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Future Fireman

Two-year-old Tom Dorman was thrilled at the opportunity to use a real fire hose with the assistance of Fire Fighter Dan Teague at the Londonderry Fire Department's Open House held on Saturday afternoon. See more photos page 8. *Photo by Chris Paul*

Ambulance Service Charges Discussed by Town Council

JEROME REUTER
LONDONDERRY TIMES

Londonderry Fire Chief Darren O'Brien, spoke at the most recent meeting of the Londonderry Town Council, on Monday, Sept. 27 on the idea of foregong an RFP in replacing a vehicle.

With one of the ambulances in the emergency vehicle fleet due to be replaced, O'Brien made a proposal to the town council. While the replacement of an older ambulance is mandatory, O'Brien's proposed

idea is one that would forego the normal protocol.

A proposal such as this is normally subject to an RFP (request for proposal). This ensures transparency between the public and legislation and allows for accountability. An offer to receive proposals for a contract allows price comparison for purposes of budget. O'Brien asked the council to waive the RFP measure, and proceed with American Emergency Vehicles, who have been building

and maintaining Londonderry's ambulance fleet since their partnership began in 1996. He cited that having a single manufacturer will make it easy for maintenance and stockpiling spare parts.

"We can see a new ambulance in the next 8 to ten months..." O'Brien stated. By forgoing the RFP process, Londonderry will get this ambulance much quicker. O'Brien also estimated that going through the RFP process will mean

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Water District Deemed Not Feasible By Town Staff

JEROME REUTER
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The issue of clean drinking water in Londonderry continues to be of major concern and during the latest meeting of the Town Council, on Monday, Sept. 27, the possibility of a water district being established in Londonderry was discussed. The idea was brought up at a previous meeting.

Assistant Town Manager, Lisa Drabik, addressed the board to cite some examples of why the establishment of a water district would be a costly and ineffective idea. The primary concern from Drabik was Londonderry's lack

of a water supply.

"Unlike other communities we don't have our own lake, or river or large pond or any surface water sources that would be adequate or large enough to draw water from and support a municipal water system." She went on to mention that since Londonderry has none, water would have to come from an outside entity. Which would "negate any cost savings."

Aside from Londonderry lacking a significant water source, Drabik also explained the large cost of physical equipment and the necessary people needed to sustain such an estab-

lishment. Aside from water lines, storage tanks, routine maintenance, and equipment to move the water, there would also be a need for storage facilities to accommodate each. The staff needed to keep a facility of this nature functioning on an efficient basis would not only require operating staff, but management personal and a licensed

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Heritage Commission Hears Exit 4A Road Name Proposal

ALEX MALM
LONDONDERRY TIMES

One of the agenda items during the Sept. 23 Londonderry Heritage Commission meeting was in regards to the naming of

the Exit 4A Connector Road.

Heritage Commission Vice Chairman Arthur Rugg said that they have to name the road and that Londonderry and Derry both

would have to agree on it. If they don't agree on a name then the DOT would come up with one. The reason why they said it's important to come up with a name

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Making it Official



Town officials gathered on Saturday morning, Oct. 2, for the Grand Opening Ribbon Cutting ceremony at Central Fire Station. Due to COVID-19 the ceremony had been postponed for a number of months. The service also unveiled the new name of the station. The Londonderry Town Council officially named the station the Hicks-O'Brien Central Fire Station after the past Fire Chief David Hicks and current Chief, Darren O'Brien, in honor of the significant contributions that each have made to the Londonderry Fire Department and the community at large. O'Brien, at right, was surprised by the honor and thanked the residents and those gathered for helping to make the new station a reality. He said that in his 35-years on the force "I have strived to make every day a better day for those I serve."

Photos by Chris Paul



Local Young Author Holds Book Signing



A local author's dream is coming true, with the publication of her debut novel. From the time Michaela Horan was four years old, she has been "writing" stories. Now, as a 15-year-old sophomore at LHS, Michaela is finally realizing her dream to publish *Rolling Hills* and the *Lost Key of Peachtree Palace*, which was released on Sept. 25. "I'm so excited for other people to read the words I wrote. I poured my heart and soul into this world and these characters. I can't wait to share this story with the world," Michaela explained.

The novel is a Young Adult middle grade fantasy story that follows sixteen-year-old Hattie Hills and her friends on a journey through mystery and magic.

As part of the release, Michaela will have a book signing Saturday, October 30, 2 to 5 p.m. at the Ovation Theatre Company studio at 61 Harvey Road in Londonderry. Readers are encouraged to order their copies in advance and bring them to the signing, as there will be limited copies available for purchase at the event. *Rolling Hills* and the *Lost Key of Peachtree Palace* is available online at Amazon, Barnes & Noble, Target, and more. Signed book cards will be provided for online orders not yet received prior to the event.

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Budget Committee Discusses Community Services Grants

ALEX MALM
LONDONDERRY TIMES

During the Sept. 23 Budget Committee meeting one of the agenda items that was discussed was expectations of the Committee for Budget meetings.

“We’re coming into budget season,” said Chairman Chad Franz.

“My expectation for

these meetings is for you to attend. If there is something that you can not attend I expect a phone call,” he told the Committee.

He said that it’s important for them to attend all of the meetings and be involved with the developments of the different budgets.

“It’s important for us.

We are the eyes, the ears, the advocates for the community for the taxpayers,” Franz said.

One question that was asked is if they are going to have a calendar like they have had in the past of all the dates for the budget meetings. He said that they will.

One date that they already know is on Nov.

16 which will be for the Town.

For the school district the dates are Nov. 23, Dec. 2, Dec. 9, and Dec. 16.

“Those are what we have so far,” Franz said.

Another agenda item was in regards to an update for the community service grants process.

“Each budget year, the Londonderry Town Council decides whether to allocate funds for the Community Services Grant program and, if so, at what amount,” the application stated. “They then rely on the Budget Committee to recommend specific grant amounts for each organization requesting funds. Funding is never assured, but as a community, we do our best to contribute to those who assist Londonderry residents.”

In order to qualify they have to be a 501 c3 non profit organization and offer services that the residents of Londonderry can benefit from.

Franz said that they

have received seven grant applications from the community so far.

He said that he thinks it would be best for the applications to be sent all at once to the Committee members once the application period closes instead of sending them for their review as they come in.

Franz said that the deadline day is Oct. 1 for organizations to submit their applications.

He said that they will then send the applications to everyone so they can break down how they want the \$50,000 spent by their Oct. 10 meeting. He noted that the Committee members will be able to see the requested amount from each of the organizations and a historical trend of what they usually ask for and what they are usually given.

Franz said that at their Oct. 28 meeting they will be able to see the weighted average from all of the Committee members and then will send the recommenda-

tions to the Town Council for their approval.

He said that by using the weighted average it makes it fair because everyone on the Committee is able to give equal input on how the money is divided.

During the liaison reports Budget Committee member Jonathan Kipp explained that the fire department requested a reimbursement from FEMA for \$653,295. He also explained that they ended 2021 in the “black” by \$180,000. He said that it was because they made cutbacks due to COVID because they weren’t sure how the reimbursement process was going to work out.

He also noted that they are down six positions in the department due to struggling to find people because of the low number of candidates, however, he said that they have some interviews scheduled.

The next Londonderry Budget Committee meeting is slated for Oct. 10 at 7 p.m.

Ambulances

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an ambulance will not be available for a period of up to 16 months. The chief went on to explain that because of the worldwide microchip shortage, here was a larger necessity to expedite the process of getting a new ambulance as soon as possible.

Council member Joe Green disagreed with O’Brien’s proposal at first, and voiced his opinion for the benefit of having an RFP. “What about the possibility of one of the bidders coming back with a better price?” O’Brien responded with “I’d hate to fix something that’s not

broken.” He then went on to discuss the benefits of having a relationship with AEV, and how they’ve been providing quality work on a consistent basis since the partnership began. “I’m an RFP guy” council head John Ferrell stated. “I’m also a supply chain guy, getting access to parts becomes critical...if we’re going to be an aging community then I would be in favor of having the best equipment to provide the best service to our community.”

However, not every citizen in Londonderry is content with the current ambulance fleet and the services they render. Londonderry resident Neil Dunn took the opportunity to express

his grievance over a recent ambulance bill. “They’re saying I owe \$104.00 for an ambulance that went nine miles. I asked for a breakdown of the bill and they said it was \$800 for the EMT’s and \$200 for the wear and tear on the vehicle.” He began to allude to other people having the same issues and that these expenses should have been covered with taxpayer money.

The council members took the time and listened to him plead his case.

It was determined that this was a matter of what insurance companies cover and not the taxes collected from the citizens of Londonderry.

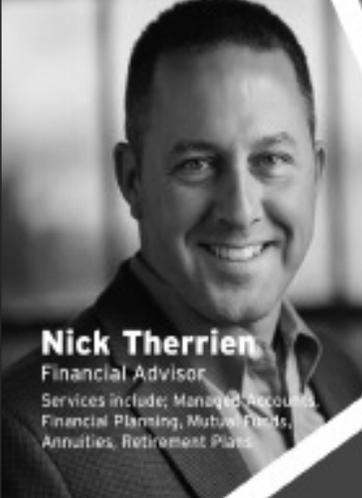


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Editorial

October is Italian American Heritage Month

Italian Heritage Day/Indigenous People's Day was first created in 1989 when President George W. Bush wanted to honor the contributions and legacies of Italian Americans and recognize that the Native people are the first inhabitants of our country.

Whether you have the day off, or it's business as usual this Monday you may decide to observe the upcoming federal holiday, Columbus Day.

Despite the less than favorable aspects of the history behind Christopher Columbus, he is still the 15th century Italian explorer credited with discovering America in 1492.

While there is plenty to criticize about Columbus and what followed his arrival, there are some things that are salvageable about the October observance.

It's a fact that the conquest of the Americas by Europeans, which arguably starts with Columbus, was very ugly, and involved a lot of needless violence.

History, in many ways, is the story of conquest. Though the majority of us deplore it, it is our shared heritage.

While there is only limited knowledge of what pre-Columbus America was like, it is inferred that many indigenous civilizations had their own versions of war, slavery, torture and brutality.

It's not the intention of the observation to make excuses for the worst that happened, but rather to understand it.

Many of the atrocities that took place were not solely the essence of

Columbus, but rather part of how the world was.

With all that said, there are still good reasons to observe Columbus Day.

Many Italians see Columbus Day as an opportunity to recognize what Italians have contributed to America and to the world.

It can be said that Columbus Day should be seen as a celebration of exploration. It took tremendous bravery to sail off into the unknown. One of the best parts of humanity is our drive to discover, and for that reason Columbus Day deserves recognition.

More and more people have been moving towards forgoing Columbus Day in favor of "Indigenous Peoples' Day," to reflect and honor the Native Americans who had suffered during the time of European exploration. This version also celebrates the culture and traditions of indigenous America, and the best parts of our shared history.

This year, while we celebrate Columbus Day, Indigenous Peoples, Italian Heritage Day, or all. We can take this time to learn from our history and to move forward into a better future. Whichever side you take, it can be agreed that both sides offer something to celebrate about the human spirit.

With all of this in mind, the second Monday in October is indeed a significant observance, and should be seen for what it is—a reflection of our history and a chance to learn and grow from it.

Letters

Thank You

The Third annual Skip Burbine Memorial Tennis Tournament was held the weekend of 9/11-9/12 at the town courts in Londonderry. Through registration fees and generous donations, we will once again be able to award two scholarships to deserving senior high school tennis players. The weather was spectacular as were many of the matches that were played.

Heartfelt thank you to all who made this tournament possible the town of Londonderry and specifically Art Psaledes, for allowing us to run this event and for orchestrating the clean-up of the courts and viewing area, to the tennis players who participated and the spectators who exuded enthusiasm and support, to all other tennis players from the local area who were accommodating in letting us use the courts exclusively for the tournament for the entire weekend, to the NH USTA for so generously providing Grant money to offset some of the expenses incurred in running this event, to Don Charette of Wicked Good Ice Cream who offered coffee, baked goods and delicious ice cream, to Jonah Bencal and Brendon Wall who displayed their musical talents and provided live entertainment, to Jay Palmieri of Strings and Things for providing professional racquet stringing services on site for our players, and finally to the tournament committee, and all the volunteers for helping to make the tournament

such a success.

This tournament was one of Skip's dreams and gives us such joy and happiness to see so many sharing the love of the game and the friendships that evolve. Life continues to be challenging these days but as Skip used to say "The beauty of tennis is that no matter what else is going on in your life, no matter what is happening in the world, you can put on your sneakers, pick up a racquet, go play tennis and leave it all off the court." Thank you for letting us do just that.

Sincerely,
The Burbine Family
Londonderry

Response to Letter

To the editor,

Regarding a letter from last week, I agree that we should be able to give our opinion when letter writing without attacking those with different viewpoints. However, being able to use a not so small town newspaper, to voice our opinions on issues that strongly affect our country makes it a great sounding board for those who to choose to read and perhaps be enlightened and give more thought to those who fall into the undecided.

I'm disappointed with the uninformed, by their own choosing, who don't take the time to see, listen, or read that which effects our present and future life.

I for one look forward to reading the articles, even when I have to clench my teeth and ask myself, how can this individual not see what

is taking place and continue to stand by his party come hell or high water. That however does not give me cause to attack the writer, but rather try to give my opinions in as strong a manner as possible in a response should I so desire. Who knows maybe, well maybe not, he or she will see that opposite opinions may sometimes have some merit.

Jerry Page
Londonderry

Observation/Blather

To the editor,

Webster defines Blather as: to speak foolishly, talk nonsense. A letter to the editor appeared in the Times Sept. 16 and fits this definition. "Observation" by Steve Homsey. This piece seems to be a heroic effort to defend what seems to be indefensible. Joe Bibens blunders. Many words spoken but it's still Blather. Basically, two points are addressed. First, defend Joe Biden. Probably the most inept President ever. Second, chastise those who agree. The letter begins with, why blame Joe? Give him time to devise a plan to govern. To appoint Cabinet position's. He's starting with a blank slate. Got that right! Blank face blank slate! All of this said about a person who's entire life has been Politics. 50 years on the Public dole as a politician 8 years as V.P. He should have started his term running not blundering! His blunders began with his Secretary of State at a conference

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Trailways Offers a New Way to View Nature Along Rail Trail



Town officials, Londonderry Trailways Committee members, Conservation Commissioners and a class of North Elementary School fifth grade students gathered on the Rail Trail last week where a new way to view nature was unveiled to the public. Longtime member Bob Saur developed a series of signs along the trail for residents to be able to scan a QR code and reveal some of the finer details of what the trail has to offer. When the trail is finally done it will span about 6.5 miles from the border of Derry to the Manchester border *Photos by Chris Paul*

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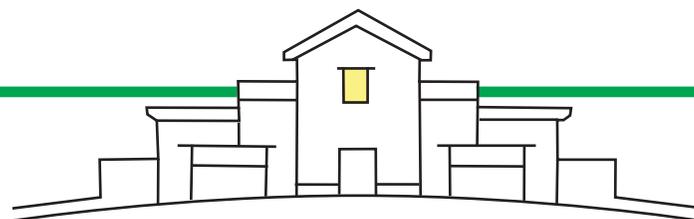
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Londonderry Heritage Commission Stays Firm on Site Plan

ALEX MALM
LONDONDERRY TIMES

During the Sept. 23 Londonderry Heritage Commission meeting one of the agenda items was in regards to stone walls that was approved for a 83 lot conservation subdivision located at 17 Old Derry Road known as Lorden Commons.

Representing the owners at the meeting was Jason Lopez from Keach-Nordstrom Associates.

He explained that the Board previously approved the project in 2018, and one of the things that was part of the subdivision plan was to remove and replace

the stone walls in the back portion of the property. He said that they completed all of the sections but one so far.

The one that they haven't completed is for a lot that they have already sold.

He explained that they ran out of stones and then when they went to build it the owners said that they didn't want it built on their property. He said that they built the stone wall on one side of the property and the other side, which is about 60 feet long, hasn't been built.

When they explained the situation to Londonderry Town Planner

Colleen Mailloux she recommended that they go back to the Commission and explain the situation to them.

Heritage Commission member John Mahon said that he thinks they should require them to put the stonewall in.

"I have to be honest with you, I think we should take a hard line with the homeowner. They may complain to the Town, but on what basis they would complain particularly if it's in the purchase and sales agreement," he said.

He pointed out that he doesn't think it's going to look right with one side having rocks and the

other not having it.

Mahon also said that if there was a hardship for the homeowners he may be inclined to allow them not to build it.

"I don't see it," he said.

Lopez explained that if the Commission requires them to put the wall in on private property it could turn into a legal and or law enforcement issue if the homeowners don't allow them onto the property.

"Local PD might be called in," he said. "I'm looking out for my clients best interest."

One question asked was if the stone wall would be able to be built on Town property.

Lopez explained that it can't be built on the Town's right away, saying that they originally had some in the right away but had to remove them because the department of public works wouldn't allow it.

Heritage Commission Vice Chair Arthur Rugg said that if they are requiring the stone walls to be built the building inspector could get involved saying that they are allowed to enter private property.

Heritage Commission Chairman Krystopher Kenney said for him it comes down to whether or not it was in the sale and purchase agreement that they needed to have

a stone wall put on the property.

"Ultimately pushing a government agenda on a homeowner is rocky territory for me," he said.

Lopez said that it was on the original site plan to have stone walls on the property.

Lopez pointed out to the Commission that homeowners would be able to remove the stone walls in the future if they wanted to.

"There's nothing really in place to prevent that from being removed in the future," he said.

The Commission ultimately approved enforcing the stone wall to be built.

Letters

Continued from page 4 with Chinese counterparts in Alaska. Human rights was the topic we were going to hammer the Chinese. They had treated a minority group within their country poorly. The discussion hardly began and the Secretary found himself being hammered by the Chinese. Riots in our streets, buildings destroyed, revolt against Police, statues destroyed, B.L.M. He left with

his tail between his legs and the U.S. embarrassed before the world. Joe sent a boy to do a man's job. Resulting in a blame Joe blunder. It didn't stop there. Blunder after blunder followed. Keystone pipeline, gifting Russia a pipeline, botched distribution of the Trump vaccine, remove Southern boarder controls that allowed millions of illegal unvaccinated people to cross our boarder. Joe and his minions denied this. When they no longer

could lie about this, he sent a Cabinet secretary to investigate. Result's, there was no problem. More lies. Unable to lie about the problem any longer, he brought in the big gun, the V.P. Kamala Harris. Her trip turned out to be a photo-op, and the problem worsened. And then there was Afganistan. I know no one who objected to ending this war. Joe had the right idea, but a miserable plan. He chose to leave the strongest military base to start evacu-

ations, to a civilian airport in Kabul. No worry, the Afgans had an army of 300,000 warriors trained by Americans under the leadership of Gen. Milley to protect Americans and their Allies. That Army vanished in days. So much for Gen. Miley and his leadership, resulting in Taliban takeover. A suicide bomber made his way past Taliban protectors easily and killed 13 service people. Had this been tried at the well fortified U.S. Base he

would have failed. Who's to blame? Isis, yes. AlQaeda, yes. Taliban, yes. Joe Biden, especially yes. He put Americans in harms way.

The same can be said for the people he leaves behind. Terrorists of 9/11 were punished. Joe attempted punishment for the suicide bomber. Once again he blundered, killing innocent civilians instead of the enemy. Joe once again maintains his reputation of always being on the wrong side of every thing. Final obser-

vation and more blather. "Americans in large numbers put out flags following 9/11. Why was the same not done for the 13 service people killed by the bomber?" We flew our flags then and still do, honoring the Americans left behind by Comander In Chief Joe Biden. Are you still digging S.H.? Climb out of the hole you've dug and check what inflation is doing and the tax's that are coming!

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Water District

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Environmental Engineer operations manager. These factors, on top of liability insurance would amount to loss of \$350,000 per year.

However, member Joe Green "In order to make a decision, I need to see both sides, and I only see one right now...I don't think we should do anything until there's a DES study." Green went on to suggest that the council discuss possible alternatives. Bob Kerry, an

Environmental Engineer decided to share his opinions on the matter. He began by saying that the concept of a town water district "doesn't really make sense."

Kerry described a rebate system that would reimburse Londonderry residents who have spent money on water filtration systems for their houses, even though Kerry described this as a "short term solution." Continuing a point made by Green

earlier, Kerry also talked about a DES feasibility study that would be regional because Kerry stated that it's still unknown where the water would come from. "It's important to us, so we can see what direction we need to go...It's a new process but there is progress being made. We have to be patient...I don't know if we can accelerate that."

The possibility of Pennichuck, a water

supplier having lines installed was also discussed, but a point of contention was made about the feasibility and payment to do so.

Council member Deb Paul proposed another solution which involved the use of man-made reservoirs. "Many towns have created their own reservoirs to supply water to the town... there are towns bigger than us and smaller than us who have their

own water department. I struggle with they can do it and we can't." Paul also stressed about the possible installment of water lines and how they would be paid for. "I don't think we're looking at the big picture with businesses and population and a quantity of good quality water. I've heard about extending pipelines, who's paying for that? Is Pennichuck putting in those lines, or are we the tax

payers putting them in for a for-profit company?"

Chairman John Ferrell pointed out that the discussions that took place during the meeting were merely a brainstorming session, and things would ultimately be decided by the ballot. Ferrell also asked town attorney Michael Malagutti if he could have legislation written up by Oct. 18, which he agreed to do.

Heritage

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now is because they want to include it in the plans for Exit 4.

It was explained that Derry's Heritage Commission and Town Council recommended the names Ulster Scots Parkway and MacGregor Parkway, however the 911 Commission said that MacGregor Parkway wouldn't be allowed because it sounds too much like MacGregor Cut which is located in Londonderry.

One name that was proposed by Town Council Liaison Jim Butler was Saint's Way to honor the St. Germain family, who have been longtime residents in Londonderry.

Another proposed name came from Ann Chiampa, a member of the Londonderry Historical Society.

Her proposal was to name it Old Rum Trail, which is a road that spanned through Derry, Londonderry and other communities, or Rosecrans Road, which would be named in honor of Rosecrans Pillsbury who has historical roots in both Londonderry and Derry.

The Heritage Commission decided to submit Old Rum Trail and Rosecrans Road to the Town Council as two suggestions for the road's name. If the DOT doesn't accept Old Rum Trail they would recommend Rosecrans Road as an option for the road name.

Both names were proposed to the Town Council last week by Chiampa where they asked the Town Manager Kevin Smith to bring it to Derry as a possible name.

Also during the Commission meeting it was explained by Rugg that they got an email from Smith, who told them that the two pine trees near the corner of Mammoth Road and Pillsbury Road are dead or are dying and need to come down soon. This was determined based on an arborist's report.

It was explained that

the Commission needs to make a decision if they want anything to be planted in their place and if so what they want to put there.

One resident, Ray Breslin asked if they had any particular diseases or if they were dying due to a different reason. He also said that he thought they are a different type of tree other than a pine tree.

It was ultimately decided that they would wait until they get the report at the next meeting so they can review it before making a decision on what to do next.

OBITUARY

Bradford P. Stevens



Bradford P. Stevens, 86, of Londonderry, NH died Friday Sept. 24, 2021 at his home. Mr. Stevens was born in Somerville, MA on June 7, 1935 a son of the late Earl and Caroline (Merrill) Stevens. He had resided in Londonderry for the past 15 years, formerly living in Sandown, NH.

Brad, as he was better known, spent his military career assigned to a secret ionospheric research facility in Adak, Alaska. Though his work career was cut short by health issues, he successfully worked in a wide variety of roles as a TV repairman, warehouse supervisor and plant manager. Upon his forced retirement, he became an avid fisherman. He fished any body of water that had swimming creatures in it, whether it be a small pond, the Connecticut River or Hampton Bay.

He is survived by three children, Bradford P. Stevens, Jr., John D. Stevens and Patricia J. McFadyen; five grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; one sister, Carol Taylor. There are also several nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his wife, Doris B. (Gidney) Stevens who died in 2012 and by several siblings, Earl Stevens, John Stevens, Salvation Army Major Constance Connie Seiler and Barbara Dodge.

Following cremation, a calling hour were held on Friday Oct. 1, in the Peabody Funeral Homes and Crematorium. A time of sharing will followed. At the family request, masks are required for all those in attendance. To send a condolence or for more information, please visit www.peabodyfuneralhome.com.

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Fire Department Holds Open House at New Central Station



The Londonderry Fire Department held an Open House on Saturday afternoon, Oct. 2, at Central Fire Station to help bring public awareness to Fire Prevention Week and to invite the public to see the new fire house. Tours were given throughout the event and there was plenty on hand for younger residents to enjoy at the station.

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LONDONDERRY SPORTS

Lancer Football Team Continues Domination of Division

CHRIS PAUL
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Londonderry High School Football team continued their unbeaten streak on Saturday afternoon with another dominating performance against a fellow DI South opponent when they shutout the Alvirne High School Broncos 51-0 at Lancer Park.

The Lancers were coming off an exciting victory over their Pinkerton rivals one week earlier, and the Bronco were still looking for their first win of the season.

The LHS starting quarterback captain Aiden Washington was still sidelined with a leg injury suffered early in the Mack Plaque game, but Drew Heenan stepped up again and led the team to a more than dominating performance.

Heenan had eight pass completions for 65-yards and had nearly 50-

yards on the ground and a rushing touchdown.

The Londonderry squad finished the day with 356-yards of total offense while the Bronco could only muster 49-yards due to the overwhelming LHS defense.

The Lancer defense never really let the Broncos into the game, giving up just four first downs, forcing five punts, intercepting AHS three times and causing one fumble.

As in the past, the Lancer offense came from a number of sources, Jake Schena led the way in rushing with 59-yards on three attempts.

Anthony Salcito managed 51-yards, Nathan Rosario notched 38-yards and Jake Perron finished with 36-yards on the ground.

In the air, Kyle McPhail had two catches for 35-yards, Colby Ramshaw had a 19-yard reception for a touchdown and Trevor Wein-

mann also made an 11-yard catch for a TD.

Londonderry scored early at often in the one-sided contest. Schena started the scoring, running for 45-yards to pay dirt at 8:31 in the first. Dylan Wrisley was good for the point after kick for the 7-0 lead to start.

Two minutes later, Riley Boles added a defensive touchdown when he intercepted the pass by Broncos QB, Jacob Bradshaw, and ran it back to the end zone. Wrisley added the point after for a quick 14-0 Lancer lead.

The Lancers special team squad added two more points with a blocked punt attempt for a safety in the Broncos end zone at 5:05 in the first for a 16-0 lead.

Londonderry got their second offensive points when Heenan ran the ball in with a quarterback-keeper for 24-yards. Wrisley added the extra-point for the 23-0

LHS lead.

Londonderry added more special team's points when a punt attempt in the end zone was blocked and Andrew Soucy recovered it for six more LHS points. Wrisley came on for another extra point and Londonderry lead 30-0.

Londonderry forced another turnover with a Connor Howe interception putting Londonderry at the 40-yard line. On fourth down, the Lancer put the ball on the 30-yard line. Heenan completed a pass to Colby Ramshaw for 19-yards at 2:46. Another extra point attempt by Wrisley's point after was good for the 37-0 lead.

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Senior Riley Boles heads to the end zone after intercepting a pass in the first quarter on Saturday afternoon. Photo by Chris Paul

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Lady Lancer Volleyball Team Rattles Off Three Victories



Senior Kelsey Sanborn reached her 500th career kill last week. Photo by Chris Paul

CHRIS PAUL
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Londonderry High School girls' volleyball team were able to rattle off three impressive match wins over the past week and boost their season record up to 7-3.

With that stretch of victories, senior Kelsey Sanborn was able hit a personal milestone with her 500th career kill as a Lancer player.

In the team's first game of the week, after coming off the tough 3-1 loss to Pinkerton Academy in the annual Mack Plaque game, the Lady Lancers hosted a winless Manchester Memorial team on Monday

night, Sept. 27, and swept that team in three straight games.

Sanborn had five aces and two kills and junior Lacey Turner added three aces and three kills.

Lancer junior Madi Saucier was good for four kills and senior Abby Woodruff put up three kills.

Junior Bella Elgueza-bal added four aces in the win.

With that victory, the Lady Lancers moved to 5-3 on the season.

Two days later, the Londonderry team traveled to Nashua to face the Lady Titans of Nashua North High School (1-6).

In that match, the LHS battled through five, hard-fought games to come away with their sixth victory of the year.

Sanborn got a total of 11 kills and three aces, and in doing so, reached her 500th career kill.

Junior Lexi Small contributed 22 assists, nine digs, four kills and three aces in the win.

Saucier had nine kills and four blocks in the five sets.

The week ended with another convincing win when the team hosted the Goffstown Lady Grizzlies (5-4) and beat that team in four sets 3-1.

Sanborn had another great night with 15 kills, eight digs and two

blocks at the net.

Lancer senior Laura Haas managed 12 digs and two aces and junior Bella Elguezabal tallied five aces and seven digs.

Senior Abby Sakellar contributed seven digs with three aces and junior Lexi Small had 24 assists, three aces and five digs in the match.

The Lady Lancers were scheduled to have another three-match week this.

Starting on Monday at Bishop Guertin (6-3) on Monday, two days later they will host Concord High School (6-4) and then on Friday they will travel to the seacoast for a match with Portsmouth (7-4).

Lancer Cross Country Teams Takes First in Bedford 5K Race

CHRIS PAUL
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Londonderry High School Boys and Girls Cross Country teams were in Bedford at Legacy Park on Tuesday, Sept. 28 where they faced teams from Bedford and Nashua South High Schools in a 5K race.

In that event, both the boys and girls teams wound up besting those two teams for first place.

The boys took the top four spots and scored a 17 for first. Bedford was second with 48 points and Nashua South scored a 72 for third.

The Lady Lancers

took five of the top ten spots and finished with 32-points for first. Bedford got second place with 46 and Nashua settled for third with a 56.

Lancer junior Ryan Fortin finished in first with a time of 18:05.2.

Fellow junior Sean Clegg was second with a 18:11.8, senior Will

Plante came in third with a time of 18:34.8 and senior Justin Dickson took fourth (19:15.7).

Three other Londonderry runners finished in the top ten: Colby Lynch was seventh (19:57.7); Brendan Julian was eighth (19.59); and Aiden Oljey took ninth

(20:14.4).

For the girls, team, sure-footed Lancer senior Grace McDonough finished in second with a time of 22:04.6.

The Lady Lancers had five more runners finishing out the top ten spots in the race.

Senior Amara Williams took sixth

(23:17.9); senior Alea Millis was seventh (23:19); junior Emily Smith was eighth (23:50.4); freshman Lillian Cawthron was ninth (24:02); and freshman Sayde White was tenth (24:02.4).

Senior Adriana Nadeau came in 11th with a time of 24:34.2.

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were added before the half ended after a Broncos fourth-down punt was short, putting the Lancers offense at the LHS 48-yard line. Heenan finished the last drive of the half with a pass to Kyle McPhail for

33-yards and six-points. Wrisley was perfect in the half with another extra point and a 44-0 lead before the break.

The final points in the game came from a Devin Ortiz run for 12-yards to pay dirt at 7:01 in the fourth quarter. Michael Sampson added the extra point to cap off the 51-point shutout.

The Lancers will have another Saturday afternoon game next week when the travel south to Windham High School to face the 1-4 Jaguars. The Londonderry squad hopes to continue its unbeaten streak and their dominance over their Division I South opponents.

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Lancer Boys Soccer Squad Gets to 7-3 with Win and Loss

CHRIS PAUL
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Londonderry High School Boys Soccer squad settled for a win and a loss last week when they played host to Concord and Portsmouth High Schools last week.

The Lancer boys were riding the high of beating Pinkerton 1-0 in the annual Mack Plaque game last weekend, but fell short in the second half of their meeting with the Crimson Tide at home on Tuesday, Sept. 28.

The Concord team had a similar record heading into the game, at 7-2-1, but after keeping the game tied 1-1 at

the half, the LHS defense struggled and gave up two unanswered goals in the second for the 3-1 loss.

Concord started the scoring that afternoon in the 14th minute, but senior John Baumann evened things at 1-1 with the assist coming from junior Brady Joncas.

The second half saw two more goals by Concord, one at the 41st minute, the other at the 76th. Lancer keeper sophomore Jason Reilly had three saves in the loss and the Londonderry had 10 shots turned away by the Concord goalie.

Head coach Todd Ellis felt that his team



LHS senior John Baumann scored in two games last week.

competed well, despite a couple of team defensive lapses. He felt the team did a better job

defending and creating scoring opportunities, but just couldn't find the net in the second half.

In the following game the Lancer males reversed the outcome from their previous when they played the Portsmouth High School squad and managed a 3-1 victory, finishing the week with season record of 7-3.

The Lancer boys hosted the Clippers on Saturday afternoon, Oct. 2, and all the scoring was done in the first half.

Lancer junior Cristian Levantovski-Correa scored to start in the fourth minute on a corner kick, assisted from

senior Tyler Kraft.

Portsmouth answered back with a goal on a penalty kick 16-minutes later.

In the 25th minute of the half, Corey Nolan got the Lancers second goal of the game, also on a corner and also coming from Tyler Kraft.

Baumann added his second goal of the week in the 35th minute with another assist from Tyler Kraft off a direct

kick.

LHS keeper Reilly had eight saves and Portsmouth managed six saves.

Reilly made a great save on a penalty kick in the second half to keep the score 3-1.

The team is looking to keep the wins rolling in when they play Bishop Guertin (3-7) at home and Hanover High School (8-2-1) on the road.

Lady Lancer Soccer Squad Falls to Concord

CHRIS PAUL
LONDONDERRY TIMES

After stringing together a very nice four-game winning streak in September to reach 5-3 the Londonderry High School girls' varsity soccer squad dropped a

tough contest against Pinkerton Academy in the annual Mack Plaque tournament and was looking to rebound back onto the winning track when they traveled to Concord High School (6-3) last week.

But in that game, on

Tuesday, Sept. 28, the Lady Lancers saw their Crimson Tide opponent score the game-winning goal in the 60th minute of the second half for the shutout victory.

Concord's Avery Fitcher was the lone goal scorer with the assist

coming from Willa Marino.

Londonderry keeper Liana Sawyer had eight saves in net while Concord's Lily Hillsgrove needed to make five for the shutout.

With that loss the Lady Lancer stand at an even 5-5 mark with six games left in the regular season.

The team was scheduled to play the undefeated Bishop Guertin squad on Tuesday, Oct. 5, followed by Hanover High School (3-7-1) on Thursday, Oct. 6.

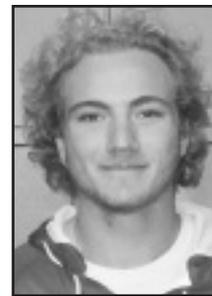
Athletes of the Week

Week of Sept. 26



Laura Haas
Senior - Volleyball

Laura has brought a sense of positive leadership that has helped our team have an amazing 3-0 week. Her defense, serve receive and serving have all helped power our team to success over some excellent opponents.



Riley Boles
Senior - Football

Riley is the leader of one of the top defenses in the state. He has great leadership along with his outstanding play. He has played multiple defense positions and helped the team to a 5-0 start. In the last two games Riley has tallied 11 tackles, 1 sack, 1 tackle for loss, and an interception return for a touchdown.

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Lady Lancer Field Hockey Gets Third and Fourth Wins

CHRIS PAUL
LONDONDERRY TIMES

After having to settle for a 1-1 tie in the final Mack

Plaque game of the week on Saturday, Sept. 25, the Londonderry High School Field Hockey team got two much-

needed home wins last week.

In their first game of the week, the Lancers hosted Manchester Central-West (3-6) on Monday, Sept. 27, where they shut out that opponent by a score of 2-0.

Junior Meghan Daileanes scored both goals. One assisted by Lauren Laudani and the other by Julia Senus.

That victory notched the team's third win of the season and they were looking for the fourth when they traveled to the state capital for a game with the Concord High School (7-3).

That game went to Concord in a 1-0 decision, handing LHS their sixth loss of the season.

In the final game of the week, the Lady Lancers played host to the Lady Cardinals of Bishop Guertin, who had only loss three games

this season.

In that exciting game, the LHS squad score twice as many goals as their favored opponent and took the game 4-2 for the team's fourth vic-

tory of the season.

Daileanes had a hat trick in the game, scoring the first two quickly to take the lead and the last goal of the game.

Fellow junior Olivia

Colliton-Savina scored the tie-breaking goal.

Final score was 4-2.

The win gave the girls a record of 4-6-2 heading into the final two weeks of the season.



Lancer junior Meghan Daileanes had a hat trick in the game against BG last week.
Photo by Nora Colliton



All Pepped Up

The Londonderry High School held its annual Fall PEP a week late, but outdoors for the first time ever. The event was supposed to coincide with the annual Mack Plaques competition a week earlier but weather delayed the event. The pep rally featured all the fall sports teams and a number of clubs at the school. Above, members of the football team build a pyramid with members of the cheerleading team. At left, Jillian Mazzola gets the crowd cheering with her baton routine. The entire school attended the rally that was held on the football field last Friday morning.

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Pumpkin Painting Cancelled

Londonderry Women's Club regrets to announce that the Pumpkin Painting Event on Oct. 15 at the Londonderry Police Department has been postponed to next year due to the COVID pandemic.

Bake Sale

On Sunday Oct. 10, from noon - 4 p.m., at Elwood Orchards on 54 Elwood Rd., Londonderry Women's Club will be host-

ing a bake sale. There will be freshly baked pastries such as pies, cakes, and cookies for sale. This event helps LWC to raise funds to be given back to the community. If interested in joining the Club or getting more information, visit us on the web: www.londonderrywomensclub.com

Karaoke Night

On Oct. 8 American Legion Post 27 will hold Karaoke with DJ Sharon from 7:30 - 11 p.m., at 6 Sargent Rd., Londonderry.

Non-members interested in joining Post 27 are welcome to attend.

Legion Meeting

On Oct. 11, at 7:30 p.m., American Legion Post 27 will hold Monthly General Meeting at 6 Sargent Rd., Londonderry. All members are welcome to attend.

Halloween Party

On Oct. 30, the American Legion Post 27 will hold a Halloween Party from 7 p.m. to close at 6 Sargent Rd., Londonderry.

Food, entertainment, costume contest and more.

Republicans Meeting

The Londonderry Republicans will be meeting on Thursday, Oct. 21, from 7 - 8:30 p.m. at 78 Litchfield Rd., Londonderry. Members, friends, and affiliates join us for a discussion session. The Londonderry Republican Committee (LRC) meetings are the place where the topic is always politics and like-minded Londonderry residents come together and collaborate for Republican victories. If you are a Republican thinking about running for an elected office you can talk with and learn from those who know what it takes to be a successful candidate. State Representatives and officials often attend our meetings. For more information contact LRC Chairwoman Liz Thomas at eathomas@comcast.net.

Chills and Thrills

On Monday, Oct. 4, at 10 a.m., join Senior Public Services Librarian Matt Fuller as he shares a variety of new library materials perfect for the Halloween season. The video will be available on the Leach Library Facebook page, blog, and YouTube channel. To reserve any of the featured titles, please call the library at (603) 432-1132 or sign in to your account on the library catalog.

Share a Story with Library Friends

Drop by the Leach Library Facebook page to share a quick story with library friends. New videos will be available to watch on Thursday, Oct. 14 and Thursday, Oct. 28 at 10 a.m. To reserve the featured titles, please call the library at 432-1132 or sign in to your account on the library catalog.

Craft Time

On Tuesday, Oct. 12, at 10 a.m., a virtual craft time will be available to watch on the Leach Library Facebook page, blog, or YouTube channel. Make your own dragon craft with Mr. Nate. Craft kits are available at the children's room desk while supplies last.

Young Adult Craft

On Monday, Oct. 18, at 10 a.m., a virtual craft video for teens will be available on the Leach Library Facebook page, blog, and YouTube channel. Follow along with Miss Megan to make your own Halloween-themed mask. Craft kits are available by the main desk while supplies last.

Story Time

On Monday, Oct. 25, at 10 a.m., join Miss Jennifer

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Londonderry Police Log

Selections from the Londonderry Police Logs

Monday - Sept. 27
9:53 a.m. Suspicious Activity investigated on Angelo Lane.
9:56 a.m. Services rendered for Suspicious Activity on Hardy Road.
10:40 a.m. Unlawful Activities investigated at LAFA Complex on Nelson Road.
12:47 p.m. Arrests made for Shoplifting by four officers at Market Basket on Michels Way. Gregory Capano, 71, and Shirley Coffey, 48, of Derry charged with Theft By Unauthorized Taking of under \$1,000.
1:30 p.m. Shoplifting in-

vestigated at Market Basket on Michels Way.
5:45 p.m. Medical Emergency transported to a hospital from Manchester Boston Regional Airport.
8:44 p.m. Arrest made during Complaint/Violation at Rail Trail on Clark Road. Four officers charge Evan Girard, 21, of Manchester with Off-Road Recreational Vehicle Operation (OHRV) - Refusal of Police Officer Request; Operation of an OHRV; Operation of an OHRV on Private Land without Written Permission; Operation of a OHRV

on a Public Way; Operation of an OHRV Without Eye Protection; and Disobeying an Officer.
Tuesday - Sept. 28
6:37 a.m. Disturbance investigated by four officers on Constitution Drive.
12:40 p.m. Complaint investigated by five officers on Delta Drive at ECCO USA.
4:10 p.m. Domestic Disturbance leads to an arrest by six officers on Charleston Avenue. Shawn Broderick, 26, of Londonderry charged with Sec-

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for a special "Once upon a Pumpkin" story time! The video will be available to watch on the Leach Library Facebook page throughout the fall. To reserve the featured titles, please call the library at 432-1132 or sign in to your account on the library catalog.

Free Trunk or Treat

All are invited to a Free Trunk or Treat event at Island Pond Baptist Church, 26 North Salem Rd., Hampstead, on Saturday, Oct. 23, from 1 - 3 p.m. There will be a blow up jousting arena, a blow up bouncy slide, food trucks, balloon twisting, games, and lots of candy. An afternoon of fun for the whole family. For more information, contact us at info@islandpondbc.com, 603-329-5959. Visit us on the web www.islandpondbc.com

Police Log

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ond Degree Assault; Domestic Violence (Strangle); and two counts of Domestic Violence (Simple Assault - Bodily Injury).

6:46 p.m. Shooting Complaint investigated at Power Lines on Wiley Hill Road.

8:48 p.m. Services rendered in keeping the peace on Charleston Avenue.

11:43 p.m. Report of Prowler investigated on Summer Drive.

Wednesday - Sept. 29

6:57 a.m. Suspicious Activity investigated by four officers at Commons Plaza on Nashua Road.

8:15 a.m. Drug Offenses investigated at Londonderry High School.

11:02 a.m. Suspicious Activity leads to an arrest at Planet Fitness on Orchard View Drive.

Three officers assist with charging Nicholas Armienti, 41, of Gloucester, Mass. with Willful Concealment - Theft; and Resisting

Giant Yard Sale

Londonderry Lions Club to host Giant Yard Sale on Saturday, Oct. 9, from 8 a.m. - 2 p.m., Lions Hall Mammoth Rd., Londonderry. No Early Birds. You may donate goods starting October 1st up to day before the sale at the Lion Club Pavilion. No large furniture please. To rent a table please contact Beth 603-820-1085

Football Meals

At the American Legion Post 27 a team of people is cooking, smoking or frying food each Sunday during football season. Members and guests are welcome to attend and the cost is \$5 per person. Post 27 is located at 6 Sargent Rd., Londonderry (behind the fire station on Mammoth Road). For more information see www.alpost27.com.

Recovery Capital

Building Your Recovery Capital, is designed to cre-

ate positive steps to increase your recovery capital. This series offers education & guidance on essential recovery topics to help you successfully manage early recovery. Build skills in resilience, enhance your recovery skills toolbox, and deepen your self-awareness. Oct. 8, 15, 22, it will be on zoom at 12 - 12:45 p.m. This series is FREE of charge and hosted by the Upper Room. To register, call Beth O'Connell at 603-437-8477 x124 or e mail boconnell@urteachers.org For more information about support and services for young adults 18 - 30 please call x124.

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. Sonshine Soup Kitchen will be serving drive by to go meals on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and

1:39 p.m. Suspicious Activity investigated at Crossroads Animal Hospital on Nashua Road.

4:19 p.m. Suspicious Activity investigated at Londonderry High School.

4:36 p.m. Suspicious Activity investigated at Londonderry South Elementary School.

7:24 p.m. Unlawful Activities investigated on Sunrise Drive.

Saturday - Oct. 2

12:22 p.m. Peace restored by three officers after a Disturbance on Fieldstone Drive.

12:25 p.m. Suspicious Activity investigated at St. Peter's Episcopal Church on Peabody Row.

1:28 p.m. Peace restored by three officers after a Domestic Disturbance on Teton Drive.

3:47 p.m. Sex Offenses investigated at Convenient MD Urgent Care on Nashua Road.

8:49 p.m. Services Rendered for Suspicious Activity on Gordon Drive.

11:45 p.m. Suspicious Activity investigated on Aiken Street at St.

Thursdays from 4:30 - 5 p.m.

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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.

Charles Street.

Sunday - Oct. 3

11 a.m. Suspicious Activity investigated on Elwood Road at Hawthorne Road.

11:34 a.m. Welfare Check on Bridle Path at Wallace Farm Apartments results in the transportation to a hospital.

12:57 p.m. Larceny/Forgery/Fraud investigated at Mack's Apples U-Pick on Pillsbury Road.

2:32 p.m. Larceny/Forgery/Fraud investigated at Taco Bell/KFC on Nashua Road.

5:45 p.m. Services rendered for Larceny/Forgery/Fraud on Bartley Hill Road.

6:10 p.m. Auto Theft investigated on Prairie Lane.

6:53 p.m. Services rendered in keeping the peace on Teton Drive.

8:38 p.m. Missing Person investigated on Kimball Road.

9:39 p.m. Domestic Disturbance results in an arrest made by five officers on Winding Pond Road at Orchard View Drive.

Meeting in person at the YMCA - Londonderry. Contact: Seren Elizabeth at selizab@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.

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.

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

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 Meeting ID: 302 497 889 (no password needed) Contact: Seren Elizabeth at selizab@urteachers.org No preregistration need.

Vaping & 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.

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."

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 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 selizab@urteachers.org

Evolve!

A group for young woman ages 13 to 18 to talk about today's challenges 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.



LONDONDERRY SCHOOL DISTRICT

LEGAL NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Londonderry School District will conduct a public hearing to discuss the need to increase the rate of pay for special education assistants due to the ongoing staffing shortage. The School Board is considering moving this group from a grade 3 to grade 4 in the current support contract ratified March 2020. The maximum estimated additional cost of this decision is \$380,000. The School Board meeting will take place at the Londonderry High School, 295 Mammoth Road, Londonderry, New Hampshire in the Cafeteria on Tuesday, October 19, 2021, at 7:00 p.m. The public is invited to attend.



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