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Dead Wives Club

Annie Gorman, center, and five other members of the Ovation Theatre Company's production of "Six the Musical" took to the Derry Opera House stage last week. See additional pictures page 8. Photo by Chris Paul

Committee Looks to Gain Some Support for Master Plan Process

PAUL CONYERS
LONDONDERRY TIMES

Londonderry's Master Plan Steering Committee met on July 25 to outline steps the town would take to put a new plan into action. Sylvia Von Aulock, Executive Director of the Southern New Hampshire Planning

Commission (SNHPC), came to the meeting to provide guidance and to give realistic estimates on how long the process might take.

One debate was over the timeframe, as Town Manager, Mike Malaguti's, stated goal of having the Master Plan done in "six months" was

deemed unrealistic. At one point, Von Aulock implied it could realistically take up to 18 months. Not wanting to be tied up for that long, Committee members aimed for a less complex Plan with a year-long implementation process.

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Wagner Calls For Lions Hall Beams to be Returned

ALEX MALM
LONDONDERRY TIMES

During the most recent Reverend Morrison Meetinghouse Study Committee meeting, on Thursday, Aug. 1, Committee Chair, Kathy Wagner, raised concerns about the whereabouts of the beams that were originally supporting the floor of the historic meetinghouse. She even went as far as to say they were "extorted or robbed," from the town.

"There was a statement made on the night we were all getting interviewed that the support beams had been taken out of the floor and thrown in the dumpster," Wagner said.

She explained that it was stated that former Town Councilor, Jim Butler, and Ann Chiampa, an alternate member of the committee, "took them out of the dumpster and put them at the Historic Society."

Chiampa was not present for the meeting.

"I don't know how we verify that, because if they are at the Historic Society, they actually belong to the Reverend Morrison House and they need to come back," Wagner said.

Wagner said she wasn't sure how to find out so, "If those beams are intact and at the Historic Society" saying if they are "they need to come back to the Reverend

Morrison Meetinghouse."

Alternate Committee member, Ray Breslin, mentioned he thinks they were taken out for a reason, adding that they were from small trees and not very straight. Wagner disagreed, saying they shouldn't have been taken out at all and should be returned if they are usable, saying they could be potentially used for the floor.

Wagner said, "If they're crap, then we won't use them, but if they're like that in this picture, they need to come back," Wagner said.

Wagner argued that they could help to pre- continued on page 7

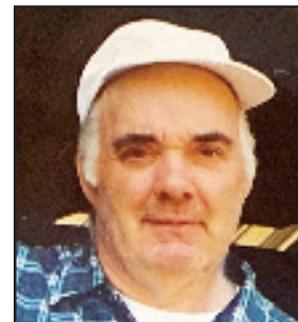
Harold Estey Leaves Behind a Legacy of Hard Work, Farming

CHRIS PAUL
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The town of Londonderry lost some of its heritage last week when Harold T. Estey lost his battle to a long-term illness.

Harold was born and raised 77 years ago at the Estey family farm on the corner of Nashua and Old Nashua roads.

He was enrolled in one of the first classes at Matthew Thornton Elementary School and even helped plant the spruce tree that has stood in front of that



Harold T. Estey

school for the past 70 years.

He took over running the family farm and wood mill after his dad's passing and has worked there with his son, Tom Estey, until his illness

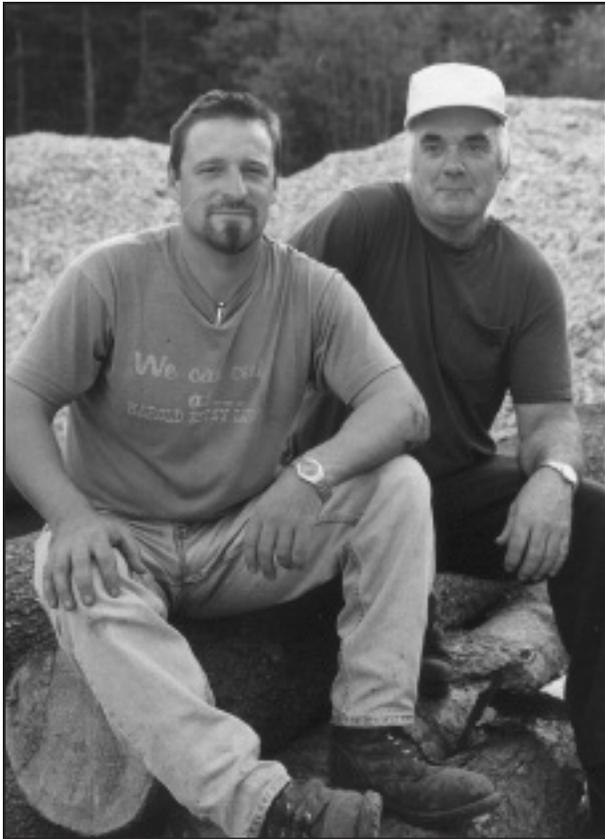
and recent passing.

In honor of his contributions to the town as a hardworking local business owner, we are running a story we ran back in November of 2001 that was written by Debbie Curtin.

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Harold Estey, right, with his son Tom Estey at the family business on Old Nashua Road.

Estey

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 “Wood - A Family Way of Life”

Lumber is an American word invented in Colonial New England. For years the English avoided it in official documents, preferring, “timber”. New Hampshire was clear on this from the beginning. Timber goes into a mill, lumber comes out. There were 20 sawmills in NH in 1665, 50 by 1700.

By 1680 more than 50 vessels carried New Hampshire lumber to Boston and in 1695 more than 100 vessels carried nearly two million board feet of lumber from Portsmouth to Massachusetts.

New England pine, oak and pitch were “dis-

covered” by European traders to help supply its mercantile and warfare pursuits. Portsmouth became the New England center in the mast trade. The British Admiralty purchased vast quantities of lumber from the dock. Soon everyone involved was making money at the business. Farming developed slowly as the timber industry accelerated. So much so that the British Parliament eventually claimed, through legislation, all trees 24” and larger in diameter in land grants (except private) in NH townships by 1699.

From its beginnings as a colony under British rule to its independence, NH and its people have persevered. The strength of the state is its history, unavoidably present in the stonewalls and meeting-house greens that incorporate every town.

The farms that have been abandoned throughout the state have become wooded again. Within the 86% of forest land is the pastoral landscapes and scenic stonewalls of green lichen and rugged gray hard scape. Tucked in amongst our suburbanism are the elements we need to remind us of Londonderry’s rural history; the barns, some

ancient stalwarts to the land, picturesque vistas of rustic fences and orchards and the families that are making a living in their connection to the land.

Harold Linwod and Elizabeth Estey came to Londonderry, NH to farm in 1939. They milked their cows and raised pigs and chickens and farmed successfully for many years. Harold Thomas Estey grew up knowing farming as a way of life. There wasn’t any thinking about getting paid for what you did on the farm. It wasn’t until young Harold went to work on the Hussey farm and made six dollars one day that it made sense. You can make money doing what you love.

The building industry was beginning to expend into southern NH that the Estey’s decided to get into the lumber business. They built a mill on the property, which is where the business operates today. Tom grew up in this business as his dad did in farming. They know what grade lumber to tell you to use for a particular job, the characteristics of a certain wood and its use, etc. Wood is the number one choice of building materials. Its “strength to weight ratio” is one of the best bets. Its beauty endures beyond all fash-

ion. And it’s still relatively a bargain.

Harold T. Estey, Inc. caters to a certain clientele. They have the equipment to give you anything from plywood and pressure treated, rough and finished lumber to v-groove, shiplap and clapboard. Estey Lumber also cuts landscape timbers and does select harvesting.

Competition is tough in a market where a nickel or dime times a hundred board feet could make the difference of a sale. As Harold looks wistfully away when asked what keeps him going he says, “For my parents. To honor their way of life (with farming). It is my obligation.”

Harold T. and Tom have a commitment to the business. Tom has seen a steady increase in the cordwood they offer and the bark mulch supply they are constantly processing. He sees a need for improvement in parts of the milling process as well as incorporating technology into the day-to-day operation. As father and son attempt to negotiate their way into the 21st century we are reminded of Londonderry’s agricultural heritage. I asked Tom about the future of Estey’s Lumber. “I will stay as long as I can keep it profitable.”



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School Board Give Final Approval For Various Policies

ALEX MALM
LONDONDERRY TIMES

During the most recent Londonderry School Board meeting, the board had a final policy reading for a number of different policies.

One of those policies was related to daily physical activity, which Assistant Superintendent, Jason Parent, explained was required by law.

“This policy recognizes that developmentally appropriate daily physical activity, exercise, and PE are ways to minimize health risks, and students should participate in them as a way to minimize those risks,” Parent wrote in a memo to the School Board.

As part of the policy, it states that the School Board “recognizes that developmentally appropriate

daily physical activity, exercise, and physical education are ways to minimize health risks created by chronic inactivity, childhood obesity, and other related health problems.”

“The Board recommends that students participate in developmentally appropriate physical activity and exercise daily as a way to minimize these health risks,” the policy states.

Another policy reviewed by the School Board was related to summer activities, which is also required by law, Parent said.

“This policy recognizes the importance of learning outside the school year to include summer activities such as book reading lists, ELO’s, and summer school,” Parent wrote in a memo.

As part of the policy, it states that the School Board “recognizes that student learning is an ongoing process and that it is important for students to engage in learning activities even when not attending school.”

“Therefore, the Board encourages students to have a plan for summer activities that support student learning. Such activities may include a summer book reading list, attending an education-themed summer camp, engaging in extended learning opportunities, or other activities that support student learning,” the policy states.

Another policy was an update to the High School’s Graduation Competencies.

“For the purposes of assessment of high

school coursework through the demonstration of student mastery of course competencies in approved courses, independent study, internship or online/virtual courses, the following definitions are established,” the updated policy reads.

For course level competency, it states that “the expected content, concepts; and skills to be mastered in approved courses, independent study, internship, or online/virtual courses.”

Under competency assessment, the policy states that “the process by which a student demonstrates sufficient evidence of learning in approved courses, independent study, internship, or online/virtual courses through grading methods as pre-

scribed in approved LHS Faculty and Student Handbooks.”

In addition for Mastery, the policy states that “a student presenting sufficient evidence of attainment of the required competencies in an approved courses, independent study, internship, or online/virtual courses through grading methods as prescribed in approved LHS Faculty and Student Handbooks.”

“Course credit will be awarded through the demonstration of a student’s work mastered in approved courses, independent study, internships, or online/virtual courses approved by principal and/or designee,” the updated policy states. “Course credit granted through demonstration of mastery in

independent study, internships, or online/virtual courses through grading methods as prescribed in approved LHS Faculty and Student Handbooks. Credits granted through demonstration of mastery in independent study courses will be graded as pass or fail and not included in the student’s grade point average.”

The policy also states that “Students will not be able to test out (i.e., College Level Entrance Placement, portfolio assessment, or any similar evaluation instrument) of any course offered through the high school program of studies for a grade or credit.”

All three policies were unanimously approved by the School Board during the meeting.

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Letters

A Tiger's Stripes

To the editor,
Name calling by presidential candidates and rants by individuals should not be what influences voters. That's infantile and not reflective of each presidential candidate's policies. Let's examine a few candidate policies. Immigration: Harris stated in her 2020 presidential campaign she wants open borders. Trump: closed borders. "Border Czar" or not, Biden appointed Harris to stop illegal entry through our southern border so she owns the results. Results: 10M illegals (8.4M+ identified & 1.7M gotaways) entered the country with 54,500 being known criminals and 400 brought by ISIS-affiliated smuggling network. Under Trump, less than half of Harris' 54,500 criminals and a third of suspected terrorists entered the country. Fentanyl deaths: over 75,000 under Harris. Trump states he will not only close the southern border, but go after the cartels who facilitate fentanyl and illegal entries. Trump will stem the tide of fentanyl and illegals by reinstating his closed border policies and more that Biden-Harris overturned on their first day in office. Imagine the horror of your husband, wife, son, daughter raped or killed by an illegal immigrant. That's the reality of Harris' present and future

border policies. Shame on Harris and Democrats for wanting to pad the population with illegals to get their votes. Some say Trump coaxed Congressional Republicans to defeat a \$100M bill funding the southern border. Hogwash! Congress recognized the \$100M bill was merely to increase the number of border agents and judges to process more illegals allowing 5,000/day to cross, 1.825M per year, 7.3M during a 4-year Harris term and estimated 4M gotaways. That's failure for America, but success for Harris and Democrats to grant citizenship for votes. Harris endorsed this in her 2020 presidential campaign. Harris further stated she wants to "start all over" with ICE. Meaning: do away with ICE. Harris states the government provides no aid to illegals entering the country. Untrue. NGOs received \$1.6B in grants in 2023 alone to feed, shelter, clothe and transport illegals to their desired destination so Harris can claim no money goes to illegals; slight of hand. That \$1.6B, paid by us taxpayers. And Harris wants us to compare her immigration policy to Trump's! Harris stated in her 2020 campaign she would implement a universal healthcare program to cover everyone including illegals financed by a 7.5% employee payroll tax increase and

4% increased income tax on households making over \$100,000. Harris' plan is a hidden tax on middle-class households via lower wages, less employment and higher goods/services prices as employers pass the 7.5% payroll tax increase to consumers. Then there's the 4% income tax increase on middle-class households; and you lose your preferred doctor. Harris claims that Trump will do away or reduce Medicare. Untrue. Trump states he will not touch Medicare, and also not tax your Social Security or worker's tips. So who's working for the middle-class? No matter what Harris now says about how "she's changed" her policy views from her 2020 campaign, she can't change her essential nature as a tiger can't change its stripes.

Bob Pitre
Londonderry

Harold Estey Will be Sorely Missed

Mr. Harold Estey was the salt of the earth and such a valuable member of our Londonderry community. We should appreciate all that he and many other "old timers" did in creating and/or continuing local family businesses that, to this day, help keep the character, beauty and history of our treasured Londonderry alive.

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New Conservation Maps Include New Hiking Trails

PAUL CONYERS
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The July 23 meeting of the Londonderry Conservation Commission saw the arrival of new maps for the town's trail system.

"These have the two new trails on it," said Conservation Chair, Marge Badois, who wanted to continue work on improving hiking spots when conditions allow. "Some of the trails like Sara Beth could stand a little brush clearing with a sickle or weed wacker and maybe some tree branch trimming."

She mentioned possibly using a tool check-

out service from Londonderry Trailways near North School to save time and money. With early rains, overgrowth has been an issue.

The Commission was still looking to finalize its policies and procedures, including the addition of a formal public comment section to the agenda. Exactly what the final draft of that policy would look like was not entirely clear.

"As I understand it, there's a set of draft changes that have circulated," said Town Manager, Mike Malaguti, as he went through a rough draft of the procedures.

"There's limited mark-up, there's a red item addressing public comment. The legal advice the Planning Board has received is land use board meetings needs to be carefully controlled to make sure there isn't any kind of an issue with respect to a pending application."

The Conservation Commission was advised to follow a similar line of advice for their public comments, with a policy limiting discussion to what is on the agenda.

"I would say typical public comment is never about agenda

items, it's always about something else, whether it's bringing a concern or question to us," said Badois. "The other thing that I think needs to be kept in mind is that we're strictly advisory, we have no power other than to get on managing our own conservation land. We would not be making decisions."

There was general agreement that a final decision on formal procedures should only happen once everyone had a copy of the recommended draft in front of them.

"I think waiting until next meeting when we

can all have had this in front of us makes sense," said Alternate, Mike Speltz.

Once enacted, a copy of the Conservation policy, including the policy for public comments, will be posted on the town website.

Ray Breslin of 3 Geary Drive stated his belief that a public comment section was "important" to any board or committee in Londonderry.

"I don't think it should sway your opinion, but it certainly something that should be listened to from the general public," said

Breslin.

NH Fish and Game has asked the town of Londonderry for permission to install live traps for local fishercats. The idea was to collar and release the fisher cats for research purposes.

"I thought that was cool," said Badois, who was receptive to the idea, along with the rest of the Commission. "I will tell them we're good to go with that."

The next meeting of the Londonderry Conservation Commission is scheduled for Tuesday, Aug. 13, in the Moose Hill Council Chambers at 7:30 p.m.

Letters

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His son, Tom, will continue on in his beloved dad's footsteps, running Estey Lumber and of course, Estey's Country Store, with all of its great local products, fresh vegetables in season, and tasty baked goods. Personally, I've enjoyed viewing the store's top-shelf antiques, the delicious corn on the cob and their Sugar Bob's Smoked Maple BBQ Sauce that makes some amazing slow-cooked pulled pork. Harold Estey Lumber Company and Estey's Country Store have been fixtures at the corner of Rt. 102 and Old Nashua Road in

Londonderry for so many years and we can all thank the hard work of

Harold and the Estey Family, for being able to offer all their services and products, even Christmas trees and Halloween pumpkins, for the benefit of our local community. Yes, Mr. Harold Estey will be sorely missed. May he rest in peace now.

Ann Chiampa
Londonderry

Vote Deb Paul For Rockingham County Commissioner

To the editor,
I am writing to recommend Deb Paul for the position of Rocking-

ham County Commissioner.

I have had the pleasure of knowing Deb for many years and can confidently attest to her exceptional leadership skills, dedication to public service, and passion for improving our community. From her non-profit organization (Green Team of Londonderry) to make the community a beautiful place for all, to her time spent on the Londonderry Town Council, making the town a great place to live and bring up our children, she has still managed to get out a weekly town newspaper that keeps Londonderry apprised of what is taking place in town. To say that Deb has a sense of pride in

doing what is right and just is an understatement.

Deb possesses a collaborative spirit and a deep understanding of the complexities facing our county. I have seen her as a problem-solver; always having a plan in place, thinking of things 10 steps down the road to make the right informed decisions the first time around.

Deb is genuine and inspiring, and I have no doubt she will bring a fresh perspective and creative solutions as the Rockingham County Commissioner.

I am confident that

Deb Paul will make an outstanding Rockingham County Commissioner, and I strongly endorse her.

Christine Fitzgerald
Londonderry

Response to the Bruce Stern Letter

To the editor,

I have read two letters from Mr. Stern admonishing Donald Trump and calling him among other things a 'traitor' knowing well that the punishment for such a crime is death, It's inciteful rhetoric such as this which led to

a Biden supporter nearly blowing off President Trump's head recently in Pennsylvania.

I am assuming that Mr. Stern is the same person that served with me on the Budget Committee many years ago. Language such as this coming from an ex-educator such as Mr. Stern is quite troubling. Mr. Stern always knew the word 'yes' while serving on the committee. Yes to any budget proposal no matter what the increase, yes to any building proposal no matter what the cost, yes to any warrant article no matter

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More Wooden Pole Replacements Planned by Eversource

PAUL CONYERS
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Conservation Commission met on July 23 to hear from Eversource regarding a conditional use permit for a transmission line structure replacement project. Travis Yandow from Eversource's Licensing and Permitting was at the meeting with Conor Madison of GZA GeoEnvironmental to make a presentation on the matter.

"We're here for a conditional use permit application for maintenance along existing 326 and 380 transmission line, which crosses through town," Madison

explained. "It goes from Dan Hill Road; it goes north and a little east too Rockingham Road or NH 28."

He framed the work as nothing new, similar to Eversource's routine, annual inspection of their utility corridors. It's also part of their ongoing goal to transition from wooden utility poles from wood to steel as needed.

"During inspections, we're looking for any cracking, any woodpecker damage that could introduce water or any pests to the inside that could rot it from the inside out," said Madison. "This year, 18 were flagged for replace-

ment."

Poles identified for replacement will be installed off Dan Hill Road, Wiley Hill Road, High Range Road, and Rockingham Road. No new lines will be installed, the right of way is not expected to change, and work should be similar to other recent wood-to-steel structure replacement projects over the past few years.

"This isn't the whole project," said Conservation Chair, Marge Badois. "They've been here multiple times before with different sections, they do one section at a time."

The permit applica-

tion included alteration of terrain and temporary wetland impact notifications. Ever-

source was also coordinating with New Hampshire Fish and Game and the Natural Heritage Bureau.

Madison went on to say that the "majority" of the project will be conducted in the winter-time, requiring the energy company to install matting under two towers to protect local turtle habitats. Per Heritage Bureau request, Eversource launched a survey to catalog and track five rare species in the area.

"So, there's nothing unique to this section?"

asked Badois.

According to Yandow and Madison, the 18 proposed poles were in a familiar area.

"We have been in this section in years past," Madison answered. "We'll be utilizing as much existing gravel road as possible. We're not out there making any new gravel roads if something is right next to it."

"Can you just detail the measure you will take to block off the entrances that you're using so that we cannot make our ATV problem even worse than it already is?" asked Alternate, Mike Speltz.

In the past, ATV

users have illegally taken advantage of poor gated entrances to access roads, causing noise and damage to the surrounding area.

"In anticipation of this project, we've already identified locations where gates are either in poor condition or not functioning properly, and we do have plans to replace those," said Yandow.

The Conservation Commission recommended approval of the plan to the Planning Board. Pole replacement should be complete by March 2025.

The next meeting of the Conservation Commission is Tuesday, Aug. 13.

Steering

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year timeframe, I'm an architect, I've done master plans," said Committee Chair, Jake Butler, who wanted to survey

the Steering Committee members to see who might be qualified to specialize in different chapters of the Master Plan. "It makes a lot of sense so we can understand where we're com-

ing from and what the hot button topics are."

An early step also involves distributing a broad survey to Londonderry residents for public input. Von Aulock emphasized the importance of public participation in the process, including encouraging volunteers at key events.

"One of the things I'm going to be asking this group is to develop interview worksheets, and then I'll ask for input

on ways to increase public participation," she said. "As far as community input, usually for master plans, that's something of a priority."

A comparison was made with the ongoing master plan update in Chester, where their Steering Committee took the time to make a public appearance whenever feasible.

"The [Chester] Steering Committee really took ownership of going to community events,

showing up at the transfer station, and organizing a local interview with public access tv," said SNHPC member, Suzanne Nienaber. "They've been really through thinking strategically for ways to get ahold of as many Chester residents as possible and get them responding."

Londonderry's Steering Committee looked into similar ideas in town, starting with a booth at Old Home Day and asking for volunteers from members of the public. They also discussed using a QR code linking residents directly to the Master

Plan survey. They aimed to create a few key "guidelines" for that survey.

"Old Home, what does it go from 10 to 3? If we just chopped it up so a couple people were in the booth for two hours and break it up, we can make that work," said member, Marge Badois. "If we have enough cards with that QR code on them, we can have people walk around to hand them out."

The next meeting of the Master Plan Steering Committee is scheduled for Thursday, Aug. 8, at 5:30 p.m. in the Moose Hill Council Chambers.

OBITUARY

Arthur Eugene Celata



Arthur Eugene Celata passed away on Friday, July 26, 2024. He was 79 years old.

Arthur was born on Aug. 18, 1944 to Arthur and Anna (LaCortiglia) Celata. He was raised in Everett, MA, where he met his future bride on a blind date. After he proudly served in the United State Army Reserve, he married Sandra (DelGreco) Celata in 1967, and they raised their family in North Reading, MA. Arthur worked as a field service engineer for Giesecke & Devrient, and moved to Londonderry, NH in when he and Sandy retired in 2007.

Arthur was predeceased by his loving wife Sandra, to whom he was married for 56 years. He is survived by three daughters – Christine Arsenault of Haverhill, MA, Julie Celata of Reading, MA, and Michelle Green and her husband Jason of Brookline, NH. He was the proud "Papa" of Jessica Arsenault, Joseph Arsenault, Olivia Renda, and Lucas Renda. Arthur is also survived by his two sisters – Gail Celata of Hudson, NH, and Joanne Connolly and her husband Brian of Hampstead, NH.

"Artie" will be remembered as a kind, loving, funny and selfless man. He will be sorely missed by all who had the honor and privilege of knowing him.

Friends and family are invited to calling hours on Tuesday, Aug. 13, from 4 - 6:30 p.m., at the Peabody Funeral Home, 290 Mammoth Rd., Londonderry, NH. A memorial service will immediately follow at 6:30 p.m., at the funeral home. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to the American Cancer Society or the National Kidney Foundation.

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Scobie Pond Boat Launch Runs into Permitting and Grant Issues

PAUL CONYERS
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The July 23 meeting of the Londonderry Conservation Commission saw a new delay with the Scobie Pond boat launch project, which stalled when needed paperwork was apparently lost in the mail. The NH Department of Environmental Services first insisted on seeing a physical copy of the necessary permit request.

“We have had problems getting this project to completion because it turned out that the application for a dock permit to the DES never got there,” said Alternate, Mike Speltz. “They allowed, as an exception

to submit it electronically.”

There were concerns the permit would not get approved before the expiration of the GOFERR grant originally intended to match funds for part of the project. Another issue involved a set of requirements from the state mandating towns find multiple vendor bids for grant-funded projects like the boat launch. Londonderry only found a single vendor willing and able to help out.

“I don’t know if we can go back and make the case, they’re the only vendor with this sort of capability,” Speltz warned.

He recommended

declining the grant, self-funding the dock, and funding the \$26,000 using town funds. Scrapping the project was also an option.

While it was technically possible to request an extension for the GOFERR deadline, Town Manager, Mike Malaguti, was skeptical this would work.

“I am not particularly optimistic we’re going to get favorable treatment for our extension request,” said Malaguti, who agreed with Speltz, saying it might be better to focus on DES paperwork than rushing things by chasing the grant. “If we’re going to proceed with a launch of any kind, whether it’s

through this grant permit or otherwise, we need the permit.”

The Town Manager raised the possibility of using leftover ARPA funds for the boat launch, as that grant does not expire until the end of the year.

Another issue is whether the dock would be ready before winter if the permit was delayed much longer. Originally, the plan was to install a dock that would need to be removed during the winter months to avoid ice damage. Speltz suggested an alternative would involve anchoring the dock to prevent ice damage, preventing a need for seasonal removal.

“It’s a floating dock. It just floats on six poles sunk into the bed of the pond, the problem is that if you let that in over the winter, the ice will bend the poles and eventually crack them,” Speltz explained. “Anchor the dock, just mark that with a buoy, and float it in the winter. They pull out the pulls, which go back in the spring.”

He suggested having volunteers or staff switch the poles in and out every spring and winter.

“Which came first the chicken or the egg? Did we have a request for this kind of dock from someone?” asked Conservation member, Deb Lievens. “What do we think the demand for this really is? I mean we’re working hard for something that we don’t

even know how it’s going to be used or when it’s going to be used.”

Years ago, there were requests by residents for a fishing dock, with the current project being motivated by the availability of grant money, which was seen as an opportunity to improve Scobie Pond. Members also hoped the dock would reduce sedimentation caused by residents dragging boats directly into the water.

“I’m not sure I would support digging money out of our conservation fund, but I would support working with the Town Council,” said Speltz.

Other members agreed to get input from the Town Council to see how to move forward with the boat dock.

Meetinghouse

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serve some of the history of the building as well.

“We’re talking about preserving it too, and part of its history has been extorted and robbed so to speak... its been taken away without anybody’s authority,” Wagner said.

Committee Vice Chair, Derek D’Anna, said that even if they aren’t usable for the flooring that it could be used elsewhere for show.

Wagner said she wants to verify and see if it’s true the beams were brought to the Historical Society saying “I don’t want to accuse anybody of anything,” but said

she wants the beams back to potentially use them somewhere in the building.

When reached by the Londonderry Times, Chiampa said she was given a letter at the time by then Town Manager, Kevin Smith, stating that the beams and artifacts were being given to the Londonderry Historical Society.

Smith wrote in the letter addressed to the Historical Society, “During the Lions Hall center floor restructure, which occurred in March/April of 2014 several artifacts were recovered during the demolition of the existing floor. To preserve a part of Londonderry’s history, the

Town of Londonderry is transferring ownership “fee-free” of the hand hewn floor joists/beams and other artifacts recovered from ‘Dr. Morrison’s Meeting House. 1769-1837 (center part of what is now known as the Lions Hall) to the Londonderry Historical Society.”

The meeting minutes from the March 27, 2014 Londonderry Heritage Commission stated,

“Councilor Butler said that Lions Hall floor was being taken up and that there might be beams that could be salvaged for the Historical Society. He said that he would be there on that Saturday at 10:00 a.m. for anyone who was interested.”

The next Morrison House Study Committee meeting is slated to take place on Aug. 15 at 6 p.m.

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OBITUARY

Harold T. Estey



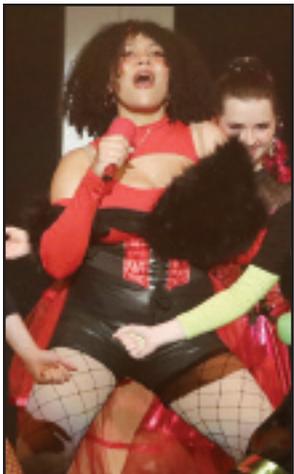
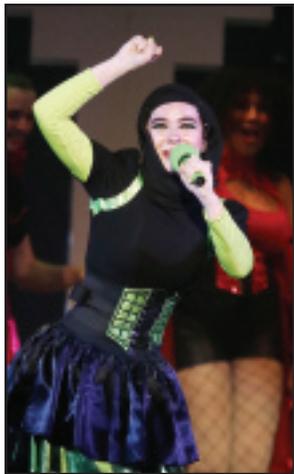
Harold T. Estey, 77, of Hudson, NH died Wednesday July 31, 2024 at his home surrounded by his loving family. Harold was born in Londonderry on Aug. 19, 1946, a son of the late Harold L. and Elizabeth (Crosby) Estey. Harold was a lifelong resident of Londonderry.

Harold’s first business venture was raising chickens and selling eggs. He was a graduate of Alvirne High School in Hudson, NH, Class of 1964. Harold’s father died at the age of 50 which prompted Harold at the young age of 18 to take over the family business, Harold Estey Lumber and dairy farm. He would go on to dedicate his life to the daily operations of the business to this day. Harold was a member of the FFA, the Future Farmers of America. He enjoyed spending time at the annual agricultural fairs, including the Deerfield and Fryeburg Fairs. He also enjoyed going to White Mountains, and looking at the trees. Harold loved to tell stories about the history of Londonderry and enjoyed time spent working with his father. Harold loved meeting with a group of close friends every Friday morning at the Northside Grill in Hudson for breakfast.

He is survived by his wife of 50 years, Arlene (Dobbins) Estey of Hudson, one son, Thomas Estey and his girlfriend, Amy Nickulas of Londonderry, one granddaughter, Danielle Estey of Londonderry, two sisters, Maria Simmons and Betsy Child, both of Derry, one brother, William Estey of Londonderry, as well as several nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his sister, Evelyn Mason in 2023.

Calling hours were held on Monday Aug. 5, in the Peabody Funeral Homes and Crematorium. Funeral services were held on Tuesday at in the funeral home with burial to follow at Glenwood Cemetery, Londonderry.

Six Local Talents Take to the Opera House Stage



Ovation Theatre Company's production of SIX: The Musical- Teen Edition, was performed at the Derry Opera House last week, featuring the extraordinary singing talents of six local ladies. The six wives of Henry the Eighth were performed by: Esmé King Farbstein of Exeter, playing Cathrine of Aragon; Jennah Gunawan of Manchester playing Anne Boleyn; Debrah Hernandez of Chester, playing Jane Seymour; Annie Gorman of Stratham, playing Kathrine Howard; Janet Sesay of Manchester, playing Anna of Cleves; and Chloe Orlando of Windham, playing Catherine Parr. The musical production is led by Director, Meg Gore, Music Director, Kevin Fisher, Choreographer, Katy Gore, Stage Manager, Lizzie Sosa, and Production Assistant, Chloe Ferraro. *Photos by Chris Paul*

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LONDONDERRY SPORTS

Overall Winners Named as Fun Run Season Concludes



Overall season winners of the Greater Derry Track Club's Summer Fun Runs were presented backpacks on Monday night. Photos by Chris Paul

CHRIS PAUL
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Greater Derry Track Club Kids Summer Fun Runs season came to an end on Monday, Aug. 5, and before the final races of the season took place, awards were presented to the overall winners.

Just under 30 runners were given backpacks and honors for finishing in the top three of their divisions over the course of six weeks of racing.

Other runners, ages two-years and up, took to the Londonderry High School track to compete, just for fun, in

seven age categories to finish the night and the season.

The free event has happened each Monday night at the Londonderry High School track with the nine through 13-year old divisions being recorded for the overall winners, listed below.

This week's winners were:

Nine-Year Old Girls:
Girls: Sasha Solovyev of Hudson, as mentioned, took first; second went to Samantha Pannell of Londonderry; and Nyree Zambrana and Mia Swenson of Londonderry as well as

Vanessa Fongemie were tied for third place.

Boys: First went to Malik Brahim of Windham; second went to Sam Smith of Londonderry; and Liam Kobisky of Derry came in at third.

Ten-Year Old:
Girls: First was Ryla Zatsky of Windham; Ryley Menard of Chester took second overall; and Sydney Kingsland was third.

Boys: First went to Derek Bath of Derry; second was Jacob Edwards of Londonderry; and third place went to Lukas Jonesinski of Londonderry.



11-Year Old Results:
Girls: Cerie Girouard of Derry took first again; second went to Ava Miller of Litchfield.

Boys: Christopher Mercurio of Derry took first; second went to Andrew Soloyev; and Brendan Kuncik of Derry was the third place winner.

12-Year Old Results:
Girls: First was Megan Mullaney of Derry; second was Ade-

lynn Mullaney of Derry; and third went to Emma Wainwright of Derry.

Boys: Nick Tiney of Sandown was the top runner.

13-Year Old Results:
Girls: First overall went to Stella Dutton of Londonderry; second was Isley Morrision of Londonderry; and Kelsey Santosuosso of Derry took third.

Boys: First went to Jacob Tiney of Sandown;

second place went to Dillon Bath of Derry; and Benett MacCulloch of Londonderry finished in third.

Over the course of the summer season, participating family were asked to donate a non-perishable food item, as part of the registration, which goes to two food pantries in the community, St Thomas Aquinas, in Derry, and St. Jude's in Londonderry.



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Letters

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what the tax impact. I am writing this letter to introduce the word 'No' to Mr. Stern.

I say NO to 11 million undocumented, unvetted and unvaccinated illegals coming into my country. I say NO to the highest inflation in 40 years. I say NO to nearly 100,000 fentanyl deaths a year from drugs crossing our borders. I say NO to forcing Americans to buy electric cars at a cost of nearly \$50,000 per car. I say NO to free health-care, lodging, food, telephones and monthly stipends to those here illegally. I say NO to feckless leadership from the Biden/Harris administration that has led us closer to WW III than ever before in my lifetime. I say NO to endless war in Ukraine which has already cost us nearly \$250B. I say NO to the expression 'From the river to the sea', a slogan often the mantra of a sect of your party. I say NO to men in women's locker rooms. I say NO to \$2T deficits as far as the eye can see and to \$32T worth of debt.

I could go on and on but suffice to say the mess this country is in was largely in part to the policies of the Harris/Biden administration. I am voting for Trump to fix this mess. He's certainly not perfect but he's not running for Pope. I trust the majority of fellow Americans agree. While Trump was taking a bullet for our

freedom, Biden was taking a nap. Things need to change and change quickly. Just ask Laken Riley's family.

Andrew Greco
Londonderry

Lion's Club

To the editor,
There has been much attention attributed to the future of the Lion's Club to the point where a committee has been created to address and resolve the issue. One option, which I don't believe has been put forth, is to refurbish the building for use by the town's School Administration. The present lease of the office space of the administration is due to terminate in about a year and they are in the process of evaluating where to relocate. One option being considered is to purchase the vacated medical center on Buttrick Road and refurbish it as needed to fit their needs. Thus, the administration would have to fund the purchase of the property and then fund its refurbishment. The cost to the town's taxpayers has yet to be finalized as is most likely the case with other options, understandably so. The option to utilize the Lion's Club for the School Administration would not require purchasing any property for it is owned by the town. Refurbishment would be the only expense required unless a lease is required by the town. That lease, in the interest of the taxpayer, could and should be

minimal, e.g. \$1 per year. An addition cost is that of maintenance. That would be an expense of any property that would have been purchased anyway, though the value may differ from property to property. Given the size difference between the Buttrick property and that of the club one would expect the larger of the two to require more maintenance. The club is substantially smaller than the Buttrick property so one would expect maintenance cost to be lower. Arguments might be made that the building is not large enough nor conducive to conducting such business or the parking lot being inadequate however, in the interest of those funding the refurbishment that/those challenge(s) should be overcome. Relocating to the center of town would be an added benefit given that it would be in walking distance to three of the town's schools as well as other town facilities. Personnel would not need to drive to those locations. Timing may become an issue given the amount of time left on the present lease and that which would be required to refurbish the building. This could also be an issue with some of the other options being considered. The

workaround there would be to lease on a monthly or six months basis.

In conclusion, it's a win, win, win solution; a win for the taxpayers, i.e. potentially the least expensive option for it addresses two issues

with one solution; a win for resolving the issue of what to do with the building, i.e. re-purposing an historic gem for a worthy cause; a win for the school administration for resolving where to relocate while minimizing costs.

I ask the committee tasked with studying this issue, the School Administration and School Board, and any other town officials associated with this subject to give serious consideration to the above proposal.

Stephen Morin
Londonderry

Let's talk about energy

To the editor,

A couple of weeks ago I wrote a letter to the editor about trying to move from personal attacks to policy discussions to see if we can't get to solving the problems that face us today. In that vein I asked my Chat GPT to compare the Republican and Democratic platform positions of energy.

Just to be clear, I am a Democratic Candidate for State Representative from Londonderry and I think it's only fair you know that as you read this letter.

The summary from my AI research said "The Democratic position prioritizes environmental protection, sustainability, and innovation but may face challenges with economic impacts on traditional energy sectors and high

initial costs. The Republican position focuses on economic growth, energy independence, and regulatory relief but may pose risks to the environment, public health, and long-term sustainability. Both positions offer distinct advantages and disadvantages, reflecting different priorities and approaches to energy policy."

I also looked at the comparison between China's and the US's investment in renewable energy. "The United States and China are both major players in the global renewable energy sector, but their approaches, investments, and progress in this area differ significantly."

"China and the United States are both making significant strides in renewable energy, with China leading in total investment and capacity, and the U.S. focusing on innovation and supportive policy frameworks. Both countries face unique challenges but also have substantial opportunities to influence the global shift towards sustainable energy."

"China's challenges include grid integration, curtailment issues (where renewable energy generated cannot be used due to grid constraints), and the environmental impact of large-scale hydropower projects. Her Opportunities lie in continuing to scale up renewable energy capacity, improving grid infrastructure, and becoming

a global exporter of renewable energy technology."

"US's challenges include regulatory and permitting hurdles, intermittency of renewable sources, and the need for modernization of the grid. Our opportunities include technological innovation, significant potential for offshore wind development, and leveraging federal incentives to accelerate the clean energy transition."

Where can we find fertile ground for progress in a better energy future? First, by understanding that both positions are valid, but if we can agree on a common vision of our energy future that is renewable (because at the current rate oil reserves will only last another 50 years). Then there is a lot to talk about. What happens when we think of our oil reserves as a national asset that will increase in value as drilling costs increase and supply becomes scarcer or that our coal reserves are our supply of hydrocarbons for the future. Will the future world leader be the country that develops the longest lasting, cheapest battery?

I don't have the answers, but I know this kind of discussion will be better for my grandchildren and their grandchildren than the constant bickering we see about trivialities.

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Summer Recreation Camp Holds Annual Hula Hoop Contest



The Londonderry Summer Recreation Camp is winding down with some of the final activities of another hot season. This year's camp is taking place at Matthew Thornton Elementary School and the Tuesday activity was the annual Hula Hoop competition. Out of the 30-or-so campers that took part in the competition, it came down to three battling for top honors. Emma Raymond, at right, was the first place winner, with Giselle Bice, middle, taking second, and Eileen McIntire, above left, taking third place.

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Legion Meeting

On Aug. 12 American Legion Post 27 will hold its Monthly General Meeting at 7:30 p.m. All members are welcome to attend.

Legion OHD

Beer, pizza and live entertainment at the Lions Hall pavilion during Old Home Days, Aug. 16th & 17th, sponsored by the Son's of the American Legion, Friendly Red's Tavern & Tibs Taps. On Aug. 17 Bazooka Joe outside concert will be held from 7 - 10 p.m. at Post 27.

Womens Club OHD

The Londonderry Women's Club is participating in this year's 125th Old Home Day celebration on Aug. 17. The club will have a booth where community members can learn about the club's activities, programs, and the impact it has on the community. Visitors to the booth will also have the opportunity to purchase exclusive Londonderry T-shirts and sweatshirts, specially designed for this historic

celebration. For more information about the Londonderry Women's Club, please visit the booth or check out their website at www.londonderrywomensclub.org or contact at info@londonderrywomensclub.org.

Meeting & Cook Out

On Aug. 18 American Legion Post 27 will host a District 4 meeting at 10 a.m. - noon with cookout to follow.

Concerts On The Common

Londonderry Concerts On The Common Features Studio Two Beatles Tribute Band Concerts on the Common Features Studio Two Beatles Tribute Band Wednesday, Aug. 14, on the Londonderry Town Common - 265 Mammoth Road Londonderry, NH from 7 to 8:30 p.m. For a complete schedule and more details visit: concertsonthecommon.org

Teen Screen Summer Matinee Movies

Teens and tweens are invited to the Leach

Library Meeting Room on Thursdays at 1:30 p.m. through Aug. 15 to enjoy a free movie matinee. Popcorn will be served. Registration is not required.

Children's Summer Craft

On Monday, Aug. 12 at 4 p.m., come to the Leach Library for a special summer children's craft. It will be a turtle button craft. Craft kits will be provided, and staff will be on hand to offer assistance. Registration is required.

Books and Board Games

Teens and tweens are invited to a play an assortment of classic and new board games in the Leach Library Meeting Room on Tuesday, Aug. 13 from 2 - 4 p.m. All participants will receive at least one book to keep. Players may enjoy an ice cream treat while supplies last! This program is intended for ages 8-18. Registration is required and begins on Tuesday, Aug. 6. To register, visit the library's online calendar or call

(603) 432-1132.

Wildlife Encounters

On Wednesday, Aug. 14 at 4 p.m. come yo the Leach Library for a fun and educational visit featuring a few live animal ambassadors. Participants will learn interesting facts about our furry guests, be able to ask an animal expert questions, and have a chance to touch an unusual animal. Treat yourself at the Frosty Ice Cream Truck after the program (cash or card accepted). Registration is required and begins on Wednesday, Aug. 7. To register, visit the library's online event calendar or call (603) 432-1127.

Making Terrariums

On Wednesday, Aug. 14 at 6:30 p.m., adults are invited to make their own terrariums and learn all about the benefits of nature with Kelly Dwyer from Nature Education Opportunities at the Leach Library. This program is intended for adults ages 18 and up. Registration opens on Wednesday, Aug. 7 and is limited to 25 participants. To register, visit the library's online event calendar or call (603) 432-1132.

Astrology 101: What's Your Sign?

Join tarot reader and astrologer Kate Sheridan for an evening of astrology on Tuesday, Aug. 20 at 6 p.m. She will provide a basic overview of Western

tropical astrology including the twelve zodiac signs, the four elements and three modalities, the ten traditional planets, and the five major aspects. This program is a lecture-style presentation with Q&A woven throughout. You will leave the program with the information you need to look at an astrology chart and decode its many symbols. This program is intended for adults ages 18 and up. Registration is required and opens on Tuesday, Aug. 13. To register, visit the library's online event calendar or call (603) 432-1132.

Banned Book Discussion

Join and discuss Jonathan Evison's coming of age novel "Lawn Boy" on Wednesday, Sept. 18 at 6:30 p.m., at the Leach Library. In 2022, the American Library Association reported Evison's novel was the seventh most challenged book in the country. This program is intended for adults ages 18 and up. Registration opens on Wednesday, Aug. 14 and is limited to 15 participants. To register, visit the library's online calendar or call (603) 432-1132. Copies of the book will be available to check out at the library's main desk.

Cookbook Potluck

On Monday, Aug. 19 at 11:30 a.m. stop by the Leach Library for a summer-themed potluck. Prepare and share a recipe

from either The Picnic by Marnie Hanel, The Complete Summer Cookbook by America's Test Kitchen, or The Summer Table by Lisa Lemke. You can pick up a copy of the book from the library. Registration opens on Monday, July 15 and is limited to 20 participants. To register, visit the library's online calendar or call (603) 432-1132. Copies of the books will be available to check out at the library's main desk.

Blues Festival

10th annual Blues Festival Aug. 24, from noon - 4 p.m. There will be a 50:50 raffle, barbecue truck, ice cream truck and vendors, location on the town common. Proceeds to go to the combat veterans motorcycle association to raise money for homeless veterans

Cookbook Potluck

On Thursday, Sept. 5 at 6:30 p.m. come to the Leach Library for a vegetable-themed potluck. Prepare and share a recipe from either "Vegetable Simple" by Eric Ripert or "Vegetables Illustrated" by America's Test Kitchen. The library cannot guarantee each dish's ingredients or accurate preparation. Food served at this program may contain or come into contact with common allergens. This program is intended for adults ages 18 and up. Registration opens on Monday, Aug. 12 and is limited to 20 participants. To register, visit the

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Summer Tennis

Don't miss the summer sign ups. Londonderry Tennis Camp is doing their first summer camp Aug. 19 - 24 from 9 - 11 a.m., for children, all levels, ages 7 and older. The camps teach tennis through activities and games, and build on balance, coordination and speed needed for long-term athletic development. Players will be grouped by age and/or ability. Camps will be held at the Londonderry Town Courts, at the LAFA fields on Sargent Road. Signups will begin the end of July. The cost for each session is \$150. Contact Roberta Davis at londonderryten-

niscamp@gmail.com to register.

Library Hours

Summer hours will take effect at the Leach library from Monday, June 24 through Saturday, Sept. 7. During this timeframe, the library will be open Monday through Wednesday 9 a.m. - 8 p.m., Thursday and Friday 9 a.m. - 5 p.m., and Saturday 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. Curbside service will continue to be provided during operating hours upon request.

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ronmental Services Email: Amy.Rousseau@des.nh.gov, Phone: 603.271.8801

Be Kind - Do Good

The Sunshine Soup Kitchen located at 6 Crystal Ave., Derry, is seeking Volunteers age 18+ for help preparing and serving drive-through meals: Monday -Thursday, 3 - 6 p.m. For more information or if you have questions call 603.437.2833.

Voter Information

The Supervisors of the Voter Checklist will meet to correct the checklist and register voters at the Town Clerk's Office on: Aug. 12 & 28 From 6 - 7 p.m. To register to vote, one must provide: Proof of Londonderry residency; Proof of citizenship (passport, birth certificate, naturalization papers); Proof of age; and Photo ID. **continued on page 15**

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Londonderry Police Log

Selections taken from the daily Londonderry Police Logs

Monday - July 29

9:03 a.m. Services rendered for Suspicious Activity on Columbia Drive.

10:21 a.m. Suspicious Activity reported on Clover Lane.

10:37 a.m. Welfare Check conducted by three officers on Perimeter Road.

12:57 p.m. Services rendered during Juvenile Offenses at Richter's Jewelry on Orchard View Drive.

1:55 p.m. Identity Theft investigated on Griffin Road.

2:52 p.m. Warrant served and arrest made on Crestview Circle.

4:19 p.m. Five officers respond to a Domestic Disturbance on Adams Road and make an arrest. Jill Barretto, 49, of Londonderry, charged with two counts of Domestic Violence - Simple Assault, Bodily Injury.

5:31 p.m. Criminal Mischief investigated on Rockingham Road, at Page Road.

5:59 p.m. Three officers restore peace during a Domestic Disturbance on Mammoth Road.

8:07 p.m. Involuntary Emergency Admission transported to a hospital from Adams Road.

Tuesday - July 30

7:13 a.m. Seven LPD officers assist another Police Department with an

arrest on South Parish Drive.

8:40 a.m. Three officers respond to Suspicious Activity and transport subject to a hospital Executive Health Sports Center on Highlander Way.

9:10 a.m. Services rendered for Neighborhood Disputes on Mammoth Road.

7:19 p.m. Five officers render services for Suspicious Activity on Reo Lane.

7:31 p.m. Services rendered for Suspicious Activity on Manter Mill Road, at Old Derry Road.

8:25 p.m. Four officers respond to the Sleep Inn on Perkins Road for Larceny/Forgery/Fraud.

10:26 p.m. Three officers respond to a Disturbance on Litchfield Road.

10:47 p.m. Criminal Mischief investigated by four officers on Lawson Farm Road.

Wednesday - July 31

12:26 a.m. Motor Vehicle Check at the Park & Ride - North, Upper Lot, on Symmes Drive, leads to an arrest made. Four officers assist with charging Kelly Moccia, 39, of Nashua, with: Two Counts of Possession of a Controlled Drug (Schedule 1-4); Transporting Drugs In a Motor Vehicle; and Controlled Drug: Control

with your community? The Londonderry Women's Club invites you to join their book club, meeting monthly for engaging discussions. But that's not all! The club offers other social events catering to diverse interests. From white elephant bingo to cookie swaps, splatter painting, bake sales, and floral design, their activities promise fun and fulfillment. If you're curious about the book club or want to learn more about the Londonderry Women's Club and its initiatives, reach out at info@londonderrywomensclub.org.

Premises Where Drugs Kept.

10:01 a.m. Welfare Check conducted at the Town Common on Mammoth Road.

1:33 p.m. Welfare Check conducted by three officers at the 7-Eleven Food Mart on Nashua Road.

1:55 p.m. Warrant served and arrest made on Crestwood Circle, Lawrence, MA.

5:56 p.m. Services rendered for a Disturbance at Manchester Boston Regional Airport.

5:57 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop leads to an arrest made by five officers at the 7-Eleven on Rockingham Road. Sandu Moraru, 63, of Manchester, charged with Driving After Revoke/Suspension.

Thursday - Aug. 1

2:20 a.m. Four officers make an arrest during a Motor Vehicle Check at the Apple Tree Mall on Orchard View Drive.

Friday - Aug. 2

12:17 a.m. Assist the Londonderry Fire Department at Harvey Industries on Jack's Bridge Road.

Services rendered for a Disturbance at Manchester Boston Regional Airport.

Violation of a Protective Order reported on Holly Lane.

Domestic Disturbance investigated by four officers on Victoria Drive.

Assisted the Londonderry Fire Department with transport

to a hospital from the Londonderry Flea Market on Avery Road.

Services rendered by three officers for a Domestic Disturbance reported on Mammoth Road.

Four officers assist a citizen at the Manchester Boston Regional Airport.

Motor Vehicle Stop results in an arrest on Mammoth Road. Paul Spaulding, 56, of Londonderry, charged with: Tail Lamp and Reflectors; Avoidance of Traffic Signal; and Driving Under the Influence - Impairment.

Welfare Check Investigated at the Macgregor Cut apartments on Stonehenge Road.

Services rendered in Keeping the Peace on Bridle Path at the Wallace Farm apartments.

Welfare Check conducted on Allison Lane.

Animal Control Investigates a Dog Bite on Josephine Drive.

Assisted the Londonderry Fire Department with transport

Matthew Gerling, 20, of Derry, charged with: Two counts of Possession of a Controlled Drug (Schedule 1-4); Driving After Revoke/Suspension for Driving Under the Influence; Impairment while Driving Under the Influence; Transporting Drugs in a Motor Vehicle; and Controlled Drug: Control Premises Where Drugs Kept.

Services rendered by three officers for Juvenile Offenses on Litchfield Road

Services rendered for an Airport Alert at Manchester Boston Regional Airport.

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OBITUARY

Michele M. Osmond



Michele M. Osmond, 75, of Londonderry, NH, died Sunday July 28, 2024 after a brief illness surrounded by her loving family in peace. She was born on Dec. 26, 1948 in Lowell, MA, a daughter of the late Leo and Gertrude (Levasseur) Pineau.

She is survived by her loving husband of 55 years, Vaughan Osmond. She is also survived by Her daughter Renee Osmondo, daughter Nicole Osmond and her husband Jaime Moreno, Scott Osmond and his wife Joyce Macharia. She also is survived by her grandchildren, Zachary, Brianna, Madalyn, Jaime Anthony, Zeandra, Ashley, and Jakobie. She was also an amazing great-grandmother of Hayden, Jaydalyn, Johnathon, Elijah, and J'Vaughan.

She is also survived by her brother Leo Pineau and his wife Nancy Pineau. She also has many nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her sister Eileen Savioa and her husband Joseph Savioa

Michele enjoyed being with her family. She loved watching Jeopardy with her Honey and nightly phone calls to her daughter Renee. She loved her morning coffees with her son Scott and her smoke breaks with her daughter Nicole. But most of all she loved her car rides with her husband looking at all the beautiful homes and going to hot fudge sundaes. Michele loved holidays with the whole family and sharing the love and memories.

Following cremation, there will be no services at this time. The Peabody Funeral Homes & Crematorium is assisting the family with arrangements.

OBITUARY

Richard George "Dick" Savory



Richard George "Dick" Savory, 86, of Londonderry, NH passed away Tuesday July, 30, 2024 at Portsmouth Regional Hospital in Portsmouth, NH. Dick was born on Nov. 1, 1937, in Bellows Falls, VT. He was a son of the late Walter and Dorothy (Brown) Savory. He was raised and educated in Alstead, NH, and was a graduate of the former Vilas High School. Dick was a resident of Londonderry for over 20 years, prior to relocating to the Edgewood Center of Portsmouth.

Dick served his country in the US Air Force for over 20 years, retiring as a Master Sergeant in 1976. He then began working for the State of NH Department of Health & Human Services until his retirement in 1998 as an Administrative Supervisor. He enjoyed boating and fishing, hunting and being outdoors in nature. He also loved to go strawberry picking. During the last four months, Dick enjoyed watching the birds and other wildlife from his window.

Members of the family include three daughters and their husbands, Terri (John) Trepanier, Marcia (Stew) Mullis and Michele (Steve) Sprague; his loving companion of over 30 years, Frances Bergeron, six grandchildren, and seven Great grandchildren. Dick was predeceased by two sisters, Marilyn Come and Shirley Haskins.

Following cremation, visiting hours were held Monday Aug. 5, at the Peabody Funeral Homes and Crematorium. Burial with military honors will conclude at Pleasant View Cemetery in Londonderry.

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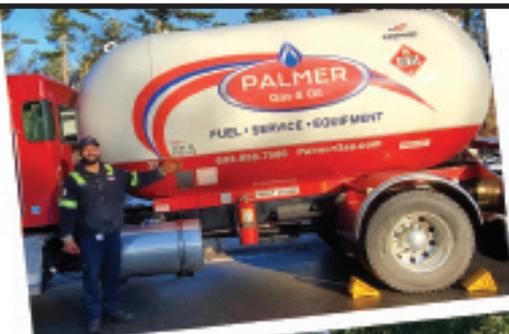
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