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## Mamma Mia!

Members of the Londonderry-based Ovation Theatre Company are preparing for their upcoming musical Mamma Mia! The shows will be performed on the Town Common and are scheduled for three days. See more on page 6.

*Photo by Chris Paul*

## School Reopening Task Force Holds First Meeting

CHRIS PAUL  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The newly formed Londonderry School Reopening Task Force held its first meeting on Tuesday, July 13, where they sorted out the goals of the committee as well as electing officers.

Although School Board Liaison Bob Slater began the meeting, member Chad Franz was elected as the chairman, while Danielle Richards was elected as Vice-Chair and member Donna Traynham took on the responsibility of secretary. There were nearly 90

applicants that volunteered to be on the Task Force and 16 were chosen to represent the community in an effort to come up with a school's reopening plan in the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic.

The plan will need to **continued on page 2**

## Granite Ridge to Receive Substantial Tax Abatement

KAITLIN BEDELL  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

Town Manager Kevin Smith spoke at the Town Council's most recent July 19 meeting to clarify what he deemed an inaccurate statement printed in the Londonderry Times, which falsely quoted Smith from a recent meeting.

The article, printed on July 2, referenced Smith's conversation about the power plant during a June 24 Budget Committee meeting.

Smith claimed the

story incorrectly credited him with stating that a recent tax abatement awarded to Granite Ridge would likely raise residential property taxes in order to make up for the loss.

"I wanted to clarify the record because neither of these two statements are accurate," Smith said.

Smith said that the tax abatement will have no impact on the town's operating budget and that it is dealt with entirely separately.

According to Smith,

the tax abatement is handled through the abatement process. This means it will have no impact on the operating budget, which Smith said he stated in that June 24 meeting.

Smith also said he wanted to clarify that it is unknown what impact the tax abatement will have on residential property taxes.

The tax rate is decided in October where there are several different factors which determine if property taxes

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## Planning Board Discusses Future Water Hookup Plans

KAITLIN BEDELL  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Planning Board came together on their July 14 meeting to discuss the possible regulation changes for mandatory water utility hookups in future developments and subdivisions.

The conversation took place during a workshop discussion where Town Planner Colleen Mailloux explained the possible language changes that would be made in terms of how future projects in the town of Londonderry would design water utility.

Mailloux said that the new regulations would detail a requirement for

all designs to contain a water hookup unless "technically infeasible."

Under these requirements, if there is something within the land that makes it impossible for the water hookup to take place, the regulations would allow for a special exception which would not require a formal waiver from the Planning Board.

"I don't want to go into a requirement where we are going to have to grant a ton of waivers," Mailloux said. "I want to make sure its something that the board is comfortable with."

Mailloux said that this does not include any projects that could

physically connect but are asking not to because of "difficult" factors such as cost. These situations would still need to be brought before the Planning Board and would still need to request a special exception.

Ex-Officio Deb Paul said that she was concerned with some of the wording that Mailloux was describing for the

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# Town Council Votes 3-1 to Change Young Road Zoning

KAITLIN BEDELL  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Town Council voted in favor of an amendment to the town Zoning Ordinance for 20 and 22 Young Road at the latest July 19 meeting.

The road currently resides as a C-II district and the applicants are hoping to rezone the area to a Multi-Family Residential Zone (R-III).

The Planning Board had already reviewed this request and voted to recommend rezoning to the Town Council with a 5-3 vote at their meeting held on June 2.

Those who voted in opposition of the rezoning proposal said that they had concerns regarding the traffic flow on nearing Route 102.

Members against the rezoning also said they felt it was inconsistent with the intention of the town zoning master plan.

The development and engineering team on the project came before the board to present his rezoning proposal and addressed some of the concerns that the Planning Board talked about.

"Traffic is a big issue in this area obviously with the intersection of

102 and Young Road," the applicant said. "My considering the potential impacts of commercial development, it is clear that the overall health safety, and welfare is better served by residential uses with an R-III residential zone."

The applicants are looking to change the zoning for this area so that they can develop single family homes with some "more affordable" housing unit options included.

"We're trying to fit the mold of your first time or second time home buyer," the devel-

oper said.

Included in the affordable housing options would be units which the developer hopes to keep between \$350-375,000. The other units are aimed to value at around \$500-600,000.

The developer said that although this doesn't sound like lower priced housing, for the town of Londonderry and the current housing market conditions this is a lower housing price for this style of family homes.

The developers said that they have no interest in putting in a condo or apartment complex,

even though the changing of this zone would permit them to do so.

Councilor Deb Paul said she had some concerns that if the area was rezoned, there is "no guarantee" that the houses that the developers are proposing will go in instead of apartments.

"I'm for the development but I'm concerned that things could change," Paul said. "I think we should put some sort of attachment to this."

Paul then suggested that the council come up with some terms of agreement with the

developers that would require them to continue with the development which they presented before the board.

The Londonderry Town Attorney said that a condition or attachment should be a "rare occurrence" and that he advises against doing so for this proposal.

The Town Council took a vote on whether or not to rezone this area without a condition attached to ensure that this specific development was implemented.

The vote was 3-1 with only Paul voting against the motion.

## Task Force

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be developed in less than a month, considering the School Board will need to vote on it in the second week of August.

The meeting began with introductions of the 15 members of the group followed by the election of the officers.

From there, the committee took public comment, the newly elected chair Chad Franz allowed residents to speak to the committee. Resident Rachel Killian asked how many of the task

force members actually have been attending School Board members. Many of them responded that they had.

Steve Barker, a 33-year resident thanked the group for donating their time, but wondered why the number committee members was 15, he thought that was a rather large amount.

Slater answered by saying that the number was derived through the superintendents office who worked with the Town Manager on coming up with a number.

Barker also felt that the categories people were broken into were very uneven. The group is broken up as nine residents, five educators and one medical.

Jamie Tuccolo wondered why out of the 90 applicants that submitted names, only one was chosen with a medical background. He added that he personally knew of three that were not chosen.

Slater was the only person on the board that could answer the question and he said that each school board

member made their own selections and of those selections the names were drawn.

Franz added that residents who want to give input to the task force can do so through email at reopening@londonderry.org.

Moving from public comment, member Tim Porter suggested that the task force move away from the 2020-21 reopening plan as a baseline and go back to the 2019 plan that did not include COVID-19 considerations. He suggested a whole restructuring of the plan, which drew applause from those attending.

From there, each member offered his or her ideas on where the starting point should be and where to start with a plan.

Committee member offered bullet points on areas they should be covering as the task force moves forward.

A Vision for Reopening list was created from those ideas.

They included policies on the following: vaccine privacy; nursing; masks; quarantine; social/athletics; social distancing; remote learning; mental health; younger learners; facility cleaning; contact tracing; communication; transportation/busing; special education needs; dining services; student interaction and recess; screening; triggers; learning gaps and COVID tests.

Meetings for the Task Force are scheduled for July 22 and 27; and Aug. 6 where they should have a plan developed to present to the School Board. On Aug. 10 the School Board will need to vote on the plan.

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# Local Residents Arrested on Possession of Child Sex Abuse Images

CHRIS PAUL  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

A Londonderry man was arrested late last week and arraigned on Monday for 23 counts of Possession of Child Sex Abuse Images.

According to the Londonderry Police, at about 10 a.m. on Friday, July 16, Londonderry Police Detectives arrested Alexander Thickins, 24, of Londonderry, on 23 counts of Possession of Child Sex Abuse Images, all of which are Class-A felonies.

The arrest comes after several months of investigation by the Lon-

donderry Police Department Detective Division with lead investigator Detective Tara Koski, members of the New Hampshire Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force and the areas federal partners in the Homeland Security Investigations Manchester Office. The Hillsborough County Sheriff's Office assisted with the investigation also.

Thickins was held on preventative detention and transported to the Rockingham County House of Corrections pending his arraignment scheduled for Monday July 19.



Alexander Thickins

At that arraignment hearing, Thickins was represented by Attorney

Deanna Campbell who asked the judge reviewing the case, Superior Court Judge Martin Honigberg, to grant bail in order to allow him to get counseling and some sort of rehabilitation. Saying that he has been struggling with this problem for many years.

County Attorney Melissa Fales argued that Thickens should remain in custody because of the number of images he was viewing and distributing. She

also felt that his actions were supporting and creating a market for the abuse of children too young to be able to help themselves.

Fales explained that the police report showed that there were over 400 images and videos on Thickens iPhone containing sexual abuse images of children.

Fales also added that Thickens admitted to police that he has been viewing these types of

images for a number of years.

Campbell argued that the images are so accessible on the internet that it is much easier to click on a button than to reach out for help and asked that Thickens be allowed out on bail to get that help.

Judge Honigberg agreed with Fales, stating that because Thickens has been distributing these images he would not be allowed bail.

## OBITUARY

### Peter Leonard Kirkell



Peter Leonard Kirkell, 77, of Londonderry, NH, passed away Sunday July 11, 2021, in his home surrounded by his loving family. He was born on Sept. 28, 1943 in Wilmington, MA, a son of the late Walter and Mary (Gowen) Kirkell. Peter was raised and educated in Wilmington, MA before moving to NH. He had a passion for auto racing and could often be seen riding his lawn mower around the yard. He especially enjoyed the time spent with his grandchildren.

He is survived by his beloved wife of 51 years, Becky (Baker) Kirkell of Londonderry; two sons, Scott Kirkell and his wife Katrina, and Dennis Kirkell and his wife Rachel of Londonderry; one daughter, Diane Ford and her husband Jonathan Perry of Londonderry; eight grandchildren, Zachary, Ty, Emily, Kimberly, Seth, Samantha, Christian and Dominic; three sisters, Betty Bodreau of Vermont, Ellie Ballinger of Texas and Sharon Kendzierski of New York; as well as many nieces and nephews.

There are no calling hours. Following cremation, a celebration of life will be held by the family at a later date. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the VNA of Manchester and Southern NH, 1070 Holt Ave, Suite 1400, Manchester NH 03109.

## Planning

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new regulations.

"I don't want to use these warm and fuzzy words like 'reasonable'," Paul said. "To me we need to clearly define what is reasonable."

Mailloux further explained some of the language which Paul was referring to and said that it was more clearly defined in the criteria.

Another concern which Paul said she had with the mandatory hookups under these new regulations was the possibility of the sewer systems leaching and failing as people are putting in septic systems

which could contaminate all of the water.

Ex-Officio Giovanni Verani also brought up a question regarding the new regulations and asked Mailloux if they would apply to already existing residential buildings.

Mailloux said that this would only be required of new developments. Individuals who are hoping to subdivide or build new structures on their residential properties would also need to abide by these regulations or request a waiver from the Planning Board.

Those who live in residential buildings who are putting in a

garage or an extension would not be required to change their water utility systems.

The Planning Board decided to continue to discuss the sewer system language in the new requirements in August and are aiming to have a public hearing on it in September.

Mailloux said that the Planning Board would be the only Board to review these new

guidelines and that they will be the only ones responsible for its adoption.

The next Planning Board meeting is scheduled to take place on August 4 at 7:00 pm. Those who wish to attend can do so virtually by visiting the link on the town cablecast network or they can attend the meeting live in the Moose Hill Conference Room.

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# Editorial

## Stop Judging, Start Understanding

It is human nature to judge a person before you meet them based on what you may have heard from others. When relying on the opinion of others you will have a bias, becoming unable or unwilling to give said person a fair chance. However, humans can be flawed as well as their judgments.

When meeting someone you only have second hand knowledge about, try to keep an open mind. You don't know the variables that influenced the opinions about the person or subject. Your own instincts are probably the best. It is most important to be aware of all of the facts and the context prior to forming judgments. Your opinion of the person may be entirely different from the opinion of others if you proceed with an open mind.

You might not approve of actions you have heard this person took, however there may be a good reason that is not apparent to you. Take a moment to look at their reasoning's objectively and you may find the reasoning's not so intolerable. On the other hand the person could see your point and you may change their mind. People can change and frequently do so when given the chance. But that's the thing we need to; give them the chance.

Our view of the world around us requires us to be either right or wrong, so we tend to judge. As such our views can be limited to what we

see before us and what we have experienced, but this is only ever a fraction of the world itself. More often than not, the things we judge in others are a reflection of the things we cannot accept about ourselves. Judging shuts us down and prevents us from understanding the full situation or a new truth that is not yet known. From the wise words of Doe Zantamata, "Through judging, we separate. Through understanding, we grow".

We could all do with a little more empathy and giving others the benefit of the doubt. There are always situations and circumstances of which we are not fully aware. Self-awareness, self-forgiveness, self-acceptance, and self-compassion help each of us to understand ourselves, and therefore understand others.

Human nature may not prevent us from judging others. However, by becoming more self-aware of when we make these types of judgments, we may be able to adopt more interesting and open thought patterns. We must try to be more appreciative and compassionate about the world rather than trying to fit it into our personal optics.

Last but not the least; let's quote Paulo Coelho "We can never judge the lives of others, because each person knows only their own pain and renunciation. So judge less, accept more, and restore your happiness".

# Letters

## Lunch Programs

To the editor,

Hello, my name is Amy Finamore. I am a member of Londonderry's School Board, but speak only for myself in this letter.

I'd first like to express my gratitude and admiration for Amanda Venezia and the entire Londonderry Dining Services team. This team provides seven-day meal kits each week, all summer long, which are available to all children in Londonderry. With pickup between 12-1pm each Wednesday, Dining Services provides meals to over 300 Londonderry children every week, at no cost to parents.

These 300 students comprise approximately 8% of the enrollment in the Londonderry School System- children who are being served throughout the summer with nutritious food, thanks to Dining Services, as well as the National Student Lunch Program. Through the generous support of USDA grants, this lunch program will remain at no cost to parents through the end of the 2022 academic year. At a time of uneven economic recovery, this is a vital resource to many families and children, and I commend Amanda and Dining Services for their ongoing work serving our families.

As I think about the future of education, I often think about how the children we see in front of us today will one day determine the society we become. Food insufficiency can have lasting negative impacts on our children- in their overall development, anxiety and their confi-

dence levels. It can also lead to negative academic outcomes. These are important issues, and often, they remain hidden. I'd like to again offer my thanks to Londonderry's Dining Services for their amazing work combatting child food insecurity and contributing to a more equitable future for all of our children.

Any family needing to order a seven day meal kit can do so by ordering online via the Londonderry School District website, or calling 603-432-6941 ext 2230 by Tuesday at 9pm.

Thank you,  
Amy Finamore  
Londonderry

## Thank You LPD

To the editor,

I have been a resident of Londonderry for over 47 years. My husband and I have three grown daughters who attended the Londonderry School System. We were very active in attending the Annual School Board and Town Meetings.

I mention this because of your editorial this week. It was excellent. It is important that we as Americans take it seriously about Freedom of Speech.

We both enjoy reading the Londonderry Times. The reason I am writing is that we read our Londonderry Police Log and notice how hard our Police Force responds to all types of emergencies.

A big Thank you to our Police Department. May God watch over them and keep them safe.

Kathryn Ryan  
Londonderry

## Freedom of Education

To the editor,

Did you know, about 30% of NH families are now eligible for a \$4600 state grant to customize their children's education? New Education Freedom Accounts, as part of our new state budget, are available just in time for the fall to families making up to 300% of poverty level. (For a family of four, that's up to \$79,500 annually.) The money is placed in a private account, much like an HSA, for private school tuition, tutoring, certain technology expenditures and other tools to individualize learning and set each unique mind on course to a bright future.

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## Letters

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Laura El-Azem  
Londonderry

### RE: Changes have Consequences

To the editor,  
I did let the first letter slide, as attributed to simply Sour Grapes, but cannot let this second one. You may wish to

change your slogan from "Never Trumpers" to NEVER AGAIN! This would be more accurate. I did get a chuckle from: "while trump was occupied". When exactly would this have been? While he was tweeting 24/7? While he was watching TV all day & night? While he was appearing on State run Media (Faux News) and other right wing media outlets? Attending Rallies? Playing Golf MORE than any one term president? I believe I can say, for a large swath of the population, it was "we" who felt "occupied".

My guess is you vehemently disliked the guy

who achieved an Unemployment drop from 10% - 4% (in round numbers). But just had a love affair with the guy who achieved just a 1% drop? At a cost of 11 Trillion Dollars, but we will let that go for now.

Consequences? I will use the Methods used to program people like yourself: Stock "Rocket" 30,000 in November, now at 34,600 (today). Great, Terrific, right? Unemployment: From Trumps high of 14.8% to Bidens now 5.9%, nothing short of astounding!

As far as the twice Impeached past president: It seems you easily dismiss the 10 ob-

structions of justice in the investigation report. Also dismiss the Bipartisan report on Russian interference. Perhaps you have seen what was Redacted in the report by Barr, during his 30-day Magic marker fest? Perhaps now that he has fallen out of favor, for refusing to perpetuate the "Big Lie", we may indeed soon find out?

You touched on all the talking points spewed out on Right wing media (daily). I would give your letter a 90%, as it has most of the names required of the followers. However, did not include Hillary. I believe we are starting to see

the Symptoms of "BDS" (Biden Derangement Syndrome). Agree? I would suggest coming up with something on your own. Anyone who spends too much time in front of Right-wing media, could have written your letter Verbatim. At the very least, make an attempt to not have it be viewed as: Sour grapes, Tweet deprovision or BDS.

In Closing: We all must remain Vigilant. It is Horrifying to hear what the former Deranged Lunatic was planning during his final days in office. Extremely disturbing as well is he remains hold up in a Country Club in Florida,

like some deposed dictator, while Republicans all Slither their way down to Florida to pay homage to "Baby-Doc Donnie". All who enter are stripped of all Integrity, Morality and Patriotism, as they take the knee, kiss the ring, then swear loyalty to the (1) Person and then (2) Party. Country be Damned!

I should inform you of how this town Voted: 7,905 Trump & 7,968 NEVER Trump. Please bear this in mind if you feel the need for further (original thoughts) letters.

Steve Homsey  
Londonderry

## Women's Club Offers Scholarship

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The Scholarship Committee reserves the right not to make an award if there is no suitable candidate. All information will be kept confidential.

## Residents Looks For Help to Identify Animal



A resident who lives on Ashley Drive in Londonderry submitted these images that he captured on his Trail Cam recently and asked that we share this with our readers to see if anyone could identify what sort of animal it is. Our best guess would be a coyote with mange. Anyone who wishes to share their opinion can do so on the Londonderry Times facebook page.

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# Ovation Theatre Company to Perform Mamma Mia at Town Common

**M**amma Mia - the sensational hit musical is getting ready to hit the Londonderry Town Common Stage the last weekend in July. Ovation Theatre Company and a cast drawn from all over southern New Hampshire and northern Massachusetts will be presenting this blockbuster to crowds ready for a night full of music, dance and a whole lot of fun.

ABBA's hits tell the hilarious story of a young woman's search for her birth father. This sunny and funny tale unfolds on a Greek island paradise. On the eve of her wedding, a daughter's quest to discover the identity of her father brings three men from her mother's past back to the island they last visited 20 years ago. The story-telling magic of ABBA's timeless songs propels this enchanting tale of love, laughter and friendship, creating an unforgettable show.

Cast member Alyssa Beaulieu of Londonderry says the cast is "just beyond ecstatic to be able to get back on the stage since COVID." This might be the biggest event ever staged at the

Londonderry Town Common, with a set that will fill every inch of the stage and extend it forward as well.

Londonderry Town Manager Kevin Smith is "thrilled to see Ovation Theatre bring their performance... to the Town Common. I have no doubt the public will embrace watching a live theatre performance outdoors in the heart of Londonderry's historic four corners."

The show is directed by Meg Gore, with musical direction by Kevin Fisher and choreography by Katy Gore, assisted by Adam Furgal and Michael Crowley, all supported by Stage Manager Tim Gore.

The cast is drawn from a wide area: Ava Amaro, Alyssa Beaulieu, Betsy Brown, Hanna Carroll, Michael Crowley, Katy Gore, Genevieve Martin, Alea Millis, Maddie Tufts and Mason Turek of Londonderry; Lucy Backman, Ella Burroughs, Emma Cate, Madison Finocchiaro, Jackson Kirsch, Evelyn Morin, Landon Sprague, Zoe Sternberg and Jonathan Uber of Hampstead; Ryan Carrigan, Tony Gallo, and Nicolette Manrique of Derry;

O'Niyah Hamilton of Hooksett; Debrah Hernandez of Chester; Adam Furgal of Auburn; Cailean Anderson of Hudson; Chloe Castellano of New Boston, Jordan Delage of Milford; Zac Barnaby of Pepperell, MA; and Lauren Legault of Amesbury, Mass.

Maddie Tufts commented, "I'm so grateful to be part of this show, and I am thrilled to be performing. The director's attention to detail and intricate dance moves makes this show an experience to remember."

Beaulieu says her favorite part of the show is the dancing. "All of the numbers have so much high energy - it sucks you right into the experience."

Debrah Hernandez, playing the lead role of Donna, finds herself quoting lyrics to describe the show. "Mamma Mia! is an electrifying mega-hit that will make you want to dance the night away, leaving you uplifted and feeling like a number one."

MAMMA MIA! performances are scheduled for 7 p.m. on Friday, July 30, Saturday, July 31 and Sunday, Aug. 1 at the Londonderry Town Common. Tickets are \$15, are currently available at OvationTC.com and will be on sale at the gate. Handicap parking is available onsite, and additional parking is



The cast of the musical Mamma Mia! are currently rehearsing at the Ovation Theatre Company. Additional photos next page. Courtesy photo

available at various nearby lots.

Ovation Theatre Company would like to

thank the Londonderry town staff, Londonderry United Methodist Church, and the London-

derry and Hampstead schools for their support of this production.

## Abatement

Continued from page 1

will go up or down for the following year.

"It's much too early to tell at this point what impact it will have on property taxes," Smith said.

After that, a presentation about the Granite Ridge Power Plant abatement continued with Attorney Mike Ramsdell presenting the settlement agreement reached with the power plant.

According to Ramsdell, Granite Ridge, now known as Calpine, has a constantly changing value based on the projections it has for future years.

The plant falls under the ISO New England Forward Capacity market, which oversees the energy climate for most

of New England's power system.

Each year power producers such as Granite Ridge commit to producing a certain amount of energy per year in exchange for a fixated price as agreed upon.

Ramsdell said that when the capacity payments are high, the facility makes more revenue and is worth more. When the capacity payments are low, it has the opposite effect.

These commitments happen almost three years out as the energy each year is unpredictable. This makes it difficult for revenue and tax impacts to be estimated as they are solely based on the energy sources' projections for future years.

Chairman John Farrell pointed out that the power plant has paid about 120 million dollars in taxes over the last 18 years and 80 million dol-

lars of that has gone to the school districts. At the end of this, the Granite Ridge Plant will pay approximately 5 million dollars in taxes per year.

Kevin Smith also broke down some of the numbers for the dollar figures that the town owes in tax credits.

This money will be spread out over a five-year period under this agreement. In the years 2021, 2022, and 2023 the town will credit them \$1,749,453.

In the years 2024 and 2025 the town will credit the power plant \$693,620.

"We had a discussion with the school board and with everyone else to explain to them that until we build up new revenue that we're working on as fast as possible, you need to look hard at your budgets," Farrell said. "You need to hold the line while we work through this."

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# Mamma Mia! Cast Members Prepare for Londonderry Show



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# Old Home Day Committee Continues Event Planning

KAITLIN BEDELL  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Old Home Day Committee met on Tuesday, July 13, and reviewed the plans that they have in place so far for the upcoming annual celebration in August.

This year the town will follow a year where there were no actives other than fireworks and a race due to COVID-19.

Following the retirement of former Old Home Day Committee Chair Kathy Wagner, new Chairman Kevin Smith and Vice Chair Katie Sullivan are now leading the Committee full of newcomers.

The Committee first discussed the Senior Night Dinner to be held on Wednesday, Aug. 25 which will be the first event to take place during the week full of actives.

The night is set to start at 4 p.m. with free bingo which will consist of at least 20 different prizes.

At around 5 p.m. those in attendance will be served a hamburger and hotdog meal by police department volunteers.

Seniors who wish to attend can get their tickets starting Monday, July 26, and can be picked up at the senior center. Anybody hoping to attend must get their ticket in advance in order to participate as there will be a checklist of names at the event.

The Committee next discussed the Thursday night battle of the bands. The event is scheduled to begin at 6 p.m. at the Town Common and the Committee hopes to have at least six bands in participation.

The event is still in



need of more bands, so those interested in participating are encouraged to register at: <http://forms.gle/3wSFdV11jMSmHXha6>.

The following night of Friday, Aug. 27 is scheduled to have the Londonderry versus Derry first responders softball game at 5:30 pm on the High School softball field

followed by fireworks with a band and food trucks beginning at 7:30 p.m.

After a week full of events, the celebration will continue on Saturday with a day filled with more activities.

In the morning there will be a baby contest with five judges with several prizes for the win-

ners.

Following the baby contest will be the traditional Old Home Day parade which will begin at about 10:30 am.

Throughout the day there will be several different activities across the town including the annual town booths on the common.

Some of the other activities include the Historical Society demonstrations at the Morrison house museum, a pig roast, pie eating contest which will be sponsored by Sunnycrest this farms, a strength contest, the Boot Scoot and Boogie and more.

Another contest that may take place is the pig kissing contest.

Kevin Smith brought up an idea to the board to make the contest a fundraiser where contestants are chosen in advanced and are affiliat-

ed with a fundraiser online for a chosen charity.

In the days leading up to the contest, the town can donate under a contestants' name to act as a vote, and the contestant who raised the most money will be the one kissing the pig.

The Committee liked Smith's idea and wanted to look into finding a way to create a website to do so.

Smith also brought up the possibility of bringing in a mobile COVID vaccination site run by the state which would be available to all members of the community interested in getting vaccinated throughout the day.

The Old Home Day Committee will continue to discuss and finalize the events for the Old Home Day events at their next meeting.

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# CONCERTS ON THE COMMON

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11 <sup>th</sup> — Bruce Marshall Group	11 <sup>th</sup> — Delta Generators
18 <sup>th</sup> — Neurotic Gumbo	
25 <sup>th</sup> — All Summer Long	

Rain venue is the Matthew Thornton School gym.

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# LONDONDERRY SPORTS

## Local Kids Work on Tennis Skills at Two-Week Camp



LHS Girls Varsity Tennis coach Betty Mak works with older campers.



Roberta Davis works with younger students. Photos by Chris Paul

CHRIS PAUL  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

Even though they've had to run between the raindrops a bit over the past several days, local children that are participating in the Londonderry Summer Tennis Camp were busy honing their skills on the Skip Burbine tennis courts at the Londonderry Athletic Field

Association (LAFA) complex.

Londonderry High School teacher Betty Mak and tennis enthusiast Roberta Davis revived the summer program this year after it had not been conducted for a number of years.

The late Skip Burbine originated the program a number of years ago with the help of LHS

teacher Gerry Gulezian and Mak and Davis decided to see if there was enough interest in the sport to conduct the camp this year.

Mak, who is also the LHS girls' varsity tennis coach, wanted to try to get the younger generation more interested in the sport, which she hoped would ultimately result in more students

signing up for tennis when they get to the high school level.

This past spring the LHS varsity boys' tennis team was unable to put together a team and did

not compete.

So despite the rain, the program was held for four days and was continued this week. The second week of the camp had better weather

conditions forecast.

Beginners and some experienced players participated in the camp and were able to cover a wide-variety of skills.



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# Greater Derry Track Club Holds Third Summer Fun Run



**CHRIS PAUL**  
LONDONDERRY TRAILWAYS

**T**he Greater Derry Track Club (GDTC) Kids Summer Fun Runs resumed on Monday, July 19, and managed to hold its third race of the season despite the threats of rain.

The races were forced to take a one-year break last summer due to the COVID-19 Pandemic and this participants have back in droves at the Londonderry High School track to compete again.

The numbers bounced back a bit this week, with 287 runners

showing up for some fun running and watermelon.

The GDTC was able to donate 27 more bags of food to the St. Jude Food Pantry with the donations provided by runner families.

Races for were run in every age group from two-on-up but only ages

9-13 are recorded for end-of-season prizes. In the younger age groups every participant receives a ribbon for competing.

There were a lot of repeat winners this week and the top-three finishers in this week's races are as follows.

For boys 9-year-old: Beckett O'Brien of Londonderry was first for the third consecutive week, Brody Manzer of Londonderry was second and Ben Berry of Londonderry was third.

In the girls 9-year-old group: The top two remained the same for the third week in a row. Meghan Mullaney of Derry finished first; Danicia Leblanc of Fremont was second and Reagan Morgan of Windham was third.

The boys 10-year-old

group was also the same as the first two week's finish. Owen Hooke of Derry was first; Rowan Nichols of Derry second; and Jacob Tiney of Sandown was third.

In the girls 10-year-old group: Mia Bucu of Londonderry was first; Emerson Presher of Londonderry took second; and Isley Morrison of Derry was third for the second consecutive week.

In the boys' 11-year-old race: Patrick Ramsey of Londonderry was first; Miles Herlicka of New Boston was second once again and Logan Reiff of Windham was third.

In the girls' 11-year-old race: Anna Laufer-sweiler of Londonderry was first; Emily Bugenhagen of Londonderry came in second; and

Madison Doherty of Chester was third.

In the boys' 12-year-old race: Theodore Doherty of Chester once again finished first; Paul Sinopoli of Windham was second; and Ryan Hooke of Derry was third.

In the girls' 12-year-old race, Avery Vadebon-coeur of Sandown came in first.

In the boys 13-year-old group, Sig Iverson, of Chester, was the first place winner.

The free series begins each week at 6 p.m. at the Londonderry High School Track.

The program will continue for two more weeks on July 26, and Aug. 2.

Non-perishable food donations are appreciated to help support local food pantries.

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# Traffic Problems in the Early Years of Londonderry

SUBMITTED BY  
DAVID J. ELLIS

A little while ago I wrote about a major route through early Londonderry existed along Wiley Hill and Pillsbury Roads.

Recently, while seeking some information on early businesses I came across an early report by the Secretary of State that included car registrations and gives insight into our traffic history. In 1912, while there were just over 5,500 cars registered to residents of the State, only five people in Londonderry owned cars.

Frank Mottram had a 14.4 horse power Stevens-Duryea; Ezra Baker had a 14.5 horse power Jackson; Edmund Anderson had an 18 horse power Reo; William Rich-

ardson had a 25.6 horse power Regal and Charles Pillsbury had a 28.9 horse power Stevens. We had no dealerships in town, although there was the Abbott Auto Company in Derry and the Shepard Auto Company in East Derry.

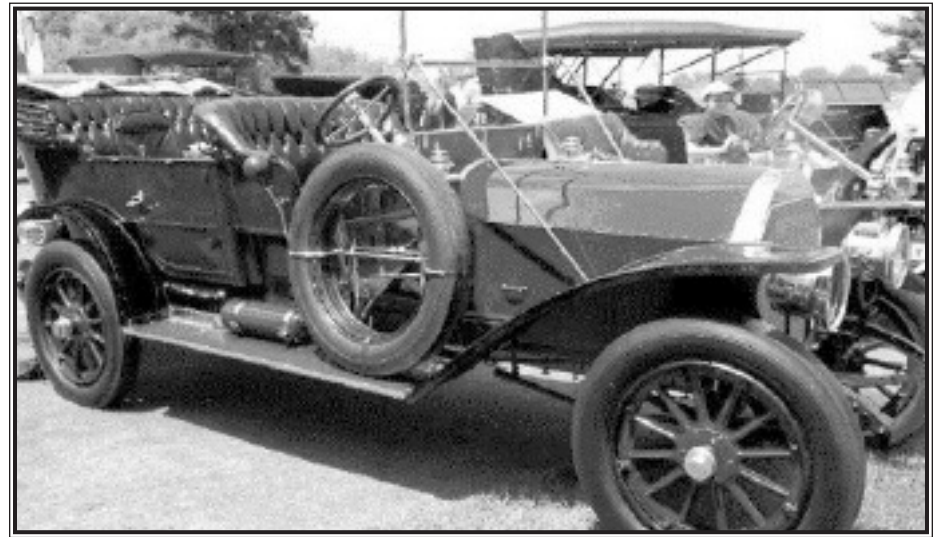
Mr. Pillsbury's car was the largest and was probably a model Y. You will see that the steering wheel is not on the left side. That was also true of the other cars, where the wheel is visible.

That caused me to investigate.

Originally from England, I had long known that Americans drove on the right side of the road whereas the English drove on the correct side (smirk). Had the Americans originally driven on the left side of the road?

The explanation can be found at the Federal Highway Administration. The earliest cars were controlled by a tiller in the center of the vehicle. Then, in 1898 the steering wheel was introduced, but it was not technically possible to place it in the center. Because there was no precedent, it was placed curbside and the driver sat curbside. By about 1910 the manufacturers were placing the steering wheel on the left side but right side steering was still common until about 1915. (The Ford Model T of 1908 had left side steering.)

The origin of left side driving in England, and some other nations, has its roots in horseback fighting with swords



*The Stevens-Duryea Model Y. Courtesy photo*

and pikes when one had to keep the sword arm free by passing your opponent on the right. The American decision

apparently had similar origins. No, the majority of Americans were not left handed! When you were driving a coach or

wagon in the new world, you steadied your long gun in the crook of your left arm.

## Summer Stipend Application

Gov. Sununu announced recently that the Department of Employment Security has opened applications for the Summer Stipend Program.

"Today, the very first people who returned to work after we announced the Summer Stipend Program will be eligible to apply," said Sununu. "With one of the lowest unemployment rates in the Country, NH is moving full steam ahead to ensure that businesses have the workforce needed to have a booming summer - and this program will help."

Announced on May 18, the Summer Stipend Program was created to coincide with the state's decision to end federal pandemic unemployment benefits. Anyone who was on unemployment the week of May 15 and subsequently found employment on May 18 or after, and held the job for at least eight weeks is eligible to apply. Individuals must have worked at least 20 hours a week and earned less than \$25 an hour. Those who worked 20+ hours are eligible for \$500 while those who worked 37.5+

hours are eligible for a \$1,000 stipend.

It is first come first serve, the program will remain active until the \$10M fund is drawn down. Since announcing the Program over 21,000 people have stopped filing for unemployment benefits. The first wave of potentially eligible people that could have worked 8 weeks since May 18 totals over 1,700 people.

Pay stubs are required to verify employment. Those who qualify should sign into their NHES account.

## Leadership Londonderry Program Extends Deadline

The Leadership Londonderry program is having trouble filling this year's program and has extended the deadline to sign up once again.

The program is now accepting applications for its town and school government informational training program until

Aug. 6. Sessions will begin in September and will run until May. Participants are expected to attend each month's session, which will be held on the second or third Thursday of the month from 4 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. in Town Hall and other locations around town. Dinner is provided. The program is open to

Londonderry residents and applications may be found online and should be submitted by August 6, at 5 p.m.

There is a \$50 program fee. For more information, contact Pollyann Winslow at 858-6696 or Lisa Drabik by email (ldrabik@londonderry-nh.org).



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## Voter Information

The Supervisors of the Voter Checklist will meet at the Town Clerk's Office to correct the checklist and register voters on: Tuesday, Sept. 14, at 6 - 7 p.m. To register to vote, one must provide: Proof of Londonderry residency. Proof of citizenship; (passport, birth certificate, naturalization papers). Proof of age. 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, domicile and citizenship. Contact Kristin Grages, Chair, Supervisor of the Checklist for the Town of Londonderry 603-432-1100, ext 198 with any questions.

## Republicans Social

Join members and friends for a beer and cheer social meet in the upper room at the Long Blue Cat Brewing Company, 298 Rockingham Rd., Londonderry on Aug. 12, Thursday, at 6 p.m. There will be a short presentation and introductions with lots of time for lively discussions with liked minded Republicans. Learn about upcoming Londonderry Republican Committee (LRC) events. While RSVP's are appreciated they are not necessary to attend. For more information or to RSVP, contact LRC Chairwoman Liz Thomas at [eathomas@comcast.net](mailto:eathomas@comcast.net) or (603) 437-6090.

## Republicans Meeting

He Londonderry Republicans will hold a

meeting on Aug. 19, from 7 - 8:30 p.m. at American Legion's backyard, 6 Sargent Rd., Londonderry. Meet and hear from people who care about NH and Londonderry. Learn about what we are doing and where you can join us in making a difference. Linger a while and talk with State Representatives and officials who often attend our meetings. Our meetings are a great place to learn more in depth information on political hot topics that you care about and to learn how to be an effective town or state candidate for elected office. Questions? Contact LRC Chairwoman Liz Thomas (603) 437-6090, [eathomas@comcast.net](mailto:eathomas@comcast.net).

## Etz Hayim High Holidays

Etz Hayim Synagogue High Holiday Schedule and Registration. No requirements on tickets or reservations. Schedule is as follows: Sat. Aug. 28, at 8 p.m., for Selichot Program "Hummable Hits for the High Holidays"; Sat. Aug. 28, at 9 p.m., Services; Mon. Sept. 6, at 7:15 p.m., for Erev Rosh Hashanah Service; Tues. Sept. 7, at 9:30 a.m., Rosh Hashanah Service (Day 1); Tues. Sept. 7, at 1 p.m., Tashlich - Hood Pond, Derry; Tues. Sept. 7, at 2:30 p.m., Family Service; Wed. Sept. 8, at 9:30 a.m., Rosh Hashanah Service (Day 2); Wed. Sept. 15, at 7:15 p.m., Kol Nidre; Thurs. Sept. 16, at 9:30 a.m., Yom Kippur Morning Service; Thurs. Sept. 16, at 1 p.m., Discussion "Lessons Learned from Covid for our Synagogue"; Thurs. Sept. 16, at 2 p.m., Family Service; Thurs. Sept. 16, at 4 p.m., Afternoon Service; Mon. Sept. 20, at 7:15 p.m., Erev Sukkot; Fri. Sept. 24, at 6 p.m., Potluck Shabbat in the Sukkah; Wed. Sept. 29,

at 9:30 a.m., Simchat Torah. For more information or live stream links, please contact us at [office@etzhayim.org](mailto:office@etzhayim.org) or call 603-432-0004. Etz Hayim is located at 1 1/2 Hood Rd., Derry.

## Etz Hayim Sunday Camp

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## Etz Hayim Religious Learning,

The Etz Hayim Synagogue is holding Religious Learnings on Tuesdays, Weekly starting Sept. 14, at 6 p.m. (Ages 7-18) This will entail: Hebrew letter recognition and decoding to learn Hebrew reading skills; Holiday observance, Tzedakah, Judaica, Jewish history, living and ethics; Liturgical and Judaic knowledge and skills in preparation for becoming a Bar/Bat Mitzvah. Registration: [www.etzhayim.org/learn](http://www.etzhayim.org/learn). For more information, please contact us at [office@etzhayim.org](mailto:office@etzhayim.org) or call 603-432-0004. Etz Hayim is located at 1 1/2 Hood Rd., Derry.

## Summer Cookouts

Please join us for our Summer Cookouts Thursdays, July 29, Aug. 5 and Aug. 12 from 5pm until 7 p.m. The cost of our Summer Barbecue is \$5 per person. If you are looking for something to do on Thursday nights, please come, enjoy some good

food, and enjoy spending time with your friends here at St. Thomas Aquinas Parish, 26 Crystal Ave., Derry, NH. Please call the Parish Office at 432-5000 should you have any questions about our Summer Cookout.

## Summer Media Camp

The Londonderry Access Center is pleased to be holding the Summer Media Camp this year. The camp will be held July 26 - Aug. 6, 10 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. This camp is open to students entering 5th-8th grade in fall 2021. This is a fun exciting camp where kids will learn all aspects of video production. They will produce their own TV shows, and have a screening of all their work at the end of the two weeks, for friends and family to see. Participants must be able to attend the entire camp. If you have questions or for more information call Erin at 432-1100 X-185. You can also email [ebarry@londonderry-nh.org](mailto:ebarry@londonderry-nh.org).

## Free Meals

Please join us for free, family-friendly meals. Meals are generally held as posted below, but may be rescheduled for holidays. Please call the facility to check on holiday times. Meal Bags to go: Lunch on July 25, at St. Jude's Parish from 1:30 - 2:30 p.m.; Dinner on July 30 at First Parish Church from 5 - 6 p.m., drive up to side door; Sonshine Soup Kitchen will be serving drive by to go meals on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 4:30 - 5 p.m.

## Storytime

Beginning on Monday, July 26, at 10 a.m., join Miss Jennifer for two "birds of a feather" stories! This story time video will be available to watch on the Leach Library Facebook page, blog, and YouTube channel until Sept. 30. To reserve the featured titles, please call the library at 432-1132 or sign in to your account on the library catalog.

## Library Summer Hours

Starting the week of June 14, Leach Library will begin offering more walk-in browsing hours for the summer. The library will be open for browsing Monday

through Wednesday noon - 6 p.m. and Thursday through Saturday 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. The Drive-Thru Service will be available by appointment Monday through Wednesday 10 a.m. - noon. The library staff will track occupancy on an as-needed basis, and seating will continue to be limited. Services will resume at the Children's Circulation Desk. Socially distanced computers remain available on a first

come, first serve basis. Meeting rooms will not be available during this phase of reopening. Virtual programs will be offered on the library's Facebook page, blog, and YouTube channel in lieu of a traditional summer reading program. Take-home activities for all ages will be available for pickup throughout the summer. For more information, please call the library at 432-1132.

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# OBITUARY

## Lewis "Lefty" O'Brien



Lewis "Lefty" O'Brien, 93 of Londonderry passed away July 19, 2021 at his home surrounded by his loving family.

Lewis was born in Boston, Mass. and was the only child of the late Lewis F Sr. and Emmy (Andersen) O'Brien. Lewis lived both in N.H. and Mass. until he was in the third grade, which is when he moved to Londonderry full time. He continued his school years with graduating from Pinkerton Academy. Lewis did something few did back then, he left during his junior year and enlisted in the US Army, which he served in the 15th quarter master troupe stationed at Asaka, Honshu, Japan in WWII. When he returned he went back to school to graduate with the class of 1949.

Lewis had many types of jobs over the years, but was finally able to fulfill his dream careers. He became a special police officer for Londonderry Police Dept. from the years 1967-1973 and then became a full time firefighter for the Londonderry Fire Dept. from 1972 until retirement in 1993.

Lewis's absolute favorite thing to do was to play golf as much and as often as possible. He was able to do so right up till the age of 91. His other hobbies were fishing, bowling, playing cards, building models and watching the planes land and take off at the airport with his coffee and donuts.

As a WWII veteran, Lewis was honored to go on a Honor Flight Trip in 2017 to Washington, D.C. He deemed this trip as a trip of his life time.

Lewis was preceded in death by his wife of 64 years, Phyllis (Critchett) O'Brien, who passed in March 2016. They lived their entire married lives in Londonderry and raised their family there.

He is survived by his daughter, Pamela O'Brien of Londonderry and his son Darren wife Doreen O'Brien of Londonderry. Lewis has four grandchildren, Ashley and husband Shawn Carrier of Londonderry, Alanna and husband Lawrence Yassanye of Chester, Amanda and husband Bo Butler of Londonderry and Zachary O'Brien and fiancé Mubarak Durakovic of Manchester.

He also has seven great grandchildren, Emma Carrier, Wyatt and Samuel Yassanye, Summer, Sawyer, Saylor and Sullivan Butler. Along with many nieces, nephews and cousins.

Services will be at Carrier Funeral Home.

Donations may be made in honor of him to the Honor Flight of New England, P.O. Box 16287, Hooksett, NH 03106 or [www.honorflightnewengland.org](http://www.honorflightnewengland.org).

## Around Town

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### Raising another's child?

Are you parenting a second time around? Attend the Grandparent and Relative Caregiver Support Group. Join this free weekly meeting for resources, discussions and support for those raising another person's child. No preregistration needed. Tuesdays 6 - 7:30 p.m. Meeting in person at the YMCA - Londonderry. Contact: Seren Elizabeth at selizabeth@urteachers.org

g. Grandparent PASTA Groups are brought to you by NH Children's Trust, the YMCA of Greater Londonderry, the Southern Rockingham Coalition for Healthy Youth (SoRock) and The Upper Room.

### Free Parenting Workshops

View these free parenting workshops at your own pace hosted by the Upper Room at [www.urteachers.org/workshops-on-demand](http://www.urteachers.org/workshops-on-demand). Dealing with Challenging Behaviors in Children - The Importance of Routines and Consistency for your Child.

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### Caregiver Resource Line

Have parenting questions? Upper Room offers Parent & caregiver resource line, call (603) 437-8477 ext. 26. Call with your name and contact number, and a trained

professional will return your call within 24 hours. If you are having an emergency, please call 911.

### Free Senior Activities

Free games, and groups for older adults every weekday at the Marion Gerrish Community Center, and coffee is provided. Bridge on Mondays at 1 p.m.; Mahjongg at noon and Hand & Foot at 1 p.m., on Tuesdays; Whist at 1 p.m., on Wednesdays; Domino Train at noon on Thursdays; Cribbage and at 9 a.m., and Forty Five's at 1 p.m., on Fridays; The

last Friday of the month at 12:30 p.m., a Free movie will play with popcorn and soda. Available to play every day on the lawns during Spring & Summer: Giant Jenga & Connect Four, Backgammon, Chess & Checkers, Yardzee & Farkle, with Bocce and Cornhole on the back lawn. Located at 39 West Broadway, Derry.

### TIPS Zoom

Are you a young parent? The Upper Rooms Teen Information for Parenting Success (TIPS) will hold Zoom meetings on

Wednesdays from 5 - 6 p.m. Support and resources for young parents (up to age 24) and their children. Zoom meeting link: [bit.ly/tipstoppers](https://bit.ly/tipstoppers)

### Raising a Teenager?

Parent & Caregiver Café (PaCC) Group. These meetings are a wonderful resource for parents and caregivers raising teens. Discuss your concerns and learn new parenting strategies. New topics are introduced weekly including anger management, drug and alcohol abuse, commu-

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Selections from the Londonderry Police Logs

## Monday - July 12

**12:09 a.m.** Assisted the Londonderry Fire Department with transportation to a hospital from Whittemore Road.

**2:05 a.m.** Assisted the Derry Police Department with an arrest at the East Derry Memorial Elementary School.

**5:39 a.m.** Services rendered for Criminal Mischief on Independence Drive at Town Systems Drop Yard.

**11:26 a.m.** Suspicious Activity investigated at Londonderry High School.

**6:05 p.m.** Motor Vehicle Stop leads to an arrest at Wendy's on Nashua Road. Katherine Shepard, 24, of Manchester charged with Bench Warrants.

**6:35 p.m.** Services rendered by three officers for a Domestic Disturbance on Bridle Path at Wallace Farm Apartments.

**9:57 p.m.** Suicide Attempt/Threat transported to a hospital from Holstein Avenue.

## Tuesday - July 13

**12:46 a.m.** Three officers assisted the Londonderry Fire Department with an investigation on Seminole Place.

**10:38 a.m.** Larceny/Forgery/Fraud investigated on Sanborn Road.

**3:16 p.m.** Auto Theft investigated at Auto Auction of New England, Inc. on Action Blvd.

**6:11 p.m.** Services rendered for Drug Offenses on Orchard View Drive.

**11:38 p.m.** Disturbance investigated by three officers on Mammoth Road at Saint Jude Church.

## Wednesday - July 14

**1:55 a.m.** Suspicious activity reported on Oakridge Drive.

**8:03 a.m.** Larceny/Forgery/Fraud investigated on Perkins Road.

**3:56 p.m.** Weapons Offenses investigated at Tradz llc on Mammoth Road

**5:56 p.m.** Motor Vehicle Check results in an arrest on Planeview Drive. Jessalyn Vargas, 24, of

Manchester charged with Driving After Revoked/Suspended - Licence; and Suspension of Vehicle Registration.

**6:05 p.m.** Suspicious Activity investigated at the cul-de-sac on Delta Drive.

**9:37 p.m.** Assisted the Londonderry Fire Department with transportation to a hospital from Ash Street.

## Thursday - July 15

**8:32 a.m.** Assisted the Londonderry Fire Department with the transportation to a hospital from Sanborn Road.

**10:49 a.m.** Assisted the Londonderry Fire Department with services on Sargent Road.

**12:47 p.m.** Three officers respond to a Suicide Attempt/Threat, resulting in transportation to a hospital from Gregg Circle.

**1:25 p.m.** Larceny/Forgery/Fraud investigated on Sanborn Road.

**2:06 p.m.** Criminal Mischief investigated on Rockingham Road at

Convenience Plus Londonderry

**2:44 p.m.** Larceny/Forgery/Fraud investigated on Vista Ridge Drive.

**5:10 p.m.** Criminal Mischief investigated on Independence Drive.

**6:06 p.m.** Nine officers assisted the Hudson Police Department with services on Nashua Road at the Hudson town line.

**8:21 p.m.** Missing Person investigated by four officers on Stonehenge Road.

**9:08 p.m.** Assisted the Londonderry Fire Department with an investigation on Abbey Road. 9:30 p.m. Six officers serve a restraining order on Button Drive.

## Friday - July 16

**4:20 a.m.** Missing Person investigated by three officers on Stonehenge Road.

**7:04 a.m.** Services rendered to keep the peace on Button Drive.

**8:02 a.m.** Suicide Attempt/Threat on Buttrick Road at Elliot Primary Care/Urgent Care.

**9:03 a.m.** Services rendered for Disturbance at Shell Food Mart on Nashua Road.

**9:47 a.m.** Warrant served and arrest made on Lantern Lane by five officers. Alexander Thickins, 24, of Londonderry charged with 23 counts of the Possession of Child Sexual Abuse Images.

**1:14 p.m.** Services rendered for suspicious activity on Wilshire Drive.

**4:13 p.m.** Services rendered for a Medical Emergency at the Manchester Boston Regional Airport.

**5:12 p.m.** Disturbance investigated by four officers at the Sleep Inn on Perkins Road.

**5:38 p.m.** Larceny/Forgery/Fraud investigated at Taco Bell/KFC on Nashua Road.

## Saturday - July 17

**12:30 a.m.** Services rendered by four officers for Trespassing at Macgregor Cut Apartments on Stonehenge Road.

**1:22 a.m.** Suspicious Activity on Orchard View Drive at Planet Fitness.

**4:24 a.m.** Suspicious Activity reported at the Macgregor Cut Apartments on Stonehenge Road.

**10:12 a.m.** Services rendered for Car Break-Ins at the Macgregor Cut Apartments on Stonehenge Road.

**11:11 a.m.** Peace restored by three officers after a Domestic Disturbance on Fieldstone

Drive.

**6:07 p.m.** Motor Vehicle Check investigated by four officers at the Burger King on Nashua Road results in an arrest. Alexandra Mcosker, 33, of Derry charged with the possession of a Controlled Drug: Schedule 1-4.

## Sunday - July 19

**1:58 a.m.** Services rendered for Juvenile Offenses on Elwood Road.

**10:39 a.m.** Services rendered for an assault at the Cracker Barrel Old Country Store on Nashua Road.

**1:29 p.m.** Motor Vehicle Stop leads to an arrest made at Walgreens on Nashua Road. Ryan Petrillo, 29, of Manchester charged with Driving after Revoked/Suspended License; and Suspension of Vehicle Registration.

**4:36 p.m.** Peace restored by three officers after a Domestic Disturbance on Fieldstone Drive.

**4:42 p.m.** Medical Emergency transported to a hospital from Beacon Street.

**4:53 p.m.** Shooting Complaint investigated on Wiley Hill Road.

**5:15 p.m.** Services rendered Criminal Mischief at the Macgregor Cut Apartments on Stonehenge Road.

**8:05 p.m.** Unlawful activities investigated on Hall Road.

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nication and setting boundaries. No preregistration needed. Thursday 6 - 7:30 p.m. Free live on Zoom. Link to Join: <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/302497889>. Contact: Seren Elizabeth at [selizab@urteachers.org](mailto:selizab@urteachers.org)

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## Vaping and Your Health

A Vaping and Your Health Teen Workshop will be held on demand. Workshops are held on the first Tuesday of the month and online options are also available. Call (603) 437-8477 x117 to register and get more information.

## Teen Talk

Free LIVE on Zoom on Tuesdays from 3 - 4 p.m., for teens 13-18 to talk, support each other, and be heard. No preregistration necessary. Zoom link to join: [bit.ly/tipstotics](https://bit.ly/tipstotics)

## Parent & Caregiver Café

Parent & Caregiver Café Remote meetings are open to those raising teens. Thursdays from 6 - 7:30 p.m. To access, visit: [us04web.zoom.us/j/302497889](https://us04web.zoom.us/j/302497889) Meeting ID: 302 497 889 (no pass-

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## Evolve!

A group for young woman ages 13 to 18 to

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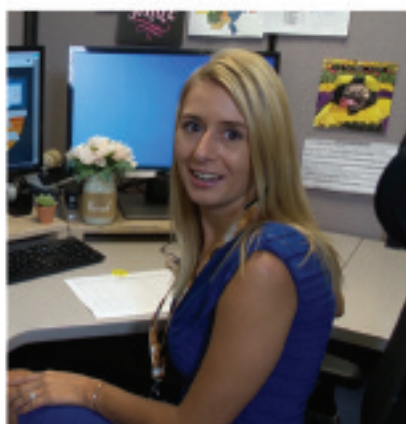
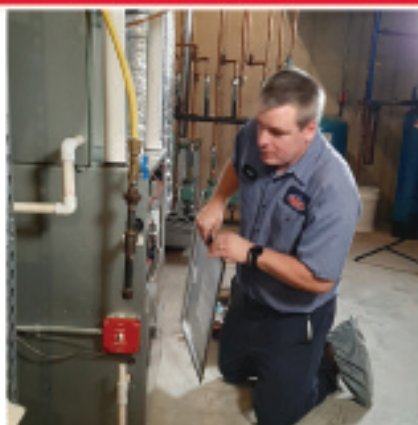
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