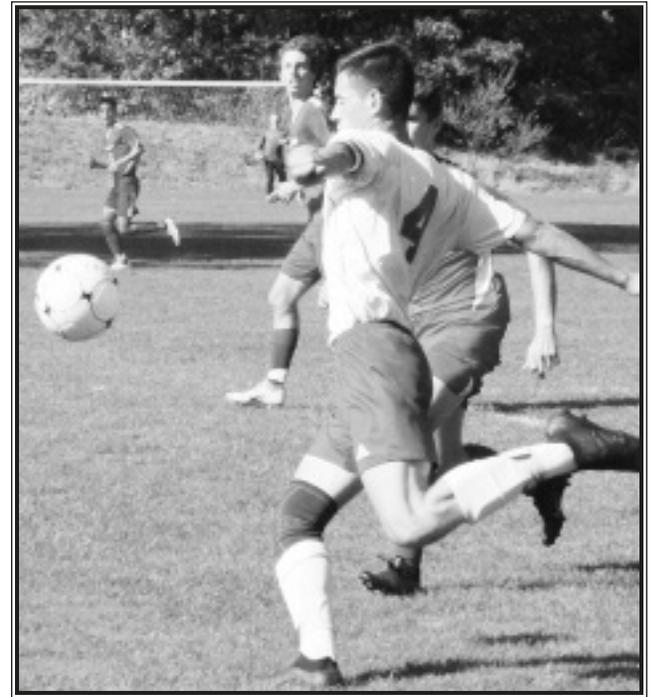
ished two minutes before regulation, when Dan Humphrey's shot from long distance hit the crossbar and Marcus Sconza was there to score on the rebound.

Pinkerton was the more dominant side in the two overtime periods that followed, but Londonderry got out of Derry with the 1-1 tie, solidifying Pinkerton retaining the Mack Plaque.

A somewhat distressed Ellis said after the tie, "We had great opportunities in the first half and the scenario could have been different, but we have to

score. Hats off to Pinkerton, they fought hard. We gave up some opportunities to shot and tried to pass the ball inside the box. Some of it is technical. There were some shots that went too high. The effort was there. We had some fatigue as the game went on. We played well 75 percent of the game, came well off the gates."

After three straight games without a win, Londonderry will try to get some wins under its belt when the host Nashua South on Tuesday, Oct. 1 and with a road game in Goffstown on Friday, Oct. 4, at 4 p.m.



Lancer senior Kieth Fletcher lines up a kick during the Mack Plaque game. Photo by Samantha Paul

Lady Lancer Volleyball Squad Drops Three Four Set Games

IDAN VINITSKY
LONDONDERRY TIMES

Despite putting up some good offense during their last week of play, the Londonderry High School's Varsity Volleyball team dropped three four-set matches against Spaulding High School and Pinkerton Academy and Nashua North.

The Lady Lancers hosted the Red Raiders (5-2) on Wednesday, Sept. 25, and after losing the first set 25-14, got close in the second (26-24) and won the third (25-22), before the visitors completed their victory with a 25-17 fourth set win.

Kelsey Sanborn had 11 service points for Londonderry, including five aces. She also finished with seven digs and 11 kills. Anna Haas had 17 assists and Laura Haas finished with nine service points

(two aces) and 11 digs.

"The girls continue to improve throughout the season," commented Lancer coach Matthew Leonard. "Spaulding is a perennial top six team that we fought with all game. I am very proud of the attitude we are starting to display on a more consistent basis."

At Pinkerton Academy, facing an undefeated Astros squad (8-0), Leonard's team got off to a very slow start, dropping the first set 25 to 10. They responded very nicely though, shocking the home team with a 25-17 second set, where almost everything was clicking. Then, it was time for the Astros to regroup and the locals won another lopsided set, 25-11. In

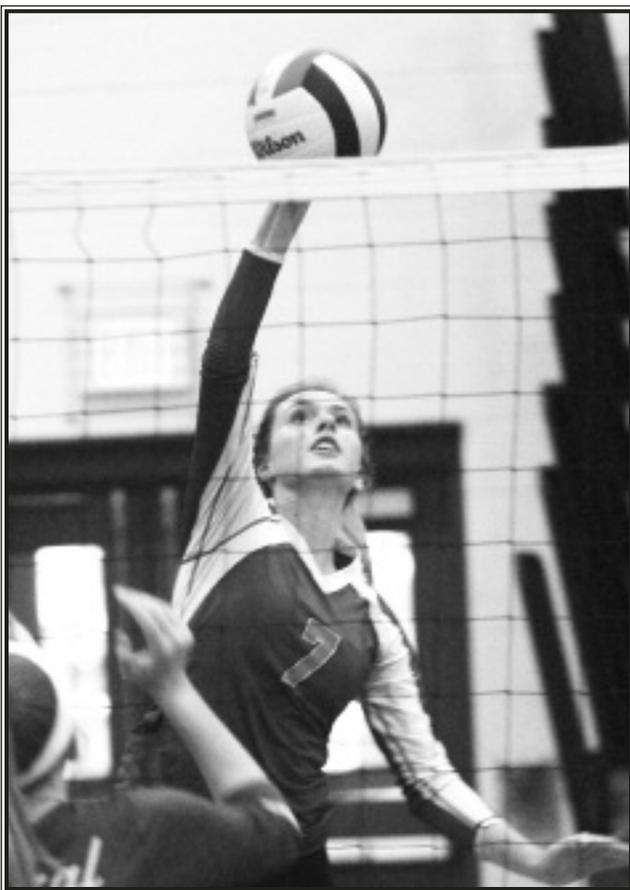
the fourth set, Pinkerton had a 24-17 lead and Londonderry managed to cut it to 24-23, before the Astros got the point they needed to close the game and avoid a tiebreaking set.

Laura Haas had 15 digs for Londonderry, Sanborn finished with 11 kills and Anna Haas scored four aces and provided 16 assists. "We had a good second and fourth sets", said Leonard. "We played really well. They are learning how to battle, keeping a good mindset and playing together as a team. When they do that consistently, we see the results. Pinkerton is an amazing team, so the fact that we competed like that is really inspiring. We were feeding off the energy, thanks

to all the fans, especially the Londonderry ones."

Londonderry hosted North on Monday and also won one set out of four against Nashua North on Monday, Sept. 30. They were up 1-0 after a close 27-25 first set win, but dropped the next three, 25-19, 25-21, 25-12. Sanborn had nine service points (two aces) and 11 kills. Laura Haas finished with eight digs, Anna Haas had 19 assists and Lexi Small 10. Kenzie Gagne and Sarah Joe finished with six kills each.

The Lancers will try to end a six-game losing skid with a home game against Bedford (5-3) on Wednesday and travel to Goffstown (2-6) on Friday, Oct. 4.



Lancer Junior Emma Detellis Goes for a point at the net. Photo by Chris Paul

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Londonderry Field Hockey Squad Suffers First Two Losses

IDAN VINITSKY
LONDONDERRY TIMES

A perfect 7-0 start to the fall season for Londonderry High School's Varsity Field Hockey team came to an end last week, with back-to-back losses to the two Division I leaders, Windham (7-1) and Pinkerton (8-0).

The Lady Lancers hosted Windham on Wednesday, Sept. 25, and had things going their way to start game by taking the lead when Kayla Miles scored on a Grace Holland assist 17 minutes into the first half. Windham was able to even out the game with a score seven minutes after the

break, when Livvy Manchester scored on a penalty stroke. Manchester also had the game winner, 5:25 minutes before the end of regulation. Riley Walter finished the game with six saves for the disappointed home team.

The Londonderry girls' week didn't get any easier when they traveled to Derry to face Pinkerton Academy on Saturday, Sept. 28, as part of Mack Plaque weekend. The Lady Astros' were sitting at 7-0 and hoping to stay that way.

After a scoreless first 25 minutes, the Astros were able break out and take control to get a big 4-0 victory. Londonderry mostly suffered from a goal on a corner, after the clock ran out in the first half. That goal, by Mari Shea, gave Pinkerton a 2-0 lead and made Londonderry unsuccessfully chase the Astros throughout the second half. Walter finished the game with five saves.

Londonderry got a chance to stop the two-game losing streak with a home game against Bedford on Wednesday and they will also host Keene on Monday, Oct. 7, starting at 4 p.m.



Londonderry seniors Courtney Shay, left and Lauren Doherty sandwich Pinkerton scorer Mari Shea during the Mack Plaque loss in Derry on Saturday morning. Photo by Samantha Paul

Athletes of the Week

Week of Sept. 23

Ryan Young, Junior: Cross Country

Ryan has been one of our most consistent performers the last few weeks. He has been our top finisher in the last three meets (Nashua, Manchester, Ocean State).



Cailey McDonough, Senior: Cross Country

As a senior, Cailey is having her best season. She is a very important leader on our team, helping the other team members to stay positive and keep pushing themselves. She helps the younger runners navigate the demands of a varsity team, how to deal with setbacks and how to improve. Her encouragement of her teammates is vital to our success.



Student Athletes supplied by Athletic Department

Football

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yards, but was mostly frustrated by the visitors' defense.

Londonderry's head coach Jimmy Lauzon got a Gatorade shower after the game and said, "The kids deserve this. It's been a long time. We put a lot of hard work in it. Every year the guys come here and think that this is going to be the year, and they were finally able to do it. I'm happy. In the last years we started to get in place the culture we wanted to and we knew that taking Pinkerton down

would be a tough task. The last couple of years got us in this direction." Lauzon admitted, "I was nervous when they made their comeback, because we just kept digging ourselves a hole and we stopped executing what we did in the first half. I knew that if we can get back on track, we will be fine and we had a long drive in the end."

McEachern added, "It was a hard-working game. I knew this would be a tough game coming in. I didn't think Pinkerton would be coming back like that. I didn't know what was going on, but I knew we are going to fight

through it and finish the game. In the second quarter we found the open spots, like we always do. Cole was huge for us, catching the ball, I'm so proud of that kid. He makes big plays for us."

Keegan himself said, "Half our guys are cramping, but we just wanted it more. We worked so hard. None of us were here to see the last Londonderry win. It's amazing, we showed our fans we don't have to be scared anymore."

Londonderry will get a chance to sweep the south division on Saturday, Oct. 5, at 1:30 p.m., with a road game against Windham.

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Boys' Cross Country Team Takes Third in Ocean State Meet

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LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Londonderry High School's Boys' Cross Country team continued its exceptional season on Saturday, Sept.

28, by placing third overall in the Ocean State Cross Country Invitational, held in East Greenwich RI.

The competition had schools from all across New England competing,

with Conard High School of Connecticut winning, thanks to a team total of 42 points and runners in the first, second and fifth overall spots. The team from Lexington, Mass.

took the second place slot with 90 points and Londonderry took third, with 104 points and a tiebreak victory over Tolland High School of Conn.

The Lancers best run-

ner of the day was Ryan Young, who came in 14th, thanks to a time of 16:31.07 minutes. Matthew Griffin finished 21st, with a time of 16:41.74 and William Heenan placed

26th (16:48.59). Sean Clegg came in 33rd overall, with a time of 17:05.02, Chris Burpeau was 40th (17:12.28), Kerry Daley 49th (17:28.30) and Will Plante 64th (18:03.27).

Lancer Golfers Finish in Third at Crimson Tide Contest

IDAN VINITSKY
LONDONDERRY TIMES

Londonderry High School's Varsity Golf team dropped their meeting last Friday

(Sep. 27) against Concord and Exeter.

Concord hosted the event at the Concord Country Club, and finished second with a team

score of 208. Exeter won with a score of 199 and the Lancers came in third, scoring 229 as a team.

Londonderry was led

by Zach Rheault and Drew Cameron, both finishing the nine-hole course with a team low of 44. Matt Anderson, Riley Anderson, Ryan

Gervais and Josh Traynham all shot 47, while Sam Seibert shot 53 and Ryan Killelea struggled and finished with a score of 58.

Londonderry had another meet on Tuesday, at Salem against the locals and Dover, after the Londonderry Times went to print.

Locals Play Lacrosse With Boston-Based Major League Team

IDAN VINITSKY
LONDONDERRY TIMES

Three young athletes from Londonderry enjoyed a unique experience recently, as they played with the Junior Cannons, a youth team of the Boston Cannons, who play in the Major League Lacrosse.

There were 288 athletes from all across New England competed for roster spots in the Junior Cannons two teams after three trails last fall, the squads were selected and the Junior Cannons played three games (each time right before the Major League Lacrosse game started), including a road trip they took to Denver with the Boston Cannons.

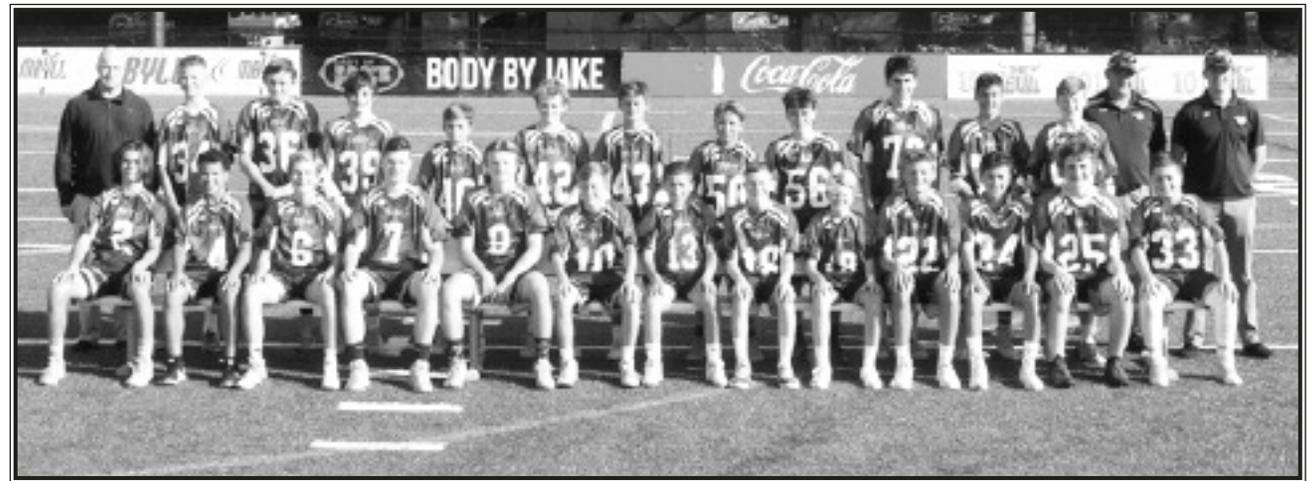
The idea behind the program is to build future professional lacrosse players and allow the best young athletes to train under the Boston Cannons coaches and get

to know the team better.

On the older team, the 2024-2025 class, there were two players from Londonderry, eighth-grader Quinton Delorey (midfielder) and seventh-grader Colby Walden (goalie). Both play for the Londonderry Middle School team and have known each other for a few years, but say that their time with the Junior Cannons, especially the road trip, really took their friendship to the next level.

Delorey played in the Cannons first two games and scored in each and Walden had at least five saves in each game. His best moment came in the third game, when the Cannons, who played in Quincy, Mass., were able to beat Dallas 5-4 thanks to a one-on-one save by their goalie, with only 25 seconds left in the game.

"We had a really good team," said Delorey.



Three Londonderry athletes got a chance to play with the Junior Cannons, a youth team of the Boston Cannons, who play in the Major League Lacrosse. Courtesy photo

Walden learned about the team from an online post, Delorey heard about it from a friend from Derry who also played with them and their best memory was probably the team dinner before the game in Colorado. "We stayed with the Major League team there and a bunch of their players came to the team dinner. They came to our tables

and talked to us", says Walden. "I asked them what it was like to travel almost every weekend to play lacrosse."

Delorey had fun play-

ing on the exceptional Major League Lacrosse fields, in front of some large crowds and he wants to keep playing lacrosse when he goes to

the local high school next year. Both say they may also try out again for the Junior Cannons and hope that the team will keep track on them.

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Musquash Cellar Holes Walk To Old Dunstable

On Sunday, Oct. 13, from 1 - 3 p.m., Come join the Londonderry Historical Society as we take a walk back in time on our special 300th Anniversary of Nutfield - Musquash Cellar Hole Walk with tour guide/Musquash Historian Dr. David J. Ellis. We'll be visiting interesting former farm and home sites and learning about the families who once lived there, along with a stop atop the large rock outcrop that marks the northeast corner of Old Dunstable, granted in 1673 by the Massachusetts Bay Colony. We'll meet at the Musquash's Rolling Ridge Road Trail Head at the end of ROLLING RIDGE ROAD In Londonderry; expect it to take 2 hours for walking, discussions and exploring the sites. Good walking shoes are recommended, but also remember to dress for the weather and surroundings, and bring a water bottle. A snack will be provided. We look forward to seeing you. Please check the Londonderry Historical Society's Facebook page at www.facebook.com/TownOfLondonderryNHHistoricalSociety for weather updates and more information.

Model Railroading

On Oct. 11, Seacoast Division of the National Model Railroad Association is running their Derry Fun Night program. The program is held the second Friday night of each month, 7 - 9 p.m., at the Marion Garish Community Center, 39 West Broadway, Derry, NH. Nelson LeMay will show us how he builds containers for a fraction of the cost of purchasing them. Always a part of the program is Model Showcase where modelers bring in the latest project they are working on to show and discuss. Each month a different AP certificate will be discussed. We will set up a swap table for modelers to

bring anything that you would want to give away, sell or swap to other modelers. Remember, one man's junk is another man's treasure. For additional information go to the Division's website at seacoastnmra.org/calendar.

Healthy Londonderry

Healthy Londonderry and the South Central Public Health Network will host an evening of Health, Safety and Wellness. With something for everyone, the evening will include Halloween Pumpkin decorating, Trick or Treat Safety Tips and a few safe holiday goodies for the kids. Doors will open at 6 p.m. with the Narcan Training portion of the program to begin promptly at 6:30 p.m. on Oct. 23. Learn about recognizing the symptoms of overdose and providing assistance, participate in a Stop the Bleed training (how to help until professionals arrive), participate in a brief balance screening for older adults under the Matter of Balance umbrella, offer an onsite Hepatitis A vaccination station, information about safe drug disposal and the DEA Drug Take Back Day and a number of other opportunities. Please sign up and bring the entire family. Pizza and other refreshments will be available. RSVP to dtighe@chsgreaterderry.org by Oct. 20.

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Renew Clothing Opening

Renew will be open Saturday, Oct. 12, from 8 - 10:30 a.m. at Calvary Bible Church, 145 Hampstead Rd., Derry. Arrive by 10 a.m. Renew will also be open every Thursday 9 - 11:30 a.m., please arrive by 11a.m. NH residents only. Renew offers free, gently-used apparel. Each household is limited to 15 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, email renewcalvary@gmail.com or call the church secretary at 434-1516

Rotary Fall Fundraiser

The Londonderry Rotary Club is holding its 7th annual fall fundraising activity "Fun, Friends, & Fundraising" on Friday Nov. 1, from 6 - 10:30 p.m., at the Nashua Country Club Ballroom, 25 Fairway St., Nashua. The event will begin with a cocktail reception (cash bar) and hors d'oeuvres with a carving station from 6 - 7:15 p.m. Then Entertainment will kick off with two comedy acts, headlined by "Ace" Aceto from Rhode Island. The night will then move to dancing and fun lead by DJ Tom Taliaferro of Mr. Melody Productions. A Silent Auction will also take place with a number of top notch live auction items. Please consider purchasing a ticket, enjoying a great evening, and help Rotary continue its mission of "service Above Self" here in Londonderry. Tickets for the event are \$40 per person and can be purchased from: Mike Dolan at 774-245-2279 or mikepdolan@comcast.net, Faye Sell at faye@martinellitravel.com, or contact and Rotarian.

Library Hours

The October hours for the Leach Library are as follows: Monday - Thursday, 9 a.m. - 8 p.m., Friday - Saturday, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. The library will be closed on Monday, Oct. 14, for Columbus Day.

Guess It Jar

From now until 8 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 31 participants in grades 6 - 12 are invited to guess how many keychains are in the jar located at the Leach Library circulation desk. The person with the closest match, over or under, will win a prize bag that includes a Barnes & Noble gift certificate! In the event of a tie, the winner will be chosen by random drawing.

Take and Make

From now until 8 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 31 participants in grades 6 - 12 are invited to pick up supplies to create your own Color Craze bookmarks at the Leach Library. Craft sup-

plies are located at the Leach Library circulation desk.

Adult Programs

Mr. Davis Bates will present "Halloween Harvest: Ghosts, Goblins & More." On Thursday, Oct. 17 at 7 p.m., at the Leach Library. Join Mr. Bates as he performs harvest stories from the past and present, songs of the supernatural, Native American stories, true-life ghost stories, and family tales. There will be sing-alongs in addition to a short lesson in how to play music with spoons from a kitchen drawer. This program 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.

Book Bingo

Come to the Leach Library on Thursday, Oct. 10 from 3:30 - 4:30 p.m. for our Book Bingo program. Participants in grades 6 - 12 will take part in the classic game of bingo. All participants will receive at least one book as a prize from our special selection table. This event includes a fun door prize raffle and light refreshments. No registration required.

Magic by George

Come to the Leach Library on Monday, Oct. 7 from 4:00 - 5:00 p.m. for "Magic by George". This exciting blend of dazzling magic, comedy, and plenty of audience participation will leave the audience amazed. There may even be an appearance by doves during the show (live animals). This thrilling program is open to 90 participants of all ages and advance registration has begun. To register, stop by the Children's Room or call 432-1127.

Jack O' Lantern Jamboree

On Monday, Oct. 21 and Tuesday, Oct. 22 from 4:30 - 5:30 p.m., at the Leach Library. Those who wish to may participate in a costume parade beginning at 4:15 p.m. each day. During this fun-filled program, we will say Go Away Big Green Monster and meet a Little Old Lady Who Swallowed a Bat. After singing a couple of Halloween songs, we will play a shadow shape game. All participants will leave with a treat bag filled with

festive prizes, as well as a coloring craft. These programs are open to 90 participants for each session and advance registration is required. To register, stop by the Children's Room or call 432-1127 beginning at 9 a.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 15.

I Spy Bottle

From now until 8 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 31. See how many hidden objects from the list you can find in the bottle! The game will be available at the Leach Library Children's Room desk.

Create a Craft

A new craft may be picked up at the Leach Library each week starting at 9 a.m. on Monday Oct. 7, 15, 21, and 28, and will be available until 5 p.m. each Saturday. The library will provide supplies for a new, creative craft and place them in the box on the spotlight shelf for patrons to create.

Delve into Knowledge

A new trivia challenge will be available each week at the Leach Library starting at 9 a.m. on Monday Oct. 7, 15, 21, and 28, and will be available until 5 p.m. each Saturday. Stop by the Children's Room desk to answer our special trivia challenge question. If you are not sure of the answer, use one of our books or the Internet to help you. All answers will be entered into a drawing for a chance to win a cool prize.

Craft Time

Leach Library will hold craft time on Wednesdays from 9:30 - 10:15 a.m. for children to explore their creative side. Each week, participants will discover a different fun craft to make using a variety of materials. Advance registration is required. Meeting dates are: Oct. 16, 23, 30, and Nov. 6.

Shake, Move & Read

This exhilarating and fun-filled program will be held on Wednesdays from 4 - 4:45 p.m. at the Leach Library. Advance registration is required. Meeting dates are: Oct. 16, 23, 30, and Nov. 6. Each week, participants will energetically explore a different theme using songs, fantastic finger plays, a story and simple craft. From the opening welcome song to the final finger play, participants will be moving and grooving the

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afternoon away.

Toddler Time

This Leach Library program is open to children ages 2 & 3. Children attend with their parents and enjoy a fun half-hour of thematic stories, games, songs and a simple craft. Meets on

Thursdays, from 9:30 - 10 a.m. Advance registration is required. Meeting dates are: Oct. 17, 24, 31, and Nov. 7.

Scarecrow Hats

Come to the Leach Library on Monday, Nov. 4 from 4 - 5 p.m. for "Scarecrow Hats". During this program, we will get to know Otis and the Scarecrow, find out what a Scarecrow is, and learn what's special

about a Scarecrow's Hat. After a couple of songs about scarecrows, we'll wrap things up with a scarecrow matching game. Each participant will be able to choose a special Thanksgiving rubber ducky before leaving. This fun 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 Monday, Oct. 28.

Ladybug Award

Each year, librarians from around the state nominate ten outstanding picture books to be voted on by the children of New Hampshire. Participants in preschool through grade 3 can vote on their favorite book from the list of nominated titles. The books will be on display this month and next at the

Leach Library. Stop by and read one of the titles and be ready to cast your vote starting at 9 a.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 12 and ending at 5 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 16. Everyone who votes will be entered into a drawing for a chance to win a fun Ladybug prize.

Bake Sale

A benefit bake sale at Mack's Apples will be held

by Community Caregivers of Greater Derry on Sunday, Oct. 20 from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. The bake sale will feature homemade treats for sale, and people are asked to provide their favorite baked goods. Those who donate are asked to have their items individually wrapped and dropped off Sat., Oct. 19 from 1 - 4 p.m., at the Episcopal Church of St. Peter, 3
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Selections from the Londonderry Police Logs

Monday - Sept. 23 12:12 a.m. Peace restored by four officers after a disturbance on Trolley Car Lane.

4:43 a.m. Services rendered in keeping the peace on Trolley Car Lane.

9:43 a.m. Sex offenses investigated on Page Road.

4:17 p.m. Warrant served and arrest made on Simpson Road, Windham.

Aaron Gaumont, 34, of Windham charged with Disorderly Conduct; Reckless Conduct; Reckless Operation; and Obedience to Police Officer.

8:30 p.m. Missing Person investigated on Larch Lane.

Tuesday - Sept. 24 6:58 a.m. Sudden Death investigated by three officers on Raintree Drive.

8:56 p.m. Attempted Sui-

cide investigated on Charleston Avenue by three officers.

11:04 p.m. Services rendered at Suspicious Activity on Berlang Road.

Wednesday - Sept. 25 10 a.m. Warrant served and arrest made at Valley Street Jail. Cathryn Smith, 38, of Sykesville, MD, charged with Theft; Identity Fraud; two counts of

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Londonderry Lions

Giant Yard Sale Oct. 5, 8 a.m. - 2 p.m. NO EARLY BIRDS PLEASE. Lions Hall, Rt. 128, 256 Mammoth Rd., Across from Town Common Donate your goods to the Lions! Sept. 23 thru the Friday before the sale at the Londonderry Lions Shelter. Please, NO large kitchen appliances, couches, skis, air conditioners, computers or TV's. "Sell your own Goods by renting spaces" Call Tom in advance 603-548-5011. Proceeds for donated goods and rented spaces to benefit: Lions Local Charities including Local Eye Care.

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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 Monday, Sept. 30.

Family Spaghetti Dinner

The Londonderry Republican Committee will be holding a Fall Family Spaghetti Dinner on Saturday, Nov. 9, from 5 - 8 p.m. at the Victory Baptist Church, 78 Litchfield Rd., Londonderry. Our program includes introductions of our available 2020 Candidates for US Senate and House, as well as other candidates. More details will be published as we get closer to the event date. We've also planned to have a Silent Auction with some lovely baskets and a 50/50 raffle. So please save the date and plan on joining us for great food and company, music, and fun! The dinner is a great bargain at \$10/pp age 13 and above, and of course children 12 and under are free. We'll be sending out another invitation in October with more details, but if you want to secure your reservation now, please call Janet Huttula at 603-432-7368 or email her at huttula7@comcast.net.

Household Hazardous Waste Day

The Town of Londonderry is hosting its Fall Household Hazardous Waste Day

on Saturday, Nov. 23, from 9 a.m. - Noon at Nelson Fields (LAFA) off Sargent Rd., (Behind the Central Fire Station). Residents who have Household Hazardous Material such as Pesticides or Herbicides, Oil Base Paints, Paint Remover or Thinner, Solvents/Degreasers, Household cleaners, Pool Chemicals, old Gasoline or Antifreeze will be able to dispose of these items. For further information please contact Robert Kerry, Department of Public Works in Londonderry at 432-1100 ext. 137 or visit the Town of Londonderry website at www.londonderrynh.org/environmental-services-solid-waste.

Child Find Program

Free Community Child Find Program for all Londonderry residents ages two 1/2 - five years, 11 months (5.11) Of Age, who are suspected of having vision or hearing problems or developmental concerns. Child Find will be held at the Londonderry early education program (L.E.E.P.) Moose Hill School - 150 Pillsbury Rd., on Dec. 5, Feb. 6, and April 2. 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. For children birth to 2.5 years old, please contact Beth Warner at The Moore Center 603-206-2732 or Lynne Thomas at Easter Seals 603.666.5982 Ext. 34. Both providers are connected with family centered early supports & services.

Upper Room Auction

The Upper Room holds its 18th Annual Auction on Nov. 1 at 5:30 p.m., at the Tupelo Music Hall, Derry. Don't miss our highly anticipated cruise-themed charity event of the year! Bid on dozens of silent and live auction items, including gift baskets, travel packages and fun experiences. Dinner is included. Tickets are on sale now at TupeloMusicHall.com

Transitions Support

The Upper Room offers Transitions support for young adults ages 18-25. Learn how to manage the "overwhelming" in a healthy way for you. We offer workshops, and 1:1 support groups. For an appointment, call (603) 437-8477 ext. 24.

Female Scholarship

The Londonderry Women's Club is now accepting applications for an Adult Female Scholarship in the amount of \$1000. The requirements are: must be a female

at least 23 years of age and a current resident of Londonderry; must be currently enrolled at an accredited post secondary institution and must have completed a minimum of half of the time or credits toward the named degree, certificate or licensing program. The deadline for submitting applications is Sept. 30. Applications are available at the Leach Library and online at www.londonderrywomensclub.org.

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.

Journey of Hope

Healing through grief and loss due to addiction. Londonderry Senior Center 535 Mammoth Rd., Londonderry. We offer the group on the second and fourth Sundays at 6 - 7:30 p.m. Our mission is to promote healing in the grieving process for those who have lost a loved one through the unique circumstances and chaos of addiction; through education, encouraging support and compassion. Facilitated by: Jim Gamache, Julia Gamache, & Jerry Goncal, Journey-ofhopenh@gmail.com

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.

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.

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. Call 437-8477 to register ext. 24 for more

information/options for dates and times.

Walking Together

A support group for widows and widowers meets every 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m., at the Manse at Londonderry Presbyterian Church, 128 Pillsbury Rd., Londonderry. When we meet, we walk together our journey of grief. No need to do it alone. If you have any questions, please call 781-866-9976.

Greater Manchester Lyme Disease Support

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

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 Rd., Londonderry. If you have any questions please call 781-866-9976.

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 Rd., Londonderry. If you have any questions please call 781-866-9976.

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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The Upper Room offers Teen Information for Parenting Success for young parents ages 13-23, Wednesdays 5 - 7 p.m. A weekly support program for young parents to talk, listen, learn and be accepted. Childcare available. To register, call (603) 437-8477 ext. 12.

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Forgery; and Receiving Stolen Property.

10:30 a.m. Attempted Suicide transported to hospital from Nashua Road.

4:01 p.m. Suspicious activity investigated on Sandstone Circle.

4:15 p.m. Suspicious activity investigated on Kitt Lane.

4:53 p.m. Peace restored after Neighborhood Disputes on South Road.

5:09 p.m. Peace restored after Disturbance on Constitution Drive.

11:18 p.m. Services rendered by three officers for attempted suicide on Mammoth Road.

11:30 p.m. Suspicious activity investigated at Manchester Boston Regional Airport.

Thursday - Sept. 26

10:01 a.m. Suspicious activity investigated on Devonshire Lane.

1:27 p.m. Wires down, removed hazard on Chase Road.

3:10 p.m. Burglary investigated by five officers on Rockingham Road.

9:29 p.m. Peace restored after Disturbance on Ross Drive.

Friday - Sept. 27

9:26 a.m. Services rendered for missing person on Wilson Road.

11:08 a.m. Welfare check investigated by four officers on Tranquil Drive.

11:26 a.m. Services rendered in keeping the peace on Spring Road.

2:34 p.m. Criminal mischief investigated on Ross Drive.

3:09 p.m. Services rendered in keeping the peace on Harvey Road.

3:45 p.m. Warrant Served and arrest made on A Street, Manchester.

Richard Hardy, 36, of Manchester charged with Theft by Unauthorized Taking (two prior convic-

tions).

4:49 p.m. Disturbance investigated on Pillsbury Road at Mammoth Road.

9:13 p.m. Peace restored during Domestic Disturbance at Manchester Boston Regional Airport.

Saturday - Sept. 28

1:27 a.m. Services rendered for structure fire on Pillsbury Road.

10:41 a.m. Warrant served and arrest made on Old Derry Road. Valerie St. John, 34, of Hudson charged with Driving after Revoked/Suspended License; Disobeying an Officer; Speeding 11-15 m.p.h. over limit of 55 or less; and Unsworn Falsification.

2:18 p.m. Suspicious activity investigated at Manchester Boston Regional Airport.

9:30 p.m. Assisted Hudson Police with investigation at Londonderry Flea Market on Avery Road.

Sunday - Sept. 29

8:55 a.m. Peace restored by three officers at Twin Gate Farm on Mammoth Road.

2:01 p.m. Services rendered in keeping the peace at Twin Gate Farm on Mammoth Road.

2:48 p.m. Arrest made at Abandoned 911 call on Laurel Hill Drive. Kelly Lasser, 32, of Londonderry charged with Domestic Violence Simple Assault.

4:17 p.m. Report of a domestic disturbance results in an arrest made by three officers on Mammoth Road. Anthony Gulotta, 38, of Londonderry charged with five counts of Domestic Violence - Assault; False Imprisonment

5:11 p.m. Services rendered in keeping the peace on Laurel Hill Drive.

11:50 p.m. Domestic Disturbance investigated on Elwood Road.



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