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Hawk Unmasked Londonderry Superintendent, Dan Black, revealed himself to South Elementary School students during the school's January Assembly on Friday afternoon, Jan. 27. See additional photos of the assembly on page 5. *Photo by Chris Paul*

Gilcreast Road Building to be Demoed for Chase Bank

PAUL CONYERS
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Conservation Commission came together for its Jan. 24 meeting to discuss a site plan for a Chase Bank at the corner of Gilcreast Road and Nashua Road which would mean the complete demolition of the existing building.

Randy Martin was present on behalf of Chase Bank to give an overview of the project. "We are proposing a 3,100 sq ft. Chase Bank with a drive-through," said Martin. "We're proposing to reuse some of the existing trees and landscaping onsite, and we're adding additional shrubbery around the site."

He also promised to increase the size of landscape buffers and that the proposed re-development of the lot will decrease the amount of pavement and stormwater runoff. The Gilcreast lot currently has a Suppa's Pizza and a REMAX Real Estate agency on the site. The plan would be

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Fire Department Proposes Ambulance Fee Increase

ALEX MALM
LONDONDERRY TIMES

Deputy Fire Chief, Fred Heinrich, discussed the fee structure for ambulance transports during the Jan. 23 Town Council meeting.

Heinrich explained that ultimately a certain portion of the costs of running an ambulance service is taken care of by the community and there's a certain cost that is paid for by the subscribers.

While he wasn't looking for any decisions during the meeting he

said he wanted to present to the Town Council so they understand the different scenarios.

It was explained by Heinrich they currently have different rates depending on the severity of the call. For example, for basic life support the base rate is \$509.17, for advanced life support 1, it's \$604.63, and for advanced life support 2, it's \$875.13.

From there they have additional charges depending on what is needed. It includes oxygen for \$75, and IV Therapy for \$150.

Heinrich said a basic life support cost in total is \$733.47, for advanced life support one, it's \$1,128.93, and for advanced life support two, it's \$1,764.43. In comparison, Derry, Windham, Bedford, and Salem all charge more than that for their services.

One of the issues that Heinrich pointed to is that Medicare only pays a certain percentage of what the total bill is.

"They pay 80% of what they determine they want to pay," said Heinrich.

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School Board Renews Technical Ed Agreement

ALEX MALM
LONDONDERRY TIMES

During the Jan. 24 School Board meeting, one of the agenda items was in regards to the agreement between the Londonderry school district and the Manchester School District for the career and technical education program.

It was explained by Superintendent, Dan Black, that the agreement they have in place would be ending at the end of July, which meant they needed to renew their agreement.

"It's more of a timing thing," said Black.

Black said there were no major changes to the

agreement compared to last year's.

"Our legal counsel and the administration support the School Board agreeing to the updated contract, which is nearly identical to the old one," said Black. "This agreement will go through the end of the 2023-24 school year. Both Bedford and Goffstown School Boards have already signed this updated agreement and have returned it to Manchester. We recommend the Londonderry School Board does the same."

Black pointed out that new legislation was passed, which means they can't have more than 10 scheduling con-

flicts for their school calendar.

"The four school districts have already started meeting to set up a process to have more aligned school calendars for the 2024-25 school year," said Black. "Updated legislation requires that we don't have more than 10 conflicts on the school calendar after Labor Day."

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Heritage Commission Reviews New Sargent Road Subdivision

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LONDONDERRY TIMES

One of the agenda items during the Jan. 26 Londonderry Heritage Commission meeting was in regards to an application for a design review of a subdivision plan to subdivide 11 Sargent Road, into 13 single family residential lots.

The applicant, Aaron Orso, from DHB Homes, said the name of the development would be Moose Hill Estates.

One of the concerns brought up during previous board meetings was what would happen to the stone walls throughout the property.

“Any disturbed rock walls we shifted most of them to the entrance of the subdivision,” said Orso. He explained they want to make it more of a “New England” entrance for the subdivision.

Orso said some will have to be disturbed slightly for things like driveways, but they are trying to keep as many of them intact as possible.

“We are trying to keep as many of them as untouched as possible,” Orso said.

Another issue raised was what would happen to the house on the property.

Orso said the plan is to keep it.

“Our plan is to keep that,” said Orso, noting he likes the appearance of it.

“I think there’s a lot of character with it,” said Orso.

He noted they would be making some changes to the outside of it to give it a “facelift” without changing the character of it. Orso added that he thinks the house would blend in well with the houses they are building.

“We feel like we can keep it,” said Orso.

For example, he said they want to make it look like a more authentic chimney and that he inspected all of the win-

dows and may need to make some repairs.

“There are some windows in my opinion that need to be replaced,” said Orso.

Vice Chair, Arthur Rugg, noted that the criteria is that about 75% of the outside is still the original look it.

One question that was asked was what they plan on doing with the house. Orso said they plan on selling it.

“I think we can come up with a layout that will be marketable for future buyers,” said Orso.

Also on the property is a barn that Orso said they aren’t planning on touching.

“The barn is awesome,” said Orso.

He stated it was built in the last 20 years.

“The barn is in really good shape,” said Orso.

Orso also noted that it was recommended they have sidewalks and they are doing a full traffic impact study on the property.

He explained they

would allow natural stone as an option, but said the standard is to have vinyl siding.

The Heritage Commission ultimately approved the design review with stipulations that the signage must meet the Planning Board specification for height restrictions, square footage, and lighting.

Chase Bank

Continued from page 1 to tear down most existing structures.

“It would be completely razed and demolished, including the entire parking lot,” clarified Martin. “We’re not proposing to reuse the parking lot, the entire site would be demolished apart from a few trees. It’s almost like a less intense use than what’s out there today.”

There wasn’t much concern from Commission members, with a few questions focusing on drainage and the size of the parking lot. Chase Bank doesn’t expect to be finished with regulatory approval until at

least the summer of 2023, with construction unlikely to begin before the spring of 2024. No vote was taken and the discussion will continue at the next Conservation meeting.

The 2023 Musquash Field Day, scheduled for Saturday, Feb. 18, at the Musquash conservation area between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. was also in discussion at the meeting.

“The mountain bikers are coming,” said Commission Chair, Marge Badois, in reference to an expected appearance of the New England Mountain Bike Association. “We’d love to see all kinds of activity.

The Bikers will set up

a kiosk, including a presentation on what bikes and trials are available in the area. Weather permitting, attendees can explore the area on sleds, skis, snowshoes, or bikes. There will be a fire pit with food available. All Londonderry residents are invited to attend, although participants should dress warmly.

The ongoing Lythia Springs Conservation Purchase is slowly moving ahead. Town Council member, Chad Franz, accepted a \$300,000 grant from the state of NH last Dec. to preserve the historic Lythia Spring property.

However, some difficulties have arisen around trail construction on the property. Rede-

velopment plans involved removing a causeway on the property, a move that could interfere with the historic value of the property. Removing the causeway would enhance the wetland habitat at Lithia Springs. The dispute has delayed the final purchase agreement on the property. A possible solution involved removing part of the causeway.

Other businesses included the election of new officers. The Conservation Commission re-elected every member to their existing positions on the committee in 2022.

The next meeting for the Conservation Commission is scheduled for Monday, Feb. 13, at 7:30 p.m. in the Moose Hill Council Chambers.

OBITUARY

William E. Kingdon



William E. Kingdon, 94, of Londonderry, NH, passed away Saturday Jan. 14, 2023, at his residence in Londonderry, surrounded by his loving family and his beloved cat Girlie. He was born on March 8, 1928, in Salem, NH, the son of the late William and Sylvia (Bodwell) Kingdon.

William/Bill Kingdon served in the Navy during World War II on the ship USS Briareus. While serving, he met the love of his life Lois to whom he was married for 70 years. In his younger years he drove an 18-wheeler for Appleyard’s Trucking and worked at Nault’s garage. In 1955 he began his career in the Salem Fire Department as a call fireman. He worked his way up the ranks and in 1972 he accepted the position of Salem Fire Department Chief which he excelled in until his retirement in 1980. He had a passion for thoroughbred racing and owned and trained horses at several local racetracks.

Once retired, Bill and Lois moved to FL., and spent 38 years in Dade City where he raised cattle and grew and bailed hay. Bill had a love for gardening and sitting on his porch swing waving to neighbors as they drove by. It was on that porch swing that he had many conversations with his best friends (also known as his adoptive son and daughter), Billy and Mandy Milam. In 2019 Bill and Lois moved back to NH to be closer to family.

William Kingdon is survived by; his three daughters and their spouses, Cheryl and Bill Gordon, Joyce and Richard Newman, and Brenda and Bob Selinga; and his son and wife John and Kymberly Kingdon. He is also survived by nine grandchildren, eleven great grandchildren, sister, Marilyn Meserve, and sister-in-law, Eleanor Reed. William was predeceased by his beloved wife, Lois (Meserve) Kingdon. Infant grandson Ryan Selinga, and infant great grandson, Ira Thomas Newman.

Calling hours were held on Tuesday, Jan. 24, in the Peabody Funeral Homes & Crematorium. Memorial services will follow at 11 a.m., in the funeral home. Memorial contributions may be made to Manchester VNA/Hospice or a charity of your choosin.

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New Truancy Policy Gets Approved by School Board

ALEX MALM
LONDONDERRY TIMES

At the Jan. 24 School Board meeting, the School Board had a third and final reading regarding attendance for students.

It was explained previously by Director of Pupil Services, Kim Carpinone, that a Committee from all the different schools had been working on making revisions to the policy since the summer.

Superintendent, Dan Black, said there was an effort by Carpinone and the assistant principals to “really streamline how we approach chronic truancy” noting that

the policy was ready for approval.

For the policy JED, which is known as the “truancy policy” for the district, they are looking to make updates to the definition of truancy.

“One of the goals of JED is just to be consistent with the regulations around compulsory education and truancy,” said Carpinone.

One of the subsections of the policy is related to the school district attendance policy.

Carpinone said they are looking to make amendments to it.

“This amendment creates a cohesive district-wide procedural approach to school attendance,”

Carpinone said in a memo. “The procedures define an excused and unexcused absence from school and the process the Londonderry School District follows to be in compliance with RSA 189 and RSA 193.”

Carpinone said that in the amendment it will attempt to articulate what an excuse absence would be and what the district policy is for what happens when so many unexcused absences occur by a student.

For example, in the proposed policy it states if a student has been absent unexcused five or more days in the school year or has ten or more half days unexcused

absences then the principal would notify their parents or guardians.

If it continues and they have more than 10 days, then a meeting would be scheduled with their parents or guardians.

According to the policy, “the purpose of the meeting shall be to develop a plan to address the truancy.”

The policy also states if a student doesn’t comply with the plan and either has 20 full absences unexcused or 40 half days, then “the building principal or his/her designee(s) and the truant officer shall consult with the Superintendent to determine whether DCYF should be

notified and/or court action filed.”

The School Board approved the policy changes.

The School Board also had a second reading for a proposed policy change that would require all students in high school to complete three years of science courses in order to graduate starting with the class of 2027.

Currently, the district offers over 20 science courses, however, the only two classes required for graduation are earth space science and biology.

Sean Flynn, the curriculum coordinator for the high school, pointed out that most state col-

leges require either three years of science in high school or strongly recommend it.

For the University of NH and Plymouth State University, three years is required and at Keene State College, two years are required and three years are recommended.

“All we’re trying to do is raise our expectations around science and align ourselves with some of our peer schools and make sure all our graduates no matter where they go after the age of 18 are ready to tackle the world,” said Black.

The School Board ultimately voted in favor of sending the proposed policy to a third reading.

Heritage Commission Review Design For Chase Bank

ALEX MALM
LONDONDERRY TIMES

One of the agenda items during the Jan. 26 Londonderry Heritage Commission meeting was in regards to a design review of a site plan amendment for the construction of a proposed 3,116 square foot bank with a drive thru, associated parking, and site improvements at 66 Gilcreast Road. If approved, the bank located there would be Chase Bank.

Randy Barron, who was representing the applicant, said the property is located at the signal intersection for Gilcreast Road, and Nashua Road.

“It’s a total knock-down, raise, and rebuild,” said Barron.

Barron said right now there are 55 parking spaces on the site, but they are proposing to reduce that amount.

“There’s 24 parking spaces being proposed,” said Barron.

Barron said they expect to see a decrease in storm water run off rates and volume.

For the landscaping plan, Barron stated there are going to be 19 new trees and 82 new shrubs.

He noted that they will also have new parking lot lights for safety and security.

The architect for the proposed project, Kevin Kelly, explained it was recommended they look at a nearby Enterprise building for them to try to emulate what they have there.

He said they are proposing to have light gray clapboard with white trim.

Since filing for design review, Barron said they have met with the Conservation Commission, which didn’t have any comments during the meeting.

One concern that was brought up during the meeting is they may have some issues with

the signs.

“I know some of the signs we are proposing are above and beyond the regulations,” said Barron.

It was noted they would be proposing to have three signs, one facing Nashua Road, one facing Commerce, and one facing Gilcreast Road.

The current monument style sign on the

property will be removed and replaced with a new one, which will be just over six feet tall and the only part that will be illuminated will be the white lettering and the blue Chase symbol.

“The rest will be non illuminated,” said Barron.

In addition, it is expected they will have some non illuminated small directional signs.

“Just over two square

feet,” said Barron.

One part of the design that drew comments from members of the Commission was in regards to the color of the brick used. Members generally suggested they use a red brick to soften up the color and to give it a more colonial look.

It was expected that the applicant would be re-submitting their design application.

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Editorial

The Start of Groundhog Day

Groundhog Day might be one of the weirdest traditions we have. Every February 2nd, people wait for the emergence of a groundhog or woodchuck, a large furry rodent. They then wait to see if he sees his shadow or not, so we can foretell the weather for the following six weeks. The belief is held that if the day was sunny and clear, people could expect a long, rough winter, but if the sky was cloudy, then warm weather would arrive soon.

This tradition is a mix of European cultures from the Christian celebration known as Candlemas Day yearly. Candlemas Day yearly marked the halfway point between the winter solstice and the spring equinox, the Celts Imbolc, the celebration of the birth of farm animals and the planting of crops. The Germans mark on this tradition was an introduction of the hedgehog and by adding the prediction of the weather to the tradition.

One of Pennsylvania's early settlers was a German who brought this tradition with them to share. With a small change of switching the hedgehog with a groundhog, which was abundant in the new land. On a sidebar the Groundhog Day celebration wasn't fun for Punxsutawney Phil, because as they gathered on a hilltop known as Gobbler's Knob on February 2,

1887, they not only celebrated seeing the shadow to predict the weather by the groundhog, he was also dinner.

Groundhog Day celebrations grew in popularity with many other cities that will hold their own, but none are as elaborate and well know as the one that takes place at Gobbler's Knob in Punxsutawney, Pennsylvania every February 2nd. This year, after many predictions, Punxsutawney Phil's will predict for the 136th year.

The local newspaper, Punxsutawney Spirit printed the first news of the Groundhog Day celebration. The editor of that newspaper's declared that Phil would be Punxsutawney official weather-forecasting groundhog, and well you know the rest of the story.

All of that being said, I don't put much merit in Phil's predictions. I bet that he is probably a tad upset about being yanked out of his slumber every year to predict the weather. Regardless, in my opinion it is a quaint tradition because it reminds me that winter is coming to the end as days are getting longer. It sometimes feels like it takes forever for the nice weather to come back, but it won't be long until we are outside mowing the lawn and planting our gardens in the yard instead of running snow blowers and shoveling.

Letters

Associate Planner Dismissal

To the editor,
What ever was Town Manager Mike Malaguti thinking when he fired the Assistant Town Planner Laura Gandia prior to getting approval from the Town Council? Is this not what we are trying to teach our youngsters about not bullying people. Malaguti's plan may have been reasonable, but since when do you fire someone before you have gotten approval. And further more to not afford Gandia the respect of a conversation is appalling. Is this what Londonderry can expect from our town manager?

Jane Cooper
Londonderry

Re-Elect Finamore

To the editor;
Londonderry is fortunate to have the opportunity to re-election Amy Finamore to the Londonderry School Board this March. I appreciate that Amy Finamore has consistently united this community around our public schools, advocating on behalf of our young learners and working to shape the future of public education in Londonderry. Having closely followed these meetings in recent years, I can attest to the unfaltering commitment and leadership that Amy has brought to this position. As a current school board member and twice nominated Chairperson, Amy has established a reputation for taking on difficult tasks with a measured approach, consulting experts for evidence based

data, and for thoughtfully examining the pro's and cons of action vs inaction on any given recommendation.

Amy Finamore has contributed many Letters to the Editor of the Londonderry Times over the years. These archived letters are a reliable record of Amy's impressions of this school district and her vision for Londonderry Public School's next steps. I also encourage voters to observe Amy Finamore's performance during public session meetings through in-person attendance or via YouTube.

Londonderry Public Schools has the motto: Giving Wings to Children's Dreams and Amy Finamore will continue to do just that for our learners. Please re-elect for Amy Finamore for School Board.

Beth Marrocco
Londonderry

Let's Stop the Silly Games with the Debt Ceiling

To the editor,
House Republicans are threatening to not raise the debt ceiling in order to get concessions from the Administration. Saying they want to control spending. So what is the National Debt and why is it important to pay its interest?

Who holds the national debt? The largest portion of the total debt - about 40% is held by federal government accounts. Federal Reserve banks hold about 12 percent. Social Security trust funds hold another 16%. Civilian and Military retirement funds hold another 8%. The

balance is made up of several smaller funds.

Another 34% of total federal debt is owed to foreigners, including China (8%), and Japan (7%). Several other countries own smaller percentages of the balance of the 34%.

The remaining 17% is spread among banks and other depository institutions.

So the popular misconception that China holds our national debt is wrong. Most of it we owe to ourselves.

JPMorgan Chase, CEO Jamie Dimon said on Jan. 19 "We should never question the creditworthiness of the United States government. That is sacrosanct. It should never happen,"

Just look at your money. It is a Federal Reserve note, backed only by the full faith and credit of the U.S. Government. Our national debt is the money we owe to others and ourselves. It is money that Congress has already appropriated (spent). If we default, our debt does not go away - it's still there. We still owe the money. And like all of us, if we don't pay our bills, the cost of borrowing money goes up and since our money is based on our creditworthiness, our dollars will likely be worth less. So, we will owe more and our money will be worth less.

If the House of Representatives want to reduce spending, they already have the power and duty to do so. Instead of fighting over whether or not we should pay the bills we owe, they should be spending the time to actually pass appropriations for FY2024. It's

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Hawks Assemble

Staff and students attended the South Elementary School January Assembly last week and students received accolades for a number of achievements. Three students from each grade level were drawn from a bucket as the i-Ready winners, for completing their i-ready lessons this year. The school was also treated to a dance from the school's mascot. The "Mystery Hawk" turned out to be newly named School Superintendent Dan Black. *Photos by Chris Paul*



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Fire Department Proposes Charging Fees to Businesses

ALEX MALM
LONDONDERRY TIMES

Possible changes to the fee schedule for the Fire Department was one of the agenda items during the Monday, Jan. 23, Town Council meeting.

It was explained by Deputy Chief, Bo Butler, that research was done to see where increases to the current fee schedule could be made and to see what things they could charge for that they aren't currently charging people for.

One of the major items was for radio box

monitoring. Butler explained it essentially transmits a radio signal from a building to dispatch when there is a fire or the fire alarm goes off.

"Currently in the town of Londonderry we have 285 radio boxes," said Butler. "The fire department monitors all 285 of those radio boxes, but we do it for nothing."

He explained that radio boxes are monitored in other towns as well, however, they charge. For example, Derry charges \$300 annually and Manchester charges \$450. They are

proposing to make the fee \$400.

Butler explained that businesses could choose to have a different company monitor the boxes, however, they are generally more expensive.

"They are still going to pay top dollar to do that," said Butler.

Butler added, when they look to increase or institute new fees they look at a few different things, including if it's in the best interest of the department and if it's in the best interest of the community.

"If we can check both those boxes then to us it's a go," said Butler.

One of the increases the department was looking to make is the fee for inspections for class B fireworks, said Brian Johnson, Division Chief of Fire Prevention. He said it would be for displays like the ones that happen at Old Home Days.

Johnson said they used to charge \$1,000 before 2008, however, due to a typo it has been at \$100. He said they were looking to increase it back to \$1,000.

He stated it wouldn't be for town events and

instead it would be for things like private firework displays.

"It just takes an absorbent amount of time and the \$100 doesn't cover it," said Johnson.

Johnson said they were also looking to add fees for false alarms.

He explained that currently they have some businesses that get a lot of false alarms, however, they don't have a way to encourage businesses to correct what is wrong since they don't have fees.

"We don't have any teeth to really make them fix it," said Johnson.

Johnson explained the fines would only be for false alarms that are preventable and repairable issues.

The proposed fines for false fire alarms would be a written warning for the first 1-3 times and for the fourth time there would be a \$100 fine imposed. For the fifth violation a \$200 fine would be imposed. All other false alarms would carry a \$500 fine.

Town Council Chair, John Farrell, said he wanted to hear from the public and get more details before making a decision.

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The School Board voted in favor of approving the agreement.

Also during the meeting, the School Board re-voted on whether or not they would support the different warrant articles, after School Board member, Kevin Gray, was absent from the previous meeting.

"Due to the timing of our budget meetings and attendance we only have

four votes on all the warrant articles, including the operating budget," Black said in a memo. "Just to make sure there are 5 votes heading to the deliberative session, we checked with legal counsel that the School Board could choose to re-vote with all 5 board members present at this school board meeting if they should choose to do so."

The school district Deliberative Session is slated to take place on

Feb. 10 at 7 p.m. in the Londonderry High School cafeteria. Voting on the warrant articles is slated to take place on March 14 from 6 a.m. to 8 p.m. at the Londonderry High School gym.

The School Board also accepted the retirement of Beth Hanley, a teacher at Moose Hill, and the resignation of Katherine Chaput, a teacher at Moose Hill.

The next School Board meeting is slated to take place on Feb. 14.

Ambulance Fees

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In total about 74% of the patients they have are on Medicare, six percent are on Medicaid, 17% are through private insurance, and 3% are from other sources.

Out of all the calls they received in 2022, about 56% came from calls at home, 30% were from other locations, eight percent were from urgent care calls, and 6% were from assisted living facilities.

"Most of our medical calls come from people's homes," said Heinrich.

With the addition of

assisted living facilities coming to town, Heinrich said he expects the number of calls they receive from them to go up.

"I assume that 6% is going to increase now that we have two," said Heinrich.

Town Council Chairman, John Farrell, asked if they are billing enough to have the right level of service.

"This is a nationwide difficult discussion," said Heinrich.

Heinrich said currently departments across the country have to sub-

mit their costs to Medicare to determine the costs associated with running ambulances.

One question raised was what happens if they are called to a home or other place and the patient isn't transported.

Heinrich said in those cases the patient isn't charged.

"They don't go to the hospital, we don't charge," said Heinrich.

Heinrich also noted that they aren't allowed to charge different rates for residents versus non residents, which is something they have looked into previously.

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School Board Approves Latest Right to Know Policy

ALEX MALM
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Londonderry School Board took a final vote on an amendment to the Right to Know policy for the school district during their Tuesday night, Jan. 24, meeting.

One of the major changes in the policy would allow for right to know requests to be fulfilled via email.

"All records that are already in electronic format at the District Office shall be made available through email," the language reads.

Superintendent of Schools, Dan Black, previously expressed his concerns regarding the policy change.

"Knowing that only one neighboring district has this practice does make the administration nervous that we are setting ourselves up for more work than we have right now because of the current protections already in place the School Board's prior policy," said Black.

During the previous meeting, School Board member, Bob Slater, said he had spoken to a rep-

resentative from the Manchester School District who said they recommended having someone designated to handle the 91A requests at least initially so they are able to communicate with the requestors.

Slater said he also liked the form the Manchester School District has on their website for people who are making the requests.

"The administration requests the board adopt the Manchester language of this policy that allows for flexibility to use a flash drive if it

makes large RTK requests easier when needed," Black said in a memo to the school board.

The language states "Electronic records may be provided via e-mail or on a portable storage device (thumb drive), if the requestor so requests and if such records can practically be delivered electronically. To protect the integrity of the District's computer system, a thumb drive for this purpose must either be provided by the requestor in unopened manufacturer's packaging or purchased at cost

from the District."

Black stated by adding language that the information could be given to the requestor via a thumb drive; he thought it was a good decision in case a file is too large.

"I thought that was a good way to give us some room to maneuver if email doesn't work," said Black.

School Board Chair, Amy Finamore, said it was hard for her to balance the concerns she had with unintended consequences that could occur from changing the

policy and wanting to have less barriers for people in the community to get access to information,

"I want to reduce barriers," said Finamore.

Slater said he thinks there will be time saved for staff by going with the policy change.

"I think it's going to show a savings for some personnel in the district office," said Slater.

The School Board voted 4-1 in favor of the amendment to the policy with Finamore voting against it.

Letters

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been a long time since Congress completed the whole appropriation process. We deserve better and both houses need to

get to work and find the best means of cost reduction and tax equity that will bring our fiscal house in order.

Jim Green
Londonderry

Vote Article 13

To the editor,
The Leach Library continues to be a busy community hub with over 13,000 cardholders and 45,000 visitors per year. Our mission is to provide materials, information, and services for community residents of all ages to meet their personal, educational, and recreational needs. Especially in times of financial strain, the library provides resources to help individuals and families save money on everything from books, movies, and video games to museum visits, equipment, and subscriptions. We are open to all, and we welcome everyone into the library.

Over the past year,

we have returned to operating 60 hours per week, attended Old Home Day and the Senior Expo, offered over 200 programs for all ages, installed handicap access on the library's entrance with grant funding from the New Hampshire Charitable Foundation, added two new physical collections, launched a digital collection with instant downloads, subscribed to three consumer resource databases, and answered over 21,000 reference questions. None of this would be possible without our staff.

Earlier in 2022, library management and the Board of Trustees evaluated our staff time alongside our operational needs and our goals for future pro-

grams and services. The numbers showed a need for more than 3,300 hours of additional support staff time annually. As a result, the Board of Trustees recommended requesting an additional full-time support staff member starting in the 2023-2024 budget year.

This request will be presented to Londonderry voters in Warrant Article Number 13. If you would like to see the library sustain current services and continue growing, we need your support! Please come out to vote at the Town Deliberative Session on Saturday, Feb. 11 at 9 a.m. at the Londonderry High School Cafeteria. Then cast your ballot on Tuesday, March 14 at the Londonderry High School Gymnasium.

We are so thankful

for our amazing Board of Trustees, Friends, Town Officers and employees, volunteers, patrons, visitors, and community members. We appreciate you all and are always happy to serve you.

Erin Matlin,
Library Director
Donna Plante,
Assistant Library
Director

OBITUARY

Brian Ronald Hamilton



Brian Ronald Hamilton, 54, of Londonderry, NH passed away on Wednesday morning, Jan. 25, 2023 at the Concord Hospital.

He was born on Feb. 8, 1968 and raised in Cambridge, MA. Brian graduated from the Matignon High school and went on to earn his associate's degree from the Wentworth Institute. He then began his more than 20 year career as a Mechanical Engineer for Freudenburg-Nok.

Throughout his life, he had a passion for hockey. Not only was he an avid Bruins fan, but he loved playing the game himself and in later years, coached his children's hockey teams. He was always very athletic and enjoyed playing basketball, football, and volleyball. Brian also liked playing pool, darts, and candlepin bowling.

Brian was survived by his loving wife of 31 years, Sandra Hamilton; his children, Brian Hamilton and his husband Wilson Belbin of Syracuse, NY, Samantha Hamilton and her partner Cody Hill of Rutland, VT, and Kyle Hamilton and his girlfriend, Kenzie Kirk of Londonderry, NH; his aunts and uncles, Ronald Perry and his wife Donna, and Pat Perry; as well as nieces, nephews, cousins, sisters-in-laws, and brothers-in-laws.

He was predeceased by his mother, Rosemary Hamilton; his uncles, Ray and Richard Perry; and his grandmother, Mildred Perry.

Calling hours were held on Monday, Jan. 30 at the Carrier Family Funeral Home. A Funeral Mass was held on Tuesday morning at 11 a.m., at St. Jude's Parish, 435 Mammoth Rd., Londonderry, NH 03053.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the American Heart Association, PO Box 840692, Dallas, TX 75284-0692.

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Londonderry Middle School Holds Annual Spelling Bee

CHRIS PAUL
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Londonderry Middle School held its annual Spelling Bee on Friday, Jan. 27 with 18 students

from three grades qualifying and 17 competing for the opportunity to represent Londonderry in the state event.

Seventh grade student, Madison DeLorenzo,

was the winner of the LHS Bee with Dimpy Patel, also seventh grade, running a close second place.

The Spelling Bee went 18-rounds with the

final two remaining after the tenth round.

Other participants were: Sixth grade; Christian Kvetkosky, Sam Roy, Alisha Marini, Faith Cunningham, Emma Karvieleis, and Gabriella Craigie. Seventh; Maddie Lyon, Owen Ferreira, Anna Laufersweiler, and Allison Harrington. Eighth; Josh Wheeler, Ryan Josef, Haley Hook, Lily Tessier, and Derek Allen. Lylah Chaffee qualified, but was absent.

DeLorenzo will move onto the online semi-final regional bee qualifier that will take place before Feb. 6.

There will be 20-25 students moving onto the live New Hampshire Regional Final Bee taking place on March 25 at 10 a.m. in Concord at the N.H. Stage.



Londonderry Middle School sixth grade student Madison DeLorenzo, above, was the winner of the LMS Spelling Bee. She poses with second place winner, Dimpy Patel and staff below.



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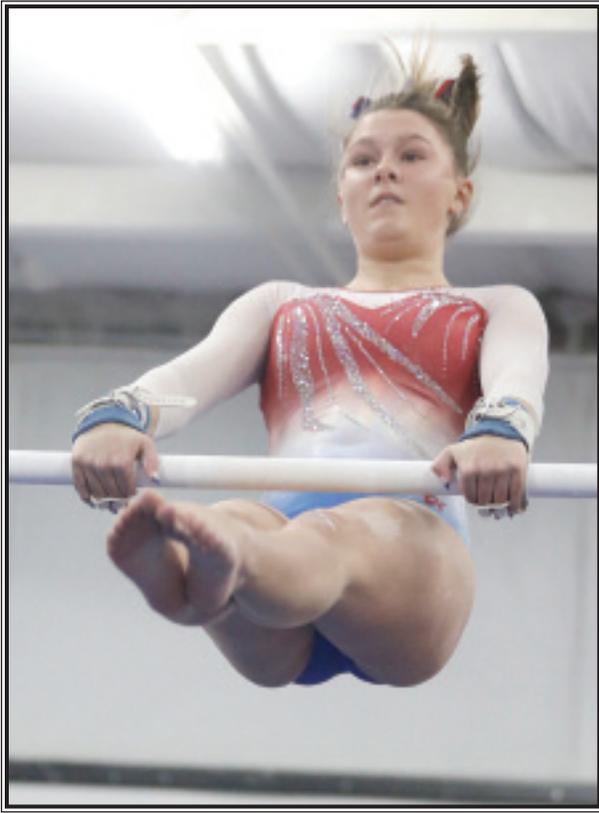
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LONDONDERRY SPORTS

Lancers Gymnastics Team Claim Win at Home Event



Marlie Fitzgerald took the top spot on the floor and competed on the bars in the Lancers home win over the weekend. Photos by Chris Paul

CHRIS PAUL
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Londonderry High School Gymnastics team had their home meet scheduled for Monday, Jan. 23, rescheduled to take place on Sunday afternoon, Jan. 29, where they were able to claim a meet win over three other schools.

The Lancers finished with a team score of 125.2 for first place in the event that took place at Spectrum Gymnastics Academy in Londonderry. The Spaulding High School team came in second with a score of 88.4 and the Dover Green Wave had 71.65 points and finished in third.

Londonderry head coach, Heather Lennon, chose to compete at Spectrum to give her team a final opportunity to perform on a spring floor before the NHIAA Championship that takes place on Saturday, Feb. 11, at A2 Gym and Cheer in Salem.

At Sunday's meet, Londonderry had two gymnasts place in the vault. Carlee Anderson had an 8.65 for second place and Ava Ruppel took third with a score of 8.6. Alex Pena managed an 8.1 and Marlie Fitzgerald got an 8.0.

On the Beam, Emma Nadeau had a score of 8.4 for a second-place finish in the event. Ruppel scored 7.9 and Pena finished with a 7.7, but didn't place.

On the Bars, Londonderry had two top-three finishers. Ruppel took second place with a 6.8 and Anderson had a 6.6 for third place.

In the Floor event, Fitzgerald got Londonderry's only first-place finish of the afternoon, scoring an 8.65. Pena tied for second place with an 8.6. Ruppel, Anderson, and Peyton Beirne all received a

score of 8.45 on the floor, just a half-point shy of placing.

Ava Ruppel took second place in All-Around.

The meet had Londonderry scoring their highest team total of the season and they are slowly getting some of their injured athletes back. Emma Nadeau, is coming off a foot injury that put her in a walking boot for the first half of the season.

Sophia Beauregard is also coming back from what coaches thought was a season-ending injury she sustained in the off season, and has helped the Lancers on bars.

Lennon is optimistic headed into the upcoming state competition. She said, "We continued to have consistent performances in the AA with freshman Alex Peña and senior Ava Ruppel."

She added, "The coaches are so happy



Emma Nadeau had a score of 8.4 on the Beam, adding to the Lancers team total.

we were able to reschedule this meet and to put up our best score of the season."

The team is scheduled to host its final

meet of the regular season on Thursday night, where they will face multiple opponents, including Pinkerton Academy and Timberlane.

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Londonderry Girls' Basketball Go 1-1 During Home Stand

CHRIS PAUL
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Londonderry High School Girls' Basketball team

had a strong win over the Broncos followed by a tough loss against the Bulldogs to finish the week with a season

record of 4-5 and heading into a three-game week that included a make-up game with the Pinkerton Lady Astros.

Furlong, had eight points and sophomore guard, Reagan Anderson, finished with four.

Three nights later, against the Bedford Bulldogs, a team that had an extreme height advantage and a 10-1 record, the Lancers were able to contain one of their big shooters and keep pace for two quarters, but wound up falling 56-42 at home.

Starting on Tuesday night, Jan 24, the Lady Lancers were able to keep the Alvirne High School squad to single digit scoring in three of the four quarters in their game and finished with a solid 51-35 victory.

Londonderry had a one-point lead after the first period and finished the half with a three-point 24-21 lead.

In the second half, LHS was able to pull away slightly by the third quarter, leading 33-27 and widened their lead in the fourth, outscoring the Lady Broncos 18-8 for their fourth win of the season.

Freshman Sammy Sullivan continued to lead her team in scoring with 26-points in the game, including four, three-pointers.

Senior guard, Jordon

By the end of the first half, Londonderry led 19-18 shutting down the Bedford offense and allowing just two baskets, unfortunately, the Bulldogs were able to do the same, with LHS getting just three buckets.

In the second half, Bedford's towering junior forward, Lana McCarthy, was able to escape the Lancer defense and score 23 of her 29 points and lead her team to a 38-23 second half run and a 56-42 win.

Sullivan was once again the top scorer for Londonderry, getting 17-points with three, three-pointers.

Senior guard, Shannon Ball, scored eight and Furlong finished with six-points on three buckets.

Sophomore Kate Sloper got five-points and Anderson finished with four.

The Lady Lancers were scheduled to play three road games this week, starting on Monday night when they played a make-up game against Pinkerton Acad-



Londonderry senior guard, Jordon Furlong, had a difficult task on Friday night against the height of the Bedford Lady Bulldogs.



Freshman Sammy Sullivan fights for position under the baskets against Bedford's tough forward, Lana McCarthy. Photos by Chris Paul

emy (8-2).

On Tuesday, Jan. 31, they traveled to Merrimack High School (3-6)

and on Friday night they will play in Manchester against the Trinity Piomeers (1-8).

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Athlete of the Week

Week of Jan. 23

**Ben Laverty
Senior, Unified Basketball**



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Londonderry Wrestlers Fall to Pinkerton in Ball Family Match

CHRIS PAUL
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Londonderry High School Wrestling team headed to Derry on Wednesday night, Jan. 25, where they faced rival Pinkerton Academy in the annual Ball Family Trophy Dual Meet.

In that contest, the Lancers came up 10-points shy of the Astros, suffering a 46-36 loss with PA winning eight of the 14 weight classes.

Londonderry's first win of the evening came at 195-pounds, when junior Andreas Taliadouros pinned Tom LaCroix at 1:32 in the match.

Christopher Gear (220 lbs) followed that up with a forfeit win.

Junior Kyle Jasper, at 285 lbs., had the team's

second fall of the night over Avery Bissonnette at 2:18.

Londonderry sophomore Nikki Stylianos added another forfeit win, but PA then rattled off six consecutive victories.

Sophomore David Pento stopped the Pinkerton surge at 152-pounds and continued his unbeaten streak at 30 with a fall over Cameran Morrow at :34.

Lancer junior Patrick O'Connor (170 lbs.) had the final win of the night with a pin over Trevor Raspuzzi at :48 in the bout.

Three days later, the team traveled to Massachusetts where they competed in the annual Methuen Invitational where they finished tenth out of a field of 21

New England teams.

The tournament included two top-ranked teams from Connecticut and New Hampshire. Xavier High School of Conn. finished first with 232-points and the Salem Blue Devils finished second with 165.

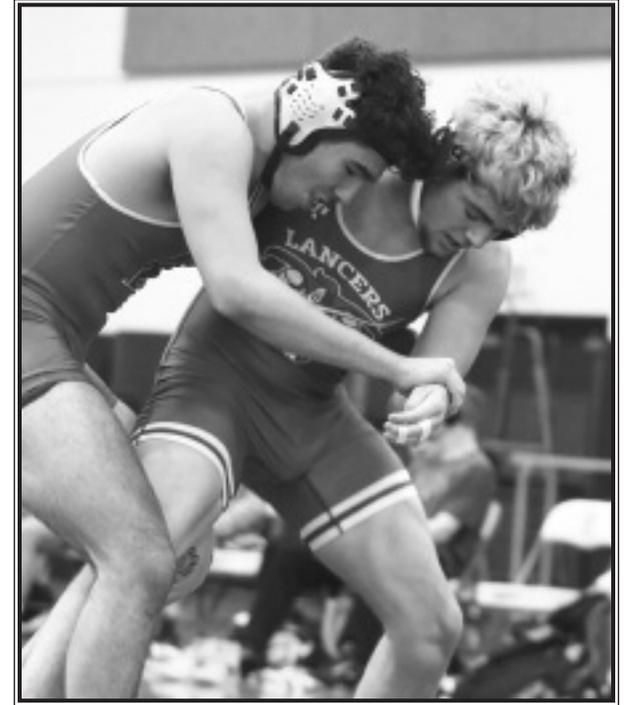
Lancers Pento and Taliadouros had the best finishes for Londonderry in the tournament, both getting into the championship round where they fell to Cranston, RI opponents.

This marked the first loss of the season for Pento, whose streaked ended at 33 straight victories, losing in a close 5-4 decision. Taliadouros had a breakout performance, coming into the day as an unseeded competitor and starting off with a

pin of the third-seeded wrestler and continued to pin his way to the finals. He went 3-1 on the day to take second place and was very close to winning the finals match. He was down 8-7 before wrestling through an exchange that resulted in getting pinned.

Other top finishers for Londonderry were: senior Nic D'Alessandro, fourth place at 132 pounds; junior Patrick O'Connor went 3-1 and finished in fifth place; senior Chris Gear also had a fifth place finish, going 4-1 and getting a pin in his final bout of the day.

The LHS squad will head to Windham High for a Dual Meet on Wednesday night and will then travel to New Fairfield, Conn. to wres-



Londonderry's 195-pound wrestler, junior Andreas Taliadouros had a good week with four wins and one loss. Photo by Chris Paul

tle in three to four duals. home on Wednesday, The team will close out Feb. 8, against Nashua the regular season at North.

Lancers Indoor Track Teams Compete in Winter Relays

CHRIS PAUL
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Londonderry High School Indoor Track team competed in the New Hampshire Winter Track League Relays on Saturday, Jan. 28, at the University of New Hampshire Paul Sweet Oval in Durham featuring three relay races.

BOYS

The boys' team had some success in the 4x160 Relay taking fifth

place.

The Lancer team of Anthony Amaro, Sean Clegg, Donovan Gannon, and Jon Inglese had a time of 1:19.28 in the race.

The winning team from Windham finished with a time of 1:16.24.

In the 4x400 Relay, the LHS team of Amaro, Clegg, Inglese, and Griffin Massahos finished in twelfth place at 3:58.75.

Exeter had a winning time of 3:46.61.

The Londonderry team of Ryan Fortin, Aiden Oljey, Jack Di-Buono, and William Buckley finished seventh in the 4x800 Relay with their time of 9:10.81.

Merrimack finished in first at 8:49.47.

GIRLS

In the 4x160 Relay, the Londonderry team

of Lillianna Cawthron, Meagan Daileanes, Amanda Fawcett, and Jaylin Galeaz finished with a time of 1:31.80 for eighth place out of 16 teams

The Pinkerton Academy team took first and broke a school record with the time of 1:26.66.

In the 4x400 Relay, the team of Daileanes, Fawcett, Galeaz, and

Madeleine Plante had a 4:20.23.

time of 4:52.34 for fourteenth.

Exeter finished in first place with a time of

The Londonderry girls' team did not compete in the 4x800 Relay



TOWN OF LONDONDERRY SEEKING VOLUNTEER

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Information regarding this position can be found on the Town's website. There is an application deadline of Thursday, Feb. 9, 2023 at 5 P.M. For more information regarding the open positions, please contact Kirby Brown at (603) 432-1100 x120 or kbrown@londonderrynh.org.



TOWN OF LONDONDERRY and the LONDONDERRY SCHOOL DISTRICT NOTICE OF DELIBERATIVE SESSIONS

The Town of Londonderry and the Londonderry School District will be conducting their Deliberative Sessions as follows:

- The 2023 Deliberative Session of the Londonderry School District shall be held on Friday, Feb. 10, 2023, beginning at 7 P.M., in the Londonderry High School Cafeteria. All warrant articles shall be acted upon at that time for placement on the School District Official Ballot.
- The 2023 Deliberative Session of the Londonderry Budgetary Town Meeting shall be held on Saturday, Feb. 11, 2023, beginning at 9 A.M., at the Londonderry High School Cafeteria. All warrant articles shall be acted upon at that time for placement on the Town Meeting Official Ballot.

Voting for all town and school officials and all Official Ballot Warrant Articles shall take place on Tuesday, March 14, 2023, between 6 A.M. and 8 P.M., at the Londonderry High School Gymnasium.



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Information regarding these Boards/Committees can be found on the Town's website. There is an application deadline of Friday, Feb. 3, 2023 at 5 P.M. For more information regarding the open positions, please contact Kirby Brown at (603) 432-1100 x120 or kbrown@londonderrynh.org.

Londonderry Hockey Squad Get Two Overtime Wins



Lancer junior, Brandon Morin, had two game-winning overtime goals last week.

CHRIS PAUL
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Londonderry High School Hockey Team got two overtime wins last week, upping their season record to 6-5 while getting a rematch victory over rivals Pinkerton Academy in the annual Ball Family Trophy game.

On Wednesday afternoon, Jan. 25, the Lancers took on the Pinkerton Astros for the second time in two weeks and was able to extract a bit of revenge from their previous 8-2 loss to PA. This time, Londonderry came away with an exciting 5-4 overtime win.

The Londonderry squad had a very strong start in the game, with junior forward, Michael

Maloney, giving his team a 1-0 lead with just 23-seconds off the clock. The goal was assisted from juniors Matt Boyon and Brandon Morin.

Astros senior Kyle Smith tied the game 1-1 nine-minutes later.

The Lancers were able to finish the first period by scoring two more goals, one from Morin with the assist going to Maloney at 10:01 and the other goal went to junior forward, Jayden Hamilton, with an assist from senior forward, Logan Bower, with just under 30 seconds left in the period.

In period number two, The Astros were able bring the game even again with goals by Campbell St. Pierre and Smith, on a power play, until LHS finished the period to take a 4-3 lead headed into the third.

Morin and Hamilton combined efforts to take the one-point lead into the third period.

The tying PA goal came with seconds left in game when Preston Libby scored from Jack Doherty at 15:00.

In the overtime per-



Londonderry junior forward Michael Maloney had a goal and an assist in the team's 5-4 win against Pinkerton. Photos by Chris Paul

iod, Morin had the unassisted goal at 3:32 for the hat trick and the Lancer victory.

Londonderry managed to get 25 shots on the Pinkerton Academy net in the win.

The Lancers finished the week with another

exciting overtime win coming off the stick of Morin when they were able to beat Trinity High School 7-6.

The Lancers were unable to score in the first, but scored three times in the second period to trail Trinity 4-3 headed into the third.

In the third, the Pioneers scored two more times, but the LHS squad rallied for three to take a 6-6 tie into overtime.

Morin was able to get the sudden death win for the second in three days.

The Lancers will play Concord High School on Wednesday night, Feb. 1 and then take on the Bedford Bulldogs at home on Saturday, Feb 4, starting at 6:10 p.m.



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TOWN OF LONDONDERRY LEGAL NOTICE ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

The Londonderry Zoning Board of Adjustment will hold a public meeting on Wednesday, Feb. 15, 2023 at 7 P.M. in Moose Hill Council Chambers to consider the following:

Public Hearing

- A. **CASE NO. 02/15/2023-1:** Request for a variance from LZO 4.12 Use Table to allow a manufacturing use in the AR-1 zone which is otherwise prohibited, 83 Litchfield Rd., Map 11 Lot 85, Zoned AR-1, Michaela Waldron (Owner) and John Thompson (Applicant)
- B. **CASE NO. 02/15/2023-2:** Request for a variance from LZO 4.2.1.3.A.1 to allow a duplex on a lot with only 100 feet of frontage where 150 feet are required, 532 Mammoth Rd., Map 15 Lot 222, Zoned AR-1, Patricia and David Robbins (Owners & Applicants)
- C. **CASE NO. 02/15/2023-3:** Request for a variance from LZO 4.1.2 Use Table to allow vehicle sales (wholesale) in the C-I zone which is otherwise prohibited, 184 Mammoth Rd., (Unit 3), Map 6 Lot 72C, Zoned C-I, MKZ Auto, LLC (Owner) and Rahul Talwar (Applicant)

Request for Re-Hearing

Remi Fortin Realty Company (Owner) and Audrey & Jason Withee and When I Grow Up, LLC (Applicants) - Request for Re-Hearing regarding CASE NO. 12/21/2022-2 in which the Board denied a variance from LZO 4.1.2 to allow the use of a group child care facility in the C-II zone which is otherwise prohibited. The parcel is located at 298 Rockingham Rd., (Building J) (Map 17 Lot 24, Zoned C-II).

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Children's Book Bingo

On Saturday, Feb. 4 at 2 p.m., everyone will have the chance to win at least one book of their choosing at the Leach Library. Registration is required and begins on Saturday, Jan. 28. To register, please visit the children's desk or call the library.

Crafternoon

On Wednesday, Feb. 8 at 4 p.m., monthly crafting social hour for adults called Crafternoon will be held at the Leach Library. Bring your own craft project and supplies, and work alongside other local crafters. No registration is required. For more information, call the library.

Craft Time

On Thursday, Feb. 9 at

4:30 p.m., kid crafters are invited to work on a craft in the meeting room in the Leach Library. Craft kits will be provided, and staff will be available to offer assistance. Registration is required and begins on Thursday, Feb. 2. To register, please visit the children's desk or call the library.

Gumdrop Towers

Come to the Leach Library on Wednesday, Feb. 15 at 4:30 p.m. to celebrate National Gumdrop Day at the Leach Library. See how high you can build a tower made from gumdrops and toothpicks without it falling over, then try again using a different strategy. This program is designed for ages 6 and older. Registration is required and begins on

Wednesday, Feb. 8. To register, please visit the children's desk or call the library.

The Block by Block Coding Club

This Leach Library club offers tweens and teens the opportunity to learn coding skills on and off-screen with games and activities one Wednesday afternoon a month, this month on Feb. 22 at 4 p.m. Registration is required and begins one week before each session. To register, please visit the main circulation desk or call the library.

Teen Candy Sushi Creations

Those in grades 6-12 are invited to stop by the Leach Library on Tuesday, Feb. 14 from 3:30 - 4:30

p.m. to make sushi-inspired candy treats. An assortment of candy treats and suggested "recipe" cards will be available to teens to create their take on candy sushi. Teens will have an opportunity to try their creations during the program or bring them home in a takeout box to enjoy later. Registration is required and begins on Tuesday, Feb. 7. To register, please visit the main desk or call the library. Please advise library staff of any food allergies when registering for the program.

Duplo Budding Builders

Come to the Leach Library on Thursday, Feb. 23 at 10 a.m. for a meeting of Duplo Budding Builders. Following a theme, participants will create using larger Duplo blocks. This program is designed for younger Lego enthusiasts ages 0-5. Registration is required and begins on Thursday, Feb. 16. To register, please visit the children's desk or call the library.

Building Buddies

Come to the Leach Library on Thursday, Feb.

23 at 4:30 p.m. for a new Lego program designed for ages 6 and up. Each month, there will be a fun theme and time to create using the library's Legos. Registration is required and begins on Thursday, Feb. 16. To register, please visit the children's desk or call the library.

Theodore Roosevelt and the Last Frontier

On Tuesday, Feb. 23 at 7 p.m., Dr. Kurk Dorsey, Professor of History and Liberal Studies at the University of NH, will present a talk on Theodore Roosevelt. The presentation will explore several international disputes that were shaped by Roosevelt's presidency, as well as their implications for the conservation movement. Registration is required and begins on Thursday, Feb. 16. To register, please visit the main desk or call the library.

"Library After Dark" Movie Night

Come to the Leach Library on Friday, Feb. 24 at 6 p.m., a special after-hours movie night in the main reading room! Join the library staff for a showing of the 2016 award-win-

ning biographical drama based on Margot Lee Shetterly's bestselling book (rated PG), along with refreshments and raffle prizes. Registration is required and opens on Friday, Feb. 17. To register, please visit the main desk or call the library.

Game On

After school on Friday afternoons, teens are invited to stop by to try out a board game at the Leach Library. Each week, one game will be set up and ready for students to come and play. All board games are for in-library use only and may be used during library hours. Games are located in the young adult section of the library. For more information about this and other teen activities, check out the Teen Program Guide available on the library's website or at the main desk.

Vacation Week Activities

During Winter Break from Monday, Feb. 27 until Saturday, March 4, crafts, as well as a variety of coloring and activity pages, will be available at the Leach Library. There will

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Londonderry Police Log

Selections from the Londonderry Police Logs

Monday - Jan. 23

12:58 a.m. Three officers render services for Wires Down on High Range Road

3:44 a.m. Wires Down investigated on High Range Road at Shasta Drive.

4:02 a.m. Removed hazard where wires were down on Old Nashua Road at Boyd Road.

10 p.m. Report of Trespassing on Thornton Road leads to an arrest made by three officers. Heather Walker, 51, of Londonderry charged with two counts of Breach of Bail.

12 p.m. A Domestic Disturbance leads to an arrest made on Stone-

henge Road by three officers. Justin Sargent, 35, of Londonderry, charged with: Domestic Violence (Simple Assault - Physical Contact); and Criminal Mischief.

12:15 p.m. Three officers assist with transported to a hospital after a Suicide Attempt/Threat on Mammoth Road.

2:33 p.m. Services rendered to keep the peace on Stonehenge Road.

4:25 p.m. Services rendered for trespassing at the Manchester Boston Regional Airport.

6:12 p.m. Services rendered to keep the peace on Constitution Drive.

Tuesday - Jan. 24

5:27 a.m. Sudden Death on Lincoln Drive investigated by five officers.

12:10 p.m. Juvenile Offenses investigated on Fieldstone Drive.

3:52 p.m. Motor vehicle stop leads to an arrest made at Saint Jude's Church on Mammoth Road. Bryan Cole, 29, of Manchester, charged on Bench Warrants.

4:46 p.m. Motor vehicle stop leads to an arrest on Nashua Road at Orchard View Drive. Roy Holton, 70, of Londonderry, charged on Bench Warrants.

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Voter Information

The Supervisors of the Voter Checklist will meet at the Town Clerk's Office to correct the checklist and register voters on: Feb. 22, from 6 - 7 p.m., & March 4 from 10 - 11:30 a.m. To register to vote, one must provide: Proof of Londonderry residency; Proof of citizenship (passport, birth certificate, naturalization papers); Proof of age; Photo ID. Applicants for registration who possess proof of identity, age, citizenship, and domicile should bring that proof when they come to register. Qualified appli-

cants 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.

Musquash Field Day

The Londonderry Conservation Commission will be holding its annual Musquash Field Day on Saturday, Feb. 18, from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. This popular family friendly event gives residents the opportunity to learn about Londonderry's Conservation Area. People are encouraged to explore trails on sleds, skis, snowshoes or mountain bikes and see some local wildlife. Hot dogs, cookies, cocoa, and coffee will be served around the fire pit at "The Landing" during the event. The New England Mountain Bike Association will be sharing an introduction to Mountain Biking in NH at 11 a.m. where attendees can check out some cool mountain bikes. Access to the entrance to the Musquash Conservation Area is at the end of Hickory Hill Rd. Visitors are asked to respect parking restrictions on Hickory Hill Road, dress warm (traction gear if it's icy and snowshoes if we've had big snow) and have some winter fun. For more

information contact Marge Badois at 603-770-4690.

Digging With Friends

All are welcome to attend the GREEN Team's first 2023 meeting on Feb. 9, at the Keller Williams office, 50 Nashua Rd. [102 - the Clock Tower] starting at 6:30 p.m. The Green Team of Londonderry brings like minded neighbors together, bringing awareness to the environment, and sustainability, building friendships through a common bond along with encouraging community involvement through volunteerism making our town a great place to live. If you would like more information about the Green Team or are thinking about joining a group that gives back to the community, see the groups Facebook, or email dpaul@nutpub.net.

Red Flags in Child Development

The Upper Room, a Family Resource Center in Derry is offering "Red Flags in Child Development" a parenting workshop on child development and understanding children's behavior. This class is facilitated by Pam Miller Sallet and Donna Cavalieri. Parents and caregivers can discuss typical develop-

ment and when there may be a need for additional support or assessments. This workshop is FREE and invites anyone caring for young children to participate. Join in Feb. 8 from 6 - 8 p.m. via ZOOM. To register call 603-437-8477 x 122.

Little Sprouts Baby Lapsit

On Tuesday, Jan. 10, at 9 a.m. and continuing weekly through Feb. 14, a story time program for babies 0-18 months old at the Leach Library. This introduction to story time is a great opportunity for your littlest sprouts to learn to interact with you and others in a new environment, as well as to begin to follow along with songs, dances, and finger movements. Registration is required and begins one week before each session. To register, please visit the children's desk or call the library.

Wiggle Worms Story Time

On Tuesday, Jan. 10, at 10:30 a.m. and continuing weekly through Feb. 14, toddlers ages 2-3 years old and their caregivers are invited for story time with songs, rhymes, books, and more at the Leach Library. Registration is required and begins one week be-

fore each session. To register, please visit the children's desk or call the library.

Bookworms Story Time

On Wednesday, Jan. 11, at 10 a.m. and continuing weekly through Feb. 15, story time for preschoolers ages 3-5 years old. Bookworms will focus on preschoolers learning more about words, numbers, and concepts through stories, songs, rhymes, and games at the Leach Library. The program will also include a simple craft to promote developing fine motor skills. Registration is required and begins one week before each session. To register, please visit the children's desk or call the library.

Kindergarten Registration

For the 2023/2024 School Year (Children born between 10/01/17 and 9/30/18) You Do Not need to register your child if they currently attend Moose Hill. Registration begins Jan. 23. Complete the Kindergarten Registration Packet. <https://londonderryorg-my.sharepoint.com> (Single sided printing for drop-off is also acceptable). Please check for accuracy, and sign where applicable. Submission of paperwork takes

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Be Kind - Do Good

The Sonshine Soup Kitchen located at 6 Crystal Ave., Derry, is seeking Volunteers age 18+ for help preparing and serving drive-through meals: Monday -Thursday, 3 - 6 p.m. For more information or if you have questions call 603.437.2833.

Book Sale Extended Hours

Thanks to many generous community volunteers, the Leach Library Book Sale located on the lower level of the library is now open more hours: Tuesdays 9:30 - 11:30 a.m., Thursdays 6 - 7:45 p.m., and Saturdays 10 a.m. - noon. All proceeds benefit the Friends of the Londonderry Leach Library. Donations of gently used materials are accepted any time during library operating hours. Please check the Materials Donations Guidelines on the Leach Library website or call the library with any questions at (603) 432-1132.

Police Log

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5:21 p.m. Services rendered for a report of a Missing Person on King Charles Drive.

Wednesday - Jan. 25

1:23 a.m. Services rendered for a Medical Emergency at the Manchester Boston Regional Airport.

11:39 a.m. Assisted the Londonderry Fire Department with services on Bridle Path at Wallace Farm Apartments.

7:04 p.m. Services rendered for Criminal Threatening on Fieldstone Drive.

Thursday - Jan. 26

4:48 a.m. Services rendered for a Medical Emergency at the Manchester Boston Regional Air-

port
9:19 a.m. Larceny/Forgery/Fraud investigated on Pumpkin Patch Way.

4:11 p.m. Services rendered for Larceny/Forgery/Fraud on Aspen Circle.

4:15 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop leads to two arrests on Nashua Road at Mohawk Drive. Four officers assist with charging Wayne Robert Harms Miller, 32, of Londonderry, with: Drive After Revoked/Suspension; Alcohol Interlock motor vehicle not equipped with Interlock; and Breach of Bail. Jessica Mcinnis, 27, of Londonderry, charged with #1: Stalking - Domestic Violence; and Obstruction of Government Administration.

Friday - Jan. 27

3:25 a.m. Motor vehicle

stop leads to an arrest on Mammoth Road at Smith Lane. Three officers assist with arresting Jodi Alane Brown-Malisos, 47, of Hudson, on a Warrant.

5:14 a.m. Overdose on Midridge Circle transported to a hospital.

1:31 p.m. Report of Trespassing on Avery Road leads to an arrest made by five officers. Brandie Jones, 32, of Claremont, charged with: Criminal Trespass; and Breach of Bail.

2:23 p.m. Suspicious Activity at Crazy Noodle on Nashua Road results in subject being taken to another agency.

2:40 p.m. Suspicious Activity investigated on Independence Drive.

4:48 p.m. Suspicious Activity Investigated by four officers at the Lon-

donderry School District on Kitty Hawk Landing

5:34 p.m. Motor Vehicle Complaint leads to an arrest made on Mammoth Road at Pillsbury Road. Carolyn Mara, 58, of Nashua, charged with: Driving Under the Influence (Adult greater than .08 - Minor greater than .02).

5:48 p.m. Motor vehicle accident on Rockingham Road at Between Sanborn and Page Road leads to an arrest made by three officers. Jeanine Anne Hills, 62, of Derry, charged with Driving Under the Influence - Impairment.

6:35 p.m. Services rendered for Larceny/Forgery/Fraud on Constitution Drive.

6:37 p.m. Keeping the Peace on Constitution Drive.

7:01 p.m. Services ren-

dered during Criminal Mischief on Ross Drive.

Saturday - Jan. 28

2:01 a.m. Motor Vehicle Check leads to an arrest made by three officers at St. Mary's Bank on Nashua Road. Shane Mcinnis, 32, of Londonderry, charged with Driving Under the Influence - Impairment.

12:42 p.m. Suspicious Activity reported at Market Basket on Michels Way.

Sunday - Jan. 29

1:30 a.m. Suspicious Activity leads to an

arrest made by four officers on Hall Road.

9:04 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop leads to an arrest at Moose Hill Orchards on Mammoth Road. Christian Medina Gonzalez, 21, of Manchester, charged with: License Required - Operating with an expired license.

10:06 a.m. Services rendered in keeping the peace on Mammoth Road.

11:19 a.m. Services rendered in keeping the peace on Nutfield Drive.

1:36 p.m. Three officers assist the Hudson Police Department with services on Kimball Hill Road.

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