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The Londonderry High School Adult Education January Class of 2021 procession was lead into the LHS gym by Amanda Auger.

Photo by Chris Paul

## High School Holds Adult Education Graduation

CHRIS PAUL  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Londonderry School District held its January 2021 Adult Ed Graduation ceremony on Thursday evening, Jan. 28, in the Londonderry High School gymnasium.

There were 19 graduates attending the service that evening

with a total of 26 graduating from the program.

The event was held attendees adhering to socially distanced guidelines due to the COVID-19 Pandemic.

The graduation had many of the same features as the High School Graduation, but on a

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## Council Approves Wastewater Services Agreement With Derry

JOHN SEIDENBERG  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Londonderry Town Council has approved an Inter-Municipal Agreement between the towns of Derry and Londonderry for wastewater services. The vote was 5-0 at the council's Feb. 1 meeting.

Council Chairman John Farrell and Town Manager Kevin Smith will sign the new agreement on behalf of Londonderry.

The IMA pertains to the area in the vicinity of Exit 4 where the sanitary flow from Londonderry goes to Derry, said Assistant Public Works Director John Trottier. Currently about 125,000 gal-

lons daily flow from Londonderry to Derry which has a wastewater treatment plant with a capacity of 4 million gallons a day.

The current agreement was signed in 1981 and provided for a flow of 200,000 gallons a day allocated for Londonderry. Subsequent changes to the IMA allowed for an additional 129,600 gallons per day though the town never reached that point and therefore has never paid for it, Trottier said.

The current IMA, which set payment and renewal terms, includes a calculation that if used today would result in a daily cost of \$10.69 per gallon for purchasing

additional capacity from Derry.

Discussions between both towns resulted in a decision to revise and update the existing IMA to increase the flow limits and simplify purchasing additional flow. In the negotiations Londonderry asked for more flow than it was given, Smith said.

Terms of the new IMA allocate 500,000 gallons per day as an average daily flow based on Derry's capacity needs, Trottier told the council. "That's their system, that's their plant, they have no other place to go."

The new agreement has a provision that after that amount Lon-

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## Conservation Commission Grapples With Improper Material Storage

JOHN SEIDENBERG  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

Members of the Londonderry Conservation Commission questioned the operational practices of a company cited for previous storage violations at its recent meeting.

CSI, a supplier of concrete structures on Independence Drive, and was found to have too much commercial material stored on its site as well as on the abutting property.

Some commissioners at their Jan. 26 meeting wondered if the town

may have been too lenient in its prior response to the violations. Member Mike Byerly said this had been an "egregious case" with materials stored all over, including on the roadway and in a conservation area.

Commission Chair Marge Badois termed the company a "repeat offender" for past encroachment on its boundary and favored having a durable fence around the boundary to prevent placement of materials on conservation easement land.

Member Mike Speltz

urged the removal of gravel on the land, a return to native soil, and favored having trees in the reclaimed area.

Member Susan Malouin, while noting a backlog in removing concrete tunnels due to covid, pointed out that 2019

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# Heritage Commission Discusses Applications for Design Review

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The Londonderry Heritage Commission met for their monthly meeting on Thursday, Jan. 18, and the first order of business was the discussion of applications for design review for plans in the town.

One application put forward was the construction of an elderly housing development with 45 townhouses and site improvements. It will be located by 8 Gilcreast Road and is currently owned by Property Possible, Inc, but the application was placed by N.H. Sustainable Communities, LLC.

Wetlands and soil scientist Chris Guida of Fieldstone Land Consultants, PLLC presented the potential new project to the Heritage Commission. The main concern of the Commission was the lighting for the development's sign. They are worried that having up-lighting on the sign will be distracting

for local residents as it would light up the whole sky.

Associate planner Laura Gandia was asked about the sign being part of the recommendations sent to the Planning Board.

"He can't have up-lighting on this sign," said Gandia. "The size of this is larger than what's allowed, I believe. I think you should look at more of the design for it. If you like the design, then I would just add in your notes that it needs to conform to all of the town's regulations for size and lighting."

The Heritage Commission decided that they have no further comments to make on the application for design review until the sign meets Londonderry's requirements in terms of size and lighting.

The other application placed for design review was a site plan amendment for outdoor storage and changes to the parking layout on 15 Independence Drive.

George Chadwick of Bedford Design Consultants, Inc. presented the project to the Heritage Commission. He is representing CSI Shelter Technologies which is a manufacturer of heavy and large equipment like sheds or concrete vaults.

"In this instance what they're building is parts to a tunnel," said Chadwick. "The tunnel will be in New York and another job in Connecticut... Because of delays in the construction of the tunnel in New York, [CSI] still had to meet a certain schedule. So, they were still producing these tunnel parts."

CSI was hired to build parts of a tunnel that will go from New York to Connecticut but because they can't ship the parts off, they have been forced to store these large objects on their own lot as well as in the road on Independence Drive which is blocking the right of way.

The company ended up receiving a letter from the town telling them that they have to clear up the road and submit a site plan.

CSI has been working hard at moving the tunnel parts to safer locations and the Heritage Commission approved the new site plan but advised Chadwick to speak with the Planning Board on the lighting for the lot.

The next order of business were the staff reports. The first report was about the application for design review of a consolidation and subdivision of two lots into three for Five Greeley Road and Nine Greeley Road. The owners essentially want to combine the lots and then split them up into three new lots. The commission accepted the application with no comments.

The second report was about an application for a condominium conversion at Two Button Drive. The site is already built but the owner just wants to convert ownership from duplexes to 14 condominium units. The commission accepted the owner's application to convert the ownership of the building.

The rest of the meeting was spent discussing an Eagle Scout project

involving the Londonderry Town Common. The project would be a mapping to scale that would identify the structures and features of the

Londonderry Common. The commission was ecstatic about the project and Vice Chairman Arthur Rugg is working on the next steps for it.

## OBITUARY

Robert P. Lowe Jr.



Robert P. Lowe Jr., 84, of Londonderry, NH, formally of Gilford ME, passed away peacefully on Sunday Jan. 24, 2021, after a brief illness at the Community Hospice House in Merrimack NH. The oldest of seven children, Robert was born in Lowell, MA on May 1, 1936. He was the son of the late Robert Sr. and Sarah (Breault) Lowe.

Robert was the owner of RLowe Signs and took great pride in his custom sign work. He loved going on drives, especially to Moosehead Lake in Maine. He was an avid football fan. You could catch him on any given Saturday and Sunday watching his two favorite teams play, the New England Patriots and Notre Dame. Robert was known for his quick wit and humor and would always make people laugh. The glance he gave when he knew someone was joking with him, is something his family will never forget. He also loved to tease his grandchildren and great grandchildren. He had a great love and had extreme pride when it came to his family.

He is survived by his loving wife of 64 years, Doris (Brooks) Lowe; His sons, Robert P. Lowe, III (Helen) of Belmont ME, Michael Lowe (Patricia) of Belmont ME, Kevin Lowe (Anne) of Londonderry NH, and Scott Lowe of Lowell MA; three daughters, Cathleen Carter of Orange City FL, Maureen Doucet (Stephan) of Londonderry NH, Colleen Hayden (Thomas) of Corrina ME, and his son in law Bruce Abbott of Dracut MA. His grandsons; Benjamin Lowe of Nashua NH, Brian Lowe of Belmont ME, Kevin, Sean and Ryan Lowe of Londonderry NH, Timothy and Lucas Hayden of Maine and Kurtis Tanguay of Londonderry NH. His granddaughters Katherine Loromeke of Lowell Ma, Katie Lucero of Bagdad, FL, Jamie Lavalley of Hudson NH, Erin Ketchum of Newport ME, Tabatha, and Tiffany Lowe of Belmont ME, Kerry Jimenez of Londonderry NH, and Kendra Jussaume of Dracut Ma, and 21 great grandchildren. His siblings; Sheila (William) Sullivan, and Barbara Bovill, of Chelmsford Ma, Norman (Jackie) Lowe of Lowell Ma, and Ronald Lowe of Hudson NH, as well as many nieces and nephews. He was preceded by his two children, Jacqueleen Abbott and Joseph R. Lowe, his sisters Sally Ratte and Roberta Mullin, his sister and brother-in-law Dianne Lowe and Thomas Bovill and his niece and nephew McKenzie Lowe and Russell Bovill.

Family would like to thank the Rockingham VNA and Hospice and The Hospice House in Merrimack NH for the exceptional care they gave Robert these last few weeks.

A walk-through wake was held on Friday, Jan. 29, in the Peabody Funeral Homes & Crematorium. Funeral services will be held privately for the family. The burial will take place in the spring in Pillsbury Cemetery, Hovey Rd., Londonderry. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the VNA of Manchester and Southern NH1070 Holt Ave, Suite 1400 Manchester NH 03109 or to Rockingham Nutrition & Meals on Wheels, 106 North Rd., Brentwood, NH 03833.

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## Cons Com

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satellite images shown to the commission revealed the facility "bursting at the seams" with encroachment occurring even before the pandemic.

The encroachment goes back to at least 2018, said George Chadwick, a senior project manager with Bedford Design Consultants whose firm represents CSI. He appeared before the com-

mission at the meeting.

Referencing some of the history, Chadwick said in 1998, before he was there, Bedford Design had a site plan conditionally approved for the facility with some conditions. However, all the conditions were not fulfilled and the town of Londonderry never had a site plan on file, he noted.

The firm was hired to get an approved site plan for the town for requested allowable storage of materials and to curtail the

amount of storage on the lot. It also conducted an existing conditions survey of the site.

Some material that was pulled into wetlands has since been removed. Chadwick said CSI has shipped some material to Connecticut and New York for construction though it has no other location in New Hampshire for storage.

The materials removed from Independence Drive were done as part of code enforcement.

The company also increased its building size since 1992 and was in the buffer without having an approved occupancy permit. The state can impose a fine for violations in a wetland.

Chadwick told the commission he doesn't know the future of CIS and acknowledged the owners had taken improper actions before on the property regarding where materials were stored. He said no more manufacturing is taking place in the facility and reiterated that materials are being hauled away from the site.

GIS Manager/Comprehensive Planner Amy Kizak said the company must show progress on a resolution of the storage issue as part of the

enforcement process.

Speltz expressed concern over being asked to approve a new site plan that paves part of the buffer though the commission could recommend that provision be taken out. He noted if the pavement was removed, CSI would lose access around the building.

Byerly would favor a conditional use permit, and said the business has had the financial advantage over the years of storing materials where they didn't

belong instead of leasing land elsewhere for that purpose.

Speltz added a conditional use permit can't be for only a limited number of uses.

In their comments, the commission members recommended a fence along the north-west boundary, removing compacted gravel, planting trees in the reclaimed area, and inquiring whether a conditional use permit should be required.

Malouin asked Chad-

wick, regarding the previous encroachment in the conservation easement, if the area on CIS property would be reseeded and not used for further storage. He answered affirmatively for both instances.

A new site plan should require signage designating the buffer boundary, Speltz said.

CSI wants the sand and gravel enclosure to remain despite it sitting entirely in the buffer. The commission recommended that it be moved.

## OBITUARY

Richard S. Brideau



Richard S. Brideau, 66, of Londonderry, NH, died Wednesday Jan. 27, 2021 in his home. He was born in Bridgeport, CT on Aug. 30, 1954, the son of the late Stanley Brideau and Marjorie (Mauzerall) Brideau. He moved with his wife Ellen of 37 years to Londonderry in 1996 to raise their beautiful daughters, formerly living in Fairfield CT and Old Tappan NJ. He received his Bachelors degree from Franklin Pierce College in 1978. Rick had been employed by the Town of Londonderry for over 20 years in the Assessing Department, before retiring from his position of Assessor in Nov. 2020. Rick was a member of the Town's Planning Board for 15 years and served on the CIP Committee. He was proud to serve the Town he made his home and enjoyed the company of his wonderful co-workers. Rick was a member of the Londonderry Lions volunteering at their annual events. Rick was active in the assessing community serving as President in 2015 to the New Hampshire Association of Assessing Officials. Rick will be remembered by many as a lifelong NY Yankee fan who made friends wherever he went.

He is survived by his loving wife, Ellen (Nester) Brideau of Londonderry; two daughters, Megan Lea Foster, and Elizabeth Ann Brideau both of Londonderry; his grandson Logan Richard Foster; as well as his sister, Sharlene and her husband James McDonald of Trumbull, CT. He is also survived by his mother in law Barbara Perry of Waterford, CT; father in law Cletis and Donna Nester of Conway, SC; father in law Richard and Nancy Provencher of Pueblo West, CO; sister in law Robin and her husband Tim O'Loughlin of Waterford, CT; brother in law Colin and Heather Provencher of Palmyra VA; brother in law Rick and Adriana Provencher of Groton CT; cherished Aunt Lena Losier of Tracadie, Canada; nephew Greg and Trisha McDonald, niece Lori and Wesley Ogorzalek, niece Caitlyn O'Loughlin, nephew Shawn O'Loughlin, nephew Perry Provencher, nieces Talia and Skylar Provencher, nephew Felipe Provencher and many beloved cousins and great nieces and nephews.

A walk-through wake was held on Sunday, January 31st from 2 - 4pm in the Peabody Funeral Homes and Crematorium. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated on Monday, Feb. 1 in St. Mark The Evangelist Parish. The burial will be in the Holy Cross Cemetery, Gilcreast Road, Londonderry. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Londonderry Lions or St. Jude's Food Pantry in Londonderry.

## Musquash Field Day Changes This Year

While the COVID virus has forced the Londonderry Conservation Commission to forego the annual Musquash Field Day cookout, that shouldn't stop residents from enjoying some winter fun on the trails.

In order to respect social distancing, the Conservation Commission is hosting three winter trail hikes beginning at 10 a.m. on Saturday, Feb. 13.

Hike #1 will take place at the Kendall Pond Conservation Area. This will be a low impact hike along Beaver Brook on a nice wide trail, approximate-

ly 1.5 miles total. A return loop option is available at the half-way point.

Hike #2 will begin at the Faucher Road entrance to the Musquash Conservation Area. This hike will be approximately three miles along the White Trail, Blue Trail passing by Dunstable Rock, Betty Mack Trail and the Ravine Trail involving some terrain and narrow trails. Beaver and the rabbit habitats will be discussed along the route.

Hike #3 will begin at the Preserve Drive entrance to the Musquash. The hike will be approximately 1.75

miles along the Mathes Trail and Heron Trail, to the Heron Rookery to learn a little about the herons that nest in the area. The trails are wide and average difficulty.

Each hike will be limited to 20 participants in order to comply with social distancing. Registration is required in order to reserve your spot. On-line registration is available at <https://rb.gy/eajrbs> or call Marge at 770-4690.

Organizers suggest that participants dress warm and bring traction gear if it's icy or snowshoes if we've had big snow. They also ask for folks to bring water and snacks for themselves.

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# Editorial

## Your Town Needs You & You Need Your Town

Is the town where you live important to you? Did you grow up in the town or did you move here? Either way, you made a choice based on the quality of life issues that matter to you. Yet, without your involvement the things that you like about your town can subtly—even dramatically—change. Every town needs civic minded individuals to step up, speak up, and serve to keep a town vibrant, i.e. sustain the town's core values of the community and environment while embracing those modernization improvements that will best serve the inevitable changes in the town's demographics and its population needs. When residents are not informed and allow elected officials and key top town managers to do what they think best with out conversations and involvement in the decision making processes and serving on boards and committees, then a town can easily lose its identity and become a cookie cutter municipality controlled by an elite group.

The least most of us can do is be an "informed" voter. Know whom you are voting into office and keeping into elected office. Do your research talking to the officials, asking questions through your local newspaper, talking with neighbors, reviewing online. I have found most people do not even

remember who they voted for and who are in office. Do you know who is on the school board, how many children are in school, what the school budget is, how it compares to other towns of like size, how the school ranks in the state? Do you know who serves on the town council, town budget committee, zoning board, and who is the town manager and what his interests and goals are for the town? If you want to be an informed voter, this newspaper can help you.

The next most important thing we can do is to participate and to serve. Attending and participating town and committee meetings is essential to ensure the Town make sound decision for all its people. Also, if you have a few hours once a month you can give to serving your community, again do a little research with the help of the town clerk and your local newspaper to learn what you might do to help your community remain vibrant.

Lastly, but as importantly, you can run for elected office. Give twenty hours plus a month to the town. Allow other long-term sitting elected officials to serve in other ways including to move on to other important positions.

Your involvement in your community at whatever level will make a huge difference.

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# Letters

## Thank You School Finance Staff

To the editor,

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

Recently, the school district completed it's annual audit and received an "unmodified" opinion. This means that the financial records are accurate and comply with all accounting and regulatory requirements. For a district with a \$78 million dollar budget, earning this "unmodified" designation is an accomplishment, and speaks to the professionalism and fidelity of all of our finance staff at Londonderry School District.

On a daily basis, our finance staff monitor our accounts and overall budget. They are dedicated, hard workers who are dependable agents of the public money for which they are responsible. The work is not glamorous, and all too often not acknowledged. Thank you to Peter, Lisa and all of the finance staff at the school district for your hard work.

Amy Finmore  
Londonderry

## Running for Council

To the editor,

My name is Ron Dunn and this letter is to officially announce my candidacy for Town Council and to ask for your help. I am running in this election because I believe that I can be a strong representative for this community. I am starting

my campaign by reaching out to you, my community, to ask for your support.

A little about me; I am 48, I'm a Retail Store Manager and a certified Pharmacy Technician Immuniizer (I give COVID-19 vaccinations) and I have a BS in Business Administration from the University of New Hampshire. My loving wife is Cara and we have 3 wonderful dogs, a German Shepherd named Slate, a Great Dane named Moose and a Bulldog named Tank.

I grew up in NH and lived here for the first 21 years of my life. Then I moved to Boston for work. I met the love of my life, my wife Cara. After many years of city life, my wife and I decided that we wanted to move back to NH for a better lifestyle and community. We returned to NH in 2013 and have lived in Londonderry ever since.

COVID-19 has hit our community hard causing economic instability. As a tax paying citizen, I know the importance of keeping the property tax low. Many in our community are struggling and having a large tax bill only adds to the pain. We must reduce spending to reduce the tax burden.

The PFAS issue has personally affected myself and my family. We are one of the many households that are on bottled water. Unfortunately, many still are not aware of this serious health issue. In speaking with other residents, not enough of our community is aware of the PFAS issue and how it impacts

their health. This issue is finally being addressed after much delay, but it is important for the entire community to be aware of the issue. I will bring new fresh ideas to the council and will ensure that the entire community knows about the important issues that affect their health and economic situation.

I know COVID-19 makes this challenging, but I look forward to meeting many more people in our community to get firsthand experiences of issues that affect us that we can work to solve.

Thank you for taking the time to read this letter. We appreciate your time and support.

Let's Get It "Dunn" Together!

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## Running for School Board

To the editor,

My name is Sara Loughlin and I am running for a seat on the Londonderry School Board. I am running because I am passionate about education and the success of our children.

Public education has been my life for the past 16 years, both as a teacher and currently as a school administrator. I work with teachers, students, and parents daily, all of which come from diverse backgrounds. I am passionate about the equity of all learners, and I take an

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# Graduation

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much smaller scale.

The LHS Music Director, Serge Beaulieu and a small group of the band members help with the Procession by playing Pomp and Circumstance to usher in the grads to start the evening. Administrative Assistant Rebecca Mitchell was the Graduation Marshall leading student in.

The Pledge of Allegiance was performed by LHS Principal Jason Parent and the Welcoming remarks came from the Adult Education Director Crystal Rich.

Rich thanked all of the family members that supported the graduates and helped them to

achieve their diplomas.

She asked the graduates to face the audience and applaud their efforts.

Rich acknowledged the perseverance, strength and dedication in took for the graduses.

She presented each student with a children's book, "You're Here for a Reason" written by Nancy Tillman. She said her favorite part of the book stated that good things happen even when it seems impossible.

Congratulatory Remarks were given by Superintendent Scott Laliberte and School Board Chairperson Michael Saucier.

Speaking via a prerecorded video was longtime Adult Education Teacher, Corrine Mur-



At left, graduate Yasmin Lazaro was the Student Speaker. At right, graduates face the audience after turning their tassels to end last week's LHS Adult Ed Graduation. Photos by Chris Paul



phy, who was unable to attend due to medical issues.

She stated by saying how grateful she was to speak at the ceremony.

She has been a member of the LHS staff for the past 15 years, and her proudest moments were teaching adult ed.

Murphy also talked about the importance of family support in getting the students to this point. She stated, "The choices we make and how we react to things is

huge."

"This diploma is all about you and what you've done, but you always have your people there."

Graduate Yasmin Lazaro who is only 16-years old, was the Student Speaker and she addressed the crowd by thanking many of the teachers for their help with mentoring her.

She told those watching that her parents were not able to attend the ceremony due to the

immigration laws but three students with knew that they were supporting her from afar.

She urged every student now and in the future to respect the teachers that give their time to help educate them.

The Class Song was performed by LHS seniors Chloe Ferraro and Andrew Johnson.

Adult Education School Councilor, Kate Sherwood presented

The presentation of Diplomas was done with each student marking on stage and helping themselves to the diploma that was placed on a table.

Crystal Rich finished things off by directing the students to move the tassels on their caps to signify their graduation.

## OBITUARY

### Major Albert W. Sheldon



Major Albert Willie "Bill" Sheldon, 81, of Londonderry died peacefully at his home on Jan. 18, 2021.

The son of pre-deceased Charlie and Thelma Sheldon of Cherry Creek NY. One of five sons, Two pre-deceased and two surviving. He was a graduate of Pine Valley Central School in South Dayton, NY in 1957. After high school he served in the United States Marine Corps from 1957 to 1983. Working his way through the ranks from Private to Major, with tours in Vietnam, Japan, Europe and the US. After retiring from the military, he worked for ADAP, Sanel Auto Parts, Bay State Floral Supply and A J Carbone Floral Supply Co. which he finally retired from in 2018.

He is survived by his wife of 58 years, Hazel Sheldon and 4 children, Tammy and James Dutton, William Sheldon, Cindy and Ray Landry, Melissa and Emily Sheldon. Also surviving are 7 Grandchildren and 1 Great-Grandchild.

Services will be held for family only, at the NH State Veterans Cemetery in Boscawen NH.

In lieu of flowers, the family wishes donations to be made to The Wounded Warrior Project.

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# Town Manager Rebukes Newspaper Editorial at Town Council

JOHN SEIDENBERG  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

**L**ondonderry Town Manager Kevin Smith took strong issue with an editorial in last week's Londonderry Times, accusing the newspaper of "inflammatory characterizations" about town employees that he termed entirely unwarranted.

Speaking at the Feb. 1 Londonderry Town Council meeting, he noted that Deb Paul, the paper's owner and publisher, is also a member of the council. In that capacity, Smith said, she "is essentially one of their bosses."

The approximately 200 town employees expect they will sometimes receive "constructive criticism." But he faulted the editorial for insinuating those who work for the town are unresponsive to concerns of residents and offer them excuses for inaction.

"It's just a gross and false distortion of the great work the employees do day in and day

out to meet the needs of the residents who we come into contact with every day."

Smith said the editorial's description of employees as "behaving like spoiled children with platinum credit cards" amounted to bullying.

In addition, since Paul's election to the council, the numerous times she's contacted town staff – whether it was the police, planning or finance departments, assessing office, or the town manager – her inquiries were consistently met with a timely response and often with follow-ups, he added.

Smith further objected to the editorial's implication that the employees should not receive pay raises or health benefits. "But it fails to point out that most of the employees fall under fairly bargained for negotiated contracts which were approved by previous town councils as well as the taxpayers."

Another inaccuracy, he said, was the claim that taxes have increased each year. Rather, the town tax rate has fallen three times in the past seven years "during non-revaluation years."

During the ongoing pandemic of the past year, town employees had no days off. Smith commended the first responders, DPW workers, town clerks on the front line, and everyone at the town hall.

Paul responded to Smith that her editorial "wasn't based towards Londonderry totally" and regretted he drew that conclusion. The newspaper covers five towns and the editorial pointed to issues in another town which when asked she subse-

quently identified as Hampstead.

"I'm a strong believer that if you're not guilty of something you shouldn't take it that it's toward you," she told Smith. Paul said she wished the town manager had called her to discuss his disagreements with the editorial.

Because she couldn't write five separate editorials she "kind of spoke in generalities. I'm sorry it hit a vein for you but it wasn't geared towards you or Londonderry." The same editorial appears in all her papers.

She acknowledged "tax rates" might not have been the words to use in what she wrote but that the amount citizens pay on their tax bill every year does increase in

some fashion. "The rate may not, it may stay the same but the tax dollar amount that I pay...does go on a constant move upwards" each year.

That was the point of the editorial, Paul said, which she believes was accurate.

Citizens expect someone who holds an office to be held to a higher standard, Smith emphasized. "Everyone needs to try to achieve that level," he said. "What I do want to make sure is that the residents of the town get a clear picture of what's going on."

Fellow council member Jim Butler had more pointed words for Paul saying her being the publisher and a town council member posed "a definite conflict of

interest." Others think that too, he added.

"You should have been sensitive enough to qualify that statement" that the reference was to Hampstead, Butler said to her. "I haven't heard any complaints [from town residents] the way Ms. Paul says that we have complaints."

She told him she has received such calls. He then accused her of using her paper "as a platform and it's a disgrace."

Paul replied that Butler was welcome any time to have his opinion published in the paper. He said his preference was to express his views publicly at the council. "I hope the town employees know...that's not the way this council feels" about their work.

## Arrest Made After Suspicious Vehicle Report

According to a Press release provided by the Londonderry Police Department, on Tuesday, Jan. 26, at approximately 11:20 p.m., Londonderry Police Officers responded to the area of Yellowstone Drive after a report of a suspicious vehicle on the side of the road.

The reporting party, who was a concerned resident of that area, stated that the vehicle was a grey Toyota SUV.

Arriving on the scene, officers located a grey Toyota Rav4 parked on the side of Yellowstone Drive near the intersection of Teton Drive.

Officers approached the vehicle and found it to be occupied solely by a female, who was in the driver's seat. The occupant was identified as Shauna Gionet, 28 of Manchester.

Upon identifying the female subject, officers learned that Gionet had a suspended license and registrations, three Electronic Bench Warrants, and an active arrest warrant out of Manchester, NH. Officers also learned



Shauna Gionet

that the Toyota Rav4 that Gionet was in had been reported stolen out of Manchester on Jan. 17, 2021.

Gionet was placed under arrest and upon a search of her person, the report indicates that officers found drug para-

phernalia and several packets of Suboxone, a controlled drug. Suboxone (buprenorphine/naloxone) is a brand-name prescription drug and is used to treat dependence on opioid drugs

Gionet was booked and released on \$1,500 Personal Recognizance bail. She was transferred to Manchester Police for booking on their charges.

Charges in Londonderry: Receiving Stolen Property (Felony A), Possession of a Controlled Drug (Felony B), and Driving After Suspension (Misdemeanor A)

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# Londonderry Arts Council to Host Annual Arts Café Online

The Londonderry Arts Council has announced a web-based exhibit, showcasing artists and musicians with Londonderry connections will be taking place throughout February.

The Londonderry Arts Council invites everyone to take a break from the Winter doldrums to enjoy Art and Music through a month-long Web based exhibition that can be accessed at [https://londonderryartscouncil.org/arts-](https://londonderryartscouncil.org/arts-cafe-2021)

cafe-2021.

In past years, the groups "typical" Arts Café has been a winter's day-long event held at a local venue filled with fine art, crafts and music by area artists, artisans, and acoustic musicians. This year's seventh annual Arts Café will have a much different look due to COVID restrictions, so the Arts Café will be hosted virtually.

Arts Council Treasurer, Karen Giguere, did not want to miss out on

bringing art and music to the community in some fashion this winter and looked for a creative way to make that happen.

According to Karen, "I've enjoy putting together the Arts Café show each February and wanted to come up with an idea for this year's event. With help from many Arts Council members - and a special thanks to Stephen Lee for preparing the "Arts Cafe 2021" Web page - we are able to continue

this tradition even with COVID. We hope people will enjoy exploring the page and consider making purchases to support the artists and musicians."

To enjoy this experience, visit <https://londonderryartscouncil.org/arts-cafe-2021>

Scroll through the site to discover talented artists and musicians. Then click on the links to their websites to learn about their art and musical accomplishments. You will be also able to

make purchases to help support and encourage our local art community.

Featured artists this year are Susan E. Hanna, Maureen Rose, Karyn Dickson, Virginia Demers, Inberg Seaboyer, Barbara Scott and Kuchuan Hsiao.

While musicians normally perform live at the Arts Café, that can't happen this year. Instead, arrangements have been made to stream several previously recorded performances by musicians who were featured dur-

ing last summer's UnCommon Concerts on the Common series. This video can be accessed via YouTube here: [www.youtube.com/watch?v=QzBDWYzX0bU&feature=youtu.be](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QzBDWYzX0bU&feature=youtu.be)

Featured musicians are Greg Descoteaux and Dan Sirois (The Last Duo), Danielle Lussier, Derek and Heather Trenholm (Girl Meets Boy).

For more information contact Larry Casey: 603-867-3077 - [larrycaseynh@gmail.com](mailto:larrycaseynh@gmail.com)

## Wastewater

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Londonderry can petition Derry for additional flow. Wastewater strengths have been increased proportionally to the flow.

The new IMA contains conditions that are the same as in the present

agreement. Among those are having an industrial pre-treatment program and a sewer ordinance that is now in place.

Limits again are set for pollutants, Trottier said. The town of Londonderry is considered the user and the agreement's term is 15 years with 5-year automatic

renewals.

As to the new IMA's costs, the town of Londonderry will be billed a quarterly user charge at the same rate as any other Derry user for its actual flow. Starting in July 2021, Londonderry will be charged annually for 25,000 gallons a day in addition. That cost per

gallon at the time of payment will be applied to the 25,000 gallons per day.

The current rate is \$3.40 per gallon. This year Londonderry anticipates an invoice from Derry of around \$85,000.

The IMA also sets a schedule for capacity purchases. From 2021 to 2032, the town will have purchased an additional 300,000 gallons a day bringing Londonderry's total allocated flow to 500,000 gallons per day.

Over time the town will be purchasing more capacity, Trottier told the council.

The additional cost comes from an enterprise fund that handles sewer bills and not from the general fund, said Environmental Engineer Bob Kerry. The entirety

of that added expense will be funded by septic system users and new connections.

User charges for the time being are expected to remain the same as the rates now in place. A slight increase might occur in a few years.

After the formal adoption with Derry, Londonderry will present a revised facilities plan for its sewer system, Smith said. Any revised costs would be part of that plan.

The division between Derry and Manchester as to the volume of flow is considerably different. Londonderry sends about 1.5 million gallons a day to Manchester and about 125,000 gallons to Derry, Kerry noted. "Manchester will always

be taking more flow than Derry would [in] just the way the sewers are and where the buildups are."

In rates per gallon, Derry is generally more expensive for the quarterly user rate than is Manchester which has a more advanced technology.

Londonderry's wastewater services IMA with Manchester was updated in 2012. It can be opened every 5 years if issues arise.

In other action, the council also approved Order 2021-04 for an expenditure of \$1350 from the Maintenance Trust Fund for projects at the senior center and at the town hall, fire and police departments, library, Morrison House Museum, and the Access Center.

## Letters

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interest in extracurricular activities and providing opportunities for our children to grow and express themselves.

I have lived in Londonderry for 35 years. I have children in the schools and my goal will be to ensure every student has access to the same high-quality education no matter the grade level or the educa-

tional need. I currently serve on the Londonderry Basketball Club (LBC) board as secretary and the Londonderry Athletic Field Association (LAFA) board as tournament director. I have been involved in youth coaching for 15 years where I have met many parents and students from our community.

I have a master's degree in education and am currently taking advanced graduate

courses in athletic administration. I am a lifelong learner and will continue to devote my time to our community.

I would love to hear from you, whether it be questions or concerns. Please feel free to send me an email at [scloughlin@gmail.com](mailto:scloughlin@gmail.com) or visit my Facebook page. Thank you for considering me for your vote on March 9th.

Sara Loughlin  
Londonderry

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# LONDONDERRY SPORTS

## Lancer Girls Hoops Team Bounces Back with Wins Against Salem

CHRIS PAUL  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

After two tough losses at the hands of the reigning state champion Bishop Guertin Cardinals, the Londonderry High School Girls Varsity Basketball squad rebounded quite nicely, with two wins over the Salem High School Blue Devils (0-3), one in dramatic fashion.

The Lady Lancers are now just a game under

the .500 mark, at 2-3, with wins at home and away against Salem.

In the first game, in Londonderry on Tuesday, Jan. 26, the Lady Lancers won 40-38 over Salem for their first victory of the COVID-19 shortened season. The Lancers outscored the Blue Devils in three of the four quarters for the win, but with a dismal two-point start in the first period, Salem lead most of the game.

The Londonderry team managed to close the gap by tying the score at the end of the third quarter.

The game ended in exciting fashion, with six second left in game, Ashley Rourke missed a three, but crashed the board and ripped the ball from a Salem player, ball flew into the air and Kylee McGurn caught it, then flipped up a shot near the hoop with .2 sec left on the clock, the

ball went in for the two-point LHS win.

The Lady Lancer's leading scorers were: Sophomore Jordan Furlong with 11; senior Ashley Schmitt with eight; and senior Ashley Rourke with seven.

Furlong scored all of her points in second half.

The next game against Salem wasn't quite as close, and the Lady Lancers enjoyed a 43-34 win for their second win of the season.

Ashley Rourke and Olivia Chau were the team leaders in points with 13 points. Kylee McGurn and Jordan Furlong both contributed seven.

According to Lady Lancer head coach, Nick Theos, "It was a very strange game, we took a large lead out the gate getting steals and fast break points of our press and taking a 19-5 lead after one quarter. Then it flipped and Salem presses and turned us over in the second and cut the LHS lead to two going into the second half."

For the second half Theos said, "We finally



Sophomore Jordan Furlong was the Lady Lancers leading scorers last Tuesday. Photo by Chris Paul

balanced the game out, and slowed things down. We regained the lead thanks to a McGurn's three and a pair of baskets from Ashley Rourke. Once we got the lead back up to 10, we started bleeding the clock and Olivia Chau had jump shot and a pair of foul shots down the stretch to keep the game out of reach."

Theos added, "This was a good team win, but there's a lot of room for improvement. I know the girls will continue to work hard and get better."

The Lady Lancers were scheduled to play Nashua North (0-2) on Tuesday, Feb. 2, in Nashua and again on Thursday, Feb. 4 at home.



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# Londonderry Basketball Wins Two Against Blue Devils

CHRIS PAUL  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Londonderry High School Boys Hoops Team won two consecutive games against the Salem Blue Devils to bump its season record up over the .500 mark to 3-2.

Coming off two tough losses at the hands of the Bishop Guertin Cardinals, last week's wins against Salem at home and away were just what the team needed.

In the first game, which took place on the road at Salem High School the LHS squad



LHS freshman,  
Tyler Brown

walked away with a fairly easy 63-54.

In that nine-point victory, the Lancer team scored 15-points to start in the first quarter followed by 20-points in the second.

Production dropped a bit in the third, with only 10-points tallied, the team finished with a strong 18-points in the fourth for the win.

Senior star guard, Jackson Cox, once again lead the team in scoring with 19-points. Kevin Rouke and Tyler Miles both added six-points in the win, with Tyler

Brown contributing five-points. Manny Waters had three, while Brian Gould, Wil Reyes, Zach Fawcett and Aiden Warren all had two-points in the game.

The second meeting between the two teams took place at home on Friday night, Jan 29, and wasn't nearly as close as the first contest.

The Lancer boys outscored their opponent in each of the four quarters and came away with a commanding 30-point, 76-46 victory.

The game started out rather even through the first period of play, finishing 13-12, but as things progressed, the Lancers lead became insurmountable.

After the first half, LHS outscored Salem 36-25, and in the second half, there was a 40-21 scoring difference.

Cox had another massive game, with 29 total points and Brown added 14 to the total.

Other contributors were Fawcett with seven; Rouke with 6;



Lancer freshman Tyler Miles is making his presences known under the hoop for the LHS Basketball team this season. Photos by Chris Paul

Miles and Mike Rosatano had four each; Reyes and Warren got three; and Gould, Nick Pao and Tyler Murray had two points each.

The Lancer boys were scheduled to play

two games against the Nashua North Titans (2-1) this week. On Tuesday night, Feb. 2, at home and the other on the road on Thursday, Feb. 4.

## Lancer Hockey Squad Suffers Two Losses Against Blue Devils

CHRIS PAUL  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Londonderry High School varsity Hockey team is still looking to put a notch in the win column after two weeks of play in a season of COVID-19 uncertainty.

The Lancer squad had two games against the Salem High School Blue Devils last week and although the game was extremely close, and went into an overtime period, it resulted in the third loss of the season for LHS, with a 3-2 final score.

The game was played on the Lancers home ice at the Tri-Town Arena in Hoosett and also served as the team's Senior Night, where team seniors Connor Paiton, Zac Rheault and Ethan Cohen were all recognized for their achievements.

In the second meeting between the two teams, at the IceCenter in Salem, on Saturday, Jan. 11, the outcome wasn't nearly as close.

Sophomore Sam Neville scored the only goal in the 5-1 loss.

The team will now

have to wait a week to see if they can get their first win against rival Pinkerton Academy. Provided that PA restarts its season after the two-week shutdown.

The Lancers were scheduled to play Bedford High School in a pair of games this week, but both were postponed.

As of press time, the meetings with the Astros were scheduled to take place on Wednesday, Feb. 10, and Thursday, Feb. 11 provided the school resumes its winter sports season.

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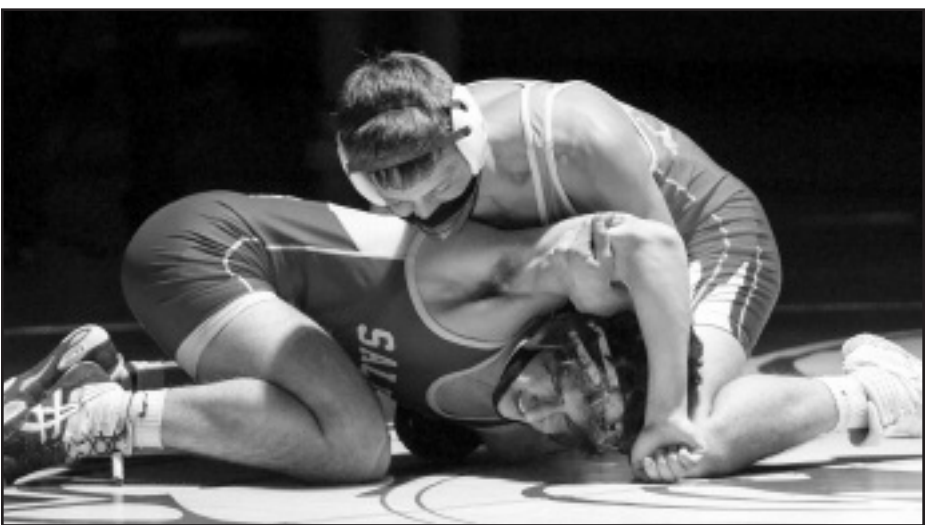
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# Londonderry Wrestling Squad Gets Season Underway

CHRIS PAUL  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

After a somewhat extended off season, due to the fact that the COVID-19 Pandemic had schools closed over the month of December, and a number of meet cancellations, the Londonderry High School Wrestling team final got its season started last Wednesday, Jan. 27, in Salem on the Blue Devil's home mats. Unfortunately for the Lancer squad, the outcome was far less than they hoped for, taking a 60-18 Dual Meet loss. Right from the start, LHS was down 12 points due to that fact that three of their weights were unable to be filled

to Salem's one weight, the 113 weight class was forfeited by both schools. In the other weight classes, Londonderry was only able to capitalize on three of the 12 weights. Three Lancer seniors were able to get pins for their team in this Dual Meet. Dylan Barnes pinned Michael Williams at the 160 lbs weight class for the first six points of the season. Johnny McKinnon (170 lbs.) followed with six more points in the next match with a pin over Joseph Colecchia. The final LHS points were scored by Josh Bean, 195 lbs., over Trevor Darisse. Things were a bit tighter for Londonderry when they traveled to Nashua for their second meet of the season against Bishop Guertin on Saturday, Jan. 30. The following Dual Meet, against the Cardinals, finished with a 48-30 Londonderry loss. Once again the Lancers gave up 12-points due to two weight forfeits. Sophomore Nicolas D'Alessandro had a pin over BG's Avery Gallagher at 120 lbs. Junior Kaden Stone followed with a pin at 126 lbs. Fellow junior, Evan Madigan, won by fall at 132 lbs. Lancer senior Aiden



Lancer senior Dylan Barnes pinned Michael Williams at the 160 lbs weight for the first six points of the season. Photo by Christine O'Loughlin

O'Loughlin (145 lbs.) got a fall over BG's Benjamin Stawasz for six team points. Senior Josh Bean tacked on the final six points of the night for the Lancers with a pin at 195 lbs. The team was scheduled for a Dual Meet against Concord High School on Wednesday, Feb. 3, but that event was just recently postponed. The Lancers will have their first home meet on Saturday, Feb. 6, against the Nashua North Titans.

# Londonderry Skiers See Success in First Two Meets

CHRIS PAUL  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Londonderry varsity ski Teams have taken to the slopes of Pats Peak in two Division I competitions this season, and despite issues brought on by the COVID-19 Pademic have muscled through both. The first took place on Thursday, Jan. 21 against teams from Bedford, Central, Timberlane and Memorial. The following week, on Thursday, Jan. 28, they took on teams from Portsmouth, Concord, Nashua South, Nashua North and Timberlane. According to head coach for the boys and girls teams, Stephen Tufts, "A lot of COVID-19 restrictions this year have limited the number of racers we can take to

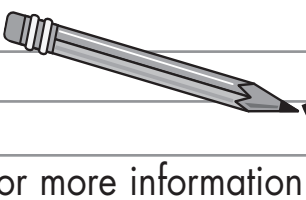
each Division I race, and the restrictions will have an impact on both State Competitions, but we are pushing through it like all other high school sport teams." In the Jan. 21 event, the girl's team placed second with 371 points behind Bedford with 390. Central came in third with 362 points. Top Londonderry finishers were: Juliette

Louiselle, in sixth, with a combined time of 1:15.52. Julia Deschamps was eighth (1:17.22); Laurel Guthrie placed 11th (1:18.92); and Rylee McGrath got the 13th spot (1:20.82). The boys placed third in that competition with a score of 367. Bedford was first with 390 and Timberlane was second with a 376 total. Top Londonderry finishers were: Owen Gingrow, seventh (1:18.92); Ryan Griffan, tenth (1:22.36); William Louiselle 12th (1:23.55); and Tyler Kraics, 13th (1:26.82). At the Jan. 28 meet, the girls came in third, with 360-points, behind Portsmouth High School with 389 points, who managed the win and Concord with 373 points. Top Londonderry finishers were: Laurel Guthrie, ninth (1:19.16); Julia Deschamps, 11th (1:19.81); Rylee McGrath, 13th (1:20.77); and Juliette Louiselle, 17th (1:24.93). The boys placed fourth in that event with 353 points. Concord was first with 393; Timberlane scored 360 for second and Portsmouth took third with 356. Londonderry's top finishers were: Ryan Keenan, fourth (1:03.11); Owen Gingrow, tenth (1:11.94); William Louiselle, 21st (1:26.44); and Evan Dugas, 22nd (1:27.10). The team was scheduled to have an "All Day" race on Tuesday, Feb. 2, at Mount Sunapee and one last Division I race on Thursday, Feb. 4, before taking part in the Girl's State Competition on Wednesday, Feb. 10, and the Boys State Competition the following day, on Thursday, Feb. 11.

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# Lancer Swim Team Splits with Dual Against Exeter

CHRIS PAUL  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Londonderry High School Swim Team hosted Duel Meets against Exeter High School at the Workout Club in Londonderry on Friday night, Jan. 29 and came away with a split. The boys team won by a score of 74 to 69, while the girls were beat 94 to 70 by the Lady Blue Hawks.

In the Girls 200-Yard Medley Relay the LHS team of Ashleigh Leone, Elizabeth Allen, Maggie Edwards, Caden Thomas, and Lexi Apholz, had a time of 2:16.66 and came in third.

In the Boys 200-Yard Medley Relay, the LHS team of Kevin Moscat,

Sean Bailey, Branson Slate, and Brandon White finished second at 1:50.54.

In the Girls 200-Yard Freestyle, Avery Crimmins placed third (2:43.05), Thomas was fourth (2:57.82); and Riley Walter placed fifth (3:20:45).

Boys 200 Yard Freestyle: White took second (1:56.49) and McKnight placed fourth (2:15.77) and Slate got fifth (2:16.12).

Girls 200-Yard Individual Medley: Edwards finished third (2:35.36); Allen was fourth (2:38.85); and Lauren Fontaine, was fifth (3:46.76).

Boys 200-Yard Individual Medley: Hunter

Turek finished first (2:31.88).

Girls 50-Yard Freestyle: Apholz finish in the number one spot (28.18); McKnight came in second (29.03); and Caitlyn Bailey took fifth (35.07).

Boys 50-Yard Freestyle: Moscat finished in second (25.54).

Girls 100-Yard Butterfly: Allen took the four spot and Isabella McKnight came in fifth (1:17.53).

Boys 100-Yard Butterfly: Sean Bailey was first (56.52) and Reed Erdtmann finished third (1:01.78).

Girls 100-Yard Freestyle: Edwards was the winner (58.62) and Lexi Apholz took fifth

(1:05.02).

Boys 100-Yard Freestyle: McKinnon, Connor came in fourth (1:01.64).

Girls 500-Yard Freestyle: Avery Crimmins finished second (6:40.94).

Boys 500-Yard Freestyle: White placed first (5:24.77); Slate got third (6:08.39); and Theodore McKnight was fourth (6:25.10).

Girls 200-Yard Freestyle Relay: The team of Witkop, Allen, McKnight, and Edwards, took first with a time of 1:54:97.

Boys 200-Yard Freestyle Relay: First went to the team of Erdtmann, McKinnon, McKnight, and Turek with a time of 1:49:03.

Girls 100-Yard Back-

stroke: The winner was Witkop (1:05.79); Thomas got fourth (1:23.28) and Fontaine finished fifth (1:43.79).

Boys 100-Yard Backstroke: Winner was Erdtmann, (1:07.44); and Connor McKinnon, was second (1:14.23).

Girls 100-Yard Breaststroke: Leone placed third (1:26.31) and Bailey was fifth (1:41:00).

Boys 100-Yard Breaststroke: Sean Bailey was the top finisher at second (1:08.20) and Moscat was in fifth (1:20:47).

Girls 400-Yard Freestyle Relay: First place went to Witkop, McKnight, Apholz and Edwards, (3:59.50).

Third went to Leone, Thomas, Avery Crimmins, and Fontaine (5:00.92).

Boys 400-Yard Freestyle Relay: The team of Erdtmann, McKinnon, Moscat, and Bailey placed second (3:52:06) and McKnight, Turek, Branson and White finished in third (3:59:20).

The team had two Duel Meets the week before, on Friday, Jan. 22 and both teams managed wins against Concord and Merrimack High School. The boys beat Concord 75-17 and Merrimack 78-38. The girls defeated Concord 103-51 and beat Merrimack 84-74.

## Lancer Gymnasts Take First at Plymouth Meet

CHRIS PAUL  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

In lieu of the fact that the Londonderry Gymnastics team's meet against Pinkerton Academy was cancelled due to coronavirus concerns, the team had the opportunity to compete at an alternative event on Sunday, Jan. 30 where they wound up finishing in first place.

In that last minute competition, the team faced squads from Exeter and Plymouth High School's at Top Gun Gymnastics in Holderness with Plymouth as the host school.

As a team, the Lancers girls got their second consecutive win by finishing in first place with 127.9 points. Exeter

placed second with 118.5 and Plymouth scored 116.5 for third.

In the Vault, Ella Houghton grabbed the top spot scoring a 9.15. Lilly Haggett placed third with a score of 8.9.

On the Bars, Amanda Robinson was the highest Lancer to score with a 7.55.

The Beam delivered solid routines from Lilly Haggett with a 7.9 and Jess Bolduc with a 7.4.

The Lancers swept up the top spots in the Floor competition. Ava Ruppel placed first with an 8.8, Lilly Haggett took the second spot with an 8.75 and Ella Houghton rounded things out in third with an 8.7.

In the All-Around, Lilly Haggett placed first

with a 32.95.

After the meet, head coach Heather Lennon commented, "Overall we had a great meet, considering we had to add this meet on last minute. Having a spring floor definitely helps to boost our scores along with having Lilly Haggett back from injury."

Lennon added, "We still have places to make even more improvements on which includes beam and we have yet to all hit our bar routines."

The team will pay tribute to their seniors in the last home meet on Wednesday, Feb. 3, against the same Plymouth and Exeter teams.



Lilly Haggett on the bars. Courtesy photo

## Athletes of the Week

Week of Jan. 24



**Ashley Rourke**  
Senior Captain, Basketball

Rourke is leading the team in scoring with nine points, eight rebounds and 2.5 steals per game. She has really picked up her defense as well, getting the steal that lead to the game winning basket against Salem this past Tuesday.



**Kevin Rourke**  
Sophomore, Basketball

Kevin is not only a pure shooter and a top sophomore in the state, he has really stepped it up on the defensive end! Kevin has taken a couple big charges for the team so far and continues to enhance his game on both sides of the floor.

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## Tax Forms Available at Leach Library

Tax forms for the 2020 tax year are available for no-contact pickup at the Leach Library. Forms 1040 and 1040-SR as well as instruction booklets are available on a first come, first serve basis. The Reference Staff can also make photocopies by appointment and print other tax forms upon request. Please call the library at 432-1132 to schedule a pickup time during Drive-Thru Service hours: Monday through Friday 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. and Saturday 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

## Craft Time Virtual Program

Starting on Monday, Feb. 8, at 10 a.m., a virtual craft time will be available to watch on the Leach Library Facebook page. Miss Laura will show us how to design a Paint-a-

Dot pirate craft with water or other coloring materials. Please call the library at 432-1132 to reserve a time to pick up your kit today.

## Young Adult Craft Virtual Program

Starting on Tuesday, Feb. 16, at 10 a.m., a virtual craft for teens will be available on the Leach Library Facebook page. Follow along with Miss Megan to create a fun origami book-mark craft! Please call the library at 432-1132 to reserve a time to pick up a craft sheet.

## Story Time Virtual Program

Beginning on Monday, Feb. 22 at 10 a.m., follow along as Miss Jennifer reads "Colby the Courageous Cat!" This story time features a book written by Londonderry author Janice Spina and illustrated by her husband John Spina.

## Republican Meeting

Come, hear, and discuss what your NH State Representatives are standing for and have put into motion as well as learn LRC's the 2021-22 goals on Feb. 18, Thursday, 7-8:30 p.m., at 78 Litchfield Rd., Londonderry. Newly re-elected Chairperson, Liz Thomas, will conduct the election process for the floor nominated biennial officers of Secretary and Treasurer. A quorum of members in good standing is required to certify the election.

## Voter Information

The Supervisors of the Voter Checklist will meet at the Town Clerk's Office to correct the checklist and register voters on: Feb. 27, from 10-11:30 a.m. To register to vote, one must provide: Proof of Londonderry residency; Proof of citizenship (passport, birth certificate, nat-

uralization 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. For questions contact: Kristin Grages, Supervisors of the Checklist Town of Londonderry, 603-432-1100, ext 198.

## 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.

## LEEP Applications

Londonderry Early Education Program (LEEP) is Now accepting applications for the 2021-2022 school year! Are you considering preschool for your child? If your child turned 3 by Sept. 1st and is a Londonderry resident, consider enrolling your child in the Londonderry Early Education Program (LEEP) preschool program. We are a developmentally appropriate preschool that is respectful of the talents and needs of individual children. Our teachers are all certified educators and the program is provided by the Londonderry School District. Programs for three-year old preschoolers meet from 8:25 - 10:55 a.m., either 2 or 4 days per week and our program for our prekindergarten students meet from noon - 2:30 p.m., either 3 or 4 days per week. Tuition rates are: Preschool: \$150 per month for a 2 day per week program and \$200 a month for a 4 day per week program. Prekindergarten: \$180 per month for a 3 day per week program and \$200 a month for a 4 day per week program. Applications are available online on the Moose Hill School website. We also have our LEEP Handbook available online

on the Moose Hill School website if you'd like additional information on the program. For more information, contact Dee Fosmire at 437-5855 ext. 7223 Please email Dee Fosmire at [dfosmire@londonderry.org](mailto:dfosmire@londonderry.org) or Kim Speers at [kspeers@londonderry.org](mailto:kspeers@londonderry.org).

## Online Story & Craft

Looking for something fun for the kids? Connect Online Story & Craft Session for Parents and their children up to age 6 with the Upper Room. Free Live on Zoom. Join us on Zoom for live interactive songs and children's stories followed by a craft lesson, that is easy and fun to do with your child at home. Zoom link to join: [bit.ly/connectstorytimezoom](https://bit.ly/connectstorytimezoom). Craft supplies at [bit.ly/connectstorytime](https://bit.ly/connectstorytime) or email [skoza@URteacher.org](mailto:skoza@URteacher.org).

## 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)

## Free Stress Management Workshop

An on demand workshop by the Upper Room. View at [www.urteachers.org/workshops-on-demand](http://www.urteachers.org/workshops-on-demand). To learn more contact Beth O'Connell at [eoconnell@URteachers.org](mailto:eoconnell@URteachers.org).

## 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.

## Covid-19 Relief Fund

To apply for financial assistance, call Community Health Services at (603) 425-2545. For holiday gifts, food and other types of assistance, call The Upper Room at (603) 437-8477 x 110.

## Legion Meals

Every Sunday Post 27 is serving food prepared by members during the 1 p.m., football game. Legionnaires eat for free and there is \$5 donation for everyone else. Please wear a mask when entering and moving

around within the Post. The bartender will ask for your cell number as part of our contact tracing. Located at 6 Sargent Rd., Londonderry (behind the fire station on Mammoth Rd.)

## 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/tipstotics](https://bit.ly/tipstotics)

## 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.

## 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 [selizabeta@urteachers.org](mailto:selizabeta@urteachers.org). Grandparent PASTA Groups are brought to you by NH Children's Trust, the YMCA of Greater Londonderry, the Southern Rockingham Coalition for Healthy Youth (SoRock) and The Upper Room.

## Parent & Caregiver Café

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

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Email Seren at selizabeth@urteachers.org.

### Evolve!

A group for young woman ages 13 to 18 to talk about today's chal-

lenges meets every Wednesday from 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. at the Upper Room, 36 Tsienneto, Road, Derry. This is a free weekly group. To register, Call 437-8477 to register ext. 16.

### Presbyterian Church

The Walking Together Group and the Walk

With Me Group will be meeting together via zoom 7 p.m. every Tuesday, via computer or telephone. This is a support group for anyone who has lost a spouse, a family member or a friend. For information, contact: 781-866-9976 or jrkdias@aol.com

### St. Jude Food Pantry

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

### 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, communication 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 selizabeth@urteachers.org

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## Londonderry Police Log

### Selections from the Londonderry Police Logs

**Monday - Jan. 25**  
**7:01 a.m.** Suspicious Activity investigated at FW Webb on Rockingham Road.  
**2:42 p.m.** Five officers respond to a Complaint on Honeycrisp Circle and assist with transportation to a Hospital.  
**3:50 p.m.** Criminal Threatening investigated on Verani Way at

Verani Realty  
**4:24 p.m.** Trespassing reported on Chase Road.  
**7:29 p.m.** Services rendered for Juvenile Offenses on Copperfield Lane.  
**9:29 p.m.** Peace restored after a Domestic Disturbance on Baldwin Road.  
**11:04 p.m.** Domestic Disturbance investigated by three officers on Bridle

Path at Wallace Farm Apartments.

**Tuesday - Jan. 26**  
**7:08 a.m.** Larceny/Forgery/Fraud investigated on Golen Drive.  
**8:45 a.m.** Three officers assist with making an arrest during a Domestic Disturbance on Baldwin Road.

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# Winners Announced in the "Rotary Saves Christmas" Raffle

The Rotary club of Londonderry is pleased to announce the winners of its recent "Rotary Saves Christmas" raffle. The club had offered three prizes through the raffle; two each of \$500 and the top prize of \$2,000. Winners of the \$500 prizes were The Nashua Soup Kitchen and Ms. Lisa Viau of Merrimack. The top winner

of the \$20000 prize was Londonderry resident and local radio personality. Neil White. The Rotary Club congratulates each of the winners and thanks them for their support of Rotary and its charitable work.

The Club also wishes to thank all of those who supported its multifaceted "Rotary Saves Christmas" activities. Support from local town

managers and the Londonderry Fire Department allowed the club to bring Santa and Mrs. Claus directly to the neighborhoods in town a few weeks before Christmas. Special thanks go to former fire chief Al Sypek, Shady Hill Nursery, and Londonderry Alert for donating Christmas trees and

making sure they were in place and ready for decoration on the town common. Also in partnership with Kirby Brown from the town manager's office, the team was able to help direct hundreds of letters to Santa and make sure that each child received a personalized letter back from Santa in the North Pole. Hopefully these letters

brought smiles to those children who had great anticipation for the joy of Christmas. The raffle was very successful. Over 1,000 tickets were sold for either \$10 or 3 for \$25. In total, the raffle raised a bit over \$9,300, which will be directed back into local charities, scholarships and those in need. Several tickets purchasers

asked that their tickets be assigned to a deserving charity, rather than to themselves. The first ticket pulled was just one of those tickets and the beneficiary was the Nashua Soup Kitchen. Many thanks go out for the generosity of those tickets purchases whom, through their purchase, wished to directly help those who help others.

## Police Log

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**10:05 a.m.** Services rendered for Trespassing at Auto Auction of New England, Inc. on Action Blvd.

**10:56 a.m.** Criminal Misconduct investigated on Mountain Home Road.

**11:17 a.m.** Auto Theft investigated at the Manchester Boston Regional Airport.

**12:02 p.m.** Services rendered for Suspicious Activity on Josephine Drive.

**Wednesday - Jan. 27**

**1:09 p.m.** Criminal Mis-

chief investigated on Bancroft Road.

**3:48 p.m.** Sudden Death investigated by two officers on Severance Drive.

**4:11 p.m.** Services rendered during Suspicious Activity at Signature Flight Support on Gar-side Way.

**4:29 p.m.** Services rendered by three officers during an assault on Mammoth Road.

**4:59 p.m.** Assisted the Londonderry Fire Department with services at Planet Fitness on Orchard View Drive.

**9:46 p.m.** Four officers respond to suspicious

activity at Bluebird Self Storage on Perkins Road and assist with the transportation to a hospital.

**Thursday - Jan. 28**

**9:43 a.m.** Warrant served and arrest made on Hall Road. Ronald Jenkins, 53, of Londonderry charged with Conduct After Accident; and Operating After Certified as a Habitual Offender.

**9:58 a.m.** Services Rendered during Suspicious Activity on Symmes Drive.

**1:15 p.m.** Juvenile Offenses investigated at Londonderry High School on Mammoth Road.

**4:08 p.m.** Services rendered for Criminal Threatening on Pine Street.

**4:21 p.m.** Peace restored after a Domestic Disturbance on Robin Hood Drive.

**6:11 p.m.** Services rendered for Larceny/Forgery/Fraud on King John Drive.

**6:52 p.m.** Juvenile Offenses investigated on Tokanel Drive.

**Friday - Jan. 29**

**1:35 a.m.** Suspicious activity investigated on Pinyon Place.

**9:51 a.m.** Juvenile Offenses investigated at Londonderry South School

on South Road.

**2:37 p.m.** Juvenile Offenses on Tokanel Drive result in subject being taken to Family/Guardian.

**5:59 p.m.** Four officers respond to a Suicide Attempt/Threat and assist with the transportation to a hospital from Forest Street.

**Saturday - Jan. 30**

**1:54 p.m.** Assisted Londonderry Fire Department with services at the Macgregor Cut Apartments on Stonehenge Road.

**10:51 p.m.** Keeping the Peace at the Macgregor Cut Apartments on Stonehenge Road.

**11:59 p.m.** Three officers perform a Follow-up Investigation at Sleep Inn on Perkins Road.

**Sunday - Jan. 31**

**10:33 p.m.** Shooting Complaint reported on Pillsbury Road at Michels Way,

**2:14 p.m.** Three officers investigate a Disturbance on Charleston Avenue.

**6:58 p.m.** Three officers assist the Londonderry Fire Department with Transport to a Hospital from Route 28 at Route 93.

**10:03 p.m.** Disturbance reported on Rockingham Road.

## Around Town

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### Young Adult Programs

On Fridays 11 - 11:30 a.m., facilitated by The Upper Room, weekly free remote support programs are available. To access: Contact Beth O'Connell at eoconnell@URteachers.org or follow the Young Adults Strong Facebook page.

### Raising children ages 0-12?

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

### CART Transitions to Essential Trips only

In an effort to keep drivers and the ridership of CART safe and healthy during the COVID-19 pandemic, CART will transition to

essential only. CART will communicate with all passengers who have current trips scheduled and make adjustments where appropriate. Essential travel will include medically necessary trips (dialysis, pharmacy, etc.) as well as trips to the grocery store. CART will work with passengers to accommodate the essential trips and will work on timing to be as flexible as possible. Service will remain available to all towns, 5 days a week. Any questions, concerns or comments should be directed to mwhitten@mtabus.org or phone CART at 603-792-5151. CART looks forward to restoring regular service levels as soon as this crisis passes.

### Food Pantry

Contact-free pick up at the Upper Room, 36 Tsienneto Rd., Derry is available on Mondays from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. (back entrance), Thursdays 3 - 4 p.m. and by appointment (front entrance).

## Fundraiser Looking for New & Used Shoes

Clarity Community Connections is running a shoe drive fundraiser and asking for help from their community. They will be collecting new and gently worn shoes until March.

By partnering up with Angel Bins, Clarity Community Connections will get paid for what they collect and plan to use the funds to help individuals that need guidance with starting their life over. Including mental health services, case management, and mentorship.

Shoe Drive Fundraisers are a fun and safe way to keep up your fundraising this year, while keeping socially distant! Shoes can be all

sizes, but must be pairs and still wearable. No heels, fuzzy slippers, or metal cleats.

After Angel Bins collects the shoes, they are sorted and cleaned, then sent to micro-entrepreneurs in developing nations which allows people to create both businesses and jobs for people in local communities. Their income supports their families, and the inventory shoes the communities.

Make a difference in your community at home and overseas today. Donate your shoes to Clarity Community Connections at 1D Commons Dr. in Londonderry, Monday - Thursday from 10 a.m. -



Leah Farley (left) Executive Director, and Nancy Abbott (right) Treasurer outside the office located in Londonderry.

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