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On Tuesday afternoon, Ron Ouellette's aunt, Sharon Morgan-Jones, prepared an area for folks to contribute ribbons. The ribbons will be made into wreaths for her nephew's family. Photo by Chris Paul

## LHS Graduate Dies in ATV Accident in Kuwait

CHRIS PAUL  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

**L**ondonderry High School graduate and Merrimack resident, Staff Sgt. Ronald J. Ouellette, 23, was killed last week in an ATV accident in Kuwait.

As funeral arrangements are being made, family members are making plans to honor him by collecting ribbons to make memorial

wreaths to be placed at his grave.

Ron Ouellette passed away on Monday, Sept. 14 in an ATV accident at Ali Al Salem Air Base in Kuwait.

Ouellette's Aunt, Sharon Morgan-Jones, has asked for those who remembered Roan to donate ribbons that are being collected at Londonderry High School, where

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## School Board Approves the Undesignated Fund Balance

CHRIS PAUL  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

**D**uring the School Board meeting of Tuesday, Sept. 15, Superintendent Scott Laliberte informed members that because he recently learned that FEMA would no longer be able to fund a number of COVID-19 related purchases, that the computer upgrade that was being requested from their last meeting of \$150,000 would now have to be covered within the overall school budget.

The IT Department's computer request had changed drastically because of the need since

school started.

At the Sept. 15 meeting, and the request by the school was for 150 devices at a total cost of about \$75,000. They had originally thought they might need as many as 500 computers.

School District Business Administrator, Peter Curro, later reiterated the position during a discussion about computer purchases, saying that the money would need to come from the general fund or the undesignated fund balance.

Curro was at the meeting that evening asking the board to retain \$1,100,000 in

undesignated fund balance, and take money out of the general fund to pay for COVID related costs that were no longer being paid for by the Cares Act.

He added that the school district had discussions with the town about be able to acquire some of the Cares Act money that had acquired, but missed the deadline for that opportunity.

By the end of that discussion, the board voted unanimously to retain \$1,159,403 in the fund balance and return \$458,997 to the taxpayers in December.

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## Three Positions Available on Town Boards and Committees

CHRIS PAUL  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

**T**he Town of Londonderry recently released a request seeking volunteers to serve on three of the town Boards and Committees.

The Conservation Commission needs one, full-time position to be filled. It has a term ending on Dec. 31, 2021.

The Conservation Commission meets on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month in the Sunnycrest Conference Room of Town Hall.

The Commission's major responsibilities are to review Dredge & Fill applications for the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services, Wetlands Bureau. They support Planning Board goals with DRC review and recommendations for Conditional Use Permits; work to preserve the community's orchards and open spaces; provide educational information about our natural resources to the community; and manage the town's working forests.

On the Zoning Board of Adjustments, there is a need for one, full-time position also. That position also has a term ending on Dec. 31, 2021.

The Zoning Board of Adjustment, also referred to as the Board of Appeals, is required

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# Town Asks Its Residents to Please Conserve Water

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LONDONDERRY TIMES

Last week the Town of Londonderry posted a press release on their website asking residents to please conserve water.

Although the Town Council held off on mandating any water restrictions at their most recent meeting, they requested people use common sense when watering lawns.

In the press release issued by the town, they

stated:

The latest drought map issued by NHDES (New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services) indicates that Londonderry remains in a condition of "Severe Drought" and we are asking all residents to work together to actively conserve water. Here are some conservation tips for homeowners on private wells:

- Spread out the timing of water use so that

multiple water uses do not co-occur and so the well has time to replenish between uses.

- Cut-out non-essential uses such as outdoor water use for lawn watering, car-washing and pressure washing. This can reduce water use by 25 to 50 percent.

- Conserve water by cutting back on shower times, only doing full loads of laundry when necessary, and turning off the faucet while brushing teeth, doing

dishes and washing hands.

- Replace old water fixtures and appliances that are wasting water. Top-loading washing machines built before 2003 and toilets older than 1994 are known to be the largest water-wasting culprits in the home. Showerheads older than 1994 can also waste a great deal of water, as can older bathroom sink aerators.

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ines and replacing old water fixtures with EPA WaterSense certified fixtures is an easy way to ensure you are choosing products that will save water and perform.

For guidance on selecting ENERGY STAR® and WaterSense certified products and more water efficiency tips, see the NHDES water efficiency fact sheets.

- Fix leaks, including running toilets. Running toilets can waste hun-

dreds of gallons a day. Old and worn toilet flappers are often the culprit and are very easy to replace. Also, some toilet leaks can't be heard. Check for a leak by dropping food coloring (12 drops) or a leak detector dye tablet in the toilet tank. Do not flush for 15 or 20 minutes. If the dye shows up in the bowl, you know that your toilet is running.

## Positions

Continued from page 1 by RSA 673:1 whenever a town or city enacts a Zoning Ordinance. As a "quasi-judicial" entity, the main goal of the ZBA is to make exceptions to the ordinance without having to change the ordinance itself (something only the Town Council has authority to do). Under State enabling statutes (RSA 674:33), the ZBA has the

authority to act in four separate and distinctive categories whenever a property owner seeks relief from the requirements of Londonderry's zoning ordinance: Variance; Special Exception; Equitable Waiver of Dimensional Requirements; and Relief of Administrative Decision.

The Heritage Commission is looking for a three-year, full-time position.

The Heritage Commission meets bi-monthly, on the fourth Thursday of each month, in the Sunnycrest Conference Room of Town Hall.

The purpose of the commission is to oversee the preservation of historical and cultural resources for the Town, to educate the public on matters of historical interest and to work with other Boards, committees and commis-

sions to assure responsible development that reflects the Town's Master Plan.

The Commission is also a Historic District Commission, with responsibilities as enumerated by state statute and the Historic District section of the Town's Zoning Ordinance.

In order to apply for any of these openings, applicants must be a resident of Londonderry.

If you are interested in more than one position, please indicate that on the Talent Bank Form.

Information regarding these Boards/Committees can be found on the Town of Londonderry's website. There is an

application deadline of Wednesday, Sept. 30. at 4 p.m.

For any questions regarding the open positions, applicants may

contact Executive Assistant, Kirby Brown at (603) 432-1100 extension 120 or email her at: kbrown@londonderry-nh.org

## OBITUARY

Ronald J. Ouellette



SSGT Ronald J. Ouellette, USAF, 23, of Merrimack, NH, died Monday, Sept. 14, 2020 in Kuwait from injuries suffered in an ATV accident.

A walk-through wake with masks, social distancing and limited interaction with the family will be held on Sunday, Sept. 27 from noon - 4 p.m., in the Peabody Funeral Homes and Crematorium, 290 Mammoth Rd., Londonderry. Due to State of NH guidelines, all guests are required to wear masks, minimize contact and maintain social distancing. A graveside service will be held on Monday at 1 p.m., in NH State Veterans Cemetery, 110 Daniel Webster Hwy., Boscawen, NH.

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# Time & Location Changed for Next Traffic Safety Meeting

The next Traffic Safety Committee meeting will be held on Monday, Oct. 5, beginning at 5:30 p.m. in the Londonderry Police Department Community Room. The meeting was originally scheduled for 6 p.m. in the Sunnycrest meeting room at Town Hall.

The Traffic Safety Committee addresses

the problems of the Town residents when submitted to the Committee.

The Committee uses Regulation 94-1, which was adopted by Town Meeting in 1995 as a guide to uniform enforcement. This regulation employs the standards of the U.S. Department of Transportation

(MUTCD) Manual on Uniform Traffic Control

Devices for Streets and Highways, the New Hampshire Department

of Transportation Publication, Traffic Control Standards, Statutes and Policies and New Hampshire's RSA 259:125. The Town's inventory of

standard devices is installed under this Regulation.

The committee addresses problems that the citizen's bring

before them to include road signage additions and traffic flow problems. Meetings of the Committee are held quarterly.

## Graduate

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Ouellette graduated in 2015. The ribbons will be made into wreaths and be given to family members. She is hoping that the wreaths will be placed near his final resting place at the New Hampshire State Veterans Cemetery.

His aunt asks that those who contribute ribbons have them be at least 12 inches long and attach them to the sign that has been erected near the right side of the main entrance at the Londonderry High School, 295 Mammoth Road, or mailed to Morgan-Jones' home at 369 Whittington Street, Manchester, NH 03104.

Morgan-Jones was busy on Monday afternoon preparing the area at LHS and she urged people to choose ribbons that appeal to them.

Ouellette's remains arrived at Dover Air Force Base in Delaware last week, and he was to return to New Hamp-



Ron Ouellette's aunt, Sharon Morgan-Jones prepared an area for people to contribute ribbons at Londonderry High School. The ribbons will be made into wreaths for her nephew. Photo by Chris Paul

shire this week.

He had been in the Reserves as an air transportation specialist for about six years in the 42nd Aerial Port Squadron.

A walk-through wake with masks, social distancing and limited interaction with the family will be held on Sun-

day, Sept. 27, from 12 to 4 p.m. at the Peabody

Funeral Homes and Crematorium, 290 Mammoth Road, Londonderry. Due to state guidelines, all guests are required to wear masks, minimize contact and

maintain social distancing.

A graveside service will be held on Monday at 1 p.m. in the New Hampshire State Veterans Cemetery, 110 Daniel Webster Highway, Boscawen.

## OBITUARY

Robert Brady (Rob) Heenan



Robert Brady (Rob) Heenan died on Sept. 15 at New England Sinai Hospital in Stoughton, MA after a long battle with Primary Progressive Multiple Sclerosis.

He is survived by his parents Bill and Cindy Heenan of Derry, NH, his brother Eric Heenan and his wife Angela of Londonderry, NH and his sister Pam Heenan of Chelsea, MA. He is also survived by his two nephews, Will and Drew Heenan of Londonderry. Rob was born on Sept. 24, 1969 in Landstuhl, Germany while his father was serving in the Army. He was a graduate of Pinkerton Academy in Derry, NH in 1987 and went on to The University of New Hampshire where he received a degree in English/Journalism in 1991.

Rob grew up with a love of two things: sports and newspapers. He played baseball and hockey, but had a love for all sports. One of his favorite pastimes was reading the Sunday sports pages (usually out loud). After UNH, he began his career in the newspaper business as a reporter and, eventually, editor of various newspapers around New England. His career led him to working for the United States Tennis Association based in Denver, Colorado where his passion for tennis, writing and the outdoors were all combined. Upon his MS diagnosis, he moved back home to New Hampshire where he took on his new role as "Uncle Rob".

Following cremation, a private service will be held for the family. The Peabody Funeral Homes & Crematorium is assisting the family with arrangements. In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made to the National MS Society, P.O. Box 9189, Washington DC 20090-1891.

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# Editorial

## Think for Yourself, Say No to Censorship

Thomas Jefferson wrote to his friend John Adams, "I cannot live without books." He literally spent a fortune on building a library. The author of the Declaration of Independence knew the value of free speech, and worked diligently to include it in the Bill of Rights. Books and the freedom to read, something Jefferson would have understood quite well, celebrated each year during Banned Books Week.

Banned Books Week is most here again, with the week of Sept. 27 through Oct. 3 devoted to celebrating the freedom to read what you want.

The oddly named week draws attention to censorship efforts that continue to this day, and many libraries feature displays of books that people have attempted to keep everyone else from reading. Among the most well known books hit with banning attempts are Mark Twain's "Adventures of Huckleberry Finn," "Jack London's "Call of the Wild," "Catch-22" by Joseph Heller," and "Fahrenheit 451" by Ray Bradbury. "Where the Wild Things Are" by Maurice Sendak, "To Kill a Mockingbird" and "Moby-Dick" by Herman Melville all made the challenged list.

These and many, many other books have been banned or challenged by people who think they have the right to tell the rest of us what we should and should never read.

Does a person or group's religious or political beliefs give them the right to tell you what to read? Do you as a parent abdicate your duty to supervise your children's

upbringing, including their reading material, in favor of someone with a louder voice?

Those are the questions you should ask as you think about the pleasure you experienced, reading a "banned" book.

Some books contain viewpoints that some may find offensive. Simple solution? Don't read the book. Offensive content in someone's eyes doesn't give anyone the right to keep a book away from the rest of the world. The word for that is censorship.

There's no place for it in America. Remember, even when books are assigned in school, parents can ask that their child be excused if they find the material offensive.

As long as censorship attempts keep happening, Banned Books Week reminds us not to take the freedom to read for granted. Banned Books Week celebrates open access to the expression of ideas, even those out of the mainstream. It means that what you like to read may not be what I like to read, but neither one of us has the right to prevent the other from reading what we want.

You can't think for yourself when restraints govern the information available. That's why newspapers cherish press freedom, and why our country's founders enshrined it in the Constitution.

So we urge you, this week especially, to pick up a book someone doesn't want you to read, and celebrate your right to think for yourself. "Know your rights" The Clash.

# Letters

## Thank You

To the editor

The 2nd annual Skip Burbine Memorial Tennis Tournament was held over the weekend of 9/11-9/13 at the Skip Burbine Tennis courts in Londonderry, NH. It was highly successful in raising close to \$5000 to fund the Skip Burbine Tennis Scholarships awarded each year to two graduating High School Seniors. The weather was spectacular as were many of the matches that were played throughout the weekend. Thank you to the town of Londonderry and specifically Art Psales, for allowing us to run this event amid this COVID19 pandemic and providing us with CDC guidelines regarding safe practices for both players and spectators. Thank you to all of the tennis players who participated, as well as the spectators for being compliant and following social distancing, both on and off the courts. Thank you to all other tennis players from the local area who were accommodating in letting us use the courts exclusively for the tournament for the entire weekend. Thank you to the NH USTA for so generously providing Grant money to offset some of the expenses incurred in running this event. Thank you to local vendors B's Tacos and Kona Ice who came last minute to offer food choices when we unable to provide it ourselves this year. Thank you to Strings and Things for providing professional racquet stringing services on site for our players. Thank you to the

tournament committee, especially Roberta Davis, and all the volunteers for helping to make the tournament such a success. This tournament was one of Skip's dreams and gives us such joy and happiness to see so many sharing the love of the game and the friendships that evolve. Life is challenging these days but as Skip used to say "The beauty of tennis is that no matter what else is going on in your life, no matter what is happening in the world, you can put on your sneakers, pick up a racquet, go play tennis and... leave it all off the court." So thank you for letting us do just that.

Sincerely,  
The Burbine Family  
Londonderry

## Vote with Purpose

To the editor,

Sept. 20 is POW/MIA Recognition day. This day and frankly for a few days afterwards gives me pause. Memories of my own military service come back to mind. I was blessed that I was not a POW/MIA - my service kept me out of harms way. Yet, I have great respect and thankfulness for those who sacrificed greatly- who were injured, captured, and or died. Given that we are in a very significant election timeframe, I am reflecting more on the reasons of what I and my fellow soldiers were fighting for and fighting to withstand. My service was in the time when our nation was a champion against the evils of communism. We fought in countries to dispose dictators-oppressive re-

gimes. I could not imagine then that America would become targeted by Marxists- communists-socialists and others for "transformation", that we would have people running for office who want to reengineer the USA Constitution into a living document and subjugate our nation to a new world order administered by the United Nations. I urge you to research the candidates. Know who you are voting for what you are voting against. Vote for those who seek to preserve all that is good about our country, who will only use legal means to propose changes, who will only propose laws that will make truly needed improvements, for those who will keep any taxes low as possible, and who will keep government out of our lives as much as possible. While we have not been a perfect nation, we have ultimately worked together to vanquish our deficiencies. We must continue to strive to be "one nation, under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all. You cannot achieve what you do not strive for and take actions to preserve.

John Loker,  
Captain, US Army  
Vietnam 1966 1967,  
Londonderry

## Biden? Really?

To the editor,

Did I miss something? Did the IQs in Londonderry just drop precipitously? Has anyone checked the water lately? I just read the letters to the editor from four people: Greg Warn-

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# Letters

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er, Steve Homsey, Barbara Fucarile and Donald Moskowitz and flabbergasted just isn't a strong enough word to describe their idiocy and ill-informed statements....each of them basically if not actually endorsing Biden as the next president.

Biden? The very epitome of the Washington, DC swamp that every person with an ounce of grey matter, wants to see reformed. The man has been in the swamp for 47 years and cannot name a single accomplishment except his personal enrichment. He hides in his basement and when, from there, he holds a press conference, he has teleprompters providing him the answers asked by the liberal press. The man cannot speak three cogent sentences in a row without an ear-piece coaching him.

There are so many factual inaccuracies in the four letters that I would run out of space listing them all. Hate the military?... Trump RESTORED IT after Obama tore it down! The Virus?, who stopped the Chinese from entering the country in January...and who protested that action? Biden who called Trump a xenophobe for doing so and Pelosi who was actually on TV inviting folks to go to China Town to eat to protest Trump's action! Wake

up! Veterans scorn Trump?, well you fool Steve, I'm a Veteran, a Vietnam Veteran and I am a Republican and I utterly scorn you!

Oh, BTW, while your "peaceful" Democrat party associates are burning, looting and destroying cities and killing cops by ambush in their squad cars across the country, I hope you are espousing their values and praising their action. What a group of foolish, misguided, uneducated puppets.

This is a free country so you four are able to speak and print the stupidest of things and some more stupid people (most, I suspect, recently moved to our beautiful state from Massachusetts) are welcome to believe it as long as they don't change the balance of NH. Yes, Trump lost NH to that idiot Clinton by a small margin in 2016, He won't lose to an even bigger fool in November...GO TRUMP!

Regards,  
William (Bill) Lynch  
Londonderry

## Voting Day

To the editor,  
Two weeks ago I had the opportunity to spend time at the polls on voting day. It was wonderful to see so many of my neighbors exercising their right to vote, and encouraging to see that so many felt safe and confident en-

ough to come in person. I hope the fears expressed by some about the process can be put to rest now that the evidence is in: according to our state epidemiologist, there is no spike or cluster associated with voting day in New Hampshire.

I want to thank our town Moderator, Supervisors of the Checklist, town staff and health officials, and town councilors for their commitment to running the day smoothly. More widely, Governor Sununu deserves credit for his calm and competent leadership throughout the Covid crisis, and special thanks go to our Republican elected officials for balancing economic and health concerns with compassion.

Now is no time to frighten good people away from voting, or to discourage anyone from showing support outside the venue. We Granite Staters need to set panic and fearmongering aside for good, and get out there to support the candidates with proven ability to lead in uncertain times. We are lucky to have them.

Laura El-Azem  
Londonderry

## Part 1: Trump's Accomplishments

To the editor,  
The vitriolic hate of Trump expressed by the media and some Londonderry residents com-

pletely misses what Trump has done to improve American lives. Trump was well on his way to keeping his promise to make America great again until COVID-19 struck. COVID-19 is an outlier though a deadly outlier to Trump's plans to make America's economy and military the strongest ever in the world. As sure as the sun will shine tomorrow, COVID-19 will be controlled with vaccines in the pipeline pushed by Trump's "Warp Speed" program to have a vaccine ready for distribution before year end. With another four years, Trump will achieve what he promised prior to becoming President; the best American economy ever and the strongest military to protect us from China and Russia who are increasingly challenging America's security. Could Trump have done a better job initially in controlling COVID? Maybe, but no one including virologist and epidemiologist knew how deadly COVID is and still don't know fully of its power. Would Biden have done a better job of controlling COVID? It's easy for Biden to say that his plan to control COVID-19 would have prevented 200,000 deaths. Hind-

sight is 20-20 and Biden doesn't have a crystal ball that would have allowed him to set in motion a plan to prevent and control COVID. Remember it was Biden who stated on Jan. 31 and again March 12 that Trump was hysterically xenophobic in stopping flights from China. Had Trump not stopped these flights, surely COVID deaths would be much higher. Democrats and hate-filled ranters speak of Trump as verbose, deranged and egotistical. Yes, Trump has character flaws, but show me who doesn't. These flaws may not be representative of past presidents like Obama's polished speeches, but speeches should not be the criteria to elect a president; accomplishments are. I often shake my head at Trump's ramblings and wished he were more polished in expressing himself, but Trump's not a smooth-talking politician; he's a doer and don't stand in his way in keeping his promises. While I considered the more political savvy Hillary in 2016, I couldn't get passed her corruption as I now consider what Biden's socialist platform would do to my sons and grandson's futures. More on this another day. Some

locals question what Trump has done to MAGA. There's no way I can relate here all that Trump has accomplished for you and me due to word limitations here. However in the weeks to come, I will tell why I will vote for Trump again in November despite his character flaws. The alternative is far worse given Mr. Biden's socialist agenda, his mental acuity, and the media's lack of attention to the Biden family's corruption. I'm sure some will be waiting breathlessly for me to recite Trump's many accomplishments, but nevertheless, stay tuned. Trump's accomplishments may even impress die-hard liberals if they can get past their distain for Trump's personal flaws of which Joe Biden has none. Cough-cough.

Bob Pitre  
Londonderry

## Fact Check

To the editor,  
During the Town Council meeting on Sept. 14, 2020 there was a discussion on the issue of whether or not to pursue a Mask Ordinance. Councilor Tom Dolan stated that "the World Health Organization says that at the present time,

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use of masks everywhere is not supported by scientific evidence..”

To be clear the World Health Organization was late to the party on the issue but, as reported on June 8, 2020 by The New York Times and Reuters, on June 5, 2020 the W.H.O. finally endorsed the use of face masks by the public to reduce the transmission of the coronavirus.

Maria Van Kerkhove, the W.H.O. technical lead expert on Covid-19 said in an interview with Reuters,

“We are advising governments to encourage that the general public wear a mask. And we specify a fabric mask—that is non-medical.”

Wearing a mask is not a political statement, or a red/blue stand to take; it is a public health issue. It shows you are concerned for your own health and your fellow citizens health. If you care about your fellow Londonderry residents - hide your face-SHOW YOUR MASK.

Denise Burgess  
Londonderry

## Just Thinking

To the editor,  
I am a 73 old man with MS and plenty of time to read and do some heavy thinking about our country. I have never been so narrow minded to think through only one-party philosophy. This President has made me mad and has made me laugh. He has agitated me with his straight talk while talking off the hip. He says things I don't want to hear about but is truthful and comes from the heart. I admire him for never taking a stance to gain popular votes that seems to be the staple of the career politicians we usually have to deal with. I detest Career Politicians. They are mostly lawyers that have become multi-millionaires off our backs. That's the only reason they get into the game. Come voting day people are always to bias to see the light through the forest. Come voting day I am going to revisit some of my thinking episodes. Do I want a 48yr. Career Politician who has done nothing notable in all that time? Just Thinking Do I want someone who

had the balls to stand up too little Rocket Man? Just thinking Do I want a man fighting for our Military? Just Thinking Do I want someone who got the economy robust again after Obama said it couldn't be done because Trump doesn't have a magic wand? Just Thinking Do I want to turn things over to swamp creatures that wasted millions of our tax money and 3 1/2yrs of wasted time on a crooked, stacked Russian Hoax? JUST THINKING Do I want a Democratic funded illegal mob matching on our borders? Do I want this mob tearing down our monuments? Just Thinking Do I want someone who has the initiative to seek better NAFTA, TPP, China trade agreements? Just Thinking Do I want someone fighting for me and not the status quo? Just Thinking Despite his sometimes-abusive behavior and cocky attitude he is always fighting for this country and us with energy not seen in the White house for decades. I love this country. I love to hear our national anthem play. After 50yrs have stopped watching all sports because of the

kneeling during anthem. Not the time or place to protest.

Tim Beaton  
Viet Nam Vet US Army  
Londonderry

## Response to Last Weeks Letters

To the editor,  
Having read the four letters in last week's paper, I will attempt to address them all in my comments.

Claims of mishandling the virus were made despite the fact upon knowledge he took quick action by shutting down flights from China and Europe. The Democrats for doing so criticized him heavily. Democrat Governors during the crisis from NY, NJ, and other states praised him for the aid they received. How then could this be construed as mishandling?

One writer mentions the chaos in the White House and violence in the streets. I'm confused by the violence in the streets as we were told constantly they were peaceful demonstrations and as the Democrat Mayor in Seattle said we were going to have a “Summer of Love”. All Democrat officials stated in the states where

demonstrations are still taking place was caused by police action and called for defunding the police.

Strange that demonstrators are never affected by the virus. The Democrat Party, and I use that word loosely, as they have become far left Socialist are now in a quandary. They tried the Mueller investigation over a two-year period and that didn't work. The impeachment was a fiasco. Lo and behold along came the virus. Certainly not a good thing but demands to shut down the country thus affecting the economy, causing massive unemployment etc. Now we can blame the President for all the ensuing turmoil.

The virus reports are looking promising, schools should be reopening, sports finally. One writer said “If only the election would take place before back to school”. Guess

she means if Biden were to be elected who she says has a calming voice and plan that all will be well. Not sure what his plan is and neither does he until he reads the next prompter.

The virus reports are looking better with a vaccine on the horizon so it's time to throw another bomb. Unanimous(unnamed cowards) sources stated the President said Dead soldiers are losers and suckers. Of course it's been verified this to be an outrageous false statement. However a writer goes along with it. Who cares if it's true or not as long as we can bash the President? Being a combat veteran I for one can appreciate what he has done in making our military strong and the help to all veterans. Now let's throw another bomb before the election by instilling fear of the virus and the need to

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## OBITUARY

### Roslyn Furey Bajek



Roslyn Furey Bajek, 91, of Londonderry, NH, formerly of Andover, MA passed away on Wednesday Sept. 16, 2020 at the Community Hospice House in Merrimack, NH. She was born on Feb. 3, 1929 in Enfield, CT to the late Charles and Rose Furey. She graduated from Enfield High School and Bay Path Jr. College in Longmeadow, MA.

Roslyn married Ben Bajek, the love of her life. They eventually moved to Andover, MA, where she was a resident for 55 years and was a communicant of St. Robert Bellarmine Church. After her children were grown, she went to work at Doherty Realty and Insurance as a receptionist for 25 years.

She is survived by her children, Charlyce Mandat and her husband Rene of Cooper City, FL., Holly D'Errico and her husband Paul of Londonderry and Thomas Bajek and his wife Linda of Londonderry, her grandchildren, who loved Gramma very much, Justin D'Errico, Jenna Rose D'Errico, TJ Bajek and Timothy Bajek, all of Londonderry, as well as many nieces and nephews. She also leaves a special friend & cousin, Teddy Furey. Roslyn was predeceased by her beloved husband of 70 years, Ben Bajek, her first grandson, Mathew Mandat, her sister, Grace Stamm and her brother, Atty. Charles L. Furey.

All services are private at the request of the family. Peabody Funeral Homes and Crematorium of Londonderry is in charge of the arrangements.

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## Letters

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send out mail in ballots to all registered voters, or not, whether living or present whereabouts unknown. Why bother for all able body to vote in person with proper identification and prevent fraud.

Eight week's to go

but unfortunately the nightmare will not end should the President be reelected. Sad to say there will be demonstrations and chaos by anarchist, socialist, throughout many of our cities who will never accept him for four more years May God Bless our Country.

We will desperately

need it.

Jerry Page  
Londonderry

### The Wisdom of Ruth Bader Ginsburg

To the editor,  
Justice Ginsburg said, "Fight for the things that you care about, but do it in a way that will lead

others to join you". This is an important concept in these times of partisan bickering, name calling, and gridlock.

As she said, said "You can disagree without being disagreeable". Consider that Ruth Bader Ginsburg and Antonin Scalia were best friends, their families dined together, they loved the opera and went on vacation together. Yet she was an outspoken liberal and he was an outspoken conservative. "To sum up their friendship, she quoted Scalia: 'I attack ideas. I don't attack people. Some very good people have some very bad ideas.'" "How blessed I was," she wrote, "to have a working colleague and dear friend of such captivating brilliance, high spirits and quick wit."

Scalia's son Eugene wrote on learning of her death, "The two justices had central roles in addressing some of the most divisive issues of the day, including cases on abortion, same-sex marriage and who would be president. Not for a moment did one think the other should be condemned or ostracized. More than that, they believed that what they

were doing - arriving at their own opinions thoughtfully and advancing them vigorously - was essential to the national good. With less debate, their friendship would have been diminished, and so, they believed, would our democracy."

They allowed each other to have their own opinions and to be swayed by a convincing argument. Ginsburg also said, "I'm a very strong believer in listening and learning from others." Listening and learning requires an open mind and willingness to adapt and even perhaps compromise.

Justice Ginsburg also said "Don't be distracted by emotions like anger, envy, resentment. These just zap energy and waste time." Such wise advice, which seems like common sense, but which is much too rare in today's political environment. She said, "Reacting in anger or annoyance will not advance one's ability to persuade" Social media would be a totally differ-

ent experience if only we learned this lesson. Those who practice conflict management say the first step in conflict resolution is to take the personality out of the problem. If we see the other person/party as the problem, it is almost impossible to work out a solution.

She was pragmatic. "Real change, enduring change, happens one step at a time.", "So often in life, things that you regard as an impediment turn out to be great, good fortune.", and "You can't have it all, all at once." And yet she believed in a better future, "Justices continue to think and can change. I am ever hopeful that if the court has a blind spot today, its eyes will be open tomorrow"

Hopefully, we can all embrace her philosophy, and fight for the things that we care about, but do it in a way that will lead others to join us.

James Green  
Londonderry

## School

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After the vote, Curro told the board that the legislature has amended

the amount schools could retain in undesignated funds from 2.5 percent to five percent and that a warrant article would be presented

to the voters in March that would allow the school to access that money without having to go to the state.

## Exit 4A Project Delayed

Sept. 17, The New Hampshire Department of Transportation (NHDOT) opened price proposals for the Design-Build project to construct Exit 4a on I-93 in Derry and Londonderry. Unfortunately, the lowest of the three price proposals exceeded the Department's cost estimate

and the project construction budget by more than \$30 Million. As a result, the Department will not be moving forward with the award of the Design-Build contract at this time.

To advance the Design-Build contract at the higher than expected cost would significantly impact other

projects in the financially constrained Ten Year Transportation Improvement Plan. Consequently, the Department will pause to reevaluate the project scope of work and method of project delivery. The Department will work with Derry and Londonderry, as well as affected property owners, to determine the next steps in the process and how to advance a more cost effective design that can be re-bid.

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# Butterfly Garden Planners Change Location to Mack Property

CHRIS PAUL  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

After realizing the challenges of getting a plan for a pollinator/butterfly garden through the town planning process, a group of planting enthusiasts have decided to change the location of the garden to the adjacent property on the Moose Hill Orchard.

The original plan was to develop a Butterfly Garden just outside the Londonderry Town Forest, on town-owned land, but after seeing some resistance by the Heritage Commission in July, who oversee that area, the group has

decided to use the nearby pumpkin patch, owned by Moose Hill, as their location.

Andy Mack Sr., who has been involved with the group since its inception, made the generous donation of allowing the garden to be planted on his property.

Martha Smith, one of the original members of the group said, "I'm happy that Andy Mack has agreed to allow us to use the pumpkin patch across from the Morrison House on Pillsbury Road. This will be better than using the initial piece of land owned by the Town. We know it is already prepped for

planting and is good growing soil. We will be free to build this project how we choose without the necessity of seeking approvals from the town at every turn. I am thankful to Andy Mack, Sr. for his generosity in allowing us to utilize this area for this project that will hopefully involve and benefit all of our residents."

Another member, Marge Badois, a UNH Master Gardener said, "This location will boost our chances of a successful garden. The soil has already proven to be productive and able to support the pumpkin patch, so our wildflowers should flourish as well."

The newly formed group, known as the Green Team of Londonderry, has been meeting once a month over the summer and hope to get started in the spring. GREEN stands for Garden, Recycle, Education, Energy, and Nature, and the intent of the Butterfly Garden is to create a colorful garden that will attract valuable pollinators such as bees and butterflies as well as birds.

The layout of the garden has not been finalized yet, but the possible plans include room for people to move through and explore the garden.

The hope is that this project will be one the whole community can be involved with and enjoy. Future plans also include benches where people can sit and enjoy the garden.

The group also wants to bring recyclable art into the garden where the



*Plans to plant a Butterfly Garden at the Town Forest have changed to the adjacent property on Moose Hill Orchard. Photo by Chris Paul*

art will either be created from repurposed metal or other recycled items. The Green Team to make

this a self-funded project through donations and fundraising as well as applying for grants.



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## A Reach For Hope Community Garden

Reach 1 Teach 1 Love 1, a nonprofit organization designed to bring awareness about youth and young adult mental health issues and suicide prevention, will host our second Community Hope Garden planting event at Pinkerton High School on Oct. 3, at 9 a.m.

In collaboration with The Yellow Tulip Project and The Jason R Flood

Memorial, the participants will plant 1500 yellow tulips in front of the notable Pinkerton Building.

Now, more than ever, this garden will serve as a reminder that "HOPE BLOOMS". In spring, students, staff, and the community will have the delight of viewing bright yellow blossoms as the tulips rise from the soil after winter. The garden will be a visual reminder

that, even though individuals face "cold and dark" seasons in life, renewal and hope waits ahead.

Due to COVID-19 restrictions, the planting event is closed to the public. However, look for our dedication event coming in May 2021. Help our organizations "reach above the stigma" and spread awareness about mental health and suicide prevention.



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# Annual Skip Burbine Memorial Tennis Tournament

KELSEY DERHAK  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Skip Burbine Memorial Tennis Tournament was held in Londonderry over the weekend of September 11th-13th, 2020 at the tennis fields in his name.

The tennis tournament, which is in its second year, is to honor the memory of Skip Burbine who passed away in 2018. Skip Burbine was a long time tennis coach for the Londonderry and Southern New Hampshire community. He led the Lancers to championships in 2010, for the Boys team and in 2014, for the girls team. He even passed down his passion for tennis to both of his children, Alex and Cassie, who went on to continue their tennis careers at the collegiate level. He often held clinics and camps for young tennis players to learn and grow their skills. "He always wanted a tournament," says Patrice Burbine, of her late husband. The money raised from the tournament goes towards scholarship funds for local seniors as they head to college. This year they were able to raise almost 5,000 dol-



At Left: Women's doubles winners, Grace Carpenter, left, and Carly Citron.

Above: Men's Doubles winners, Ryan Artemonis, left, and Ian Hastings

At right: Mixed Doubles winners, Carly Citron, left, and McKinley Grimes.

lars for the scholarship fund.

With the weather creating a picturesque fall weekend in New Hampshire, people ranging in age from teenagers to adults, were able to compete in matches throughout the entire weekend. Some matches were even able to play under the lights. The tournament was a mixture of men's, women's, and mixed doubles. Among those competing were Skip's wife, Patrice, and his two children, Alex and Cassie.

Family friend of the

Burbine's, Roberta Davis, who also helped put together the tournament said one of the highlights for her was "it was such a nice group of people and everyone was sportsmanlike and courteous to each other." To have the tournament this year was extra special due to the pandemic and the challenges of social gatherings. With the go-ahead from the town and following safety rules such as social distancing, wearing of masks, temperature taking, and health screening forms the tournament was able

to take place.

With the stress of a worldwide pandemic, the opportunity to get outside and play and be active is needed even more. "You can forget about things on the tennis court", is often something you might hear Skip say. "He used to say no matter what's going on in your life or the world you can put your sneakers on and pick up a racket and go play tennis and leave everything on the court," remembers Patrice Burbine. Many people in town seem to follow in his footsteps, as the tennis courts have been one of the

busiest

places since things have opened back up. Residents have been taking to the tennis courts for some much needed time outdoors.

The tournament was highly competitive, as spirits were high over the weekend, where attendees could be seen grabbing food from the food trucks and chatting about the US Open, happening at the same time. The semi-finals and finals of the tournament were held that Sunday, September 13th and crowned Grace Carpenter and Carly Citron the Women's Doubles winners with Cassie Burbine

and Hannah Riley coming in second place. The Men's Doubles winners were Ryan Artemonis and Ian Hastings with Camden Poitras and McKinley Grimes coming in second place. The Mixed Double's winners were Carly Citron and McKinley Grimes with Hannah Riley and Teddy Hurst taking home the consolation prize.

The Burbine family plans to hold the tennis tournament each year in honor of Skip and his legacy, the weekend after Labor Day at the tennis courts in his name, here in Londonderry.

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# Historical Society and Symphony NH Team Up for Fall Concert

Londonderry Historical Society and Symphony NH are teaming up to offer an afternoon of music surrounded by Londonderry's apple orchards and history. The concert fea-

tures Symphony NH musicians performing in a brass quintet and will take place on the grounds of the Londonderry Historical Society, 140 Pillsbury Rd., on Saturday, Oct. 3 at 4 p.m. Grounds open at 3 p.m. and guests are invited to bring chairs or blankets to set up across the Historical Society's property to enjoy this outdoor, socially distanced, live music event. Masks are required when not seated, and guests are asked to set up 6' apart from other groups during the concert. Parking is available in the Orchard Christian Church lower

lot next door. The concert is funded in part by a grant from New Hampshire Humanities and the National Endowment for the Humanities.

Attendees can bring a picnic or purchase a delicious appetizer box from Lucciano's Cafe in Londonderry. (Pre-order by 9/30 required.) Appetizer boxes are generously sized individual portions delivered straight to the event. Guests can pick up their boxes when they check in for the concert.

Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for children. Londonderry Historical Society members

are free. Memberships are \$25 individual/\$35 family, so consider becoming a member and enjoying free admission to the concert. To purchase tickets or become a member, visit the Historical Society's website, [www.londonderryhistory.org](http://www.londonderryhistory.org). Tickets are NON-REFUNDABLE, but ARE transferrable. (In case of weather cancellation, tickets will be refunded.)

The Londonderry Historical Society's mission is to preserve the best of Londonderry's past for future generations. The society owns several buildings at its 140 Pillsbury Rd., site, including

the c. 1760 Morrison House, the 1859 Parmenter Barn, and the 1840 R.P. Clark Blacksmith Shop. The Society meets regularly on the 3rd Tuesday of the month at 6 p.m. The public is always welcome. Winter meetings are at the Leach Library, and in the summer at the site on Pillsbury Rd. The LHS is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization, and all contributions are tax deductible.

For more information, visit [www.londonderryhistory.org](http://www.londonderryhistory.org) or find them on Facebook, [www.facebook.com/TownOfLondonderryNHHistoricalSociety/](https://www.facebook.com/TownOfLondonderryNHHistoricalSociety/).

## OBITUARY

### Earl Carlton Emery



Earl Carlton Emery, 79, of Londonderry, NH, passed away Wednesday, Sept. 9, 2020 at home, surrounded by his loving family. Earl was a mighty man in strength and heart, who committed his life to Christ in 1978 and remained a faithful follower for the rest of his life.

Born in Quincy, MA on March 21, 1941 to Carl and Doris (Leach) Emery, Earl grew up in Wayland, MA and graduated Belmont Hill High School in 1958. He went on to earn his B.S. ('62) and M.S. ('64) in geology at Boston University. He enlisted in the Army in 1966 and was commissioned as a 2 Lt., engineering branch, and rose to the rank of Captain, earning the Army Commendation Medal and receiving an honorable discharge in 1974. After his military service, Earl worked as a computer programmer for 40 years, often serving as an elder in the churches he attended.

Earl was happiest when spending time with his family and helping others, no matter the time or place. He will be remembered as a lover of nature and an avid sportsman who enjoyed fishing, rock collecting, bird watching, and practicing karate. He especially loved finding items to recycle, going on many road trips with his grandson to find materials that could be reused. Earl was also a voracious reader, picking up a new book immediately after finishing another. He particularly enjoyed reading texts on theology, geology, military history, and biographies.

Earl is survived by his loving wife of 56 years, Alberta (Terwilliger) Emery; his daughter Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Virginia Emery, U.S. Army, currently serving at Fort Jackson; his son, Joshua Emery and daughter-in-law Anya Emery, and grandson Andrew, of Londonderry, NH; his daughter Sharyn Emery, Ph.D, and son-in law Brian Kanowsky, of Jeffersonville, IN.

Calling hours will be held privately by the family; burial will be in the NH State Veterans Cemetery, located at 110 Daniel Webster Highway, Boscawen. Peabody Funeral Homes and Crematorium is assisting the family with arrangements. Memorial contributions may be made to: Southern New Hampshire Rescue Mission, 40 Chestnut St, Nashua NH, 03060, or at: [hope4nashua.org](http://hope4nashua.org).

## Co-Parenting Classes at The Upper Room

This 5 part class is designed to address concerns and questions that separating and divorcing parents have, and explore how to keep the focus on the needs of their children. Using a mix of video content and group discussion, parents are

encouraged to be aware of how their actions may affect their children. The attendees work on skills that help them stay child-focused, and discuss ways to make good choices in an environment of conflict and loss.

Brenda Guggisberg, Executive Director of

The Upper Room, explains that "As a Family Resource Center, our aim is to help families and children thrive and flourish, by helping separated and divorced parents be effective co-parents is part of that mission. These are strategies for co-parents to

keep themselves and their children healthy while navigating the divorce process. We are committed to offering evidence-based programs, and this series does just that."

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## Transforming Helplessness To Hopefulness

Reach 1 Teach 1 Love 1, a nonprofit mental health and suicide prevention advocacy group, is hosting a live reading with Irene Buchine, the award-winning author of her children's book "Celia and the Little Boy", in conjunction with former Red Sox Pitcher and suicide-loss survivor, John Trautwein of the Will to Live Foundation.

Irene Buchine's illustrated story tells about

two young children who become trapped in the darkness of depression together and what it takes for them to find their way out. Ms Buchine raised a young child with depression and her story shines a light on the necessity to talk with children about depression to help them find hope in dark times.

A panel discussion will follow the reading to

offer their personal knowledge and lived experiences dealing with child and adolescent depression, loss to suicide and how to find hope. The panel will be available to take and answer viewer questions.

"Celia and the Little Boy" should be required reading in every grade school in America. The simple yet powerful

story it tells opens the door to feelings and empathy that are increasingly cast aside in our virtual world. Data and information are invaluable but emotional well-being is essential to a fulfilling life. Irene's wonderful book will aid that journey by both inspiring and touching children"



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# 'Flushable': We Don't Think It Means What You Think It Means

We have used this space more than once over the years to let readers know "What's Flushable" and what isn't (hint: it's toilet paper and human waste), because proper flushing is imperative for maintaining your septic system as well as municipal sewer systems and wastewater treatment plants. Among the many odd things people try to flush down the drain, the main, nasty culprit is the so-called "flushable

wipe."

And now it's not just bathroom wipes we have to contend with; we are seeing more and more cleaning wipes claiming to be "flushable," such as multi-surface wipes. Beware: If you believe the packaging, you may find a bigger mess than you started with. Those so-called "flushable" wipes, designed to clean with convenience, could wreak havoc right below your feet.

While it is true these

products may disappear from your toilet bowl after you flush, they can still cause a problem for your septic system and/or sewer line. They can combine with other fats, oils and greases, and then clog pipes and pumps causing the sewer or septic to back up into your home. Not only will this create a mess you don't want to clean, it will also cost you. An infamous example of this type of back-up is the "Fatberg" dis-

covered in a London sewer [www.foxnews.com/world/london-sewer-fatberg-cleared](http://www.foxnews.com/world/london-sewer-fatberg-cleared), and similar discoveries are also taking place in the United States.

Some wipes that aren't labeled as flushable still state that the product will break up after flushing, but none will break down enough. According to GreenAmerica.org [www.greenamerica.org/blog/are-flushable-wipes-really-flushable](http://www.greenamerica.org/blog/are-flushable-wipes-really-flushable), a study out of

Canada (released in April 2019) tested 101 wipes, on the market for flushability and not a single one passed. There are no restrictions on companies labeling their products as "flushable," so consumers need to know what will happen if they do flush the wipes. In the wastewater world, we like to say that you should only flush the three P's; pee, poop and paper. Your pipes and your plumber will thank you.

If using these wipes is necessary, please throw them in the trash. Better yet, look into more sustainable options for surface cleaning in your home. It may not be as quick and easy, but using reusable cloths and nontoxic cleaners are an excellent alternative; you can even use old T-shirts and towels cut into squares. Keep a bucket under your sink to store used cloths until laundry day, then wash and repeat!

## Conservation Matters: Thyme to Tend To Those Gardens

JOCELYN DEMAS  
SUBMISSION

As the scorching summer finally gives way to cool fall days, it's time to get your yard and garden ready to weather the long winter months. All the hard work you've put into making your space look beautiful this spring and summer needs just a little more love to ensure it continues to shine in future seasons. There are obvious things, like cleaning up the falling leaves from your yard. You can rake them up and bring them to the Town Drop Off Center

on West Road at no charge on Saturdays through Nov. 21, from 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.

You can also mulch the leaves when you mow the lawn – a great option for those busy with soccer games, volleyball practices and lacrosse tournaments (and craft fairs and apple-picking and football and band...!) Just be sure to do it regularly to avoid leaving a large buildup of leaves that just sits on top of the lawn and kills your grass. Even better, set aside the mulch you collect for future landscaping and use in your gar-

den. The shredded mulch will decompose much quicker.

Pull up the annual plants and leftover vegetables in your gardens after the first frost. I've been surprised by wayward carrots in my row of okra that I definitely did not plant that season, so it's best to uproot them. Removing plants that may have been infected by disease can help avoid spreading that disease to your new crops come spring. This also makes it easier to rotate your crops to give the nutrients in your soil a boost.

### Till and Mulch

Consider tilling your garden at this point as well. Do this by hand with a spade or with a motorized tiller, making sure you remove stones and break apart clumps of soil to reintegrate them back into your garden. Covering your garden with a heavy layer of mulch will help resist weed growth and keep your garden in ready-to-plant condition.

If you have more vulnerable perennials, they may need some help to survive the winter. Spread mulch over your less hardy plants, like butterfly bush, to pro-

tect them from extreme cold. At least 2" of mulch should do the trick; take care to spread it evenly and not in mounds. If you have hydrangeas or roses, they will benefit from being snuggled into a burlap blanket throughout the winter. They may thank you for your consideration by giving you some extra flowers come spring!

At this point, many people cut back their perennials as well but hear me out. The seeds that are contained in those perennial heads are providing food for our native wildlife. Consider leaving those

stems to give our songbirds a nutritious, reliable food source over the long, harsh winters. Ornamental grasses can also provide a bit of color and texture to your landscape when everything else is a blinding white. Just be sure to cut them back to the ground in spring before the plant's new growth begins.

Now that you put your yard and garden "to bed," go make yourself a nice hot cup of cider, sit back and enjoy the fall!

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## Shoe Drive

Matthew Thornton PTA is conducting a shoe drive fundraiser to raise money for the school. Anyone can help by donating gently worn, used and new shoes in the two green bins outside of Matthew Thornton Elementary School. By donating gently worn, used and new shoes to the MT PTA, the shoes will be given a second chance and make a difference in people's lives around the world.

## Rail Trail Nature Walk

The Londonderry Trailways is holding a Rail Trail nature walk, Saturday, Oct. 10 at 10 a.m. The guided walk will be led by the Conservation Commission. The walk will begin at the trail entrance adjacent to the North Elementary School lower parking lot and continue towards the airport. Social distancing will be practiced. For more information: [www.londonderrytrails.org](http://www.londonderrytrails.org).

## Adult Scholarship

The Londonderry Women's Club is offering a \$1000 scholarship to a local woman seeking to improve her education. To be eligible you must be a woman who is at least 23 years old, a current resident of Londonderry or an adjacent community and currently enrolled at an accredited postsecondary institution where you have completed a minimum of half the time or credits for your degree, certificate or licensing program. Applications are available online at [www.londonderrywomensclub.org](http://www.londonderrywomensclub.org). They must be submitted by Nov. 15. If you have questions, contact us at [info@londonderrywomensclub.org](mailto:info@londonderrywomensclub.org).

## Food Pantry

Contact-free pick up at the Upper Room, 36 Tsi-

enneto Rd., Derry is available on Mondays from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. (back entrance), Thursdays 3 - 4 p.m. and by appointment (front entrance).

## Parents on Board

A Parent Education Workshop Series Parents on Board will be available Sept. 28, from 6 - 8 p.m., \$35 per person (book included). Active involvement in your children's education is the single most important factor in their success. Topics include preparing your child to succeed and encouraging and reinforcing positive behavior. Contact the Upper Room for more information.

## Crossroads

Crossroads: A series on Co-Parenting will be held by the Upper Room Oct. 5, 19 & 29, from 6 - 8 p.m., \$80 per person (book included). Learn how to protect your child's well-being by keeping them out of the middle, allowing children to love both parents, and working on communication and recovery. To register [www.urteachers.org/remote-learning-and-support#](http://www.urteachers.org/remote-learning-and-support#) call 122.

## Republican Committee Meeting

The Londonderry Republican Committee is holding its monthly meeting tomorrow, Thursday, Oct. 22, at the Victory Baptist Church, 78 Litchfield Rd., Londonderry. We will meet from 7 - 8:30 p.m. We will discuss our strategy as we head into the last couple of weeks before the General Election.

## Grandparent and Caregiver Support

Are you a grandparent or caregiver raising another person's child? Join this weekly meeting for resources, discussions and support on Tuesdays from

6 - 8 p.m., at the YMCA Londonderry Facilitated by The Upper Room, the YMCA- Londonderry and the Southern Rockingham Coalition for Healthy Youth (SoRock) Contact: Seren Elizabeth [atselizabeth@urteachers.org](mailto:atselizabeth@urteachers.org).

## Parent & Caregiver Café

Parent & Caregiver Café Remote meetings are open to those raising teens. Thursdays from 6 - 7:30 p.m. To access, visit: [us04web.zoom.us/j/302497889](https://us04web.zoom.us/j/302497889) Meeting ID: 302 497 889 (no password needed)?Contact: Seren Elizabeth [atselizabeth@urteachers.org](mailto:atselizabeth@urteachers.org) No preregistration need.

## Wason Pond Pounder

The Upper Room will host the Wason Pond Pounder on Saturday Oct. 3, in Chester. To learn more about this popular race and sign up at [runreg.com/9057](http://runreg.com/9057).

## Raising another's child?

Are you parenting a second time around? Attend the Grandparent and Relative Caregiver Support Group. Join this free weekly meeting for resources, discussions and support for those raising another person's child. No preregistration needed. Tuesdays 6 - 7:30 p.m. Meeting in person at the YMCA - Londonderry. Contact: Seren Elizabeth at [selizabeth@urteachers.org](mailto:selizabeth@urteachers.org). Grandparent PASTA Groups are brought to you by NH Children's Trust, the YMCA of Greater Londonderry, the Southern Rockingham Coalition for Healthy Youth (SoRock) and The Upper Room.

## Roaring 20's Drive-In Auction

The Upper Room's 19th Annual Roaring 20's DRIVE-

IN Auction NEW DATE AND TIME. Featuring Bill Burke at The Tupelo Music Hall, Derry, Nov. 1, at 1 - 4 p.m. Join us for our live auction, food and drinks drive-in style. Tickets (per car) are available at [tickets.tupelohall.com](https://tickets.tupelohall.com). Online Silent Auction Oct. 30 - Nov. 6 Bid on many great items from gift cards, gift baskets, tickets, experiences, trips, packages and other unique items. Sign up for auction updates at: [bit.ly/roaringupdate](https://bit.ly/roaringupdate).

## Feeling Overwhelmed?

The Upper Room is offering supportive online counseling schedule a free one-on-one supportive counseling session. Email Seren at [selizabeth@urteachers.org](mailto:selizabeth@urteachers.org).

## Raising children ages 0-12?

Upper Room offers Parent & caregiver workshops on Wednesdays, from 6 - 7 p.m. Free live on Zoom, facilitated by The Upper Room. Tune into this new series for weekly workshops offering families information, discussion and support.

## Caregiver Resource Line

Have parenting questions? Upper Room offers Parent & caregiver resource line, call (603) 437-8477 ext. 26. Call with your name and contact number, and a trained professional will return your call within 24 hours. If you are having an emergency, please call 911.

## Presbyterian Church

The Walking Together Group and the Walk With Me Group will be meeting together via zoom 7 p.m. every Tuesday, via computer or telephone. This is a support group for anyone who has lost a spouse, a family member or a friend. For information, contact: 781-866-9976 or [jrkcdias@aol.com](mailto:jrkcdias@aol.com)

## 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, Road, Derry. This is a free weekly group. To register, Call 437-8477 to register ext. 16.

## St. Jude Food Pantry

St. Jude's Food Pantry is open to all Londonderry resident who maybe in need. Call Kay at 434-1827 to make an appointment to pickup your food from the panty. "We are there for the people and want to help them."

## Young Adult Programs

On Fridays 11 - 11:30 a.m., facilitated by The Upper Room, weekly free remote support programs

are available. To access: Contact Beth O'Connell at [eoconnell@URteachers.org](mailto:eoconnell@URteachers.org) or follow the Young Adults Strong Facebook page.

## Raising a Teenager?

Parent & Caregiver Café (PaCC) Group. These meetings are a wonderful resource for parents and caregivers raising teens. Discuss your concerns and learn new parenting strategies. New topics are introduced weekly includ-

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# OBITUARY

## George M. Canfield Jr.



George M. Canfield Jr. aka Dad, Peepa, G & G-Dog (briefly in the 90's), died Sept. 17, 2020 the world lost an amazing soul after a hard-fought battle with cancer. George was born Oct. 8, 1952 in Milford CT, the son of the late George M. Canfield Sr. and Jean A. (Planeta) Canfield. George graduated from Alvirne High School and went on to receive his Bachelor's Degree from NH College. George had a successful career in the financial industry working for Deloitte & Touche of Boston and Massachusetts Financial Services before making the move to pursue a career in property management at Thicket Hill MHC in Hinsdale, NH. The position he took after retirement provided George with the most satisfaction, working side by side with his son, managing the books at Canfield's Collision.

George's greatest joy was his family and his family always came first. In his spare time George could be found sitting at a sporting event cheering on a grandchild, getting his grandson off the school bus, taking walks with one of his granddogs or sipping a Natty Light at a family gathering, talking politics or reminiscing about times past. George's children and grandchildren will miss him each day for the remainder of their lives.

George leaves behind his sister, Maureen Dodd and her husband Alan Dodd; children, Jason A. Canfield, Kerri Canfield, and Allison Gould and son-in-law Dana Gould; grandchildren, Jason D. Canfield, Tyree Allen and significant other Tayla Workman, Haleigh Canfield and fiancé David Duguay, Christopher Canfield and Anthony Sadler; great grandchildren, Christian Canfield and Baby Girl Duguay arriving March 2021; granddogs Rosie Canfield and Bruin Gould, grandcat Rondo Gould; and many nieces, nephews and friends.

Following cremation, calling hours were held on Tuesday, Sept. 22, in the Peabody Funeral Homes and Crematorium, 290 Mammoth Rd., Londonderry. A memorial service concluded calling hours. Due to State of NH guidelines, all guests are required to wear masks, minimize contact and maintain social distancing. In lieu of flowers donations can be made to the Concord Regional VNA Hospice House, 30 Pillsbury St., Concord, NH 03301. To send a condolence or for more information, please visit, [www.peabodyfuneralhome.com](http://www.peabodyfuneralhome.com).



## Around Town

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ing anger management, drug and alcohol abuse, communication and setting boundaries. No pre-registration needed. Thursday 6 - 7:30 p.m. Free live on Zoom. Link to Join:

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/302497889>. Contact: Seren Elizabeth at [selizab@urteachers.org](mailto:selizab@urteachers.org)

### CART Transitions to Essential Trips only

In an effort to keep drivers and the ridership of CART safe and healthy during the COVID-19 pan-

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[mtabus.org](mailto:mtabus.org) or phone CART at 603-792-5151. CART looks forward to restoring regular service levels as soon as this crisis passes.

### Teen Talk

Need to be Heard? Upper Room's Teen Talk, an online forum to talk,

support and be heard is open Tuesdays 3 - 4 p.m. Free live on Zoom. Teens 13-18. No preregistration necessary; Meeting ID: 111 147 286, Password: 694887. Contact: Nicole Smith Martin at [nmartin@urteachers.org](mailto:nmartin@urteachers.org) or call 437-8477 x29.

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## Londonderry Police Log

### Selections from the Londonderry Police Logs

**Monday - Sept. 14**  
**12:51 a.m.** Motor vehicle stop leads to an arrest on Stonehenge Road at Mammoth Road. Jeremy Malek, 36, of Litchfield charged with Speeding 16-20 MPH Over Limit of 55 or Less; and Driving after having a Revoked/Suspended License; Reckless Driving.  
**8:49 a.m.** Services rendered for Drug Offenses at Crossroads Mall on Nashua Road.  
**3:38 p.m.** Domestic Disturbance investigated by three officers on Winterwood Drive.  
**7:05 p.m.** Four officers investigate suspicious activity on School House Road.  
**11:57 p.m.** Suspicious activity investigated on Hall Road.

gery/Fraud investigated on Park Avenue.  
**8:44 a.m.** Services rendered for Drug Offenses at Shell Food Mart on Nashua Road.  
**12:52 p.m.** Services rendered assisting Londonderry Fire Department on Ash Street.  
**3:47 p.m.** Drug Offenses investigated on Petten-gill Road at Enterprise Lot on Harvey Road.  
**4:45 p.m.** Motor vehicle stop leads to an arrest and vehicle tow on Harvey Road at Webster Road. Three officers assist with arresting Christian Parra, 28, of Manchester for driving after the Suspension of Vehicle Registration; and Driving after having a Revoked/Suspended License (second offense)

**10:47 a.m.** Larceny/Forgery/Fraud investigated on Nashua Road at Budget Gas & Auto Repair.  
**11:26 a.m.** Missing Person investigated on Constitution Drive.  
**12:52 p.m.** Violation of Protective Order investigated on Walton Circle.  
**2:51 p.m.** Warrant Served on Candleridge Circle, Litchfield. Zachary McNamara, 32, of Litchfield charged with Stalking (Domestic Violence).  
**3:01 p.m.** Criminal Mischief investigated on Michels Way at TJ Maxx.  
**5:36 p.m.** Services rendered for Domestic Disturbance on Charming and Row.  
**8:10 p.m.** Services rendered for Neighborhood Disputes on Granite Street.

#### Thursday - Sept. 17

**9:32 a.m.** Domestic Disturbance investigated on Charming and Row.  
**11:54 a.m.** Larceny/Forgery/Fraud investigated on Rockingham Road at N.H. Liquor Store.  
**1:03 p.m.** Sex Offenses investigated at Londonderry High School.  
**2:14 p.m.** Services rendered for Drug Offenses at Crossroads Mall on Nashua Road.

**Wednesday - Sept. 16**  
**6:12 a.m.** Larceny/Forgery/Fraud investigated on Anthony Drive.  
**6:50 a.m.** Services rendered for suspicious activity on Hickory Hill Drive.  
**10:07 a.m.** Assisted the Londonderry Fire Department with services on Route 93, Southbound at mile marker 14.2.

**Tuesday - Sept. 15**  
**1:41 a.m.** Motor vehicle stop leads to an arrest on Rockingham Road at Liberty Drive. Gabrielle Wojtyna, 24, of Lynn, Mass. charged with Driving Under the Influence of Drugs or Liquor; and Driving after having a Revoked/Suspended License; Reckless Driving.  
**8:26 a.m.** Larceny/Forgery/Fraud investigated on Park Avenue.

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# Aviation Museum to Hold Volunteer Open House on Oct. 6

**W**ould you like to be part of a community of people who enjoy airplanes and aviation? Would you like to make a difference, help a good cause and have fun doing it?

Then you're invited to attend the Aviation Museum of New Hampshire's upcoming volunteer open house, scheduled for Tuesday, Oct. 6 from 7 - 8:30 p.m.

You'll meet some current volunteers and learn about the many ways to help the Aviation Museum carry out its mission.

The Aviation Museum, based in the 1937 art deco passenger terminal at Manchester-Boston Regional Airport, is dedicated to preserving the Granite State's rich aviation past, and

also inspiring today's students to become the aviation pioneers of tomorrow.

The open house will take place at the museum, which is located at 27 Navigator Rd., Londonderry. Face coverings will be required; the facility is compliant with all local and CDC Covid-19 guidelines.

"As a non-profit, we depend on volunteers to carry out our mission, so everyone has the potential to make a big difference," said Jeff Rapsis, the Aviation Museum's executive director.

For the museum's main exhibit floor, volunteers greet guests at the front desk, lead tours, and help staff our gift shop.

For the museum's historical archive, volunteers help evaluate donations, catalog items, and help researchers.

For the education outreach program, volunteers help inspire young people of all ages about the physics of flight and the wonders of aviation.

For administration, volunteers help with memberships, fundraising, communications, and building maintenance.

Technically-minded volunteers help with the museum's IT systems; those with aviation experience manage the museum's Elite Flight Simulator, although anyone can be trained to operate it.

Those with mechanical or engineering experience may be interested in helping the Aviation Museum's innovative student plane-build

partnership with the Manchester School of Technology.

Volunteers are also needed to help with special events year round, such as the Aviation Museum's annual car show, fund-raising gala, and more.

"Volunteering at the Aviation Museum is a rewarding way to give back to the community, and help light the spark of aviation in people young and old," Rapsis said.

"As a side benefit, volunteers become part of a family that can lead to new friendships and opportunities," Rapsis said.

The Aviation Museum of N.H., located at 27 Navigator Road, Londonderry, N.H., is a non-profit 501(c)3 tax-exempt organization.

For more information

about volunteering at 669-4820. Follow the Aviation Museum, ation Museum on social visit [www.aviationmuseum.org](http://www.aviationmuseum.org) at [www.facebook.com/nhahs](http://www.facebook.com/nhahs).

## OBITUARY

### Edward F. Ryan



Dedicated Police Officer and Family Man Edward F. Ryan, "Eddie", died peacefully Sept. 22, 2020 at the VA Nursing Home in Tilton, NH, he was 89. Ed served in the Navy from 1947 to 1951, deploying to the Mediterranean on the USS Fargo and Colleton. Upon being Honorably Discharged, he worked as a laborer helping to build the Callahan Tunnel, as an insurance salesman and joined the Revere Police Department in 1962. He loved being a policeman and dedicated the next 34 years of his life to serving the City of Revere as a Patrolman, Detective, and Shift Supervisor. He was an honest and compassionate cop who believed in giving people a chance, providing many a wayward person with a stern warning and an opportunity to change their lives. In 1971, he graduated from Northeastern University's College of Criminal Justice and then taught Police Procedures and Administration there to thousands of law enforcement personnel until 1983. In 1992, he ran an unsuccessful campaign for Mayor of Revere on the platform of saving the Police Department from neglectful and corrupt politicians. He retired as a Lieutenant in 1996 and enjoyed walking Revere Beach with a good cigar, reading, playing poker in his basement with friends and traveling the world.

He quietly took care of his neighbors wherever he lived, providing meals, trips to the store, companionship and whatever help he could procure when needed.

He was a great storyteller who found humor in life and told his stories with an easy charm that endeared him to friends and acquaintances. He will be sorely missed by his family, friends, and the staff at the VA Home who loved him dearly.

Born in Boston on Dec. 4, 1930, he was raised in Revere, MA where he lived for most of his life on Vinal St surrounded by family and friends. He moved to Londonderry, NH with his son and his family in 2005.

He is survived by his daughter Maureen (James) Tully of Peabody, MA, his son Michael (Deena) Ryan of Londonderry, NH, and his daughter Mary A. Ryan Blaney of Lynn, MA. Ed has 8 grandchildren, Ryan (Lisa) Tully, Meaghan (Corey) Cedorchuk, Bridget Tully, Cameron, Connor, Colin, Katherine and Maeve Ryan, and 3 great-grandchildren. Also survived by his sister Kathleen (Gerald) Amore of Revere, and his brother Kenneth (Cynthia) Ryan of Revere as well as many nieces and nephews. Ed was preceded in death by his parents Edward Sr. and Josephine Ryan, his wife of 33 years Noreen (Cunningham), infant daughter Linda & his brother Donald Ryan.

Following cremation, memorial calling hours will be held on Sunday, Oct. 4, from 10 a.m. - 1 p.m., in the Peabody Funeral Homes and Crematorium, 290 Mammoth Rd., Londonderry. Due to State of NH guidelines, all guests are required to wear masks, minimize contact and maintain social distancing. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Edward's memory to Visions For Creative Housing Solutions - Green St., 8 Sunrise Farm Lane, Enfield NH 03748. To send a condolence or for more information, please visit [www.peabodyfuneralhome.com](http://www.peabodyfuneralhome.com).

## Police Log

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dered for Domestic Disturbance on Faucher Road.

**2:26 p.m.** Suicide Attempt/Threat results in Transportation to a Hospital form Chase Road.

**6:05 p.m.** Warrant Served and an Arrest made on Main Street, Warner. Sean Patrick Kendrigan, 51, of Warner, charged with Simple Assault (Physical Contact Or Bodily Injury); Disorderly Conduct; and Criminal Trespass.

**7:05 p.m.** Disturbance investigated on Moulton Drive.

### Friday - Sept. 18

**1:36 a.m.** Suspicious activity investigated by three officers on Auburn

Road.

**11:32 a.m.** Identity Theft investigated on Perkins Road.

**11:59 a.m.** Services rendered for Weapons Offenses on Mammoth Road at Tradz llc.

**12:07 p.m.** Homeland Security investigated on Nashua Road.

**3:21 p.m.** Services rendered for Juvenile Offenses at Londonderry North School on Sanborn Road.

**5:11 p.m.** Services rendered for suspicious activity on Perimeter Road at Retaining Wall.

### Saturday - Sept. 19

**11:13 a.m.** Services rendered for Neighborhood Disputes on White Plains Avenue.

**12:49 p.m.** Larceny/Forgery/Fraud investigated on Rockingham Road at Derry Doors and Windows.

**1:05 p.m.** Juvenile Offenses reported on King Arthur Drive.

**7:16 p.m.** Suspicious activity investigated on Symmes Drive.

**10:34 p.m.** Suspicious activity Investigated by three officers on Anthony Drive.

### Sunday - Sept. 20

**1:35 a.m.** Services rendered for Suicide Attempt/Threat on Jay Drive.

**11:19 a.m.** Services rendered for suspicious activity on Pine Street at

Mammoth Road.

**11:45 a.m.** Services rendered for Domestic Disturbance on Faucher Road.

**11:59 p.m.** Services rendered by Conservation Ranger on Independence Drive at Rail Trail

**5:35 p.m.** Domestic Disturbance leads to an arrest made by five officers on Page Road at Rockingham Road. Richard Murray, 68, of Concord, charged with Reckless Conduct (Domestic Violence; Deadly Weapon); three counts of Reckless Conduct - Deadly Weapon; and Reckless Operation.



## LONDONDERRY SCHOOL DISTRICT

### LEGAL NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Londonderry School District will conduct a public hearing on the act to use unassigned / unreserved surplus of funds [RSA 198:4-b] for the purpose to purchase COVID related equipment per RSA 32:11, Emergency Expenditures and Over Expenditures. The public hearing will take place at the Londonderry High School, 295 Mammoth Road, Londonderry, New Hampshire in the Cafeteria on Tuesday, October 6, 2020 at 7:00pm. The public is invited to attend.

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