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Dear Alumni and Friends of Lyndon Institute, Happy Spring! It has been a long winter; just when you thought it couldn't possibly snow anymore, it did. We had more delayed openings or early release than any time in recent history. Heave a sigh of relief that spring is here; take time to appreciate the daffodils and lilac blooms. Greet your neighbors with a smile and be glad that another winter is behind us.

As we put winter in the rearview mirror, I would like to encourage you to take a look around your community and appreciate where we live. Lyndon is a great community offering many opportunities for our children. Whether your childhood memories are of summer days at Powers Park or the Cobleigh Library, or winter adventures at the Outing Club or the Ice Arena, Lyndon is a wonderful little town with safe spaces for children to be active and engaged. Watching our students participate in outdoor competitions during Winter Carnival reminded of how we strive to keep those playful opportunities continuing on into high school.

If you are reflecting on those cherished, local opportunities available to you or your children and wondering how you can help sustain the culture of our town and community, I would remind you of the gift of time. While money and time are always tight, the gift of time often creates the most good will. Whether it is helping time at a track event, sorting clothes at HOPE, or being the member of a board, your time can be incredibly beneficial to these small events. Getting involved and putting your hands to work with friends in support of our Lyndon community creates the lasting memories that we cherish.

In closing LI does have volunteer opportunities. One of those is the Beautify LI Day that occurs in May. Please join us to spruce up the campus for spring.

While money is certainly necessary, volunteer time is critical to making these activities function.

Sincerely, Two ladawn Peny

Twiladawn W. Perry, '77 Head of School

Student Ownership For the Viking Voice

We are pleased to inform our readers that the Viking Voice magazine has implemented some exciting changes. The design of our magazine will now be completed in-house. Mrs. Bridget Atkins, LI Graphic Arts Teacher along with her advanced graphic design student, Cassidy Sherman are responsible for the visual presentation and flow of material in the issue you are now reading. Mr. Dick McCarthy, Dean of Faculty and Humanities teacher as well as his AP Literature students were also involved in this issue, having a role in the proofreading piece of production.

These changes allow Lyndon Institute students to have real world experience in production of a professional mailing. It also allows for a greater student voice within the content of our magazine produced for alumni, parents and friends to enjoy.

We hope that you appreciate the school wanting this important piece of our communications to be student driven. If you would like to share comments or suggestions, please contact



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Lyndon Institute Theater Company Presents Thespis!

The multi-award winning Lyndon Institute Theater Company presented Phil Darg's one-act comedy Thespis as their entry into the Vermont Drama Festival, which featured a special public performance on Friday, March 15th at Alumni Auditorium at Lyndon Institute. Students in the cast and crew also traveled to Hazen Union School on March 9th for competition in the Vermont Regional Drama Festival.

In the golden age of Athens, all is not golden. The Festival of Dionysus has become a showcase for boring, repetitive,

Narrator

Lyndon Institute Theater Company presented the one-act comedy Thespis as their entry into the Vermont Regional Drama Festival. Pictured left to right: Jessica McAllister, Katherine Slicer, Shon Buck, Irie Campbell, Princess-Jade Aviles, Lauren Chamberlin, Cassidy Sherman, and Sadie Chamberlin (Not Pictured: Ainsley Wells)

mindless chanting. Unfortunately, none of the participants or leaders realize this. They love and cheer the annual soul-numbing celebrations to honor the god of Theater. Enter Thespis, a baker who dares to do what no man has done before - think for himself - and propose that something different might actually be entertaining. Hilarity ensues and a thespian is born.

With Artistic Direction by Lyndon Institute's Theater Company Director, Laura Wayne, this production featured the talented young actors and technicians at Lyndon Institute collaborating to bring an evening of pure farce and a slightly twisted history on the world's first actor.



Members of Lyndon Institute's Select Chorus (Left to right) Julian Stahler, Alejandro De Cardenas, and Shon Buck work with students during the Kingdom East 6th Grade Choral Festival on Friday, February 1st.

Lyndon Institute Select Chorus Helps Kick off Choral Festival

Lyndon Institute Select Chorus members were invited to help kick off the first annual Kingdom East 6th Grade Choral Festival on, February 1st. The event was hosted by Miller's Run principal, Patrick Ham, and music teacher, Lydia Ham. Gilman Middle School, Miller's Run School, and Lyndon Town School all participated in the festival, which ended with a performance by each participating school and a group finale piece led by guest conductor, Lyndon Institute's Susanne Norwood.



Lyndon Institute's Latin Club poses for a group photo at the UVM Classics department's Latin Day.

Lyndon Institute Latin Club Brings Home Silver Bowl

For 43 years, the UVM Classics department has been hosting an annual Latin Day designed to engage, excite, and teach Vermont high school Latin students about Latin and the classics. This year's Latin Day had a new look, led in large part by LI seniors Vermont Junior Classical League president Abigail Ham and VTJCL vice president Kate O'Farrell, as well as VTJCL state chair and Lyndon Institute Latin teacher Roy Starling. This year's event was revamped to be more interactive and included activities such as written tests, Roman military training for students, a conversational Latin seminar, an ancient gaming session, and skits performed by schools.

The Lyndon Institute Latin club attended this year's event and did well enough in the scoring activities to bring the Silver Bowl (awarded to the top school in the state) back to the Northeast Kingdom for the first time in almost ten years. LI's "probatio" (quiz bowl) teams finished first and second in their levels and LI sophomore Toby Ham earned top scores on the mythology and history tests.

LI Latin teacher Roy Starling said, "This year's Latin club has been an amazing group of kids. They started the year going down to Yale and made the semifinals at that event. They followed that with a trip to the Granite State Certamen in Dover, NH, and now they've brought home the silver bowl from UVM to LI for the first time in quite a few years. Going forward, we have an event at Harvard in March and a trip to Italy in April. It's such a blessing to work with such motivated kids at such a supportive school."

Lyndon Institute Student Places 2nd in Tri-State Juried Art Show

Lyndon Institute's Liv Gahleitner, class of 2020, received the honor of 2nd place at the Norwich University Juried High School Art Show. This particular tri-state contest included approximately 130 works of art from 25-30 high schools across the states of Maine, Vermont, and New Hampshire.



Students from instructor Miss Cindy Helmbreck's Art Honors and AP Studio Art classes studied 1960's pop artist, Wayne Thiebaud, who known for his colorful works depicting commonplace objects. Students were then asked to incorporate bright, colorful candies and/or interesting candy wrappers in a recent assignment called, "something sweet" where they were to create a work of art that incorporated a zoomed-in view of human-form interacting with candy. Some examples that were discussed in class included, hands stretching taffy, blowing a bubble from Hubba Bubba Bubble Gum, or teeth biting a piece of licorice. Students were asked to take photographs of friends or family members modeling for them, and to then recreate their photos as works of art.

Liv reproduced one of her own photographs as an acrylic painting, portraying a friend eating a bold, red Tootsie Pop.

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Lyndon Institute Senior Places First In School Choice Essay Contest

There are a variety of school choice options available for many of the 122,000 children living in Vermont. Families in Vermont can choose from traditional public schools, public magnet schools, private schools, online academies, and homeschooling.

Governor Philip Scott issued an official proclamation recognizing January 20-26, 2019 as Vermont School Choice Week. The Week featured 58 events and activities across the Green Mountain State. In addition to the area celebrations, an essay contest was held for high school students providing the opportunity for them to share personal stories about school choice.

Abigail Ham, a Lyndon Institute senior, took first place in the Individual Student category for her essay honoring National

Prate ers - Choice!

Lyndon Institute senior, Abigail Ham, reads her winning essay in the Individual Student category for National School Choice Week at the Vermont State House.

School Choice Week. She read her essay to members of the Education Committee on Monday, March 20th at the State House in Montpelier. The award was \$1,500. "I was home-schooled and transitioned to Lyndon Institute as a freshman and it was a big deal for me. My time at LI has opened a world of possibilities for both now and my future that I could not have foreseen," said Ham.

Her winning essay described how she enrolled at LI seeking classes and experiences that her parents could not provide her. These included traveling to China, studying four languages, studio art, dance, welding, Advanced Placement® classes, playing in the band, earning college credit through Northern Vermont University, running track, cheerleading, performing and producing choreography for the theater company, writing for the school newspaper, and competing with the Certamen (Latin) Team at Harvard and Yale.

She added that her educational experience was enhanced with friendships she formed by being immersed in a learning environment with students from around the world. "Forming close connections with peers like them not only exposed me to a broader understanding of world politics, religion and curiosity, it also formed friendships that will last beyond high school, making us globally connected and conscious people before we graduate."

Abigail is the daughter of Patrick and Sarah Ham of Sheffield. She has been accepted to Calvin College in Grand Rapids, Michigan to study Classical Studies and Pre-Medicine.

The Viking Voice is going **green!** See page 19 for details



Left to right front row: Annalle Schreiber, Riley Holderby, Sidney Giambrone, Liv Gahleitner (Vermont Best of Show), Emmallie Bailey (1st place senior division), Grace Pearce (1st place sophomore division). Left to right back row: Jinyuan Li, Trinitie Simonds (3rd place sophomore division), Kasey Barton, Sebastian Whitcomb-Paulson (2nd place junior division), Katelyn Humphrey (2nd place sophomore division). Missing from photograph are Ashley Allard (2nd place senior division), Jorja McLeod (3rd place sophomore division), and Vicky Valentine (3rd place junior division).

Lyndon Institute U.S. Fish and Wildlife Junior Duck Stamp Contest Winners Announced

Lyndon Institute junior Liv Gahleitner earned the top honors of Best of Show for the State of Vermont in the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Junior Duck Stamp Art Program and Contest. After the national judging, her artwork, along with the artwork of other state winners, will tour the United States for a year. Additionally, senior Emmallie Bailey and sophomore Grace Pearce received 1st place acknowledgments, junior Sebastian Whitcomb-Paulson, sophomore Katelyn Humphrey, and senior Ashley Allard received 2nd place, sophomore Trinitie Simonds, sophomore Jorja McLeod, and junior Vicky Valentine received 3rd place, and sophomore Annalle Schreiber, junior Riley Holderby, junior Sidney Giambrone, junior Jinyuan Li, and junior Kasey Barton received honorable mention. The students' works were created with supportive instruction from Lyndon Institute visual arts teachers Cindy Helmbreck and Barbara Follett.

Preparation for the Junior Duck Stamp Contest and involvement in the program requires students to study waterfowl anatomy and habitat. To follow, students express their learning and knowledge by drawing, painting or sketching a picture of an eligible North American waterfowl species. The program also provides an opportunity for students to artistically express the beauty, diversity, and interdependence of wildlife.

The annual Federal Junior Duck Stamp competition combines art and science to teach students in kindergarten through high school about migratory waterfowl habitat preservation and wetland conservation. All 50 states and US territories participate in the contest. The Best of Show from each state and territory are submitted to the national level.



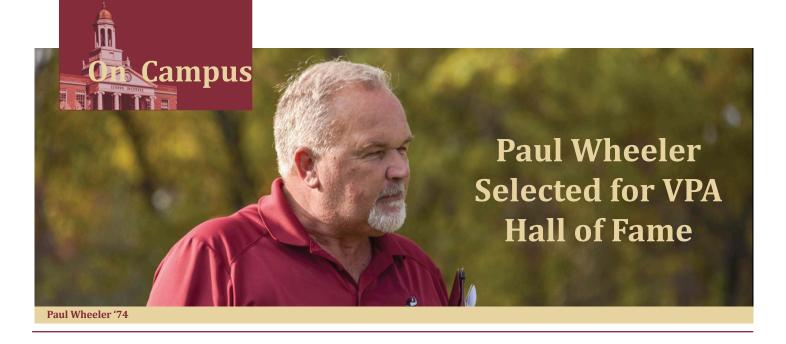
Lyndon Institute's TJ Tanner, '99 accepts a plaque in recognition for his participation in the Albany Recruiting Battalion Tour in Fort Lee, Virginia from the U.S. Army's Dr. McCombs.

Lyndon Institute's TJ Tanner '99, Completes the Albany Recruiting Battalion Educator Tour

TJ Tanner, '99, Lyndon Institute's Director of Campus Safety completed the Albany Recruiting Battalion Tour in Fort Lee, Virginia during the summer of 2018. The U.S. armed forces offer educator tours so educators and other professionals from across the country can learn about the various career opportunities offered. Having taken part in this tour, Mr. Tanner will be better equipped to offer guidance to students who are considering a career in the armed forces. Aside

from attending the Albany Recruiting Battalion Tour, Mr. Tanner previously attended the Marine Corps Educator Workshop and also recently attended the Navy Educator Tour in January 2019.

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Lyndon Institute Director of Athletics and Activities, Paul Wheeler, entered the Vermont Principals Association Hall of Fame at an awards banquet at the Capital Plaza in Montpelier on May 3, 2019. He was selected for contributions made to the school, state, and region in his 24 years of work as an administrator.

He joined the administrative team at LI in 1995 as Director of Development, then was named Assistant Head for External Affairs. In those roles, he led fundraising efforts for additions to the school's campus which include: Daniels Hall (6 classroom math facility), John L. Norris Art Center, Bob Heath Track, and Gateway House.

For the last 16 years, Paul has served as Lyndon Institute's Director of Athletics and Activities. The program has grown to 40+ teams and 50+ coaches during his tenure. He was LI's track and field coach for seven years, leading the boys team to state titles in 2000 and 2002.

In 2012, Wheeler was named Vermont's large school Athletic Director of the Year. In 2017 he was honored by the National Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association as the Vermont Award of Merit recipient and was named Vermont's Distinguished Service Award winner by the Vermont State Athletic Directors Association. He has served on the VSADA's Executive Committee for nine years and was a two-term President of the organization.

He currently serves as chair of the VPA Golf committee and chair of the VPA Alpine Skiing committee. He is past chair and a current member of the VPA Track and Field committee.

In 2016 he was selected to represent Section 1 (the New England states, New York and New Jersey) of the National Federation of High Schools as a member of the national track and field committee. This 11 member committee sets rules and policy for high school track and field in the United States.

At Lyndon Institute, Paul's philosophy in leading the athletics and activities program is simple. "If Lyndon Institute students are better prepared for success in life because they participated in our programs, we've done our job."

Aside from this prestigious honor, Paul also announced his plans to retire at the end of the 2018-19 school year. "I'm grateful for the opportunity to work at such a great school," said Paul. "Through my time in development and alumni relations, to my time leading the athletics and activities program, I have felt the strong support of my school, local families, and businesses. Lyndon Institute enjoys tremendous support from our caring, worldwide community. Whether it be games, events, performances or recognizing student achievement, the LI 'family' is always there. To be part of that atmosphere and culture is something special. For 24 years I've been surrounded by that support. I've heard it said that I 'bleed maroon.' To those people who have said it, you're right!"

Paul will leave some pretty big shoes to fill, and he will be missed by the entire LI community.



Lyndon Institute's Karen Kennedy '74 (right), pictured here with LI faculty member and 504 Coordinator Eric Stuepfert (left), Army Reserve Ambassador John desGroseilliers (second from left), and LI Head of School Twiladawn Perry '77(third from left), was presented with the Patriot Award on February 4th.

Lyndon Institute's Karen Kennedy '74 Receives Patriot Award

On Monday, February 4th, Lyndon Institute's Director of Specialized Instruction Karen Kennedy received the Patriot Award from the Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve (ESGR). This award is given in recognition of a supervisor who supports their Guard and Reserve employees.

According to ESGR's website, "An employee serving in the National Guard or reserve, or the spouse of a Guard or reserve member, may nominate individual supervisors and bosses for support provided directly to the nominating service member and his or her family. The Patriot Award reflects the efforts made to support citizen warriors through a widerange of measures including flexible schedules, time off prior to and after deployment, caring for families, and granting leaves of absence if needed." Kennedy was nominated by Guard member and Lyndon Institute 504 coordinator and CTE faculty member Eric Stuepfert.

"Over the past 7 years I have had the opportunity to train across the United States in Wyoming, South Carolina, Louisiana and of course right here in the Green Mountain State as part of the Vermont Army National Guard," said Stuepfert. "Lyndon Institute's support and encouragement have allowed me to focus on training to better serve our local community and nation when called upon."

"I am proud to support Eric and others who serve our country. Eric's commitment to his service both at LI and in the National Guard is what makes him a valued member of our school and the local community," said Kennedy.

Army Reserve Ambassador John desGroseilliers visited the LI campus to present the award to Mrs. Kennedy who was accompanied by Head of School Twiladawn Perry and Mr. Stuepfert.

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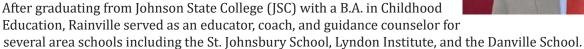


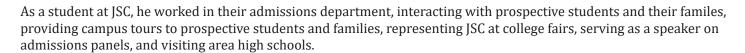
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Lyndon Institute Welcomes New Admissions Coordinator

Lyndon Institute Head of School, Twila Perry is pleased to announce that Patrick Rainville has joined the admissions team as Admissons Coordinator responsible for working with day students and their families from area sending schools.





"We are excited to welcome Patrick to LI," said Admissions Director, Sara O'Connor. "He is a proven leader who leads by example in a diverse range of settings. His knowledge of our area educational network and partners will serve to reinforce collaborations with students, teachers, staff, administrators, families, and communities."

He has served HOBY Vermont (Hugh O'Brien Youth Leadership) since 2012, including Leadership Seminar Chair from 2013-2015. During his tenure at HOBY, he oversaw recruitment, staffing, fundraising, alumni relations, and all seminar committees. Under his direction, student attendance goals were surpassed and HOBY Vermont was recognized as one of the top HOBY programs in the country.

"For more than five decades, HOBY has inspired young people to make a difference and become catalysts for positive change in their home, school, workplace, and community," said Rainville. "As America's foremost youth leadership organization, HOBY has a long history of successfully motivating young people to develop into outstanding leaders."

3-D Printer Thank You

LI students will have the ability to use some of the latest technologies in our school thanks to the Lyndon Institute Board of Corporators. The STEM program has had a 3D printer and has utilized it well over the last three years. It was at the end of its lifespan and the program was making due with a very inexpensive model to function until enough money was raised to purchase a new unit for the school. The quality and speed are markedly less with the inexpensive model and it was already showing signs of wear after being used for one month.

The Corporators rose to the challenge and donated enough funds for the school to purchase two high quality 3D printers, filament, and other program enhancements for STEM.

You might ask what is 3D printing? 3D Printing is a form of additive manufacturing, sometimes referred to as Rapid Prototyping. It enables you to draw a design in a 3D CAD Program and print that object out for you to touch, study, test and play with. Imagine a class of students went on a field trip to a museum where they study fossils. They take photos, measure the depth of the fossil and the size which would enable the students to draw the design and print out the object to continue their studies back in the classroom.

It is with deep appreciation we say thank you to LI's Board of Corporators for supporting this effort.



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Ashley Allard, '19, Watercolor, Pen and Ink

Interact Club at LI

We are excited to announce that Lyndon Institute's Volunteer Club has officially become a Rotary Sponsored Interact Club. Interact is a club for young people ages 12 to 18 that empowers them to take action, become leaders and gain a global perspective. The name of the club will change from the Volunteer Club to the Lyndon Institute Interact Club. Lyndonville Rotary is the sponsoring club and the two clubs will work together towards community service goals.

The Spring Online Auction Opens For Bids on May 1st!

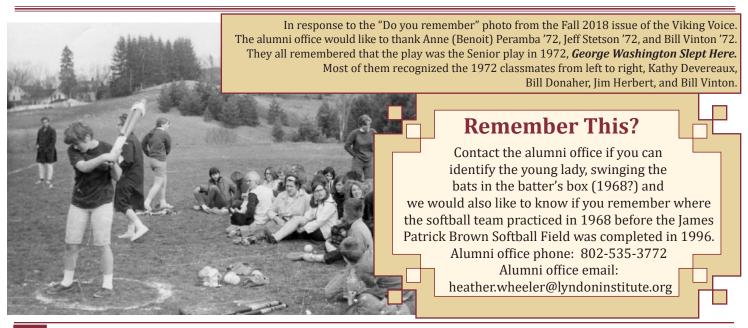
Our annual Spring Auction to support the Independence Fund will be open from May 1 – May 31st. Please note that the auction will end on Friday of alumni weekend this year which will enable alumni traveling for reunions to be able to pick up their items while on campus. Items include exotic vacation getaways, covetable sports memorabilia, unique student-made items, locally resourced products, antiques and more. Now is your chance to get all the great items you want, while supporting the school and its students. www.BiddingForGood.com/LyndonInstitute

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Maple Syrup for Sale

Lyndon Institute's Diversified and Sustainable Agriculture program produces maple syrup in our sugar house on campus. The syrup is made from sap harvested directly from the maple trees that grow in the wooded areas of our historic 150 year old campus. LI has the student produced syrup available for sale throughout the year in Thompson Cottage. Current pricing for a 1/2 gallon is \$27.00, quarts are \$15.00, pints are \$9.00 and half pints are \$5.50. We ship too. Call the school store to place your order (802)535-3772.



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What Is Development?

Alumni, trustees, corporators, faculty, staff, parents, and friends of Lyndon Institute have a tremendous, positive impact on the life of the campus in many different ways. Their financial support through charitable gifts provides the margin of excellence that facilitates our service to our students and the community. The generosity of our donors has enabled LI to offer courses and experiences that would not be possible with tax dollars alone. The Development Office provides leadership for encouraging private support from alumni and friends, corporations, and foundations to advance the school.

The Independence Fund is the school's fundraising priority and it supports all aspects of our mission. Gifts to the Independence Fund provide Lyndon Institute with the resources to enrich our learning environment and to underwrite faculty professional development, curricular and program enhancements, special events and activities (including field trips, athletics, and arts programs), technology, and facilities.

There are several ways for you to be involved with LI. Every gift to LI truly does matter. The greater the percentage of our constituencies who support the school, the greater our odds are for receiving grant funding from a variety of different foundations. If you have fond memories of your school and want to pay it forward to the next generation, please consider adding LI to your philanthropic priorities. Other ways to be involved include attending an athletic competition, following us on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram, becoming a member of the Booster Club, attending a regional reunion (these aren't only for alumni of the school), attending a play, dance or musical performance – the list goes on and on but the point is there is always something going on at LI and many ways for you to reconnect with your school.

Need more information? We are here to help. Give us a call or an email. We would love to hear from you.

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Front row: Chris Taylor '93, Sean Montgomery '00, Mike Smith '07, Nate Sicard '00, Dan Houghton '06, Kevin Sleeper '93, Jason Hopkins '03, Neil Lefebvre '99, Justin Smith '93, Brad Grant '89

Back row: Alex Young '21, Brad Goodwin '85, Alex Montgomery '12, Patrick Switser '18, Jake Solomon '13, Dan Baillargeon '05, Jason Lanctot '07, Matt Doyon '05, Tucker Hubbard-Sizen '15, Tim Kirchoff '96, Lance Brigham '06, Paul Schartner '07

Special thanks to all those who helped make the event a great success:

Melissa (Boulay) Hall '92, Larry Kirchoff, Tiffany (Lussier) Young '92, Herman Noyes '89, Rick Sicard and Brandon Noyes.

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Independence Fund Update

Thank you donors! We are so grateful for the support you have shared with our students and teachers. Contributors have committed more than \$200,000 to date during this fiscal year. We have completed program enhancements, supported students with scholarships for both domestic and international travel, expanded our sugaring operation for the diversified and sustainable agriculture program and purchased two new 3D printers for our STEM program.

The impact your donations are having can be seen all over campus! On behalf of the entire Lyndon Institute community, thank you!

Please take notice of area businesses that display the "We Support LI" decals in their store front. They show their support to Lyndon Institute and we ask that the LI Community keep them in mind when doing business locally.

You have until June 30th to make a gift to the school this fiscal year. Every gift is important! Melissa (Boulay) Hall, '92 Director of Development





Regional reunions are held in various locations throughout the year. These events are open to everyone within the LI Community; they are not intended to be solely for alumni/ae. The Florida reunion, traditionally held in March, was very successful once again with 53 in attendance this year. There have been an increasing number of attendees who travel long distances in order to attend these reunions. If you see an event you are interested in receiving more information on please contact the Development Office at 802-535-3773 or email melissa.hall@lyndoninstitute.org















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<u> Alumni Profile - Evan Carlson '02</u>

LI Grad Comes Home, Sparks Digital Downtown Initiative

By Sylvia C. Dodge

A Lyndon Institute graduate who left the area to immerse himself in the emerging world of internet commerce has returned to his Northeast Kingdom roots to help traditional businesses grow and to nurture new ones. Since 2016, Evan Carlson (Class of 2002) has been a pivotal player in bringing over \$300,000 in public and private economic development funding to Lyndon.

One result of his attention has been the creation of a "co-working space," which opened on Nov. 16 in the former headquarters of Bag Balm, the iconic Lyndon business that manufactured salve for cows' udders for 115 years before being sold in 2014 to an investment group.



Carlson was also the point person on a successful USDA Rural Business Development Grant, which awarded \$88,827 to the Town of Lyndon in August. The USDA money will be used for three things: to study the feasibility of building a community fiber network in the Lyndon area, to create a public wifi network for downtown Lyndonville, and to provide mini-grants to businesses in Lyndonville's "designated downtown" to help develop their online presence.

Carlson makes his living doing work that older Vermonters probably have a hard time imaging. Working from home, he consults with businesses to improve the digital products they use for advertising. His company is named Hjalmar Carlson, in homage to his grandfather, a Swedish immigrant to the United States who worked as an engineer and inventor.

Carlson sees the opportunities in emergent technology, but he also adheres to values that are age-old. Whether you are building a shovel – or a digital marketing platform – Carlson said, "At core, it is all related to design and problem-solving." He said, "The idea is to use new technology to improve and grown business opportunities that will make Vermonters economically competitive."

While in high school Carlson was torn between a love for graphic design and more analogue programs like boat-building and print-making. For college, he chose the New England Institute of Art in Boston, where he selected a newly designed major – Interactive Media Design.

After college Carlson worked for a short time in Boston, and then landed a job at an advertising agency in Colorado, which made commercials for business titans like Volkswagen and Burger King. It was the time when "everything was new," said Carlson. He said, "Digital media, interactive media, social media – it was all exploding onto the scene."

And Carlson took advantage of it all to build skills in a wide-range of areas - from webpage development, to mobile app design, to web analytics. Eventually he went out on his own as an e-commerce consultant for businesses ranging from hospitals, to snowboard manufacturers, to the Nestle company.

For his next career move, Carlson found himself at the center of the digital marketing world, in New York City, and he again rode a wave of e-commerce development. He was hired as the 80th employee of an organization called Complex Media, and within four years the company was operating out of five world-wide locations with a staff of 400 employees. Carlson worked as a product manager for the company, overseeing a team of developers who focused on mobile and emerging technologies.

So why would he want to leave his high-powered position in the city to return to life in rural Vermont? "I left New York because the focus of the work was not my passion ... It was not fulfilling," said Carlson. He said, "By coming back home I knew I could find my next direction," - and it has been good luck for the region that Carlson's new direction has become involvement in his community.

Carlson authored the USDA grant application for internet-related initiatives with the assistance of Mike Welch of Northern Community Investment Corporation, Lyndon Town Manager Justin Smith (Class of 1993), and Kim Crady, the chair of the Lyndon Downton Revitalization Committee.

Smith said it's been good to have someone young and energetic with Carlson's technical expertise serving on the revitalization committee. "He understands what's required for businesses of his type to operate here," said Smith. "He's helped develop a nice collaboration with groups that we probably needed to work with better."

Welch said, "My experience with Evan has been fantastic. He's very qualified, has a lot of interest in building up community and getting people to stay and relocate here."

Co-working Space

In Lyndon, the co-working space was established through a partnership of several area businesses and non-profits with Northern Vermont University (NVU). The 2,000 square foot space will provide rentable office facilities for approximately 50 entrepreneurs. It will be outfitted with high-speed internet, audiovisual equipment, sound-proof phone booths, and a state-of-the-art conference room.

Funding for the site, which is now known as DO NORTH Co-working, included \$65,123 in funding from NVU and a one-year influx of cash from a \$51,377 USDA Rural Business Development Grant. North Country Federal Credit Union has made a five-year donation to the facility of \$125,000.

When the new co-working space opened its doors in November, Carlson was on hand in the role of "Entrepreneur in Residence," and in that role he will help shepherd the growth of the site. The anchor tenant at the co-working space is a company called Whiteout Solutions, a business being developed to put drone technology to work to determine the health of forested land and agricultural crops.

The co-working space will also provide opportunities for students from NVU who will be available to provide technical assistance to member businesses and entrepreneurs.

The idea to create a co-working space in Lyndonville came about during a conversation between Carlson and NVU officials during an event sponsored by the Vermont Council on Rural Development which brought community leaders together to brainstorm ideas for beneficial change to the region.

Grants for Downtown Businesses

The first of the three-fold projects funded by the \$88,827 USDA Rural Business Development Grant got underway in September. The project was designed to make small grants of up to \$2,500 available to businesses in Lyndon's designated downtown. A total of \$22,000 was available through the program.

Members of the Lyndon Economic Development Committee went door-to-door explaining the program to business owners and letters of interest were reviewed a few weeks later. Grants were awarded to applicants on a first come, first served basis.

The micro-grant program was designed to provide technical assistance to small businesses to improve their ability to advertise on the internet. Successful applicants for the funding were: Mickey's Head-to-Toe, attorney Laura Wilson, VT Vintage, Shear Sensations, Carmen's Ice Cream, Northeast Sports Network, Lead and Tackle, and Green Mountain Books. Contracts to provide the technical assistance have gone to businesses in East Burke, Ryegate, West Glover, St. Johnsbury, and Burlington.

Downtown Wifi

A second phase of the USDA grant funding involves the creation of a system that will bring free, wireless internet access to downtown Lyndonville. A total of \$29,000 was earmarked for that work, which should make it possible for

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free wi-fi to be available throughout an area that reaches from the Lyndon Municipal Building, through all of Depot Street, to the area including the Freighthouse Market & Cafe.

The economic benefit of the wifi system should result from attracting more people to downtown Lyndon to use the free service. "Somebody who comes down from Quebec to bike can use the village wifi system instead of using (cellular data) on their phones," said Carlson. The new system will also draw users to a single internet page where Lyndon businesses can advertise products and services.

Sara (Bona) Lafferty (class of 2007) one of the owners of White Market, is the point person working to get the free downtown wifi system up and running. It is hoped that the system will be operational by next summer. Community Fiber Network

A final project funded by the \$88,000 in USDA grant funding awarded to the Town of Lyndon will be a feasibility study focused on the creation of a community fiber network. Vantage Point Solutions, a South Dakota-based consultant, is expected to complete the study by June 2019.

Such a network would be designed to provide close to 100 percent high-speed internet coverage to Lyndon and surrounding towns. At present, it is estimated that 30 percent of Lyndon residents do not have access to high-speed internet, and in the towns north of Lyndon the situation is even worse.

If Carlson has his way, sometime soon Lyndon and the small towns surrounding it will have a similar community fiber program. "It would be our own network," said Carlson, "and it would create jobs for our community - people would need to be hired to connect the fiber network and also to maintain it."



We take pride in the accomplishments of our alumni and look forward to hearing from you. Please share your recent activities (career advancement, honors, publications, appointments, etc.) with us. We welcome newspaper clippings, press releases and pictures.

If you would like to share your news with us, please email melissa.hall@lyndoninstitute.org or Mail: Melissa Hall, Lyndon Institute, Lyndon Institute, PO Box 127, Lyndon Center, VT 05850. Be sure to include your email address, if applicable, so we can contact you.

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Lyndon Institute Welcomes New Board Trustees and Corporators at Annual Meeting

Following the organization's annual meeting hosted Friday, October 19th, 2018, Lyndon Institute announced the election of Mr. Lawrence Cipollone to serve as president of the Board of Trustees. Mr. Cipollone succeeds Mr. James "Jim" C. Gallagher, Esq. '63, who stepped down following one year of service in the role. He will remain on the board as a trustee.

"I appreciate the opportunity to have been able to work with Jim. His counsel has helped me have a smooth transition," stated Twiladawn Perry, Head of School. Mrs. Perry went on to say that "I am looking forward to working with Larry in the years ahead. I believe we will be able to provide the guidance LI requires to move into the future."

Lawrence V. Cipollone is a retired Commander of the U.S. Navy. A native of Salem, MA, he earned his B.S. in Chemistry from the University of Tampa and his M.S. in Systems Technology in the U.S. Naval Academy Postgraduate School.

Since 1985 he has been employed with Edward Jones in St. Johnsbury, where he is a Financial Advisor and Limited Partner. Mr. Cipollone is an active member of the Northeast Kingdom community, including service as past President of Lyndon State College Foundation, past President of Northeast Kingdom Chamber of Commerce, and currently as a Corporator of Northeast Vermont Regional Hospital.

Mr. Cipollone was elected as LI Corporator in 2013 and was then elected to the Board of Trustees in 2016. He and his wife Carrie reside in East Burke, Vermont. They have two sons, Christopher and Kyle, and a daughter, Lauren.

Additional changes to board officer positions include the election of Mrs. Meredith R. Feltus '87 as vice-president (replacing Mr. Lawrence Cipollone) and the election of Mr. David R. Hartwell '70 as treasurer (replacing Mrs. Elaine Smith '63). Mrs. Smith remains on the board as a trustee.

Seven trustees were newly elected to the board during the annual meeting to include Laurie Boswell, Bretton Gale '77, Lorraine Impey '66, Stephen Maleski, Noah Manning '13, Ryan McDonald, and Patrick Seymour '15.

Laurie Boswell is a retired educator who is now working full-time writing, and providing professional development and embedded coaching in schools throughout the United States. She received the Presidential Award for Excellence in Mathematics Teaching, was a Woodrow Wilson Fellow, and was named a Tandy Technology Scholar.

Bretton Gale '77 is a longtime Lyndon resident. He is currently the third generation living in his Lyndon Center home and his family has enjoyed hosting students from Lyndon Institute from all over the world. In 2016, he became the local State Farm agent.

Lorraine Impey '66 is a self-employed Psychiatric Nurse Practitioner. In partnership with her husband, James, Lorraine owns Impey Vermont Real Estate, a firm that specializes in historic preservation. Lorraine is actively involved in the management of other businesses including a convenience store-gas station, car wash, and rental properties.

Stephen Maleski is a meteorologist at the Fairbanks Museum and Planetarium in St. Johnsbury, VT. Mr. Maleski is also a familiar voice in the region on Vermont Public Radios's Eye On The Sky forecasts.

Noah Manning '13 grew up in Wheelock and attended Millers Run School. After graduating from Lyndon Institute as the salutatorian, he attended Dartmouth College as the ninth Wheelock Scholar. He graduated in 2017 with a degree in Biology and is working in healthcare before attending medical school.

Ryan McDonald '00 after graduating from LI went on to attend the University of Vermont. He is currently the Chief Technology Officer and co-owner of the Northeast Sports Network (NSN), which is the regional industry leader in live internet sports webcasting. He has been credited by NSN CEO Eric Berry '85 to raising the technology level of their website and online production to an extraordinary level.

Patrick Seymour '15 is a Lyndon Institute graduate of the class of 2015 and has lived in the town of Sutton his entire life. At LI he distinguished himself in the school's music department as well as in several theater productions. Mr. Seymour graduated LI and went to attend Lyndon State College, (now Northern Vermont University) having received the Cola Hudson Scholarship. Mr. Seymour has stood for election for the Vermont House of Representatives in 2018 and replaced the retiring Representative, Richard Lawrence. He is currently engaged to Ashley Miles '15, another alumnus.

Departing the board of trustees at the annual meeting was Richard Ashton '61, Joseph Flynn, James McDonald '66, Stephen Gray '86, Sara Simpson, Charles Bucknam, and Laura Ashton.

Corporators newly elected during the Annual Meeting include Jacquelyn Greaves '05, Lorilee Tester '96, and Evan Carlson '02.

Departing corporators included Ronald Aiken '84, Linda Bishop, Richard Lawrence '60, Timothy Nolan '90, Bonnie Ott '04, Thad Richardson, and Dana Thomas '90.

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Alumni Weekend Schedule

Friday, May 31 – Sunday, June 2, 2019

Friday, May 31 1:00 pm	LI INDEPENDENCE FUND GOLF TOURNAMENT Join alumni & friends at the St. Johnsbury Country Club Contact: Ryan Noyes (603)494-1160 · ryannoyes@hotmail.com
5:00 pm	DORM REUNION BARBEQUE Alumni dorm students and international students are invited to join present day boarding students on Matty Green. Past and present dorm parents are also invited!
6:00 - 11:00 pm	The Burke Mountain Hotel and Conference Center Kick off the weekend with dancing to "Raized on Radio". RSVP by contacting the Alumni Office by May 17th
Saturday, June 1 9:00 am	TIM SIMPSON '59 & BOB HEATH '58 MEMORIAL TWO MILE RUN/WALK Walk or run on the Bob Heath Track in memory of Tim and Bob.
10:00 am	GROUP TOURS of LI CAMPUS Tours start at the Alumni Center at 10:00am and guides are available until 12:00pm. RSVP by contacting the Alumni Office by May 17th
	VISIT THE ALUMNI CENTER Join us at The Norma Gordon Austin Alumni Center and Museum at Thompson Cottage.
Join us under the graduation tent on Robert K. Lewis Field, for beverage 12:00 pm	
	ALUMNI COOKOUT Food will be served at 1:00 pm. RSVP by contacting the Alumni Office by May 17th. The charge for the cookout is \$10.00 per person or \$20.00 per family.
Sunday, June 2 8:00 - 9:30 am	19TH ANNUAL ALUMNI BREAKFAST & LIAA ANNUAL MEETING LI Dining Hall in the Pierce Wing on Darling Campus - \$7.00 per person. The LIAA Annual Meeting will begin at 9:00 am RSVP by contacting the Alumni Office by May 17th
10:00 am	BACCALAUREATE LI Alumni Auditorium
11:00 am	CLASS OF 2019 COMMENCEMENT Robert K. Lewis Field

Letter From Alumni President Tim Kirchoff

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As I write this, the old fashion winter we have been experiencing here in the Lyndon area is finally beginning to wane. Even the staunchest winter lovers (this includes me) have begun to grumble that they have to go out and shovel yet again. However, I am always encouraged as I pass through the campus of Lyndon Institute and see the students bustling around between classes with smiles on their faces. They seem to take winter in stride so well and not let the short cold days get them down.

A big part of getting through a long, cold, snowy winter is having access to many stimulating projects and activities that allow you to enjoy the winter instead of dwelling on the bleakness of the season. Participation in winter sports like skiing, basketball, hockey, cheerleading, or indoor track can really help burn off some energy and keep you looking forward to winter even after your time at LI. For me, I still love to play hockey in the winter and look forward to when the ice is put down at the Fenton Chester Arena every year. I hope this letter finds our alumni enjoying winter activities as much as I do.

Sports can suffice in keeping the body active during the long winter but the brain also requires stimulation. I attended LI's J-Term night and was amazed at the array of subjects that the students had been working on. There was so much effort and thought put into every display and presentation I looked at. Every student I talked with was genuinely excited to converse with me about their subject. I recommend attending future presentations as it is incredible to see what brain stimulating projects the students undertake during this unique educational period of the school year. The work the faculty puts into making J-Term successful cannot be overstated as well.

As many of you have likely encountered, most hard copy printed media has gone to digital/online access. In a move to improve accessibility to our publication, the Viking Voice is making this transition as well. However, if you would like to continue to receive a hard copy printed version of the Viking Voice, please contact the LI Development Office by calling (802)535-3772.

Make sure to mark your calendars for Alumni Weekend! Activities start May 31st this year. Please see the next pages for a full list of activities. We look forward to seeing all of you this Spring!

As the end of the year approaches, I want to make sure that any students currently enrolled at LI check out the opportunities for scholarships and financial assistance that the LIAA provides. There are many options for graduating students and underclassmen. We at the LIAA take pride in helping students through providing whatever assistance we can.

I would also like to thank the LIAA Board and Heather Wheeler for all their hard work and collaboration. I'm looking forward to another exciting year.

Go Vikings!

Tim Kirchoff '96

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Cheerleaders competed at the NVAC cheerleading competition on Saturday, February 9th. For the 2nd year, they received the Lake Division Trophy and also 3rd place for the Large Varsity division! Congratulations to sophomore Julia Before who held onto her title as the champion of Top Gun Jumps and Tumbling.























Dear Friends and Families:

We've just concluded our 5th annual January Term (J-Term) and once again, there was no shortage of learning to be had. Our students never cease to amaze us with their creative and innovative approaches to tackling various problems and projects. Likewise, our teachers once again employed their passion for teaching and learning in order to design these learning opportunities.

Why J-Term? J-Term was the product of ongoing discussion over six years ago with many members of our faculty. Teachers were asked to imagine that they had a blank slate on which to create innovative educational programs. If they were given the opportunity to design out-of-the-box learning opportunities for our students, what would those opportunities look like? After many ideas were exchanged

and discussed, we decided that we needed a way to re-energize both teaching and learning right in the middle of the school year. Teachers were given free creative license to design mini-courses that were both meaningful and engaging for our students.

This was how J-Term was born.

While the primary focus of J-Term is on student learning and engagement, we also want J-Term to be meaningful and engaging for our teachers. When both teachers and students work together and find the deeper meaning within a particular topic, true authentic learning is more likely to occur. J-Term serves as a way for our teachers to examine how they can best engage students so that what students learn in the moment is taken beyond the classroom and applied to different situations. It's not unusual for our teachers to reflect on their J-Term experiences, both during and after, and discuss what went well, what needs some polishing, and what we can build on. So while our goal is to engage our students in deeper learning, it's important to recognize that this goal also extends to the adults in our school, making LI a true community of learners.

J-Term is a labor of love for us at LI, a love for teaching and learning for all involved. We will spend the next several weeks reflecting back on this year's J-Term in an effort to examine how we can constantly improve the experience we provide for our students as well as how we can incorporate the best of J-Term into the rest of the school year. But discussing the meaning and purpose of J-Term would be incomplete without mentioning the support of our parents and community. Our students are proud to showcase their learning to the world, as they should be. With that said, thank you for supporting their learning and our efforts.

Sincerely,

Adam Norwood, Ed.D.
Assistant Head for Curriculum & Instruction







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Community Impacts with J Term

Our two week January Term (J-Term) offers students and teachers the opportunity to explore their interests and challenge their understandings in an array of different structures and settings. One of the most important opportunities J-Term affords is the chance for students to learn from a wider array of teachers and experiences. Inviting our NEK community members on to campus to visit with our students and having our students go out into our broader community helps students to understand both themselves and our remarkable pocket of life that is the NEK.

This past J-Term, two specific classes—The Face of Business and She Persists—brought guest speakers into the classroom to share their business and life experiences with students. A third class, Humans of the Northeast Kingdom, prepared students to go out and randomly interview Lyndonville community members with the hope of gaining a better personal understanding of the complexity of the human experience.

We believe it is vital to offer our students Real World opportunities for learning so that they can test their understandings and strive to form complex appreciations of others.

What follows are four different conversations I had with students about their J-Term experiences in these three different classes. I hope you find the students' responses as wonderful and profound as I did.

Regards, Richard McCarthy Dean of Faculty

Student Interviews

Course: *She Persists* taught by Madeline Cobb, focused on female empowerment and had 11 guest speakers either visiting in person or via SKYPE.

Student: Katleynn Humphrey, grade 10

Q: Who were some of the most memorable guests?

A: Ms Cobb's friends from the Adirondack Mountain Club were remarkable. They talked about everything so openly, from the discriminations they faced to different cultural taboos that surround females. Also, some of Ms Cobbs farmer friends were really neat.

Q: What was one of your best "takeaways"?

A: One of her farmer friends said, "I can do anything a man can do but better because I am much better at multitasking than any man I have ever met." That was great.

Q: Why is that important for you to hear?

A: Because there is a lot of things in my life and decisions I need to start making. When I think about career paths, there's a little part of my brain that says 'you can't do that' because of this or this. Then I hear these speakers and I think, Yes I can be a surgeon; Yes, I can own my own farm.

Q: What is the value of having people from outside our immediate LI community telling you these things? How is it different than hearing this from a teacher?

A: It's not their job. It's not their job to tell you that you can do things, but these people are taking their time to set an example to let us know that we can do some great things. The class was about preparing women for facing the struggles of nontraditional careers and lifestyles that we will have to face. Whether is about sexual harassment in the workplace or a bias about careers. It's about the gap... the gap that we women have to fill to make the change.

Course: *The Face of Business*, taught by Richard McCarthy, brought in a wide array of area professionals to visit with students about their educational and professional arcs.

Student: Kace Colby, grade 10

Q: What did you like about having people from outside of school serve as instructors?

A: It was a fresh perspective from the wide variety of people we had come in. Seeing the common threads between a small business person and someone who works in a really large company was remarkable.

Q: How is it different than hearing these ideas from teachers?

A: It was more fun to hear the story firsthand and as a personal narrative, a story; it's not out of a textbook, but out of a real world experience.

Q: Who were some of your most memorable guests?

A: Dan Flannagan the insurance agent and Teddy from Lead and Tackle. Dan had a great handle on how to understand people. He was a really smart guy who knew how to navigate interactions with people. With Teddy, he had a really cool view on how to view learning. He seems to be open to learning from everything and everyone... even a near-fatal illness.

Q: In general, what did you like most about this class?

A: Although the class was mostly composed of students who are considering going into business, a lot of the takeaways had a lot to do with social interactions and how to be successful in life, not just business. It was eye-opening.

Student: Maria Manuela Di Pace Martins (Manu), grade 11

Q: Why did you take the class?

A: I wanted to learn about business some. But the class was not what I expected....in a better way. The ideas about the hard skills and the soft skills made me realize that it is not about how knowledgeable you are in a certain aspect; that there are so many variables to that equation of success. Yes, if you don't know what you are talking about, you fail; but if you don't know how to talk, you fail. Also, it gave a new perspective on how business in this area works. I live in a big city [Manu is from Brazil] and my understanding of business is the work that takes place in tall glass buildings. When we went to Evan Carlson's Entrepreneur Space that was a huge surprise to find in Lyndon. I had thought that those places only existed in New York City or in my places like my city.

Q: Who were some of your most memorable guests?

A: Sean Tester, Tom Prevost, and Dan Flannagan really helped me understand the complexity between what you know and how you treat people. Also, listening to Chrissy Houghton's story about how life happens to you and you have to deal with it. I like how she was always able to take something out of any experience she was going through.

Q: How is it different than having teachers present this information?

A: Often with teachers, it's the same thing as when your parents tell you something; it doesn't seem that true. And we know our teachers so when information is presented by someone new, it is just more interesting. I feel like we learn more from personal experience and so those guests sharing their personal experiences was a really powerful learning moment. It helped me to see that soft skills are in many ways more important than understanding content

Q: What was your big takeaway from the class?

A: For me, J-Term can be a bit of a letdown. I am a very driven student and sometimes the classes can be a bit random. But for me, this class I will remember always because it gave me a deeper appreciation for Vermont that I would not have gotten. Listening to the struggles of these business owners helped me to understand that our problems are all the same, regardless of whether we work in small business or big business. Whether it is New York City or my city or in Lyndon, we all face the struggles with finding markets and selling. Business applies to everything. There is business everywhere. In the end, as humans, we are always trying to sell something....in effect, we are our own business.

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David Ninh and wife Linda with an alumni wedding party. Right to left: Tony Fong (Spiderman), Will Cobb (Captain America), Sam Ninh (Deadpool), Mr. & Mrs. Ninh (Superman), Tom Wells (Batman), Jimmy Lau (The Flash)

1939

It is time to celebrate your 80th reunion! If you need more information from the alumni office, contact the alumni office at 802-535-3772 or email Heather Wheeler at heather.wheeler@lyndoninstitute.org.

Harriet (Drew) Grant celebrated her 100th birthday on October 27, 2018. Over 100 family and friends gathered at the St. Johnsbury Country Club to help celebrate the occasion.

1944

It is time to celebrate your 75th reunion! If you need more information from the alumni office, contact the alumni office at 802-535-3772 or email Heather Wheeler at heather.wheeler@lyndoninstitute.org.

1949

It is time to celebrate your 70th reunion! Please contact the alumni office at 802-535-3772 or email Heather Wheeler at heather.wheeler@lyndoninstitute.org.

1936

On behalf of Lyndon Institute and the Alumni Association, we would like to wish **Ms. Marjorie (Allard) Cary** a very Happy Birthday as she celebrated her 100th birthday on April 6, 2018!

1954

It is time to celebrate your 65th reunion! If you need more information from **Bob Lawrence**, contact the alumni office at 802-535-3772 or email Heather Wheeler at heather.wheeler@lyndoninstitute.org.

1955

For nearly 50 years, **Ray Allen** has been keeping track of the weather at his apple farm in South Hero, Vermont. The National Weather Service recognized Ray with the Thomas Jefferson award in honor of his dedication to meteorological field observations. The Thomas Jefferson award is only been given to five people nationwide every year, and it is only the third time it has given the award to a weather-observer in Vermont. Ray keeps such detailed records, he can look back on a single day for decades to see if snow fell. He has nearly five decades worth of paper binders, filled with notes.

1959

It is time to celebrate your 60th reunion! If you need more information from **Ken Miller**, contact the alumni office at 802-535-3772

or email Heather Wheeler at heather. wheeler@lyndoninstitute.org.

1961

Congratulations to **Phyllis (Amidon)** and Carroll "Pete" Burrington, who celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary on June 29, 2018.



1964

It is time to celebrate your 55th reunion! If you need more information from **Pat (King) Richmond**, contact the alumni office at 802-535-3772 or email Heather Wheeler at heather.wheeler@lyndoninstitute.org.

1969

It is time to celebrate your 50th reunion! If you need more information from **Rhoda (Deos) Weed**, contact the alumni office at 802-535-3772 or email Heather Wheeler at heather.wheeler@lyndoninstitute.org.

1974

It is time to celebrate your 45th reunion! If you need more information from **Andi Dawson**, contact the alumni office at 802-535-3772 or email Heather Wheeler at heather.wheeler@lyndoninstitute.org.

1977

Janet (Kwiecienski) Daughhetee moved to Florida in February 2018, to be closer to her parents.

1979

Laura (Dangel) Shaw has marketed her own artwork in the form of greeting cards and gifts for over twenty years. This past year, she was offered a licensing contract with one of the biggest greeting card/gift companies in the world, Schurman Retail Group. They will produce her artwork in the form of greeting cards and gift wrap and distribute them to hundreds of Papyrus Stores in the



U.S., Canada and the U.K. In addition, Laura's numerous suns have made 16 appearances on the TV show CBS Sunday Morning. Laura wrote: "I so wish Ms. Bertha Koury, my art teacher at L.I. could see my achievements. She was such an positive influence.

My favorite place to be was in that art lab!"

It is time to celebrate your 40th reunion! If you need more information from **Shari (Beattie) Austin or Laura (Dangel) Shaw**, contact the alumni office at 802-535-3772 or email Heather Wheeler at heather.wheeler@lyndoninstitute.org.

1981

A recent article appeared in the Caledonian Record written by Leah Carey. She is writing about notable Homegrown Heroes of the Northeast Kingdom. The article featured Lyndon Institute's own, **Tim Simpson**, class of 1981. Tim graduated in 1987 from Michigan State University where he excelled in track (1500m). He went on to the Olympic trials in 1988 and came in 12th, which opened up the opportunity to travel to Sweden and Finland to compete for a month. For the past 20 years, he has worked at the State of Michigan Office of Retirement Services as the manager in the customer service center. He also has been coaching high school track and cross-country running at Lansing Catholic High School in Lansing, Michigan. The successes of the teams he has coached lead the Michigan Track Coaches Association to name him Coach of the Year in the fall of 2017. The article is a great read about practice and persistence and the alumni office has a copy of the article if anyone is interested in reading it.

1984

It is time to celebrate your 35th reunion! If you need more information from **Bethany (Grant) Thompson**, contact the alumni office at 802-535-3772 or email Heather Wheeler at heather.wheeler@lyndoninstitute.org.

Andrea (Smith) and Owen
Montgomery '94, were united in
marriage on September 15, 2018.
Andrea is employed with the
Vermont Office of Child Support as
a child support paralegal and Owen

is currently the rabies biologist for Vermont and New Hampshire with the USDA Wildlife Services. The wedding took place at the home of Andrea's parents, **Elaine (Ingalls) and Marvin Smith** '63. The ceremony was officiated by Andrea's best friend from college. Andrea wrote," Not everyone can say that they were married by their best friend to their best friend!" They reside in Wheelock with their three dogs.

1989



It is time to celebrate your 30th reunion! If you need more information from **Sonya (Boulay) Carr,** contact the alumni office at 802-535-3772 or email Heather Wheeler at heather.wheeler@lyndoninstitute. org.

Desiree Hertz was named the East Burke Citizen of the Year at the 2018 East Burke Fall Foliage Festival.

Shawn Tester took over as the CEO of Northeastern Vermont Regional Hospital in November 2018.

1994

It is time to celebrate your 25th reunion! If you need more information from **Tara (McCaffrey) Prue**, contact the alumni office at 802-535-3772 or email Heather Wheeler at heather.wheeler@lyndoninstitute. org.

1995

Rachael Elliott, husband Jeff

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Rawson, and their children, Julius and Eudora, moved back to the states and have settled into Cambridge, Massachusetts. Jeff has found his niche within the Whitesides Group at Harvard. He is developing strainresponsive elastic materials, designing soft robots, and training students. He plans to apply for faculty positions in the next academic job cycle. Rachael started teaching at the Longy School of Music of Bard College, a small conservatory a few blocks down the street from where they reside. She has enjoyed her first few concerts with local groups in Boston, and looks forward to meeting more musicians through her work at Longy, and beyond. They found a few German babysitters for Julius and Eudora, and continue to read their German children's books on occasion, but after the first eight months, they can feel the language slipping away, and she continues to seek out more opportunities to practice it!

1998

Josh Simpson and Katrina Hamel announce the birth of their son, Witten Rodney Simpson on November 14, 2018. He joins siblings, Logan and Kiara.



1999

It is time to celebrate your 20th reunion!

Denise (Carreau) Montgomery has planned for your class to gather at the All Class Social at Burke Mountain on Friday Night, and on Saturday a gettogether from 12:00 pm-4:00 pm at

Alivia (Bertolini) Libby's WilloBurke Boutique Inn & Nordic Spa located at 638 Vermont Route 114, East Burke Village. You can see what it is all about at: Stay@willoburke.com. Email Denise for more info at: deniselmontgomery@gmail.com.

2000

Garrett McHarg and Kristine Pittman, announce the birth of their daughter, Makenna McHarg on December 10, 2018. She joins siblings Taylor and Xavier.

2001

Will the real Mrs. Conrad Hertz please stand up!

We had a little confusion in last issue of the Viking Voice, and the alumni office would like to thank **Conrad Hertz**, his wife, Asena Woodward, as well as Dan O'Reilly and his wife, Alexandria, for their good humor and help in clarifying who the real Mrs. Conrad Hertz is! Conrad and Asena united in marriage on July 14, 2018. Conrad's sister, **Desiree Hertz '89**, was the Officiant while brother, **Chris Hertz '05**, served as best man and **Chris Manges '87**, gave a reading by Robert Frost.



2002

Lindsay (Jones) and Brandon Carpenter '00, announce the birth of their son, Theo Sherman Carpenter on February 18, 2019. He joins brother, Arlo. (Photo to the right)

Melanie (Chaloux) and Steve Des Chenes, announce the birth of their daughter, Maggie Elie Des Chenes on November 13, 2018. (Photo top of next column)



2003

Karla (Degreenia) and Josh Hastings '09, united in marriage on October 6, 2018. Karla graduated from the Savannah College of Art and Design with her B.A. in Fine Arts. She is a Design and Marketing Associate at Lyndon Furniture. Josh is a Carpenter for Graves Builders out of Barnet, Vermont. The couple is building a house in Sutton, Vermont and lives with their two dogs, Charlie and Spartan and with Josh's son, Matthew.



Meghan (Switser) and Eric Sicard, announce the birth of their daughter, Alayna Christine Sicard on November 2, 2018. She joins a sister Averie Sicard. Meghan is self-employed as a registered home daycare provider. Eric is currently employed with Fairbanks Scales in St. Johnsbury. They reside in Lyndonville. (Photo top of next column)



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2004

It is time to celebrate your 15th reunion! If you need more information from Jeff O'Meara, contact the alumni office at 802-535-3772 or email Heather Wheeler at heather. wheeler@lyndoninstitute.org.

Caleb Gale and wife, Samantha, announce the birth of their daughter, Lillian Valencia Gale on December 17, 2018



2005

Theresa (Chenail) and Brendan Lacaillade were united in marriage on July 28, 2018 at the Sugarbush Inn in Warren, Vermont. They now reside in Florida.



Kendra (Therrien) and Ryan Whitcomb, announce the birth of their daughter, Londyn Marie Whitcomb on November 3, 2018. She joins siblings, Carter, Lexi, Quinten, and Tiernan.

2006

Jamie (Royer) and Evan Robinson announce the birth of their son. Callum Hollis Robinson on November 4, 2018. He joins a sister, Lucy Robinson. Jamie is currently a first grade teacher at the St. Johnsbury School and Evan recently started working for the Vermont Agency of Transportation in the Rail and Aviation Bureau.



(Photo credit: Mark Clement - Kingdom Mountain Media)

David Ninh and his wife, Linda Hu united in marriage on September 28, 2018. They are currently living in San Francisco. David has been working in the tech industry for the past 5+ years. When he is not working, he enjoys spending time outdoors and traveling to new places.



2008

Trisha Eckhardt and Greg Provencher, announce the birth of their daughter, Raiya Nicole Provencher on February 18, 2019.



2009

It is time to celebrate your 10th reunion! If you need more information from Lynzy Guyer, contact the alumni office at 802-535-3772 or email Heather Wheeler at heather.wheeler@lyndoninstitute.org.

Lindsay (Marcotte) and Shane Brown were united in marriage on February 17, 2018. They are happy to announce the birth of their daughter, Sydney Faith Brown on October 27, 2018. Lindsay is currently a Registered Nurse working towards her FNP and eventually her DNP. Her husband is active duty Air Force and they reside in Charleston, South Carolina.



Anna (Amodeo) and Josh Young '06, united in marriage on September 29, 2018. The wedding party included LI alumni; Zach Newland '06, Mallory (Jacobs) Walsh '09, Brian Hopkins '07, Matt Hill '06, and Lynzy Guyer **'09.** Anna works for a company called DriveTime as their Inventory Operations Supervisor. Josh is

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working at the Augusta Ranch Golf Club as the Tournament Director and First Assistant Golf Professional. Anna and Josh reside in Arizona with their golden doodle, Maggie.



(Photo credit: Jessica Merrill - Indigo Pine Creative)

2011

Dayna (Roy) and Matthew
Schartner '10, announce the birth of
their son, Aiden James Schartner on
September 19, 2018. Dayna and Matt
were married on September 15, 2015
and live in Lyndonville. Matt has been
working at Lyndon Furniture since
2012 and Dayna is employed with
NFP Insurance since 2015. Dayna
graduated from Lyndon State College
(now Northern Vermont University)
in 2015 with a BA in English and she
minored in Business & Marketing.

Shawna Williams and Brady Weigel, announce the birth of their daughter, Iva Marilyn Weigel on December 14, 2018. She joins siblings, Everett and Amelia.



2014
It is time to celebrate your fifth reunion! If you need more information from Davis Guyer, contact the alumni office at 802-535-3772 or email Heather Wheeler at heather.wheeler@lyndoninstitute.org.

2017

Kelsie Jardine is currently a sophomore/junior attending Thomas College in Waterville, ME as a Secondary Education Math Major. She has acquired enough credits to graduate early, in the Fall of 2021. Since attending Thomas College, Kelsie has made the Presidents List every semester with a GPA of 3.8 or higher. Kelsie was honored when asked to speak at two education conferences last fall. She will also be speaking at the Maine Science Teachers Association conference in Belfast, Maine in April. She currently holds a position at school as a tutor for mathematics as well as the education exam, Praxis.

Nancy Young is engaged to Elias Worley. They are planning a Vermont wedding in September of 2019.



2018

Zosia Prince captured top individual honors at the North Atlantic Conference Cross Country Championships in October 2018. She completed a slick 5K course in 20 minutes, 49.64 seconds. Zosia is only the second ever first place finisher for the Northern Vermont University Hornets. In September, she was honored as the North Atlantic Conference Runner of the Week as well as Rookie of the Week!

Where is the Class of 2018?

American University **Barry University** Beloit College **Bentley University Boston University Bucknell University** Cairn University **Castleton University** Community College of Vermont Dickinson College **Edmonds Community College** Elizabethtown College **Emmanuel College** Haskell Indian Nations University **Husson University** Jacksonville University Lehigh University Massachusetts College of Art and Design Maryland Institute College of Art Miami University Missouri State University NHTI - Concord's Community College Northern Vermont University Northwestern University Norwich University Paul Smith's College Pennsylvania State University Plymouth State University Universal Technical Institute University of California University of Rhode Island University of Mary Hardin-Baylor University of Maryland University of Massachusetts, Amherst The University of Montana University of Nebraska at Omaha University of New England University of New Hampshire at Durham University of Northwestern Ohio University of Ottawa University of Southern Maine University of Vermont University of Wisconsin Rotterdam University of Applied Sciences Saint Anselm College St. Lawrence University Saint Michael's College Santa Barbara City College Savannah College of Art and Design Smith College Sterling College Suffolk University SUNY College at Cobleskill Stony Brook University Syracuse University The College of Wooster Thomas College Travel Academy Minnesota Vermont Technical College White Mountains Community College (NHCTC - Berlin)

Viking Biking

Viking Biking Lyndon Institute Overnight Mountain Bike Camp

Located in the Northeast Kingdom of VT,

What To Expect

9:15 pm..... Instruction/Ride 12:00 pm Lunch and Activity

Dinner and Evening Activities

7:30 am Wake Up and Breakfast 8:45 am Arrival at Trailside Office 9:00 am Stretching and Set Up

Mechanical Sessions, Active Stretching, Nutritional Classes, Swimming, Etc. 4:30 pm. Arrive at LI Campus for

These camps feature expert instruction from Kingdom Cycling & Experiences at Kingdom Trails as well as basic course work in bike maintenance. Campers will arrive Monday and stay through Friday afternoon. Along with expert instruction from Kingdom Cycling & Experiences, this camp will include basic course work in bike maintenance and fun afternoon and evening activities.



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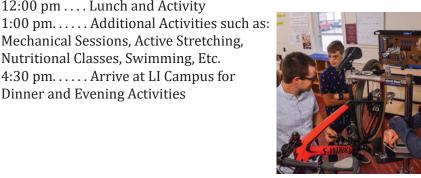
This Overnight Camp costs \$1,500 total, additional costs may apply



Dates

9-11 years old – June 24th-28th

12-14 years old – July **15th-19th**







If you have any questions, please contact **shannon.glodgett@lyndoninstitute.org**

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In Memoriam



Curtis T. Gonyaw '36, of St. Johnsbury, Vermont on December 14, 2018.



Virginia (Baird) Laferriere '45, of Barre, Vermont on October27, 2018.



James A. Bassett '60, of Lakeland, Florida on December 4, 2018.



Dorothy (Simpson) Litscher '38, of Fond du Lac, Wisconsin on May 8, 2018.



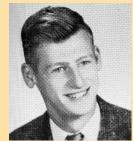
Marvel (Ash) Kittredge '47, of St. Johnsbury, Vermont on October 28, 2018.



Roland B. Martin '64, of Cortland, New York on January 17, 2019.



Marjorie (Tripp) Allen '40, of Newark, Delaware on February 18, 2018.



Kermit "Kurt" F. Hartwell '57, of Natick, Massachusetts on February 17, 2019.



Betsy (Ronan)
DeLaBruere '65,
of St. Johnsbury,
Vermont and
Frostproof,
Florida on
October 14,
2018.



Phyllis (Garfield) Bennett '42, of Lyndonville, Vermont on December 2, 2018.



Sandra (Trefren) Aronson Spooner '58, of Marshfield, Vermont on September 25, 2017.



David L.
Dolloff '65, of
Lyndonville,
Vermont on
January 20,
2019.



Marjorie (Dodge) Drown '42, of Lyndonville, Vermont on July 14, 2018.



Barry L. Blackwell '59, of Melrose, Massachusetts on November 29, 2018.



George F. Duke '67, of Englewood, Ohio on September 18, 2018.



Gerald M.
Dickerman '45,
of Newport,
Vermont on
February 15,
2019.



Gary L. Simpson '59, of Lyndonville, Vermont on December 24, 2018.



Laura F. Maulsby-Kline '67, of Ocean Pines, Maryland on January 23, 2019.



Steven L. Meinecke '67, of Topeka, Kansas on November 12, 2018



Thomas L. Brooks '69, of Lyndonville, Vermont on October 2, 2018.



Sandra (Houghton) Aldrich '70, of West Burke, Vermont on October 30, 2018.



Diane (Taylor) Dargie '75, of St. Johnsbury, Vermont on January 28, 2018.



Aurora (Hill) Day '99, of Utah on May 23, 2018.





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