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Londonderry High School Pay It Forward members Delaney McGurn and Courtney Shea help sort through hundreds of food items to seperate them for local families in need. Photo by Chris Paul

# **Community Gathers Food** for Those in Need

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s is the case for as many years as most can remember school children, residents, local businesses, the police and fire personnel, veterans, the Pay It Forward group from LHS and the Londonderry Lions work in tandem to help those in need this holiday season.

Early Sunday morning, Nov. 18 members of the Lions Club, residents and the LHS Pay It Forward group gathered at the Londonderry High School cafeteria to sort food donations gathered from all over town for about 90 residents continued on page 9

# **A FREE Weekly Publication Town Moderator Explains Election Cost Overruns**

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uring the Public the Londonderry Town Council meeting on Monday night, Nov. 19, Town Moderator, Tom Freda spoke about the circumstances that led to cost to be about \$2,600. election cost overruns.

telling the council that other costs the town was amount of voters that turned out for the Nov. 6 10,000, well over 50% of Londonderry. He continued by thanking the Election workers, the ALERT

their help in running a of town, he informed the smooth election.

Comment section of might be a good invest- ing out of town." He ment to buy chairs for the added, "On Oct. 15, I sent election workers who spend over 10 hours sitting during a large turnout heard back from him." election. He estimated the

He then shared with Freda started out by the council his findings of the official number on the saddled with during the last election.

"As you are aware, one General Election was over of the members of the Martha Smith would be Democratic Party that was replacing Rego on the balthe registered voter in running for State Repre- lot. sentative, Alex Rego, who was also at the time was and received on Thurs-Vice Chairman of the Budteam and the Police for get Committee, moved out

Budget Committee in early Freda added that it October that he was movhim an email asking what his status was, but never

> With his name on the ballot, and Rego not being a resident any longer, the 16,000 ballots printed and sent to the town were no longer valid.

On Oct. 30, Freda said he received word that

Ballots were reprinted day, Nov. 1. "That caused continued on page 5

# **Project Impact Hearing on** I-93 Exit 4A Happens Dec. 5

#### MACK LEATHURBY LONDONDERRY TIMES

ll interested parties from Londonderry, Derry and surrounding areas of New Hampshire will have an opportunity to provide public comment and ask questions during the the I-93 Exit 4A Project Proposal Public Hearing on Wednesday, Dec. 5, at 6 p.m.

ing will be held at the West Running Brook Middle School, 1 West Running Brook Lane in Derry. The building will be open at 5 p.m. for the inspection of the proposal plans by any interested persons.

project design layout, the whether there is the occa-Supplemental Draft Envi- sion for the laying out of ronmental Impact Study, this project and to and permit applications overview under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act and New Hampshire Wetland Rules. Members of the project team will be available also to informally discuss project alternatives and impacts.

The goals of the the I-This key public meet- 93 Exit 4A project include reducing congestion, improving safety, and promoting economic vitality for the towns of Derry and Londonderry, New Hampshire. The Governor and Executive Council appointed a Special Committee this past Septem-The joint town Public ber to conduct this Public

Hearing will overview the Hearing to determine acquisition plans of necessary rightsof-way.

Keith Cota, Project Manger reports the project may directly impact 12-15 residential homes in Londonderry and about 170 homes in Derry, so

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# **Annual Craft Fair at High School Kicks Off Holiday Season**



The front entrance and the cafeteria at the Londonderry High School was filled with holiday cheer on Saturday, Nov. 17, as crafters from all over gather to sell their wares. This popular event has grown every year with a variety of booths set up throughout the halls and cafeteria. Everything from Christmas decorations to cold weather attire was available Photos by Chris Paul for eager shoppers again this year.







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### **Conservation Reviews Cross Farm Agreement, Exit 4A Wetland Permit**

MIKE BYERLY LONDONDERRY TIMES

everal months ago, when they reviewed the wetland permit for the Cross-Farm development, the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (DES) required that the developers permanently protect 51 acres of the property that are important habitats for turtles, rabbits and other wildlife.

Initially, the developers looked at offering a conservation easement to either the state or the town of Londonderry. Neither wanted to hold an easement since that would put them on the hook for monitoring and remediation of any encroachments on the property.

Working with DES, the

conservation covenant instead. The agreement places a number of restrictions on the use of the property including that it permanently remain open space, that no structures be built in it, and that the land not be disturbed. Representatives of Cross Farm, LLC attended the Nov. 13 Conservation Commission meeting to get feedback on the near-final draft of the agreement that had been negotiated with NH DES.

The fifty-one acres that are subject to the agreement represent most, but not all, of the wetlands on the property. The areas covered by the agreement between the developers and the state remain subject to the town's zoning rules regarding wetlands, but the

developer settled in a agreement adds an addi- Speltz, supported by specified in the agree- tent with other sources tional layer of protection. As part of the agreement, the developers are

granted permission by NH DES to disturb wetlands in one area for the purposes of creating private access roadway and bridge for wetland crossings to reach other areas to other unrestricted lands. This road will be called Pilgrim Rd.

The developers will also be allowed to impact front, but that the agreewetlands to install storm water drainage systems, including detention basins or other structures, as may be approved by the Town of Londonderry Planning Board; crossings for utilities as may be approved by the rent town ordinance relattown; and subsurface sepbe approved by NH DES. Commissioner

Commissioner Gene Harrington requested a few minor, technical changes the agree. Among these were to change the word Easement on the plan title to Restriction to make it clear that there is no easement and the addition of the word Easement to the agreement title.

the agreement included a definition of buffers up ment itself did not mention any restrictions related to buffers. He asked that the definition either be removed or a line added in the agreement indicating that the developer be held to the cured to wetland buffers. sion between the town's Mike buffer ruled and what was

ment.

forth. the developer agreed to take the proposed changes to NH DES to see if they would agree to the changes since the lands in Londonderry agreement is between NH DES and the developer. The Commission voted to conditionally approve the Speltz also noted that agreement subject to NH DES agreeing to them.

turned their attention to the wetland permit submitted by the NH Department of Transportation related to the planned Exit 4a. The permit, which ing that wetland mitigais dozens of pages long, tion compensation be was reviewed by longtime Commissioner Gene Harrington

tic system runoff as may This was to avoid confu- compared the wetlands the state Aquatic Redelineated in the permit sources Mitigation fund. application to be consis-

he has seen. He also said After some back and that the planned route came fairly close to minimizing the wetland impacts in Londonderry. Exit 4A will impact wetand Derry, but it is up to Derry to review and comment on impacts in their town.

The Commission does not have the authority to The Commission then approve or deny the application – that is up to NH DES. They do, however, provide comments. In this case, they voted to add a comment requestdirected to Londonderry conservation efforts rather than having the He shared that he mitigation payment go to

#### Contin Sale and Raffle Grange #4

**CHERYLANN PIERCE** SUBMISSION

the second annual "Shop Local" Raffle Extravaganza will take place inside the Londonderry Grange #44 Hall located at the corner of Mammoth and Pillsbury Roads on Saturday, Dec. 1 from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m.

On the front lawn there will be wreaths displayed and a fire pit blazing to ward off the chill. Hot cocoa will be plentiful and free.

Decorated wreaths will be available for purchase while they last. Also, inside the Hall there will be a large selection of undecorated free cookiesboth sugar cookies and gingerbread boys and icing and decorations for each decorator to make his/her own personalized creation, to take home FOR FREE!

The raffle winners will be drawn at 2 p.m. Winners need not be present to win.

An extensive variety of items will be on display to choose from. Tickets will be three for one dollar or an arm length for five dollars. Baskets are being requested from all shops in the area. Items already donated include: a handcrafted cutting board made from domestic black walnut and exotic tiger wood and a selection of vintage Boy Scout paraphernalia as well as

will have a variety of gift Mack's Apples. Unfortucertificates from local cof- nately the rain prevented fee shops and eateries. them Crafters who have joined through us in the past for other orchards. The coordinaevents will also be donating items. (There will not Kemp had offered us the be crafters at this event.) opportunity to provide There will be staged setups for selfies and per- er for our Raise the Roof sonal photo opportunities!!

The Londonderry Grange would like to take this chance to thank the North American Syrup Growers Council for choosing us to serve their luncheon at the hall on Oct. 29. This was one stop along the way of the final day of their Annual Convention; which was held custom painted seasonal in Concord, New Hamp-

from walking the apple tor for the tour, Edie their lunch, as a fundrais-Campaign. We welcomed them into the warmth of the Hall with a cup of hot mulled apple cider. The drink was graciously donated by Mack's Apples. Choice of a generstyle sub sandwich with all the fixings was laid

girls. We will provide the stemless glasses paired shire. Their first stop on bisque and chicken noo-Wisconsin, with a bottle of ????? We the day long tour was dle with orzo soups. This and Pennsylvania. Many was followed by cookie spoke fondly of Hank platters.

detailed but brief summa- 2017. Some took photos of ry of what Grange is from our memorial display in our community service coordinator from the #1 Pomona level, Watatic of their group for many #36, Camilie Grange Twiss. The youth coordinator from that same grange, Sherrill Bokowsky also came along to help roof project. By early prepare and serve the meals. A little history of the building was also shared. Approximately leg of that day's tour. ous portion of either an one half of the guests American style or Italian were primarily French hot meal in a warm invitspeaking as they came ing place on that cold, down from across Canada out. We had homemade for the event. The others hydroponic garden center chili, butternut squash came from as far away as in Louden.

Minnesota Peterson who passed The group heard a away in December of the Hall commemorating Hank who was a member years. Good will donations piled up in our collection jar. A few signed a starter shingle for the afternoon the members were asked to embark on their tour bus for the next They were grateful for a rainy day. Next stop was a





# Editorial Something To Be Said About A Smile

Kindness. Probably not a subject I should be writing about. You see, I tend to be the type of person who lets things gets under my skin. The type of person who says enough is enough and then caves in.

I guess the people who bother me the most are the ones who seem to think the world owes them something just because, well, they exist. It's as though they feel that they are the "chosen few," the only ones on earth who have a right to be where they are when they are there.

Go to any big city today, find a bench on a corner, and just sit and watch. No one seems to care about the person next to them. No one seems to even think that the other person might be going through the same things they are. It seems like no one reaches out a hand to help anyone else unless they think it's going to result in something good for them.

Being kind to a person isn't difficult. Being kind isn't a sign of weakness. No. Being kind is probably just the opposite. Being kind to your neighbor, friend, family member or a complete stranger is more a show of strength than anything else.

You see, it doesn't take much for a person to get angry. There's self-control or discipline no involved in blowing up or taking your frustrations out on someone else. In today's world, that seems to be the norm, though. In today's world, it's more about doing unto others as they did unto you than it is do unto others, as you would have them do unto you. The golden rule seems to be a thing of the past.

A strong person learns how to reverse his or her emotions. It takes courage to step out from the shadows of everyone else and do something different. It takes strength to see the world from another person's point of view.

Just because someone stepped on your foot, doesn't mean you have the right to step on someone else's. Just because someone closed the door in your face, doesn't mean you shouldn't hold it open for someone else.

For example: walking out of a restaurant and having a complete stranger greet me with a smile and say hello. It wasn't a grand gesture. It didn't take any time out of his day. Still, that act of kindness set the tone for how I felt about the area.

Being kind isn't difficult. Being kind doesn't even have to take time away from your busy schedule. During this week, World Kindness Week, and throughout the rest of your life, why not share joy instead of frustration and anger. Be kind to your neighbor. It might just become contagious.





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# **New Laws Create Complexity for School Board Budget Process**

MACK LEATHIRBY LONDONDERRY TIMES

Londonderry he School Board is about to begin their fiscal year budget process and the first school board budget presentation was on Tuesday Nov. 20. Budget workshops are scheduled weekly over the near term with the public meeting presentation for the school budget to occur on Jan. 10, 2019.

As the budget is being developed, the school board is faced with new challenges related to two laws, new legislative namely House Bill 1307 and Senate Bill 342. With these bills, the NH Legislature revised the definition of "default budget," to create more specific requirements for what may and may not be included in the default budget, and also mandated new notice and transparency requirements for school boards to follow.

These legislative laws change the Londonderry school board budget process and impact it with new guidelines and with new process requirements subject to legal interpretation. As in previous budget years, the calculation of the default budget still starts with last year's operating budget. However, the question and challenge the Londonderry for School Board is to verify in accordance with the new laws which specific amounts must be taken

out, and which amounts that legally must be that were not included in last year's budget can be added.

Attorney Gordon Graham along with Scott Laliberte and Peter Curro, who are working on the budget with the committee, were present for a dialogue about the upcoming budget process at the Nov. 13 School Board Committee Meeting. Attorney Gordon Graham presented a review of the new laws for the School Board Committee including Jenn Ganem - Chairman, Nancy Hendricks -Vice-Chair as well as for committee members Dan Lekas, Steve Young, and Michael Saucier.

Graham told the board that "An operating budget is defined as excluding all of the appropriations that are voted separately, so it starts with just the operating budget that is contained in the main budget warrant article. Then the default budget is the same appropriations as contained in the prior years operating budget that is increased or reduced as the case may be - by debt service, contracts, and other obligations previously incurred or mandated by law and reduced by one time expenditures contained in the operating budget

Graham pointed out that there had been a consistent definition for the school board to use in their budget calculations in the past though now there are new guidelines

adhered to - that change how the budget may be developed and calculated.

Graham discussed that part of the challenge is that a NH Supreme Court ruling outlined that the default budget has been ruled - not as a budget at all, but simply as an amount. The new legislative laws have changed previous calculations for the default budget and the amount to use for the default budget process. For example, the law has clarified now that salary and benefits of positions that had been eliminated in the proposed budget cannot appear now in the default budget as may have been done in the past.

So there is added complexity initially for the Londonderry School Board in the budget process that is different from the past process work. Committee members discussed that clarification of the new laws to reconcile with the Londonderry School Board budget may initially complicate the process. For example, if the operating budget is defeated by voters, the new budget process will need to be calculated with guidelines that enable to the school board to move forward accordingly. So there will also likely be a rethinking by the school board committee to proactively make the budget work within the final voting processes as contracts and obligations change over time.

Letters

#### **Election Praise**

To the editor, 2018 election logistics. With an unbelievable

entire Highest praise for our Londonderry was ab- the High School. solutely smooth. Kudos to Shelley Farrell, her staff amount of planning, the and clerks, the London-

process, from derry Police, Fire personentering the election area nel, and the Alert Team as to departing, voting in well as coordinators at

Sincerely with thanks, Elizabeth Cavanaugh Londonderry

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**Art Director – Chris Paul** 

# SafeStop Enables Londonderry School Bus Tracking

others. There is also a

SafeStop web app for

that STI shared with Lon-

donderry school officials

is to bridge the gap to tell

the location of a stu-

dent's bus via a map in

real time during all stu-

dent bus trip times. This

can even include off site

trips for sports, field trips

or other extra-curricular

school activities. Hopeful-

ly there will be no more

standing outside in bad

weather or on snow days

hoping the bus gets there

about their enrollment for

bus transportation, and

How does the SafeStop

**MACK LEATHURBY** LONDONDERRY TIMES

utting children on a school bus can be scary for both the parents and the kids.

Families often have to guess about new bus routing or when a bus is late or when the bus misses a school stop altogether. And there could be plenty of reasons why a school bus may not be on time. For example weather, traffic, or mechanical problems could contribute to delays or non stops.

Since September, the Londonderry School District has been using a bus guidance system called SafeStop, and now a parent can access bus tracking with fast, convenient and updated information. There is an app for this tracking technology to

The Londonderry School District has a contract with Student Transportation, Inc (STI) to provide the safe and on computers. The key idea time school bus transportation. STI's Technology and Innovation group developed the SafeStop application in 2013 for safety, bus time information and with ease of use in mind. The "app" was successfully tested that school year in school districts in Florida and then rolled out over the past 5 years to hundreds of US schools. Now there is extensive experience to support that this bus route tracking works well, so parents can know more and worry less about sending their kids to school on the buses. aligning the information

The SafeStop app for

#### Hection Continued from page 1

the Town Clerks office some problems," Freda said.

sentee ballots had already being sent out, all of those needed to be resent.

There was also a problem with the fact that of over \$4,000. there were two ballots one bad.

that it also created a prob- clude mailing the ballots.

lem with the ballot counting. A new machine needed to be rented and programmed with the new ballots.

Rental of the new Since the invalid ab- machine was \$2,565, cost of ballot clerk was about \$462.50 and he figured the total cost for this issue was in the neighborhood

This means, according sent out, one good and to Freda, that the election budget ran over by about ing budgets they'd no He told the council \$3,000 which didn't in- why there is an overrun in

Freda was more than aggravated with the fact the Rego never responded to his initial inquiries about his moving. He said, "Frankly it's not my job to track him down, he has an obligation to tell the town if he is not qual-

He finished by saying the election budget.

securely see school buses parents and students is via GPS to your students festopapp.com/activate; up to two user names per and Android devices from even see the projected Google, Samsung, LG and route real time for the specific bus for your student. Parents who would like to track their student(s) bus must register online to setup an account at safestopapp.com on an annual basis. SafeStop will continually update bus routes that change during the school year as part of your access.

There is a very secure registration process to ensure only parents can access student information. Please navigate to

as they drive their routes. available for Apple iOS bus route. So you can you will need to enter account to share access your child's Student ID between parents or care-(LASID Number) to set up an account. If you don't have the ID number, you should contact the school directly or via their Aspen process website to acquire the right information

> SafeStop technology? The may be huge. Kids will mobile app is free, features neighborhood maps and a MapView bus locator with routing guides. Using GPS technology, the app updates every 30 seconds to help you and your students better plan a http://LondonderryNH.sa busy day. You can have

givers. There are alerts and a messaging center for service notifications and other updates.

For parents who have several children in the school district riding different huses to Why register for the schools, having the app also likely enjoy the app, because it allows them to know exactly when it's time to get moving and head for the bus stop ... as many kids like to have every extra minute they can in the morning.



on time.

student's

ified."

that he brought this to the council attention so that when they're review-

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### New Rules to State Educator Codes of Conduct and Ethics Approved

Melissa Ruiz LONDONDERRY TIMES

task force made up of 20 administrators, educators, and teacher unions analyzed rule changes and made suggestions for improvement tional goals for educators, to the New Hampshire the Code of Conduct pre-Educator Code of Ethics and Code of Conduct.

On Nov. 8, the New Hampshire State Board of not been followed, contin-Education approved new rules to the educator Code of Conduct, following the approval of an Ethics aim to empower educator Code of Ethics local school districts with in June of this year.

of rules and procedures nel matters. are not in response to any

the high standards of New arlier this year, a Hampshire's educators, to elevate the education profession, and to provide guidance to educators.

While the Code of Ethics outlines aspiracisely describes inappropriate activities and due process when rules have ued the press release.

The Educator Code of Conduct and Code of shared responsibility, According to a press transparency, and clarity release, this combined set when addressing person-

The Code of Conduct one incident or set of cir- and Ethics was created by cumstances, but are in the NH Department of Edu-

advanced by the Legislature in the form of House Bill 1457 in 2016, which called for establishing a code of ethics for NH educators, and House Bill 210 in 2017, requiring the state board to adopt a code no later than July 1, 2018.

While educators and faculty members ranging from counselors to administrators hold themselves to a very high standard, New Hampshire has misconduct investigations in recent years.

According to data from the NH Department of Education, the number of cases of misconduct grew from 170 in 2014 to 222 so far in 2018. Furthermore, between nine and 16 educator license revoca- suspension when an arrest iarized with the updates.

occurred annually during the past five years.

Both the code of Conduct and Code of Ethics include four core principles outlined in the aforementioned 2017 legislation, including responsibility to students, responsibility to education profession and educational professionals, responsibility to the school community, and ethical use of technology.

Some of the changes to seen a number of educator rules in education in New Hampshire include a definition of inappropriate student communication, expanded specificity as to matters of misconduct, clarifications process of reporting incidents, and an immediate

fact designed to build on cation in 2015, and was tions and suspensions have occurs for certain egregious offenses.

The procedural improvements regarding the Code of Conduct and Code of Ethics are not to be overlooked. While these rules and procedures are immediately instated, the NH Department of Education has established a process whereby educators agreed to the Code of Conduct and Code of Ethics during the circumstances arise. credentialing process.

the documents are fairly straightforward, Edelblut mentioned that the NH Department of Education is preparing a variety of workshops to help proon the mote them effectively to educators and to help them become better famil-

"(These updates) will work for communities as well." Edelblut said, explaining that from time to time circumstances occur where people of a community may be uncertain as to how the situation will be handled, and that now thanks to the changes, communities can be assured that proper processes will be followed, should these

Parents, guardians, or While the changes to anyone with further questions regarding these changes may contact the NH Department of Education at (603) 271-3494. A PDF of the updated Educator Code of Ethics and Code of Conduct is available on the NH Department of Education website at www.education.nh.gov.

#### North School Embraces World Kindness Day for a M MACK LEATHURBY Paul Dutton and Novem- two-day leadership con- of Respect, Safety, Kind- teacher received a bag discuss what it means to

LONDONDERRY TIMES

"Kindness is Contagious" said Allyson Burgess. Student Council leader.

day event on Tuesday Nov. 13, they wanted to make whole month a kindness month at the North Teacher is the Student School. So the students Council Advisor. Mrs. Curaligned their plan with rier reported that SC team North School Principal, members took part in a

ber 2018 was declared "Kindness Month".

While all Londonderry a Londonderry Schools including the ele-North Elementary School mentary, middle and high schools supported World The Student Council Kindness Day with special team orchestrated not events, the North School only the World Kindness took kindness actions even a step further.

> Mrs. Carol Currier, a North School 5th grade

ference in late September, where they learned useful information about leadership skills such as how leaders act or can speak to motivate people as well as body language leaders display. This conference proposed that the team develop a project during the school year, where they could lead the entire school's student population in a beneficial manner.

the Student Council team kindness quote during the had done a great job to all support actions with ments. awareness and considera-Month a success at North school.

SC leaders also organized the North School's receive one bracelet by Kindness Month around the end of the month. their Bear Paw concepts

ness and Responsibility. Posters and rotating message signs to promote the kindness message were orchestrated in areas around the school including the front lobby.

The North School Student Council developed a team plan to promote kindness across all grade levels at the school. Their plan for North School Kindness Month includes:

• Each morning, an Dutton explained that Council member reads a school announce-

• Each classroom teation for all student grade cher received kindness levels to make Kindness bracelets to be handed out to students "caught being kind". The goal is for every student to

containing papers with suggested acts of kindness. One paper was to be drawn everyday and shared with the class.

• The goal is for each grade level to perform 200 acts of kindness for a grand total of 1000 kindness acts at the school. a better place for every-SC members monitor the acts and record updated totals on a thermometer SC reported that the kindgraphic in the lobby.

• Teachers are encouraged to take pictures of students "caught being kind" and send pictures to Mrs. Currier. A slide show using the photos is to be shown at the Thanksgiving Assembly.

ducted a short assembly on Tuesday Nov. 13 -World Kindness day for each grade level. The SC

be kind to everyone at the North School.

Principal Dutton was very pleased with the leadership effort by the SC members as well as being proud of all the school's students who have made North School one with their kindness actions. Everyone on the ness acts are downright contagious and growing daily throughout the North School!

The North School Student Council team includes Allyson Burgess, Madeleine Gavlin, Faith Nolan, Simone Miller, • SC members con- Donovan Chylinski, William Erdtmann, Aidan Stowe II, William Hazzard, Sean Connors, and Annie Willams who are all inspi-Each classroom also performed skits to rational student leaders.



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# **Middle School Hosts FIRST Lego League Competition**

MACK LEATHURBY LONDONDERRY TIMES

ondonderry Middle Schoolers are learning STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math) skills in fun ways in FIRST Lego League competitions held across New Hampshire over the school year. These competitions are part of a global FIRST Lego League program.

NH Middle school students have been working for the past several months building and coding autonomous robots for the competitions. On Saturday Nov. 10, Londonderry Middle School hosted a qualifying competition, where 12 teams competed.

The following four teams advanced from the qualifying round to the State Championship that will take place at Windham High School on Sun-

day, December 2nd: 1.) Pembroke Pioneers (Pembroke), 2.) Circuit Breakers (Litchfield) 3.) Legendary Block Hounds (Litchfield) and 4.) Bots N'Bones (Windham). Londonderry Middle School's Tech Turtlez finished 7th and Artificial Stars finished 9th.

FIRST Lego League teams have up to 10 members and are set up for grades four to eight to research real world problems as a team and then to program robots using a "Lego Mindstorms" kits to compete on a table top playing field. The two Londonderry teams -Tech Turtlez and Artificial Stars are mentored by Londonderry High School FIRST team members to guide them through realworld engineering challenges, develop solutions, and compete with their own Lego-based robot designs.

While mentors coach competition on the projwork themselves. Mentor Mackenzie Connor, Inspiration Coordinator of a FIRST Robotics Competition team, the PVC Pirates, says the best thing about the mentor program is how excited the kids get about the competitions while designing their own robots.

One competition project was singled out by Mentor Adrianna Belanger, PVC Pirates Operations Coordinator. The Legendary Block Hounds (Litchfield) team built a space bed with actual blankets rather than sleeping bags velcro'd in place. The team theorized they could harness astronaut energy expended in exercising and create a static electric blanket for an astronaut to sleep in 1989. FIRST is an with. They researched their design with engineers including a Disney engineer who told them this invention would give astronauts a piece of home in space and help them to sleep better.

the students, the middle ect, how well the team schoolers choose their works together, and the project and do the robot actual robot design/programming. There are a series of qualifying meets at different locations in Londonderry High School NH and points are accumulated with a goal of being a FIRST Lego League State Champion.

The FIRST Lego League Program is celebrating its 30th season. The mission this year is to blast off and break out of earthly constraints and go INTO ORBIT. The INTO ORBIT theme guides teams to develop projects where they are to explore, challenge and innovate in the vast expanse of space. There are inspirational resources to leverage INTO ORBIT branding with posters, computer wallpapers, and graphics for media communications.

Dean Kamen of Bedford, NH, founded FIRST acronym - For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology. Kamen, widely recognized for his award winning technology businesses, famously invented the Segway transporter and

Dylan Anderson of the Tech Turtlez team from Londonderry Middle School focused on getting his robot ready for a mission on the field of the FIRST competition. Photo by Mack Leathurby

solutions - though Kamen son, with a vision, with feels FIRST is his greatest confidence, and with a invention. Kamen says. sense that they can create "FIRST is more than their own future. robots. The robots are a vehicle for students to different ages and grades learn important life skills. including a Lego League Kids often come in not Jr. for kids ages 6-10, Tech knowing what to expect - Challenge for students in of the program nor of themselves. The leave, ICS COMPETITION for

FIRST programs cover grades 7-12, and ROBOT-



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### Holiday Spirit Connects Community with Tree Lighting on Town Common

**MACK LEATHURBY** LONDONDERRY TIMES

hristmas season traditionally kicks off Londonderry 'in with the annual Christmas Tree Lighting festivities on the Londonderry Town Common. Christmas on the Commons, presented by the Rotary Club of Londonderry, will take place on Sunday, Dec. 2. This year's festivities will start at 3 pm and arrival, where kids can continue to around 6 p.m.

Members of the fire department will be on hand to help keep things merry and bright with a fire pit while attendees listen to their favorite carols and holiday songs performed by the scouts and members of the Londonderry High School Chorus. There will be refresh-

ments designed to keep spearheading this Christeveryone warm including Hot Cider, Cocoa, and Chili as well as Holiday Cookies.

At approximately 4 p.m., as it starts to get dark, a fire truck will escort Santa and Mrs. Claus along with their Elf to oversee the illumination of decorated trees. Families will be delighted at the sight of Santa's present Santa with their Christmas wish list and get a photo taken.

The Rotary Club has been organizing the holiday celebration for 25 years, and Faye Sell of Martinelli Travel has been a part of it for the last 24. Faye says she is passionate about the Rotary Club's projects and is

mas event again for 2018 with contributions from the entire club. The Londonderry Rotary Club works annually with many youth groups, local nonprofit organizations and area businesses to put on this event

Sell looks forward to the spectacle every year and "watching the excitement of the children." "It's a great way to kick off the holiday season," she said. She expects approximately 150 children and family members to attend. She said, "we gage that by how many candy canes we give away."

24 trees will be available beginning Dec. 1 - on the town commons for decoration by enthusiastic Girl Scout troops, day-



Over the years, local Girl Scouts gather on the stage at the Londonderry Town Common to sing Christmas Carols before the tree lighting and the arrival of Santa and Mrs. Claus. Photo by Chris Paul

Groups often get creative from natural and edible whole town to enjoy.

care classes, Cub Scouts, materials that are wildlifechurch groups and more. friendly. The decorated decorating a tree, there trees will stay up through using decorations made the holiday season for the

If you are interested in are a few left to claim by contacting Rotarian Fave Sell at 603-434-4989.

#### Exit 4A Continued from page 1

those impacted may want to know the timelines, specific impact information and key proposal logistics.

Relocation assistance will be accommodated to improvements or property

their eligibility. The Towns of Derry

and Londonderry (the Towns) as well as the New Hampshire Department of Transportation (NHDOT), in cooperation with the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), are each owner or tenant whose advancing an updated environmental study for will be directly impacted by the I-93 Exit 4A Project.

the proposed project based Written comments will be accepted for up to 30 days after the Public Hearing for inclusion in the official record to also include comments about Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (EIS). The EIS is currently available for public review. The review period to submit comments on the EIS is open until Jan. 4. 2019.

The proposed construction will include a new roadway extending east from the proposed interchange project for the approximately 0.75

miles to join North High Street in Derry near its intersection with Madden Road. Improvements to I-93 related to the new interchange will extend approximately 0.6 miles to the north and south. The project will also include reconstruction of North High Street from Madden Road to Franklin Street, Folsom Road from Franklin Street to NH 28. and Tsienneto Road between NH 28 and NH 102.

Planning for the Project began in 1985, with a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS)

being completed in 2007. State and Federal Agen-In Oct. 2015, the Gover- cies; State, Town and nor's Office directed NHDOT to accelerate the Exit 4A Project, and the will complete the National Project was subsequently Environmental Policy Act incorporated in the (NEPA) review process by state's Ten Year Transportation Improvement for 2017-2026. Plan NHDOT and the Towns entered into an agreement under which NHDOT will provide administrative oversight to complete the environmental review process, then the Project will transition to NHDOT control preliminary engineering, during final design and right-of-way, and conconstruction.

After completion of the Supplementary EIS property owners who are and the presentation of a impacted, or have gues-Preferred Alternative Plan tions or comments should at this Public Hearing, a be sure to attend the Pub-Proposed Action will be lic hearing in Derry on chosen with input from Wednesday Dec. 5.

local officials; and the public. NHDOT and FHWA issuing a Combined Final EIS (FEIS) and Record of Decision (ROD).

Construction of the project if approved, is anticipated to begin in 2019 and be completed by 2022. The calculated cost of the Project within the 2017-2026 Ten Year Plan is \$56,855,000, including struction costs.

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# **Kids Coop Theatre's Newsies Fills the Derry Opera House**







The Kids Coop Theatre performance of Newsies filled the Derry Opera House on Friday night as the cast of about 50 young actor and actresses presented the musical "Newsies." The show featured performers from all over, with the bulk of them being from Hampstead Derry and Londonderry. Leads were played by Zac Barnaby, of Pepperhill, Mass. Ella Burroughs of Hampstead, Michael Hughes of Hampstead, Michael Overko, of Hampstead and Amelia Hansen of Hooksett. The play was directed by Meg Gore, Kevin Fisher and Mari Frederique- Steitburger.

Photos by Chris Paul







# LONDONDERRY SPORTS

# **Juniors Prevail in Annual Powder Puff Contest at LHS**











The Londonderry High School's Class of 2020 certainly has its share of competitive athletic girls in its ranks, and the fact that they overpowered all other teams at the schools annual Powder Puff Competition sure proves that fact. Lead by quarterback Colleen Furlong and runners Gillian Vilela, Olivia Stowell and Jazzy Richards the girls beat up on the Sophomore team 28-0 and the Senior team 14-0 to take the title for the second straight year. The senior class made it to the deciding game with the juniors by beating the freshmen class 14-6. *Photos by Chris Paul* 

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# **Seven Lancer Soccer Players Selected for All-State**



Lancer junior forward Olivia Stowell was selected as a member of the All-State First Team as well as being selected as an All New England Team member. Photos by Chris Paul



Alyssa Anderson

**IDAN VINITSKY** LONDONDERRY TIMES

High School varsity excelled. soccer teams, with the girls' team making it all girls and two boys, re-16-2-1 record and the sion I coaches. boys' team finishing the season with a 10-2-2 Stowell, of the LHS varsity the New Hampshire All- able Mention. record before narrowly girls' team was selected State Second Team and



Sammy LeClair

losing their first round for the All-State First defender playoff game to Keene Team. Stowell also recog-'t was a great fall season High School 2-1. Now, it is nized for her outstanding Mention. for the Londonderry time to reward those who

Seven Lancers, five Team member. the way to the state finals ceived All-State recogni- mates, midfielder Sammy sen for the All-State Secand enjoying a fantastic tion last week by the Div- LeClair, defender Gwen ond Team, while team-



efforts with being chosen

Given Rarnes

Barnes and forward mate Tyler Van Avery (for-Junior forwrad, Olivia Alyssa Anderson made

Nick Weinmann

Lea Baum received an Honorable

On the Lancer varsityas an All New England boys' team side of things, it was defender Nick Three of her team- Weinmann who was choward) received an Honor-

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# LHS Gymnastics Team Prepares for Run at DI State Title

**IDAN VINITSKY** LONDONDERRY TIMES

ver the last three years, the Londonderry High School up Gymnastics team was one schools): "We have a very of the top two in New Hampshire. The Lancers won the state title in 2016 and finished second to rivals Pinkerton Academy in both 2017 and 2018. Entering a new season, they know they have a good chance to be back states. We have some on the top step of the podium.

The team had 27 wins, and only one loss last season (in each Division 1 meet the Lancers can face to seven other small team this year, with 11 gymnasts", coach Heather Lennon reported, "Our goals this year will be to have the entire team work together, put up a solid six scores on every event and peak at the very tough opponents including this year,



Maddie Croteau



Seana Kelly

Maddie Croteau, Seana at the LHS gymnasium. Kelly and Suzie Moore and their first competi- this year are junior tion this season will be Marissa McKay, sophoon Dec. 22, 6 p.m., at the mores Sophie Hagymas Top Gun Gymnastics in and Ashley Griffin and Holderness: "We have the one home meet this Makenna Lord, Quinn year, and this is the Brown, Nicole Stone, meet to make if you are Ella Houghton our fan", adds Lennon, Laura Brown. "Our girls love perform-

Pinkerton and Bedford. ing for the home crowd We really need our sen- and it will also be our iors to step up and lead". senior meet". It will be Those seniors are held on Jan. 17, 7 p.m.,

Other team members five freshmen and

# LHS Students Have Fun, Raise Funds in Dodgeball Tourney



This year's Londonderry High School's Dodgeball Tournament Champions were the Duck, Duck, Chuck team. Courtesy photo



IDAN VINITSKY LONDONDERRY TIMES

in the annual Dodgeball tournament in Londonderry High School last Tuesday. About 70 students gathered at the LHS gymnasium on Tuesday, Nov. 13 to up.

participate with the eventual winner being the Ten teams competed "Duck, Duck, Chuck" team. The six man team worked its way out of the loser's bracket to beat "End 68 Hours of Hunger," "Honcho Slmmie" in the a non-profit organization finals during this one- that fights childhood night tournament match- hunger across America.

The tournament was run by the Athletic Leadership Council and part of the proceeds raised at the event went to support



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# Lancer Boys Indoor Track Team Aims Higher This Season

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fter the Londonderry High School Boys' Indoor Track team eighth place finish in last vear's NHIAA Division I Championship meet, the team is not ready to lower expectations, "Our expectation this year is to first and foremost improve our place", says coach Matt Smith, who is preparing his athletes for the new season.

The Lancers' first meeting of the season will be a Track meet and will take place at the University of New Hampshire campus, in less than a month on Dec. 15, at 1 p.m. This season. LHS will compete in a total of six meets, including relays, until



Senior Patrick Hagearty will be a major contributor to the winter track team's sucess.



Senior distance runner Eric Nowak will be returning again this season. Photos by Chris Paul

Standards, on Jan. 20 and this time". 27 and to the Championship meet, at Dart- not assembled yet, but mouth College, on Feb. 3. some of Smith's returning highlight meeting", says Smith, "it always pro- Hagearty, duces some excellent performances"

more individual qualifiers tance); across the board and for more of those individuals er in the state in senior Patrick Hagearty and a young and deep group of distance runners. Combine that with our sprinters and jumpers, who we hope to compete for a (sprints/jumps).

they get to the Qualifying top 5 spot in our division

The final roster was "This will be the season's athletes from last year's roster are Patrick Senior (throws); Kerry Daley, Junior (distance); Matt "We expect to have Griffin, Sophomore (dis-Will Heenan, Sophomore (distance); Kyle Hoglund, Senior (disto score points for the tance); Dylan Hotter, team", adds coach Smith, Junior (distance); Eric "We have the best throw- Nowak, Senior (distance); Ben Palumbo, Senior (distance); Ryan Young. Sophomore (distance); Khalique Bagley, Senior (sprints); Justin Cassidy, Senior (sprints); Damon continue to improve and MacLeod, Sophomore

# LHS JV Field Hockey Coach Enjoys Her First Season

IDAN VINITSKY LONDONDERRY TIMES

s coach Kelly Gibson looks back at her first year with the Londonderry High School Field Hockey Junior Varsity team, she will remember some great performances. The team won eight of its 14 games

son says: "I was very happy with our record. The team exceeded my expectations. As a first year coach, I could not ask for a more hardworking, dedicated and passionate group of girls. Every day I demanded their best and they gave me that, and more".

In a ten day span durthis fall season and Gib- ing September, the young

Lances had a four game they did not concede a first one of the season, a single goal and Gibson 3-0 win over Salem, "The recalls the first game of first game is always interthat streak, which was a 1- esting and you never 0 win over Merrimack, "It know how the team is was an exciting game, because the only goal was tell from our first scrimscored and assisted by mage of the season, a 3-0 two first time players, win over Goffstown, that Katie Doherty with the this team is going to be goal and Caroline Leone with the assist. It is that momentum to our always nice to see new players help us win".

going to perform. I could special. We continued game against Salem. The girls really fought for

Another game Gibson every goal and every inch Delaney Kearns (2021), winning streak, where recalls enjoying was the on the field to come out Lindsay Gregg (2022), on top. Other good games midfielder Rylee McGrath were a 1-0 win over Concord, a game that came (2022), Sarah Tsetsilas down to the last two minutes, when our star forward Skylar Hamilton pulled off the winning Isabella goal and our 3-0 wins over Nashua and Timberlane".

The young team members were: Goalkeeper Riley defenders Grace Harpster (2022), (2021), Erin Strike (2021), (2022), Grace Holland (2021), (2022), Audrey Lidster Nikki Walsh

(2021),Tara Wright (2022), Rease St. Gelais (2022)and forwards Marly Dwyer (2021).**McCutcheon** (2021),Ashely Ollis (2021), Bella Bouchard (2021), Skylar Hamilton (2021), Katie Gregoire Walter (2021), (2022), Katie Doherty Caroline Leone Allie Iaconis (2021), (2022), Liz Fish (2022).







### The LHS Girls' JV Soccer Team Finishes with an Eight-Win Season

#### **IDAN VINITSKY** LONDONDERRY TIMES

he High School girls' finals this fall season and judging by the results of the school's Junior Varsi- draws. The season includty (JV) team, the Lady ed a 7-0 win over the Tim-

years.

Londonderry by Erin Dallas, finished three game winning a young and creative their fall season with a streak for Dallas' girls, bunch, with a lot of detersoccer varsity team strong record. The team and included a 10-0 celemade a trip to the state had eight wins, and just bration at home against three losses with two games ending up as Lancers might enjoy more berlane Regional High team's best game of the

success in the next few School Owl's back on season: "Early goals and were: Julia Soucy, Goal Ahlman, Sept. 7. That game that good finishes". The JV team, coached was the beginning of a Dover on Oct. 5 and a 6-2 home victory against Bedford on Sep. 18, a game that Dallas marked as her

"This year's team was Desmarais, mination to do the right things on the field", says Dallas, "Collectively, the team came to each game to compete and I believe that was accomplished".

keeper (2021), Hannah (2022), Dezyrae Botout, (2021), Hannah Ellis, Brown, Midfielder (2022), Defense (2021), Brianna Lacey Demeo, Midfielder Escott, Defense (2021), Abigail Whitley, Defense Forward (2021), Saman-(2021), Retta Defense (2022), Madison (2021), Allison Curran, LeClair, Defense (2022), Anna Hutchinson, Mid- Foster, Forward (2022). The team members fielder (2021), Emily

Midfielder Defense Midfielder (2022), Tess (2022), Marissa Hyder, Hatin, tha Pelletier, Forward Forward (2022), Brynn

# **Protecting Londonderry's Water Resources**

JULIE CHRISTENSON-COLLINS SUBMISSION LONDONDERRY'S CONSERVATION COMMISSION

ecent events like the drought in 2016, concerns about contamination of groundwa- state regulatory agencies ter by local manufacturing or dumping of contaminated soil, and increased opers consider options local development highlight the need to protect quality in areas such as our local environment. In Londonderry, where most homes rely on private age, and incorporating wells, the quality and quantity of groundwater is a critical issue for residents. The Town will soon conduct a water quality study and a water resources survey to understand the current state and recommend measures to preserve and manage our water resources.

Wetlands are vital to ensuring adequate, high quality water for most residents. Besides supporting fish and other wildlife and absorbing floodwaters in storms, wetlands treat stormwater and groundwater recharge supplies. Stormwater, which harmful substances can contaminate as it runs over roads and parking lots, is filtered through wetlands, where plants and microorganisms absorb and break down many of these harmful substances.

Because wetlands are so important, plans for new housing and business development are carefully reviewed at both the state and municipal level to ensure compliance with laws and regulations designed to minimize the impact of development on this critical resource.

works to protect water resources in town. It reviews plans for land development and advises and the Planning Board. It also recommends develthat can protect water minimizing impervious surface, siting snow storeffective water drainage systems. The Commission also promotes land conservation to preserve valuable wetland ecosystems.

#### What Homeowners Can Do

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(Owner)

The choices that we, groundwater.

the quality of our water preventing groundwater and that of our neighbors. To conserve water, home- homeowners, we recomowners can water lawns mend pumping the septic sparingly, choose to tank every 1 to 3 years. water lawns in the morning, and avoid it on windy days. Other steps to coninstalling low water showerheads, high efficiency washers, and low flush toilets.

To protect water quality, homeowners can avoid or minimize the use of pesticides and fertilizers and ensure that chemicals and pollutants are disposed of properly, preventing contamination of Regular

TOWN OF LONDONDERRY

**PLANNING BOARD** 

The Londonderry Planning Board will hold a Public

Hearing on Wednesday, December 5, 2018 at 7:00

P.M. in the Moose Hill Council Chambers, 268B Mammoth Road, Londonderry, NH to consider the

A. Application for formal review of a conditional

use permit for the construction of two multifam-

ily buildings with a total of 10 two-bedroom

units with garages and associated site improve-

ments, 244 Nashua Road, Map 3 Lot 135, Zoned

C-III & Rte 102 POD, Leonard Vigeant (Appli-

cant) and Londonderry Church of the Nazarene

B. Application for formal review of a site plan to construct seven residential duplexes (14

dwelling units total - each with three bedrooms)

with associated parking and site improvements,

Two Button Drive, Map 7 Lot 132-3, Zoned C-I

and Route 102 Performance Overlay District, DHB Homes, LLC (Applicant) and Robert &

C. Application for formal review of a condominium

conversion of 63 Hardy Road, Map 12 Lot 143-1, Zoned AR-1, Bonneau Construction Compa-

Ralph Meissner (Owners)

ny, LLC (Owners & Applicants)

contamination; for most

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#### **Leach Library Hours**

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Monday - Thursday, 9 a.m. - 8 p.m., Friday-Saturday, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. The library will close at 1 p.m. on Monday, Dec. 24, and re-open at 9 a.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 26. The library will also close at 1 p.m. on Monday, Dec. 31, and re-open at 9 a.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 2, 2019.

#### Movie Night

Join us on Thursday, Dec. 13, from 3:15 - 5:30 p.m. for our Young Adult movie Peter Rabbit at the Leach Library. All participants in grades 6 -12 will enjoy the movie, along with popcorn and beverages. In addition, at this special event, there will be a raffle for fun door prizes. No sign up is necessary.

#### Winter Fun Book Bingo

Come to the Leach Library on Monday, Dec. 10 from 4 - 5 p.m. and play a fun picture version of the popular game. All participants will win and have a chance to choose books from our special selection tables. This exciting program is open to 90 participants of all ages and advance registration is required. To register, stop by the Children's Room or call 432-1127 beginning at 9 a.m. on Monday, Dec. 3.

#### Wild Rumpus with a Wild Thing

Stomp into the Leach Library on Monday, Dec. 17 from 4 - 5 p.m. for a visit with a Wild Thing from Maurice Sendak's classic Where the Wild Things Are. During this fun-filled program, participants will hear the stories of classic characters, play a character matching game, and have a wild rumpus of a good time. Each participant will leave with a fun inflatable monster beach ball. There will be plenty of time for a hug and picture with Wild Thing. This energetic program is open to 90 participants of all ages and advance registration is required. To register,

stop by the Children's Room or call 432-1127 beginning at 9 a.m. on Monday, Dec. 10.

#### Winter Session 1 Programs

The Leach Library Children's Room will be offering the following programs as part of Winter Session 1: Craft Time; Shake, Move & Read; and Toddler Time. Winter Session 1 will start Dec. 5 and end Dec. 13, and start again on Jan. 9 and end Jan. 17. 2019. These dates include a break for the winter holidays. Advance registration is required and started at 9 a.m. on Monday, Nov. 26. To register, stop by the Children's Room or call 432-1127.

#### Winter Vacation Scavenger Hunt

Beginning Monday, Dec. 24 and ending Monday, Dec. 31, during Winter Vacation, the Leach Library Children's Room will be offering an inlibrary scavenger hunt. Stop by the Children's Room desk for a list of items to find around the building. Turn in the completed hunt for a raffle ticket and a chance to win a fun prize.

#### Winter Vacation Craft

Starting Monday, Dec. 24 and ending Monday, Dec. 31, during Winter Vacation, participants will have a chance to create their own wintery stained glass inspired window hanger. Stop by the Leach Library Children's Room desk to pick up the supplies and create your own work of art in the library or in the comfort of vour own home.

#### St. Mark's Tree Sale

St. Mark's Council #10488 of the Knights of Columbus is pleased to announce details of its biggest fundraiser of the year, its 29th Annual Christmas Tree Sale. It will begin on Saturday, Nov. 24, at Chuck's BP Station on Rte. Londonderry, 102 in between Dunkin Donuts and Crossroads Mall.

#### **Holiday Sale**

The Friends of the Londonderry Leach Library annual Holiday Sale began Nov. 17 is now on display at the Library. This year there are Cookies, Cookies and more. All cookies are homemade, with no nuts and in assorted flavors, Chocolate Chip, Shortbread, Ranger, Molasses, Sugar Holiday, Oatmeal Raisin and more for \$2 per package. Also available for \$2 will be holiday chocolate bars, Santa's Hugs & Kisses, and baby mittens. All these items will be available at various times, so stop by to see what's new.

#### **Garden Club Green** Workshop

The Derry Garden Club will be hosting its annual Green Workshop on Friday, Dec. 7 starting at 10 a.m. at the Derry Boys and Girls Club, 40 Hampstead Rd., Derry. Lesley Verity will demonstrate wreath making. Members will bring greens to share and their own container to create a holiday piece for their home. Members will also make small arrangements in mugs to donate to Meals on Wheels. Bring a ring if you plan on making a wreath and mugs for the Meals on Wheels arrangements. The committee will provide casseroles, dessert and beverages. As always, new members are welcome.

#### **Christmas Trees On The** Common

The Rotary Club of Londonderry presents Christmas Trees On The Common, Dec. 2, from 3 - 6 p.m. Please join us for the 28th Annual Christmas On The Commons. We want to invite any and all Scout troops, preschool groups, any youth group who would like to decorate a tree to contact Faye Sell at 434-4989 for all the details, to come down and decorate a tree with animal friendly ormaments. The Events start at 3pm

cider, hot coco, chili and cookies. Enjoy Christmas carols sung by both the boys and girl scouts. At 4 p.m. Mr. & Mrs. Claus will arrive with their elf on a fire truck, at 4:30 p.m. Children and there families are welcome to take their photo with Mr. & Mrs. Claus.

#### **Annual Used Toy Sale**

St. Gianna's Closet is accepting toy donations for its used toy sale. Dec. 1, from 9 a.m. - noon at St. Thomas Church, 26 Crystal Ave., Derry. Please consider donating your gently used toys to the following drop off locations: 5 Isabella Dr., Londonderry (simply leave on driveway), St. Mark's Church Londonderry during office hours (Mon. - Thur. 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.), St. Thomas Church Derry during office hours (Mon. - Fri. 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.), St. Matthew Church Windham during office hours (Mon. - Thur. 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.), 12 Rolling Ridge Windham(leave on driveway). Proceeds from this sale go to help the needy in our community through St. Thomas' and St. Gianna's Closet's outreach programs.Donations will be accepted until Nov. 30.

#### Wreath Sale

Londonderry Grange #44 invites everyone to our annual Wreath Sale, complete with fire pit for marshmallows and hot cocoa outside. Just in time for Christmas, on Dec. 1 At the Grange Hall. Inside the Hall, we will have freshly baked sugar cookies and gingerbread people for the kids to decorate and bring home for free. Take your chances to win a raffle basket. This year's Raffle Extravaganza will offer an amazing selection of baskets. There will be something for everyone. As was last year, we continue with our "Shop Local" theme. The event will start at 9 a.m. and winning tickets will be drawn at 2 p.m. Any local shops who have not yet been asked to donate a basket and wish to be included please contact Cherylann Pierce at (603)437-5413.

#### Renew Clothing Opens Dec.

Renew will be open Saturday, Dec. 8, from 8 - 10:30 a.m. at Calvary Bible Church, 145 Hampstead Rd., Derry. Arrive by 10 a.m. Renew will also be open every Thursday 9 - 11:30 a.m., please arrive by 11 a.m. Derry residence not

where there will be hot required. Renew offers free, ty Professionals. The Secgently-used apparel. Each household is limited to 20 of the newest items, plus a reasonable number of older items. Enter at the church marquee sign. Donations of good condition, modern clothing may be placed in the donations bin by the door at any time. No donations of money are asked or accepted. For details, search for "Renew Derry" on Facebook, email renewcalvary@gmail.com.

#### **Londonderry Voter** Information

The Supervisors of the Voter Checklist will meet at the Town Clerk's Office to correct the checklist and register voters on: Friday, Dec 12, From 6 - 7 p.m. To register to vote, one must provide: Proof of Londonderry residency Proof of citizenship (passport, birth certificate, naturalization papers) Photo ID. Applicants for registration who possess proof of identity, age, citizenship, and domicile should bring that proof when they come to register. Qualified applicants who do not possess proof or who do not bring proof with them may register if they sign an affidavit attesting to their qualifications for identity, age, and citizenship. More than 30 days before an election, applicants without proof of domicile will be asked to retrieve proof and return to register. Within 30 days of an election and on Election Day, applicants without proof of domicile with them may register to vote if they sign an affidavit attesting to their domicile and either agreeing to bring or send in proof or attesting that they are not aware of possessing proof of domicile.

#### **Food Donations**

Haircuts Plus in Crossroads Mall is Collecting donations for the New Hampshire food bank now through Dec. 28. Non-Perishable goods i.e Peanut Butter, Jelly, Pasta, Canned Soup/Chili/ Stew, Rice, Mac n Cheese, Canned/Dried Beans, and noodle mixes are the most needed items. Bring in a donation and receive \$1 off a Haircut or \$3 off a Color.

#### Wednesday Wellness Workshops

Londonderry School District Presents: Wednesday Wellness Workshops, Featuring Various Communi-

ond Wednesday of every month from 6 - 7 p.m. with Q & A until 7:30 p.m. in Londonderry High School Room 221. Workshops are as follows: Stress and the Holidays on Dec. 12, Trauma Sensitive Yoga on Jan. 9, Judge Broderick Change Direction Campaign on Feb. 13. Londonderry School District will partner with the different community members each month to bring trainings and workshops to our staff, families, and community as a whole.

#### Christmas at the Newport Mansions

Join the fun as Sandown Recreation travels to "Christmas at the Newport Mansions" on Friday, Nov. 30. You'll tour 3 beautiful mansions decorated in festive themes and sparkling with silver and gold. View rooms filled with decorated trees, thousands of poinsettia plants, wreaths, garlands and flowers. You'll visit The Breakers; The Elms; and Marble House to view their holiday finery. Cost is \$50 per person for residents of Sandown and co-sponsoring Plaistow. Non-residents are additional \$5. Fee covers coach bus transportation and admission to mansions. Depart at 7:30 a.m. from Park & Ride lot in Plaistow and return approximately 7:30 p.m. Lunch is on your at Brick Alley Pub (or another eatery if you so choose or bring a bag lunch) All details may be found by visiting www.sandown.us and navigating to the Parks & Recreation page. Full payment or 50 percent deposit required with registration. Deadline of Nov. 15, for registrations and all payments. Contact Deb Brown at 887-1872 or via email to: recreation@sandown.us for space availability or if you need additional information. Walking advisory: there will be a minimum of 6 times for boarding the bus throughout the day.

#### **Free Thanksgiving Dinner**

On Thanksgiving Day, the Community Meals Network (a group of organizations that provide free monthly meals) will jointly host a free home-cooked Thanksgiving Day meal, from 1 - 2:30 p.m, at the Episcopal Church of the Transfiguration, 1 Hood Road, in Derry. The dinner will include turkey, mashed potatoes, squash, veggies, and pies. Come and have a

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#### **Ierr** Selections from the Londonderry Police Logs

Monday - Nov. 12

6:39 a.m. Criminal Mischief investigated Fieldstone Drive.

dered at Motor Vehicle Accident on Mammoth 6:45 p.m. Assisted Londonderry Fire Dept. with Transport to hospital from Londonderry Middle

four officers at Efi on

9:16 a.m. Motor Vehicle Hovey Road.

transport to hospital from Fieldstone Drive.

on 1:27 p.m. Services rendered in keeping the dent on Nashua Road at peace on Mammoth Road at Skip's Towing.

1:58 p.m. Suspicious activity investigated on Pleasant Drive.

2:23 p.m. Peace restored by four officers after disturbance on Capitol Hill Drive.

10:45 p.m. Services rendered for disturbance at Londonderry High School. 3:53 p.m. Motor vehicle accident investigated on cide transported to hospi-Mammoth Road at Stonehenge Road.

4:31 p.m. Three officers respond to motor vehicle accident on Old Derry Road. 9:32 p.m. Services rendered for assault on Winding Pond Road.

Wednesday - Nov. 14 2:34 a.m. Suspicious activity investigated on Bart-

Hill Drive. 8:13 a.m. Three motor vehicle involved in acci-Route I-93.

10:32 a.m. Alarm at residence checked and secured on Cheshire Court. 6:56 p.m. Criminal mischief investigated on Old Nashua Road.

Thursday - Nov. 15

8:30 a.m. Suspicious activity on Longwood Avenue at Old Derry Road. 9:43 a.m. Attempted suital from Whittemore Road. 9:59 a.m. Motor vehicle accident investigated Nashua Road at Speedway. 10:30 a.m. Three officers serve warrant and make arrest at Convenience Plus on Rockingham Road. Jason Bissonnette, 37, of Manchester arrested on a warrant.

1:16 p.m. Assault investigated on Mammoth Road. 1:51 p.m. Services ren-**Continued on page 19** 

**Clarification:** In the Nov. 15 issue of the Londonderry Times the log stated: Thursday, Nov. 8 at 10:48 a.m. Services rendered for Fish and Game Violations on Estev Drive. It should have read: Services rendered to Assist Fish and Game on Estey Drive. Information supplied was inaccurate.

3:46 a.m. Services ren-

Road at CVS Pharmacy.

School. 6:58 p.m. Three Motor Vehicles involved in accident and investigated by

Innovation Way. 8:18 a.m. Criminal Mis-

chief investigated on Capitol Hill Drive. Tuesday - Nov. 13 5:49 a.m. Domestic dis-

turbance results in transport to hospital from Holly Lane.

Accident investigated on

cide which results in investigated on Capitol

11:02 a.m. Three officers ley Hill Road. respond to attempted sui- 8 a.m. Missing person

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delicious meal in a warm and friendly environment. If you are interested in helping put on the dinner, please contact Lieutenant Kathryn Mayes, Salvation Army, at kathryn.mayes@use.salvationarmv.org.

#### **Family Concert with** Jeannie Mack

Join us on Monday, Nov. 26 from 4 - 5 p.m. for a musical program that is fun for everyone at the Leach Library. Join musician Jeannie Mack as she performs a wide range of songs. These will include kids' favorites, Beatles songs, Country favorites, and Folk. There is something for everyone. Full of lots of participation, this interactive program will have audience members singing and clapping the whole program. This funfilled program is open to 90 participants of all ages and advance registration is required. To register, stop by the Children's Room, or call 432-1127 beginning at 9

a.m. on Monday, Nov. 19.

#### Free Meals

Please join us for free, family-friendly meals, served in a relaxed atmosphere. Meals are generally held as posted below, but may be rescheduled for holidays. Please call the facility to check on holiday times. We look forward to seeing you! Thanksgiving on Nov. 22 from 1 - 2:30 p.m., at Episcopal Church of the Transfiguration. call for more information at 432-2130; Breakfast on Nov. 25 from 9 a.m. -1 p.m., at Episcopal Church of the Transfiguration, call for more information at 432-2130; Lunch on Nov. 25 from 1:30-2:30 p.m., at St. Jude's Church, call for more information at 432-3333; Dinner on Nov. 30 from 5 - 6:30 p.m., at First Parish, call for more information at 434-0628; Dinner on Dec. 9 from 5 - 6:30 p.m., at Episcopal Church of the Transfiguration, call for more information at 5432-2130, Dinner on Dec. 15 from 5 - 6:30 p.m., at St. Luke's church, call for more information at 434-4767; Breakfast on Dec. 16 from 10 -

Stonehenge Road.

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Perkins Road.

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10:30 p.m. Motor vehicle

accident investigated on

Friday - Nov. 16

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5:35 a.m. Services ren-

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8:18 a.m. Motor vehicle

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### **Police Log**

**Continued from page 18** dered for suspicious activity on Reed Street. 4:45 p.m. Motor vehicle accident investigated on Mammoth Road at Whittemore Road.

6:10 p.m. Motor vehicle accident investigated on Litchfield Rd at Kelley Rd. **9 p.m.** Motor vehicle accident results in vehicle Towed on Mammoth Road at Pine Street.

9:03 p.m. Services rendered Motor Vehicle acci- Farm Road. dent on West Road at 9:14 a.m. Vehicle towed Rainbow Drive.

9:13 p.m. Peace restored dent on Hardy Road at after Domestic Distur- Bancroft Road. bance on Wiley Hill Road. 10:01 a.m. Warrant serv-9:14 p.m. Motor vehicle accident investigated on Stonehenge Road at Perkins Road.

9:30 p.m. Vehicle towed after motor vehicle accident on Shasta Dr at Law- 11:22 a.m. Assisted Lonson Farm Road.

9:43 p.m. Motor vehicle transport to hospital from accident investigated on Home Depot Route 102 at Route I-93. 9:52 p.m. Motor vehicle accident investigated on accident investigated on Rockingham Road.

10:01 p.m. Motor vehicle accident investigated on Rockingham Road at Lawrence Vozzella, 64, of dered for suspicious activ-

11:30 a.m., at, Etz Hayim Synagogue, call for more information at 432-0004; Dinner on Dec. 28 from 5-6:30 p.m., at First Parish, call for more information at 434-0628; Lunch on Dec. 30 from 1:30-2:30 p.m., at St. Jude's, call for more information at 432-3333. For more information. please visit: freemealsinderry.blogspot.com.

#### Walking Together

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

#### **Child Find**

Free Community Child Find Program for all Londonderry residents ages two half years through five years, eleven months of age who are suspected of having vision or hearing problems or developmental concerns. The Child Find Pro-

Malden, Mass. Charged on Theft by Deception.

1:57 p.m. Services rendered for Criminal Mischief on Litchfield Road. 2 p.m. Four officers respond to Disturbance Falcon Road and make arrest. 12:14 p.m. Services ren-2:32 p.m. Services rendered for motor vehicle accident on High Range Road.

3:01 p.m. Suspicious activity investigated Manchester Boston Regional Airport.

7:56 p.m. Five officers assist in investigating Sudden Death on Granite Street.

#### Saturday - Nov. 17

5:50 a.m. Services rendered for Medical Emergency at Manchester Boston Regional Airport. 6:24 a.m. Services renchester charged with Con- dered for Medical Emergency at Manchester Boston Regional Airport. 8:39 a.m. Services rendered in keeping the peace on Berkshire Lane. 10:13 a.m. Peace restored 11:27 a.m. Motor vehicle at incident on Berkshire Lane

11:05 a.m. Motor vehicle 1:52 p.m. Warrant served accident investigated at Londonderry South School Street, Malden Mass. 1:23 p.m. Services ren-

gram will be held at Londonderry early education program (LEEP) Moose Hill School located at 150 Pillsbury Rd., on Dec. 6, Feb. 7, and April 4. we encourage parents of preschoolers to set up an appointment if they have any concerns. For more information, or to schedule an appointment, call: Kathy Kelley 437-5855, ext. 7223 between 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. No Child Will Be Seen Without An Appointment.

#### Walk with Me

Are you losing or have lost someone? A child, a parent, a sibling or a friend? It can be a painful journey but you don't have to walk it alone anymore. Just come 'Walk With Me". Meetings are the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month at 7 p.m., at the Londonderry Presbyterian Church, 128 Pillsbury Road, Londonderry. If you have any questions please call 781-866-9976.

#### **Greater Manchester** Lyme Disease Support

Hosted by David Hunter this group meets on the third Wednesday of every

ity at RMZ Truck Stop on Rockingham Road. 7:33 p.m. Three officers restore peace at a disturbance on Victoria Drive.

#### Sunday - Nov. 18

dered for Weapons Offenses on Nutfield Drive.

12:27 p.m. Domestic disturbance investigated on Pinyon Place. 1:23 p.m. Four officers

respond to Motor Vehicle Accident and Render Services on Nashua Road at Shell Food Mart.

2:32 p.m. Weapons offenses investigated on Hovey Road.

5 p.m. Suspicious activity investigated on Mammoth Road.

5:31 p.m. Services rendered for Disturbance at Manchester Boston Regional Airport

5:47 p.m. Motor vehicle stop leads to Arrest on Nashua Road at Mutual Gas. Michael Perry, 56, of Derry charged with two counts of Misuse or Failure to Display Plates; Disobeying an Officer; and arrested on a Warrant.

8:16 p.m. Suspicious activity investigated on Winding Pond Road.

month at 6:30 p.m. at the: on the second and fourth Presbyterian Bedford Church 4 Church Road Bedford. For more information call 660-3425 or email dhunter31@gmail.com

#### Lamplighters

A womans group with the goal of helping less fortunate woman and people in NH meets every 4th Thursday of the month 7 p.m. at Londonderry Presbyterian Church at 128 Pillsbury Road, Londonderry. If vou have any questions please call 781-866-9976.

#### **Journey of Hope**

Healing through grief and loss due to addiction. Londonderry Senior Center 535 Mammoth Rd., Londonderry. We offer the group

Sundays at 6 - 7:30 p.m. Our mission is to promote healing in the grieving process for those who have lost a loved one through the unique circumstances and chaos of addiction; through education, encouraging support and compassion.Facilitated by: Jim Gamache, Julia Gamache, & Jerry Goncal, Journeyofhopenh@gmail.com

#### **Lions Club Meeting**

General Lions Club Meetings are on the 2nd and 4th Monday of the month at 7 p.m., at Lions Hall. Mammoth Road. We are always welcoming new members to help support our community, so stop in to learn more.

#### TOWN OF LONDONDERRY **ZONING BOARD OF** ADJUSTMENT AGENDA

November 28, 2018 - 7:00 p.m. Moose Hill Council Chambers, 268B Mammoth Rd.

I. Draft minutes to approve: October 17, 2018 and November 1, 2018

II. Report by Town Council liaison (if any): n/a

#### III. Public hearing of cases:

A. CASE NO. 11/28/18-1: Request for a special exception from LZO 3.12 for a home occupation business for an on-line independent insurance agency, 82 Wiley Hill Road, Map 5 Lot 12-2, Zoned AR-1, Melissa & Nicholas Cannata (Owners) and Melissa Cannata (Applicant)

B. CASE NO. 11/28/18-2: Request for a variance from LZO 2.4.3.B.2 to encroach 30 ft into the 50 ft landscape buffer, 209 Rockingham Road, Map 15 Lot 23-3, Zoned C-I, Theodore Alexandrou (Owner & Applicant)

C. CASE NO. 11/28/18-3: Request for three variances from (1) LZO 3.11.6.D.3.b.1 to allow a 116.03 SF wall sign where only 50 SF are allowed; (2) LZO 3.11.5.C.1 to allow a freestanding 18 ft sign where only 10 feet in height are allowed; (3) LZO 3.11.6.D.3.a to allow a 147 SF freestanding sign where only 65 SF are allowed, 76 Perkins Road, Map 15 Lot 52, Zoned C-II, Bluebird Londonderry, LLC (Owner & Applicant)

**D.** <u>CASE NO. 11/28/18-4</u>: Request for two variances from (1) LZO 3.11.5.C.1 to allow an off-premise sign 20 feet in height where only 10 feet in height is allowed; and (2) LZO 3.11.6.C.6.c to allow an off-premise sign of 100 SF where only 25 SF is allowed, Four Orchard View, Map 7 Lot 040-2, Zoned C-I, Vernco Apple, LLC (Owner & Applicant)

E. CASE NO. 11/28/18-5: Request for a variance from LZO 2.2 Table of Uses to allow a car dealership in the C-I & Rte 28 POD where it is otherwise prohibited, 501 Mammoth Road, Map 15 Lot 133, Zoned C-I and Rte 28 POD, Stratosphere Invest. Property, LLC (Owner) and Savvy Motors, LLC (Applicant)

**IV. Communications and miscellaneous:** 

V. Other business:

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