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**Sweet Selections** Students at Moose Hill School ventured out in the rain last week for the school's annual apple and pumpkin picking field trip into the orchard in front of their building. Both sessions got a chance to pick from the bin set out by Mack's Apple and then pick a pumpkin from the nearby patch. *Photo by Chris Paul*

## Town Manager Addresses Homeless Shelter Rumor

ALEX MALM  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

During the Sept. 25 Town Council meeting, Town Manager, Mike Malaguti, addressed, what he called a rumor, going around that there is a homeless shelter coming to Londonderry.

"You can take it from my mouth, there is no

homeless shelter coming to Londonderry," Malaguti said.

He said it's not something he's been advocating for either, saying he has seen rumors circulating on social media about it.

"I just wanted to clear that up," Malaguti said.

Also during the meet-

ing, the Town Council was asked to vote on accepting unanticipated revenue, after receiving a grant from the NH Department of Safety, Office of Highway Safety for a total of \$14,400.

Malaguti explained that every so often the NH Department of Safety hands out money for **continued on page 7**

## Rail Fencing Proposed For Town Common Area

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During the Sept. 28 Heritage Commission meeting, one of the agenda items was in regards to an application for a Certificate of Approval for the installation/construction of a wooden post and rail fence on the Town Common.

"The area that we are looking at is only in the parking lot area, we're not going around the common or anything like that," Director of Public Works, Dave Wholley, said.

He said they were looking to address safety and maintenance

issues and the logs, which were there temporarily, were a good measure following construction. He explained that the bark is falling, "the logs are splitting", and kids are falling off of them. He added that cars are bumping into them because they are low to the ground.

Wholley said explained that the fence being proposed is one he has used in the past in various areas and they are "very sturdy."

He stated that the project would likely cost around \$2,400, which would be paid for through savings in the maintenance budget for

the Common due to not having to pay as much for irrigation this year.

Wholley said the fence is a "a commercial grade project," noting that they would all be installed by pile driving it in.

He said they would do the work in the morning early to avoid having any interruptions at the common.

Ann Chiampa said she thinks it looks like it should be for a sports field instead, and asked if they could come up with something more formal like a low stone wall.

Ray Breslin said he **continued on page 3**

## School Board Get Briefed on Latest Bullying Policy

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The School Board was given a presentation regarding the school district's bullying and cyberbullying policy during its Sept. 25 meeting.

"This walks you, the School Board, through literally what happens every time an allegation could come to an assistant principal or principal and the process they go through," Superintendent, Dan Black, said about the policy.

Director of Pupil Services, Kim Carpinone, said a lot of paperwork

goes into it, which is either housed at the district office or at the school depending on the circumstances.

School Board Chair, Bob Slater, asked if there is training for seeing any bullying or cyberbullying going on.

Black said the conversation of bullying and cyberbullying comes up every year.

"I think we're always trying to make them better," Black said about their training.

Carpinone said through their suicide prevention training mandated by the state, there is an entire sec-

tion on signs of bullying.

"So that is something that the staff all has to do to complete annually," Carpinone said.

Carpinone told the School Board that new Londonderry High School principal, Rick Barnes, brought an **continued on page 2**

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# Town Council Vote to Eliminate Solid Waste Committee

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The Town Council voted to disband the Solid Waste and Environmental Committee during its Sept. 25 meeting.

Lynn Wiles, who served as the Chair of the committee, explained during the previous meeting that last Fall there were discussions about incorporating the solid waste committee into the utilities committee, which said he thought was a good idea.

With trouble finding membership for the committee, which was down to four members,

he said he thought it made sense to disband the committee.

"It gets tough to get anything done with four people," Wiles said.

While Wiles suggested disbanding the Solid Waste Committee, he noted that Beautify Londonderry, which was a sub committee, was doing well, and thought they should continue. The question was what would make the most sense for how it should operate.

Wiles also noted during the previous Town Council meeting that Beautify Londonderry has about \$15,000 in its account.

"I think it needs to stay as it is," Wiles said.

Between the Sept. 11 meeting and the Sept. 25 meeting, Administrative Support Coordinator, Kirsten Hildonen, explained that she spoke to the Chair of Beautify Londonderry, Jocelyn Muller.

"Based on my discussions with her and discussions with the finance director, we came to the conclusion that we think Beautify Londonderry would function best as an individual free standing town committee," Hildonen said.

She said it would be like the Londonderry

Art Council where it is an ad hoc committee, but the members get appointed by the town.

The Town Council ultimately approved making Beautify Londonderry an ad hoc committee.

The purpose of the committee will be:

"Beautify Londonderry (heretofore called "Committee") shall exist to facilitate the town-wide clean-up initiative held annually in the spring and to find ways to educate and encourage residents of Londonderry to reduce waste, dispose of trash and recycling responsibly, and improve the com-

munity landscape."

The committee will have five voting members, which will be appointed by the Town Council.

"The Committee may enlist ad hoc non-voting members as needed to support their activities, but these members shall not count toward a quorum for the purpose of Committee business," the charge for the committee reads. "The Committee shall determine

its own rules and order of business, unless otherwise provided by law or Town Charter. The Committee shall choose from its members a Chair, Vice Chair, and Secretary. The Committee shall report to the Londonderry Town Council and exist until such as time as the Town Council deems it inactive."

The Town Council is set to meet again on Oct. 16 at 7 p.m.

## Bullying

Continued from page 1 updated tracker for the paperwork to make tracking easier.

"I think what we found is when it's not done correctly in the past is when we have our biggest problem," Black said.

He said that all the systems they have have come into play over the years to make sure they do the processes correctly.

She explained that

allegations usually start at the assistant principal level and if there is a substantiated claim at the assistant principal level then it is brought to the principal who sends letters to both parties involved parents, but it doesn't outline any specific discipline actions taken.

"Because that would be protected under FERPA," Carpinone said.

In substantiated bullying cases, it was noted that the assistant superintendent also

receives the documents.

Carpinone said if it is a harassment allegation "that may fall under Title 9 or non-title 9 sexual harassment or discrimination that would come to me as the human rights coordinator."

School Board member, Amanda Butcher, said she thinks the data collection process is important.

One question raised was what leads to the level of the tracking

forms.

Carpinone said the tracking forms are used anytime there is an allegation and referrals are typically made to the administration.

School Board member, Kevin Gray, pointed out that the last time the policy was updated was in 2010 and suggested they look at if it needs to be updated.

"I can't imagine 13 years [have gone by] and nothing has changed," Gray said.

Slater asked if there is a way to get updates about how many cases are going on at each school periodically.

Black said they would discuss it as an administration about how frequently they should give updates.

## OBITUARY

### Henry P. Wallace



Henry P. Wallace, 89, of Londonderry, NH, passed away at home surrounded by his loving family on Wednesday, Sept. 27, 2023. He was born on June 9, 1934, in Derry, NH, a son of the late Raymond and Idella (Plummer) Wallace. Henry and his brothers were born on the Wallace Farm where they grew up affectionately referred to as the Wallace Boys. He was a graduate of Pinkerton Academy in Derry, Class of 1952. After graduation, he started working for Agway in Manchester, where he worked until his retirement after 37 years of service. Henry was a loyal 60-year Member of the Londonderry Presbyterian Church. He was a Jack of all trades, he humbly helped many with his "puttering" and "tinkering" skills and had the patience of a saint. He enjoyed country music and photographing sunsets and covered bridges. He had a voracious appetite for fair food and the many dishes prepared by and shared with his loving wife and family. He will be remembered as always smiling and content especially when with his family.

He is survived by his beloved wife of 66 years, Barbara (Dearborn) Wallace of Londonderry; one son, Brian Wallace and wife Jeanne of Derry; two daughters, Susan Wallace of Londonderry and Cindy Doyle and husband Terence of Derry; five grandchildren, Jeffrey, Craig and Katie Doyle, Sean Wallace and Lauren Dawson; seven great grandchildren, one brother, Alfred Wallace and wife Susan M. of Londonderry, as well as many nieces, nephews and extended family. He was predeceased by one brother, Harold Wallace in 2021.

A calling hour was held on Monday Oct. 2, in the Londonderry Presbyterian Church. The funeral service began at 10 a.m. in the Church with burial following in the Pleasant View Cemetery, Mammoth Rd., Londonderry. Memorial contributions may be made to: Amedisys Home Health Care, Bedford, NH. The Peabody Funeral Homes and Crematorium, is handling the arrangements. To send a condolence please visit [www.peabodyfuneral-home.com](http://www.peabodyfuneral-home.com).

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# ZBA Approve Variance Request For Green Buffer Zone

ALEX MALM  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Zoning Board of Adjustment was presented with a variance request to allow a reduction in the 50-foot green buffer to a 30-foot buffer for the property located at 59 Rockingham Road during the board's Sept. 20 meeting.

Earl Sanford, a surveyor representing the applicant, explained that they have a proposed site plan and went through the subdivision

process for it already.

"Now that we got the subdivision approved we're looking to develop the property for commercial use," he said.

One of the challenges with the site Sanford pointed to is that it's "very ledgy."

To make it work, Sanford said they want to stay as close to the road as feasibly possible.

He said the parking spaces as part of the proposal are a little more than 30 feet from the lot line as opposed to the 50

feet that would normally be required because it's within 200 feet of a residential zone.

"When that's the case you're supposed to jump to 50 feet," Sanford said.

He said across the street is "just a leftover portion of the mother parcel," from when route 28 was put in, which left a small piece of land on the other side of the road.

Sanford explained with the wetlands and other setbacks on the residential property

there is almost no way to build on that lot. He added that since its very unlikely the property could or would ever be developed, it wouldn't go against the spirit of the ordinance to reduce the buffer zone.

He said the neighboring site is "way out of conformance," noting they wouldn't be the only non conforming use in the area if they were to be granted a variance.

"They have 0 green buffers," he said about the neighboring business.

It was explained by Sanford that the plan is to build two commercial buildings on the site and one would be used for his client's business, which is currently located in Nashua.

He explained if they were to push everything back by 20 feet to meet the requirement for the green buffer space then it would be pushing it back into the ledge, something they are looking to avoid.

"It would be a real hardship in terms of con-

struction," Sanford said.

He also noted that there are some minor wetlands in the back of the property as well.

The ZBA ultimately approved the variance request during the meeting.

Also during the meeting, the ZBA approved a rehearing request for a variance request, which was denied to allow a child care facility in the Commercial II zoning district for the property located at 25 Orchard View Drive.

# Zoning Board Approve Seating Variance For Pasquale's

ALEX MALM  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

One of the cases heard during the Sept. 20 Zoning Board of Adjustment meeting was in regards to a variance request to allow the enclosure of an existing, legal non-con-

forming deck encroaching into the front setback 20 feet.

Pasquale Celone, the owner of the business Pasquale Ristorante & Pizzeria Bar, which is located at 87 Nashua Road, explained that he began his business in

2000 and was in a different town for 16 years before coming to Londonderry.

"We remodeled the unit, we love it," Celone said, noting he has been in the same location for about seven years.

Celone said they

were looking to have an enclosure of the deck so that way they can use it for extra seating all year round.

He added that they were looking to have extra seating all year round to help them with extra revenue and to be able to stay in business, noting, like other businesses, they are facing challenges like the cost of food going up.

"We really really needed the extra seating to be able to continue that," Celone said.

Assistant Town Manager, Kellie Caron, noted that it's a pre-existing nonconforming use from pre zoning and they needed to get a variance since they were looking to expand the nonconforming use.

Celone argued that it won't be any more non

conforming than it is now, other than having an enclosure. He said currently, they use the extra seating seasonally.

He explained to the ZBA that the building was originally built in 1950 and historically used as a restaurant. He added that the front setbacks for the structure haven't changed since then.

"Granting the relief request would have no impact on the purpose of the ordinance or the specific application of the property and there will be no change into the nature of the non-conformity," Celone said.

Celone also noted that it won't overcrowd the lot with the enclosure of the deck.

"The footprint of the structure will not change and the encroachment into the front set-

back will not change," he said.

Celone explained that if the variance is granted and they are able to use the extra seating then it would allow them to utilize the property completely and that they have 74 seats they are allowed to have from the NH Department of Health, but only have 42 right now.

He said the extra seating would help to make up for lost revenue from the Covid-19 pandemic.

"We're definitely looking for those extra revenues to make up the difference," Celone said.

No one spoke for or against the applicant during the meeting.

The board unanimously approved the variance request.

## Fencing

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agreed that the Common is historic, and said "I think we need to be careful with what we put there. It needs to fit in."

He suggested possibly putting picnic tables there instead.

"I think we need to kind of think about that," Breslin said.

Wholley said he didn't think picnic tables would be a good barrier there.

Deb Paul said, "this is the wrong product for this area," and suggested having stones like at the Morrison House.

She also noted that she thinks the biggest issue there is that it's wet because of drainage issues.

"No matter what, there's still huge wet spots on the common," Paul said.

Paul also expressed her concerns that there wasn't public input until the public hearing took place.

Tom Estey said they could find boulders and have them installed so people won't trip and the town could probably find them for free.

Vice Chair, Art Rugg, said the town should look into how much it

would cost to have a rock wall or boulders put in versus the cost of a wooden fence and come back to the commission.

"I think that's probably a great compromise," Chair, Krystopher Kenney, said.

One concern raised by Wholley is that there is a lot of legality about putting boulders in the right of way, and said he is concerned about damage to cars if people hit them.

The Heritage Commission ultimately voted to continue the public hearing to Nov. 16.



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# Editorial

## Celebrate Your Freedom to Read

Banned Books Week is October 1-7, this annual event celebrates the freedom to read and its purpose is to celebrate the freedom of reading what you want. The week focuses on the attempts to keep that freedom away from Americans by removing or restricting access to any books that self-proclaimed book banners think we should not be allowed to read.

While most challenges involved with books are aimed towards libraries and schools, it's every American's responsibility to defend every other American's freedom to read. Each of us has the right to read what we choose. Banned Books Week reminds us that no one should be allowed to tell us what we can't read.

Don't take your freedom to read for granted. There are people eager to tell you, libraries, and schools what they should make available for us to read and what they should keep away from us. In plain English, that's called censorship. No other word applies, and there is no place for it in American society.

We recognize that parents may not consider all books appropriate for children, which makes perfect sense. As long as parents apply their standards and moral viewpoints to their own children, we applaud their efforts at working to

instill their values in their offspring.

Imagine if you didn't have the right to select your choice of books; if the books available were only those allowed by government sanctioned censors. According to the American Library Association, 480 books were challenged in 2019. Some books that made the top 10 challenged books were, "Brave New World" by Aldous Huxley and, "To Kill a Mockingbird" by Harper Lee, which make the list just about every year. "The Hunger Games" trilogy, and, "Captain Underpants" series, made it to the top 10 this year as well.

Books are challenged for a variety of reasons religious belief, concern about profanity, slang, or sexual content. But in all cases, the attempt to ban a book from public access, involves someone saying he or she has the right to tell others what they cannot read. We can't accept that.

This week, in honor of Banned Books Week, do something to celebrate your right to think for yourself. Read a book, any book you want. The freedom to read is as important as the freedom to speak. This also includes papers and how we get different perspectives on the issues facing our world. Hold tight to your freedoms before you lose them one at a time.

# Letters

## Voter Checklist Errors

To the editor,  
I would like to extend my gratitude to Christine Fitzgerald for providing the information on the voter checklist.

On the Londonderry website, there are three people listed. If this is true, and there are three people as website shows, then it is ridiculous that this is not a pristine listing.

In the real world if you are failing at your job, you are given a warning and then fired. I hope before the 2024 Election this list is pristine.

I also disagree with the fact that if someone shows up to vote and does not have the proper identification of proof they are allowed to vote and then they are checked after the fact. This is not a good procedure. If you have moved into Londonderry or anywhere for that matter, you have at least one thing to show proof. It is fraudulent to allow this to continue. Dems bus people in to vote and they use this Loophole. After they vote it is too late to go back and remove their choice. It's fraud.

Pat Scannura  
Londonderry

## Fall Clean Up

To the Editor,  
Happy Fall! Beautify Londonderry welcomes all to our fall Saturday clean-up on Oct. 14. Meet us at Matthew Thornton Elementary School starting at 9 a.m. and ending at 12 p.m.

Beautify Londonderry will provide bags, gloves, vests and pickers to borrow for the

clean-up. You and your team can choose a road near your own location, or we can assign you with a location in need cleaning.

We encourage individuals, families, scout troops, church groups, sports teams, neighborhood groups and businesses. If you cannot join us for the 14th, we can plan for you to participate at a time of your choosing. For more information, you can contact us at beautifylondonderry@gmail.com, find our Beautify Londonderry page on Facebook, or find us on the Town of Londonderry website.

In the case of heavy rain, we will announce cancellation on our Facebook page.

As always, we appreciate anytime our citizens do their part helping to care for the road near home.

Sincerely,  
Joy Fraga Muller,  
John Mahon,  
and Laura Hajjar  
All from Londonderry  
Beautify Londonderry  
Planning Committee

## China Spy Station In Cuba

To the editor,  
China implements systems designed to gather intelligence on U.S. military and other facilities. It has launched and directed spy balloons that have flown over the U.S. to gather information.

It appears China is negotiating an agreement with Cuba to install a spy station to gather intelligence on facilities in the eastern U.S. This would enable China to monitor communications at our military bases and other

sites from Florida to Washington D.C.

China would have a potential base in Cuba which could be expanded to house offensive weapons aimed at the U.S. We nearly went to war with Russia in 1962 when Russia installed offensive missiles in Cuba, which were eventually removed due a naval blockade of Cuba, including one of the ships I subsequently served on.

If diplomacy does not work with Cuba to remove the equipment, we could jam the communication gathering system with systems in Florida or possibly from our ships in international waters.

China is expanding its military capabilities partly due to the wealth generated by goods exported to the U.S. We have to get U.S. corporations to realize they are contributing to a weakening of our national security; and get them to bring back manufacturing facilities to our country or move them to friendly countries with cheap labor.

Donald Moskowitz  
Londonderry

## Londonderry Senior Information Expo

To the editor,  
I am writing to thank all the participants in this year's Senior Information Expo. We had 55 vendors this year. We also added an AARP Smart Automobile course and pickleball demonstration running concurrently. The turnout was fantastic as we hosted approximately 400 guests. Prizes donated by vendors, local

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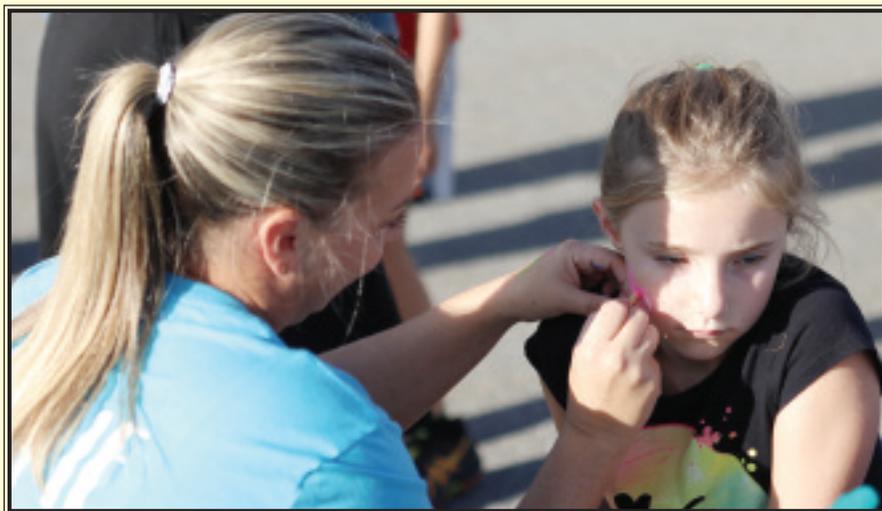
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# South School Celebrates with Ice Cream and Friends



South Elementary School staff recently provided treats to the student body during the school's annual Welcome Back Ice Cream Social. Attendees enjoyed a wide variety of toppings for the sundaes and also got to mingle with friends, family, teachers, and the school mascot "Hawk." Face-painting and crafts were also available for kids to take part in at the event.

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# School Board Members Seek Independent Legal Counsel

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LONDONDERRY TIMES

During its Sept. 25 meeting, the School Board discussed looking to find an attorney independent of the school district to consult with on matters from time to time.

School Board Chair, Bob Slater, said he wanted it on the agenda due to a lot of policy work that is taking place and wanting to have an attorney for the School Board to work with from time to time.

He said he feels having a “neutral attorney for the School Board to work with on occasion,” could be helpful.

Superintendent, Dan Black, explained that the

School Board is already represented by attorney, Gordon Graham, “who specializes in school law and municipal law, and they have direct access to his law firm.”

“In representing the Londonderry School District, he officially represents the governing board of that district, which is the School Board,” Black wrote in a memo. “Obtaining outside counsel and having multiple legal opinions that could potentially conflict with one another, is not a good practice.”

Black also noted that the School Board, since they are members of the NH School Board Association, “also has access and free consultation

with the NHSBA’s attorney, William Phillips (Staff Attorney and Director of Policy Services), if they would like to seek additional consultation in matters the board sees fit.”

He said the school district also uses Drummond Woodsum Law Firm “in areas such as Special Education and Students Rights.”

“It is recommended that before potentially adding another outside law firm, the School Board explore what areas of the law they are seeking consult and or protections, as they may already exist within the firms we are current and long-time clients of,” Black said.

Black said he also thought it would make sense for the School Board to review different policies related to its legal counsel, including one related to the school district’s legal status, the school board’s legal status, the School Board powers and duties, and the Board/superintendent relationship.

Some of the different things the School Board will also need to consider is making sure “they

seek advice on how to do the following correctly and legally with the law and their own School Board Policies.”

It includes navigating 91A laws to “make sure the business of the School Board happens in a public meeting.”

Additionally, it includes navigating “potential updates to purchasing procedures,” noting that legal bills “get expensive very quickly.”

One big considera-

tion Black pointed to is what happens when different attorneys have conflicting legal opinions. He said the likely scenario is when it comes to policies.

School Board member, Tim Porter, said he also likes the idea of having a separate independent voice to reach out to when needed.

The School Board voted to begin the process for the School Board to secure an independent School Board counsel.

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businesses, and individuals were worth over a thousand dollars. To say the least, we are delighted by the response to this year’s event.

The Expo demonstrated the wide variety of services that are available to help our senior population. All of them

came together because they want to serve the senior community. We are grateful to them and want to take this opportunity to thank them.

The turnout of our residents was amazing. There is a synergy at this event that happens when people who have similar concerns meet with vendors who are providing the services

they need. Neighbors learn about the variety of programs that at out there to help them and vendors learn about current needs and interact with other service organizations to maximize their benefit for their clients.

A key component of our Expo is the immense contribution from the Town of Londonderry. We would not have been able to provide this service without ongoing commitment from the Town Manager, Police Department, Fire Department, School District, Senior Affairs Department, the Leach Library, the Town Clerk’s Office and the Town Assessor’s Office.

We are so grateful to everyone who attended and contributed!

Jim Green  
Member Londonderry Senior Resource Committee



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# Homeless

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municipalities to do additional traffic enforcement.

"This is one of those grants," he said.

He said the Town Council needed to accept it as unanticipated revenue, which they did.

"So that we can get extra patrols out there," Malaguti said, noting the

funds would be utilized by the police department.

Also during the meeting, the Town Council heard a request to authorize spending \$13,826 from the Expendable Maintenance Trust Fund to make improvements to the fire department.

Malaguti explained that oftentimes when people drive past the fire stations, the doors

are open and said "there's good reasons for that."

However, he noted that it's not the most effective when it comes to the HVAC system.

In a letter from ENE systems, to Director of Public Works, Dave Wholley, it said "as you know, the bay heaters located in all three fire stations are constantly running when the overhead doors are opened."

"Currently, you are adjusting the setpoints to address this when it happens, however, that can be tedious and if not done consistently, can be a waste of energy," the letter read.

"We suggest placing door position monitors on 20 doors throughout three fire stations and then integrate to the DDC system to disable the HVAC system if any door is open. This solution will

offer an automatic shut off of the bay heaters when the overhead doors open thus saving time and energy costs."

Malaguti said on the recommendation of ENE, the plan is to install 20 magnetic door switches at the fire stations.

Town Council Vice Chair, Chad Franz, said he agreed with using the funds for the project.

"I think this is the exact reason why we

have the trust fund," Franz said.

Town Councilor, Ted Combes, also said he thinks it made sense to go forward with it to reduce overhead costs.

It was noted the total price if wiring is run in conduit is \$19,840, however, the town will be receiving a discount of \$6,014, by not doing so.

The board approved moving forward with using the funds.

## OBITUARY

### Gail Ruth (Tarrant) Frederick



Gail Ruth (Tarrant) Frederick of Litchfield, NH passed away peacefully on Sept. 28 after a brief illness.

Born in Lowell, MA, on Nov. 16, 1941, she was the eldest daughter of the late Richard Edward Tarrant and Ruth Abigail (Coughlin) Tarrant. She enjoyed a loving and adventurous 50-year romance with her husband and best friend, Paul Joseph Frederick. Gail lived most her life on Christian Hill in Lowell, raising two children there while working at Raytheon and Teradyne.

In their retirement, Gail and Paul moved to Litchfield to be closer to their children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. After Paul passed in 2013, Gail continued to seek adventure, taking up line dancing and developing a special friendship with Ed Duchesne of Hudson, NH.

Gail loved everyone, and will be remembered as a selfless caregiver. A vivacious party-planner, she relished singing and dancing, cooking, and over-feeding her many friends and family. She hosted a famous annual Christmas party for many decades, and entertained loved ones at her boat slip on Lake Winnepesaukee until 2013.

She leaves behind her beloved family: daughter Paula Frederick of Londonderry and son Paul J. Frederick, Jr. of Concord; grandchildren Matthew (Adriana) Gitschier of FL; Courtney (Chris) Healy, Ian DeLorme, Meghan DeLorme, Joshua Lariviere, Jr., all of Londonderry, NH, and Zackary Frederick of Windham, NH; great-grandchildren Autumn Healy, Christopher Healy, and Mason Gitschier; and many adoring cousins, nieces, and nephews. She also leaves behind her two beloved sisters, Barbara Battis and brother-in-law Jim Battis of Hudson and sister Margaret McDonough and brother-in-law Chris Mc Donough of Litchfield.

In addition to her cherished husband and parents, Gail was predeceased by her sister and brother-in-law Ellen Tarrant Harper and Joseph H. Harper, Jr.; brother and sister-in-law Richard E. "Dick" Tarrant, Jr. and Patricia Courtney Tarrant; brother John H. Tarrant; mother-in-law Matilda Frederick and brothers-in-law Billy Frederick and Leo Frederick; son-in-law Joshua Lariviere, and former son-in-law Mark DeLorme.

Calling hours were held on Wednesday Oct. 4, at Dumont-Sullivan Funeral Home. A funeral Mass was held on Thursday, Oct. 5 in St. Francis Assisi Church, 9 St. Francis Way, Litchfield NH at 10 a.m. She will be inurned with her husband at a private ceremony in the future.

# Town Looking for Volunteers for a Number of Boards and Commissions

The town of Londonderry recently announced a number of seats available to residents looking to volunteer their services.

The following is a list current openings:

- Conservation Commission**  
Three (3) Three-Year Full Member Positions  
One (1) Three-Year Alternate Position
- Heritage Commission**  
Two (2) Three-Year Full Member Positions  
One (1) Two-Year Alternate Position  
One (1) Three-Year Alternate Position

- Londonderry Housing and Redevelopment Authority**  
One (1) Five-Year Full Position
- Planning Board**  
Two (2) Three-Year Full Member Positions
- Recreation Commission**  
One (1) Three-Year Full Member Position  
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- Senior Resources Committee**  
One (1) One-Year Alternate Position  
One (1) Three-Year Alternate Position

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- All terms begin upon swearing in on/or after Jan. 2, 2024. You must be a resident of Londonderry to apply for one of these positions.

Information regarding these boards can be found on the Town's website. There is an application deadline of Thursday, Nov. 2, 2023 at 5 p.m. Talent bank forms can be found on the Town website or by emailing Kirsten Hildonen at khildonen@londonderry.nh.org. For more information, please call Kirsten at (603) 432-1100 x153.

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# LONDONDERRY SPORTS

## Lancers Football Squad Outlast Jaguars in Windham

CHRIS PAUL  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Londonderry High School Football team was able to get past the Windham High School Jaguars by a one touchdown difference last week for the Lancers fourth win of the season.

One week after suffering a tough four-point loss at Pinkerton Academy, during Mack Plaque,

the LHS squad came out of halftime at 14-all in Windham and scored the only points in the second half for a 21-14 victory.

Londonderry dominated in most of the offensive statistics in the game with LHS getting 345-yards in total offense with WHS getting 176.

The Lancers possessed the ball about 10-

minutes longer than the Jags, and rushing yards went to Londonderry by a 279 to 101 tally.

Junior quarterback, Sam Ogden, had 145-yards of offense in the contest, including rushing for two of the three LHS touchdowns in the game. Ogden had 108-yards on the ground, including a 60-yard run and the game-winning touchdown.

Ogden also led in receiving, getting 25 of the 67-yards. Senior tight-end, Jaydon Navarro, had 15-yards caught.

Senior quarterback, Conor Williams, tallied 50-yards on the ground.

On defense, senior Ty Miles had six sacks in the game, five solo and one assisted.

The rather wet field conditions that evening led to the games first turnover on Windham's first drive of the game. After just three plays, junior linebacker, Devin Boles, recovered the fumble at the Jags 36-yard line. The fumble led to the Lancers first points of the game, Williams carried the ball in on a quarterback keeper from the 11-yard line for the 6-0 lead.

Junior kicker, Blake Thompson, tacked on the extra-point for a 7-0 lead.

Windham came right back on their following drive, scoring on 12-plays and starting from the 20-yard line.

Londonderry was first to score in the second quarter, Ogden scored his first of two running touchdowns from Windham's 28-yard line.

The Thompson extra-point gave LHS a 14-7 lead, but WHS tied the game halfway through the second quarter.

The game-winning touchdown came in the third quarter with Ogden running the ball in from the six-yard line. The final points came after an impressive drive starting at their 15-yard line, eating up nine-minutes of the clock and tallying 17-plays.



Senior Seth Doyon battles for a ball against the Jaguars during the Friday night LHS win.

Photos courtesy Charlie Ogden



Junior quarterback, Sam Ogden, scored twice in the game against Widham High School.

The 4-1 Lancers are scheduled for their third consecutive road game on Friday night, Oct. 29, to take on the Nashua North Titans at Stellos Stadium, starting at 6:30 p.m.

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# Lancers Girls' Soccer Squad Defeats Broncos, Titans

CHRIS PAUL  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Londonderry High School Girls' Soccer team were able to tally two much-needed wins last week, winning 6-0 in Hudson and then tacking on a 2-1 win in Nashua.

On Tuesday, Sept. 26, the Lady Lancers traveled to Alvirne High School where they were

able to score a season high of six goals and came away with a shutout win over the Broncos, leaving that team without a win this season.

The 6-0 Londonderry victory had junior Audrey Hughes score four of the six LHS goals. One goal was assisted by junior Jaelynn Kelly and two oth-



Audrey Hughes

ers were helped by junior Reagan Anderson.

Freshman Emma Sloper added a goal on a free kick and Anderson scored with the assist going to junior Kate Sloper.

Junior goaltender, Regan Delude, had three saves in the team's third win of the season.

Two days later, at Nashua North, London-

derry came away with a close 2-1 win over the Lady Titans.

Delude kept her team in the game with four, first half saves and another eight stops in the second to preserve the one-goal victory.

Audrey Hughes finished the week by adding two more goals in the game, both were assisted by Anderson.

The first came in the 26th minute followed by the second of the night in the 34th minute.

This week, the LHS team is scheduled for two home games. The first was on Tuesday afternoon, against the Merrimack Tomahawks (4-4-1), followed by a game against Hanover (7-3) on Thursday, Oct. 5, starting at 4 p.m.

# Londonderry Boys' Soccer Team Fall to North's Titans

CHRIS PAUL  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Londonderry High School Boys' Soccer team played in two games last week, winning in a close game to the Alvirne Broncos, but then suffering their second defeat of the season to the Nashua North Titans (5-5).

On Tuesday, Sept. 26, the Lancers hosted the Broncos (1-7) where they were able to boost the team record to 8-1 with a close, 3-2 victory thanks to a goal in the final five minutes of the

contest.

As the final score suggests, the game was a fairly even contest, but ball possession went to the home team for the most part.

Londonderry had their first scoring opportunity batted away early on in the game, when junior Aiden Board had his penalty kick attempt saved, keeping the game scoreless until the 21st-minute of the half.

The penalty was given after senior forward, Jacob Nussdorf, was tripped up in front

of the goal.

The initial goal came from junior Zach Mantegari, a high, long-range shot taken from just outside the penalty kick arc.

Alvirne tied it up at 1-1 at 25:24 in the first on a long-range volley.

The Lancers went ahead 2-1 at 52:37 in the game, with Nussdorf knocking in a header from junior Brett McKinnon's cross in front of the goal.

About 14-minutes later, at 66:00, Alvirne tied the game 2-2 on a penalty kick.

The game winner came at 75:00 when Mantegari put in his second goal on a free kick.

Junior LHS keeper, Noah Celio, had one save, while the Alvirne tender made six saves.

Head coach, Todd Ellis, commented after the game. He said, "Alvirne did a great job getting numbers behind the ball and scoring on their chances when they came forward. We had a lot of possession and generated many shots, but not a lot of goals to show for our efforts."

Three days later, facing the Titan's team from Nashua North on a soggy LHS field, the Lancers were outscored 3-1 for their second loss of the season.

North had the only goal in first half on a direct kick to lead 1-0.



Zach Mantegari had two goals against Alvirne.

The Titans added two more in the second half with Brett McKinnon and Board combining for the Lancers lone goal.

Jason Reilly had six saves in the LHS goal.

The Londonderry

boys were scheduled for two road games this week. First, at Merrimack, on Tuesday, Oct. 3, to play the 3-6 Tomahawks. On Friday, Oct. 6, the team travels to Hanover to play the 9-1 Bears.

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# Varsity Field Hockey Team Win Back-to-Back Contests

CHRIS PAUL  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Londonderry High School Field Hockey squad was able to put an end to their losing streak with two consecutive wins on the road last week.

On Wednesday, Sept. 27, the Lady Lancers traveled to Salem High School, where they were able to outlast the Blue Devils with a close 1-0 victory.

Londonderry's only

goal was put in the box by junior Ava Windisch with the assist going to senior Maya Silvestro.

Sophomore goaltender, Abbigail Cook, made four stops in the game to help her team secure the victory.

The Salem tender made eight saves against the Lancers offense.

Two days later, in Manchester, LHS claimed a 3-1 win over Manchester Central-West for

their second consecutive win and to up their season record to 6-6.

Windisch, junior Sara Daniels and junior Keira Strike made the goals for Londonderry, while senior Ashleigh Leone notched two assists.

Cook was able to make three saves in preserving the win.

With just four games left in the season, the Londonderry squad is looking to finish strong playing three games this

week, and finishing up with one in the final week of the regular season.

They are scheduled to play the winless Nashua North titans at home on Monday, Oct. 2, followed by a road game with Exeter (7-4) on Wednesday, Oct. 4.

The Lancer team is scheduled to finish the week at home on Friday, Oct 6, against the Keene Blackbirds (5-4), starting at 4 p.m.



Ava Windisch

# Lady Lancers Volleyball Get Win Between Two Loses

CHRIS PAUL  
LONDONDERRY TIMES



Ali McGonagle  
Photo by Chris Paul

The Londonderry High School Varsity Volleyball team's week ended with two 3-1 losses and a 3-1 win, leaving the Lancers season record at 6-4.

The team's week began on Monday night, Sept. 25, with a home match against the Portsmouth Clippers and while the varsity squad had lots of good moments on the court, they fell in four sets, 3-1.

Senior Ally McGonagle had 11 kills, 10 digs, and four aces.

Fellow senior Melea

Bizzarro finished with 16 digs and four aces.

Senior Sarah DeFazio had seven aces, 11 digs, and 18 assists.

Senior Libby Bono was named by the team as Player of the Game with two aces, five digs, and two kills

The following night, in another home match, the LHS squad had a lot more success, winning 3-1 over Alvirne High School in front of a crowd of Future Lancers.

Londonderry won 25-19, 25-18 and battled for a 31-29 final set. The second set was the only one to go the Broncos way,

with AHS winning 23-25.

Highlights from the match include: Senior Abby Harrington getting 22 digs and four aces; sophomore Riley Campo had 13 kills and six digs; Sarah DeFazio got 27 assists and five digs; and McGonagle finished with 17 kills, seven aces, and 13 digs.

The Londonderry squad's week ended with another 3-1 loss. The team dropped to 6-4 on the season with the defeat to the Bedford Lady Bulldogs on Thurs-

day night. The Lancers only set win came in the second, with a 25-18 outcome. Bedford won the other three, with 25-15, 25-16, and 25-7 victories.

McGonagle had 15 digs and nine kills; Liv DeFazio had five aces and three digs; and Annie Williams had four kills and a block.

Londonderry has a game in Merrimack on Wednesday against the 3-7 Tomahawks followed by a home match facing Nashua North (8-2) on Friday night.

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# Ovation Theatre Company Presents Finding Nemo Jr.



Ovation Theatre Company's production of Finding Nemo Jr. will be performed. This colorful musical features a talented cast of young performers. The youth cast is drawn from all over southern New Hampshire and northern Massachusetts. Performances are scheduled for Friday, Oct. 6, at 7 p.m. and Saturday, Oct. 7, at 1 p.m. and 6 p.m. at the Derry Opera House, West Broadway, Derry. Tickets are on sale at [OvationTC.com](http://OvationTC.com) and will be available at the door. *Photos by Chris Paul*

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## TOWN OF LONDONDERRY LEGAL NOTICE

The Londonderry Town Council will hold a PUBLIC HEARING on the following item:

Ordinance #2023-04: Amending the Fee Schedule for the Issuance of Permits by the Londonderry Fire Department

The public hearing will occur on Monday, Oct. 16, 2023 at 7 PM at the Londonderry Town Hall, 268B Mammoth Rd., Londonderry, NH 03053.

Londonderry Town Council



## TOWN OF LONDONDERRY LEGAL NOTICE

The Londonderry Town Council will hold a public meeting on Monday, Oct. 16, 2023 at 7 P.M. in Moose Hill Council Chambers to consider the following:

Public hearing on proposed changes to the Londonderry Zoning Ordinance, Section 9 to reflect the adoption of the 2018 editions of the international codes as promulgated by the NH State Building Code. The full text of the amendment and changes are available at the Planning & Economic Development Department and the Town Clerk's Office.

Londonderry Town Council

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**Around Town Policy:** This section is meant to be used to announce free events to the communities. If your group is receiving money for what they are publicizing, there will be a charge of \$40/week per paper. All Around Town/Calendar Items will be held to 100 words maximum. All free announcements in the Around Town/Calendar section can run a maximum of three weeks. Deadline for submissions is Monday at 5 p.m. Please send items to [londonderrytimes@nutpub.net](mailto:londonderrytimes@nutpub.net).

## Cohen Center

On Thursday, Oct. 12, at 7 p.m., at Etz Hayim Synagogue is located at 1-1/2 Hood Rd., Derry, Dr. Kate DeConinck, will talk about the Cohen Center which is marking its 40th anniversary. The Center serves as a research and resource center for the teaching of the Holocaust and genocide, including supporting educators at the elementary, middle school, and high school levels. For more information about the High Holy Days, please visit [www.etzhayim.org](http://www.etzhayim.org) or call the office at 603-432-0004.

## Legion Meeting

On Oct. 9, at 7:30 p.m., Monthly General Meeting for American Legion Post 27 at 6 Sargent Rd behind the fire station on Mammoth Rd. All members are

welcome to attend.

## Karaoke

On Oct. 13, Karaoke with DJ Sharon will run from 7:30 - 11 p.m., by American Legion Post 27 at 6 Sargent Rd behind the fire station on Mammoth Rd. Non-members interested in joining Post 27 are welcome to attend as well

## Crossroads Co-Parenting

The Upper Room, a Family Resource Center in Derry will be hosting Crossroads Co-Parenting courses, for parents and caregivers who are raising children together on Oct. 14, from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m., at 36 Tsienneto Rd., Derry. For more information about our parenting programs, support groups, and classes or any questions about raising your children, call 603-437-8477

x 110 to register.

## Free Meals

Free Community Meals being served in September are as follows: Lunch on Oct. 8 from 2 - 3 p.m., indoors at Episcopal Church of the Transfiguration; Dinner TO Go on Oct. 15 from 3 - 4 p.m., indoors at Etz Hayim Synagogue; Lunch on Oct. 21 from noon - 12:30 p.m., at St. Luke's United Methodist Church; Dinner To Go on Oct. 27 from 4:30 - 5:30 p.m., at First Parish Congregational Church; Breakfast on Oct. 28 from 9:30 - 10:30 a.m., Pick up at Mercurio Family, Masonic Lodge; Lunch on Oct. 29 from 1:30 - 2:30 p.m., Indoors at St. Jude Parish Community.

## Coats For Kids Event

Knights of Columbus

2nd Annual Cars, Coats and Coffee in Oct. 7 from 8 - 11 a.m. Located at the St Jude Parish parking lot, 435 Mammoth Rd., Londonderry. Please bring one or more gently worn winter coats or cash donations all sizes adults are most in demand. All coats and donations go directly to Coats for Kids. Rain or shine.

## Lions Club Yard Sale

Saturday Oct. 7, Giant Yard Sale from 8 a.m. - 2 p.m. No early birds, at the Lions Dykstra Pavilion 256 Mammoth Rd, Londonderry. Donation drop off from Sept. 22 - Oct. 6. To rent a table contact Londonderry Lions on FB or 9784764807

## Fall Craft Fair

A craft fair will take place at Connect 55 on Oct. 14, from noon - 4 p.m., located at 2 Golen Dr., Londonderry, behind All American Assisted living in Londonderry. Hand made goods, lots of eats and pastries, raffles. All proceeds go to 2 local charities; The Sunshine Soup Kitchen and Community Caregivers of Greater Derry. This is a cash only event.

## Voter Information

The Supervisors of the Voter Checklist will meet

at the Town Clerk's Office to correct the checklist and register voters on: Oct. 6, from 6 - 7:30 p.m. To register to vote, one must provide: Proof of Londonderry residency; Proof of citizenship (passport, birth certificate, naturalization papers); Proof of age; Photo ID; Applicants for registration who possess proof of identity, age, citizenship, and domicile should bring that proof when they come to register. Qualified applicants who do not possess proof or who do not bring proof with them may register if they sign an affidavit attesting to their qualifications for identity, age, domicile and citizenship.

## Lions Hall Listening Session

The Town of Londonderry is exploring options for the renovation and re-opening of the town-owned building at 256 Mammoth Road, familiarly called the Lions Hall after its most recent tenant. Town administrative staff will be holding a public listening session on Saturday, Oct. 14, 2 from 10 a.m. - noon, in the Moose Hill Council Chambers at Londonderry Town Hall, 268B Mammoth Rd. All town residents are welcome

to attend, ask questions, and share their input. For those unable to attend, we will provide a digital submission form in advance of the meeting. Town staff are currently in the research and development stages of the Lions Hall project. For questions or further information, please reach out to Administrative Support Coordinator Kirsten Hildonen at 603-432-1100 x153 or [khildonen@londonderrynh.org](mailto:khildonen@londonderrynh.org)

## Drop Off Center

The Londonderry Drop Off Center is now closed on Wednesdays. It will be open on Saturdays from 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. until Nov. 18.

## Ghosts and Legends

The Leach Library and Derry Public Library are teaming up to bring you Jeff Belanger's Ghosts and Legends program at the Derry Opera House on Wednesday, Oct. 18 at 7 p.m. This event is free and open to the public. Doors will open at 6 p.m., and refreshments will be available to purchase from the Friends of the Derry Public Libraries and the Friends of the Leach Library. There will also be a Q&A and book signing at the end of the

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## Londonderry Police Log

### Selections taken from the daily Londonderry Police Logs

**Monday - Sept. 25**  
**12:24 a.m.** Motor Vehicle Check conducted by three officers at Park & Ride - North on Symmes Drive.

**12:24 a.m.** Motor Vehicle Check investigated by three officers at the RMZ Truck Stop on Rockingham Road.

**5:22 a.m.** Suspicious Activity at Manchester Boston Regional leads to an arrest. Danielle Hoyt, 39, of Fort Lauderdale, FLA, charged with Possession of a Controlled Drug (Schedule 1-4).

**7:58 a.m.** Identity Theft investigated on West Road.

**10:35 a.m.** Services Rendered by four officers during Juvenile Offenses at Londonderry North Elementary School.

**10:53 a.m.** A Domestic Disturbance on Reed Street leads to an arrest made by seven officers. Christian Boucher, 49, of Londonderry, charged with Criminal Mischief.

**4:52 p.m.** Warrant served and arrest made by three officers on Reed Street. Christian Boucher, 49, of Londonderry, charged with: Breach of Bail, and two counts of Stalking - Notice of Order.

**7:11 p.m.** Peace restored during Juvenile Offenses on Acropolis Avenue.

**8:22 p.m.** Suspicious Activity investigated on Catesby Lane.

**Tuesday - Sept. 26**  
**8:53 a.m.** Warning Issued by seven officers

after a Disturbance at Green Mountain Electric Supply on Londonderry Road. James Scharnowske, 42, of Conway, charged with: Reckless Conduct - Deadly Weapon; Aggravated, Driving Under the Influence - Vehicle Weight over 10,001 pounds; Driving Under the Influence - Impairment; Criminal Threatening - Deadly Weapon; and two counts of Simple Assault (Physical Contact or Bodily Injury).

**11:56 a.m.** Services rendered for Suspicious Activity at the Sleep Inn on Perkins Road.

**1:25 p.m.** Auto Theft investigated at Manchester Boston Regional Airport.

**5:15 p.m.** Services rendered to Keep the Peace on Crestview Circle.

**5:10 p.m.** Missing Person investigated on Sherwood Road.

**6:35 p.m.** Assault investigated on High Range Road.

**7:29 p.m.** Dog Bite investigated by Animal Control on Buckthorn Street.

**7:44 p.m.** A Disturbance at Staples, on Nashua Road leads to an arrest made by five officers. David Allen, 35, of Raymond, charged with: Willful Concealment; Disorderly Conduct; Inhaling Toxic Vapors for Effect; and Breach of Bail.

**Wednesday - Sept. 27**  
**9:22 a.m.** Unlawful activities investigated at Londonderry Flea Market on Avery Road

**10:24 a.m.** Services Rendered by three officers for a Welfare Check at Bode Equipment on Londonderry Road.

**12:08 p.m.** Criminal Threatening investigated on Holly Lane.

**4:38 p.m.** Disturbance investigated at the Nutfield Country Store on Shasta Drive.

**6:23 p.m.** Services Rendered for a Disturbance on Heron Drive.

**7:13 p.m.** Suicide Attempt/Threat transported to a hospital from Isabella Drive.

**7:38 p.m.** Peace Restored by three officers after Juvenile Offenses on Bridle Path at the Wallace Farm Apartments.

**8:42 p.m.** Motor Vehicle Complaint leads to an arrest made at Convenience Plus Londonderry on Rockingham Road.

Dennis O'Brian, 58, of Derry, charged with: Driving Under the Influence - Impairment.

**Thursday - Sept. 28**

**8:54 a.m.** Warrant served and arrest made on College Lane in Methuen, MA. Danielle McGrail, 40, of Methuen, MA., charged with: Willful Concealment, - Theft (Two Prior Convictions).

**9:28 a.m.** Motor Vehicle Complaint at the 7-Eleven Food Mart on Nashua Road leads to an arrest. Mauran Lassiter, 63, of Providence, RI, charge with: Driving Under the Influence - Impairment; and Posses-

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## Around Town

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program. The Derry Opera House is located at 29 W Broadway in Derry. Seating is limited to 350 people. Registration is required and is open. For more information and to register, visit the Derry Public Library's calendar at [www.derrypl.org](http://www.derrypl.org) or call either library, Derry Public Library at (603) 432-6140 or Leach Library at (603) 432-1132.

### Mural Contest

The Leach Library, Londonderry Arts Council, and Friends of the Leach Library are excited to announce an opportunity for a local artist to have their work featured for children and families to enjoy in the Leach Library Children's Room. Applications will be accepted from now - Nov. 30. Eligible artists include NH residents ages 16 and older, but applications from Londonderry residents will be considered first. The contest winner will receive a \$500 stipend to be paid in two installments. A winner tentatively will be selected and notified in Jan. 2024, and installation may be scheduled to begin in Feb. 2024. Visit the Leach Library website for the full contest details and application, or pick up an application packet at the library.

### Little Sprouts Baby Lapsit

On Tuesday mornings at 9 a.m. through Oct. 17, the Leach Library will offer a story time program for babies 0-18 months old. 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, visit the library's online event calendar or call (603) 432-1127.

### Bookworms Story Time

On Wednesday mornings at 10 a.m. through Oct. 18, the Leach Library will offer 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. 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, visit the library's online event calendar or call (603) 432-1127.

### Wiggle Worms Story Time

On Tuesday mornings at 10:30 a.m. through Oct. 17, toddlers ages 2-3 years old and their caregivers are invited to the Leach Library for story time with songs, rhymes, books, and more. Registration is required and begins one week before each session. To register, visit the library's online event calendar or call (603) 432-1127.

### Dragoneers Club

Calling all teen and tween adventurers! Join the Dragoneers Club for a stand-alone quest on Monday, Oct. 23 from 3:30 - 5:30 p.m. in the Leach Library Meeting Room. All experience levels welcome! Registration is required. To register, visit the library's online calendar or call (603) 432-1132.

### Tarot 101

Come to the Leach Library on Tuesday, Oct. 10 at 6 p.m. to learn about tarot with professional tarot reader and astrologer Kate Sheridan (aka The Laundress). This is a lecture-style program with Q&A woven throughout.

The presentation will cover basic tarot instruction and theory. Registration is required. To register, visit the library's online calendar or call (603) 432-1132.

### Duplo Budding Builders

Join the Leach Library staff on Thursday, Oct. 12 at 10 a.m. for a meeting of Duplo Budding Builders. Participants will create using larger Duplo blocks. This program is designed for younger Lego enthusiasts ages 0-5. Registration is required and is open. To register, visit the library's online event calendar or call (603) 432-1127.

### Crafternoon

Crafternoon is back as a monthly 90-minute meeting at the Leach Library! On Wednesday, Oct. 11 at 4 p.m., bring your own craft project and supplies, and work alongside other local crafters. No registration is required. For more information, call the library at (603) 432-1132.

### Building Buddies

Join the Leach Library staff on Thursday, Oct. 12 at 4:30 p.m. for a 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. To register, visit the library's online event calendar or call (603) 432-1127.

### Mystery Dinner

On Friday, Oct. 13 from 6 - 8:30 p.m., teens are invited to a special after-hours program at the Leach Library. Teens age 13-18 will enjoy a night of intrigue during this murder mystery dinner party in the main reading room. The game will include materials from the game *Factions: A Murder Mystery by My Mystery Party*. The program includes dinner and refresh-

ments. Please let the library know if you have any food allergies at the time of registration. All participants are encouraged to dress up in costume or formal wear for the evening. Roles will be assigned upon arrival. Registration is required. To register, visit the library's online event calendar or call (603) 432-1132.

### Solar Eclipse Live Stream Viewing

The Leach Library will host a live stream viewing of the annular solar eclipse in the library's meeting room from noon - 2:30 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 14. Patrons may drop in any time during the program to watch coverage of the eclipse. During the program, a variety of activities and crafts will be available to complete at the library or take home. Attendees will receive a free pair of solar eclipse glasses while supplies last. Registration is not required for this program.

### Craft Time

On Monday, Oct. 16 at 4:30 p.m., kid crafters are invited to the Leach Library to create tissue paper apples in the meeting room. Crafts will be provided, and staff will be available to offer assistance. Registration is required and begins on Tuesday, Oct. 10. To register, visit the library's online event calendar or call (603) 432-1127.

### Potions Class

Teens and tweens are invited to a Harry Potter-inspired potion bottle sensory craft on Tuesday, Oct. 17 from 3:30 - 4:30 p.m. in the Leach Library Meeting Room. Participants will use an assortment of potion-themed supplies to create sensory bottles to take home. Registration is required. To register, visit the library's online calendar or call (603) 432-1132.

### Cupcake Decorating

Celebrate fall by decorating a special cupcake on Wednesday, Oct. 18 at 4:30 p.m. at Leach Library! Cupcakes, frosting, and candy will be provided, and children are invited to create a fun cupcake. Please let us know if anyone in your group has allergies at the time of registration. Registration is required and begins on Wednesday, Oct. 11. To register, visit the library's online event calendar or call (603) 432-1127.

### Ghosts and Legends

The Leach Library and Derry Public Library are teaming up to bring you Jeff Belanger's *Ghosts and Legends* program at the Derry Opera House on Wednesday, Oct. 18 at 7 p.m. This ghostly multi-media program will take you on a journey through the haunts in your backyard and around the world. This event is free and open to the public. Doors will open at 6 p.m., and refreshments will be available to purchase from the Friends of the Derry Public Libraries and the Friends of the Londonderry Leach Library. There will also be a Q&A and book signing at the end of the program. The Derry Opera House is located at 29 W Broadway in Derry. Seating is limited to 350 people. Registration is required and is open. For more information and to register, visit the Derry Public Library's event calendar at [www.derrypl.org](http://www.derrypl.org) or call either library, Derry Public Library at (603) 432-6140 or Leach Library at (603) 432-1132.

### Tinker Time

Join Leach Library staff on Saturday, Oct. 21 at 2 p.m. for Tinker Time. A variety of toys and games from the Library of Things collection will be provided for children to try. Registra-

tion is recommended and begins on Saturday, Oct. 14. To register, visit the library's online event calendar or call (603) 432-1127.

### Mystery Lovers Book Discussion

Do you love mystery? Then this is the book discussion for you! Come to the Leach Library on Monday, Oct. 23 at 11:30 a.m. to discuss Jesse Q. Sutanto's cozy mystery *Vera Wong's Unsolicited Advice for Murderers*. Refreshments will be served. Registration is open. To register, visit the library's online calendar or call (603) 432-1132. Copies of the book will be available to check out at the library's main desk.

### Jack O'Lantern Jam-boree

The Leach Library will be hosting its annual Halloween celebrations on Tuesday, Oct. 24 at 4:30 p.m. and Wednesday, Oct. 25 at 10 a.m. We'll begin with a costume parade around the library and then head downstairs for a story and song. Halloween bags will be handed out at the end of the program. Registration is required and begins one week before each session. To register, visit the library's online event calendar or call (603) 432-1127.

### Block by Block Coding Club

On Wednesday, Oct. 25 from 4 - 5 p.m., students in grades 4-8 will be able to explore a variety of coding exercises and programs including using screen-free coding robots, independent online coding, and other guided activities online. Registration is required and begins on Wednesday, Oct. 18. To register, visit the library's online calendar or call (603) 432-1132.

## Police Log

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**9:47 a.m.** Peace restored during a Disturbance on Hunter Boulevard.  
**1:28 p.m.** Suicide Attempt/Threat at Londonderry High School transported to a hospital.

**2:40 p.m.** Services rendered for Juvenile Offenses at the LAFA Complex on Nelson Road.  
**3:52 p.m.** Arrest made by four officers after a Burglary at the Hub Smoke & Vape on Rockingham Road.

**Friday - Sept. 29**  
**5:52 a.m.** Services rendered for a Burglary on Seasons Lane.

**10:35 a.m.** Services rendered by three officers for Juvenile Offenses at Londonderry Middle School.  
**11:50 a.m.** Motor Vehicle Stop leads to an arrest made at Convenience Plus Londonderry on Rockingham Road.

**2:40 p.m.** Services rendered for a Medical Emergency at Manchester Boston Regional Airport.  
**11:06 p.m.** Arrest(s) Made by four officers during Suspicious Activity on Memorial Drive.

**Saturday - Sept. 30**  
**2:17 a.m.** Overdose investigated by four officers on Winding Pond Road.

**2:40 p.m.** Services rendered for a Medical Emergency at Manchester Boston Regional Airport.  
**9:14 p.m.** Services rendered by Animal Control for a Dog Bite reported on High Range Road.

**2:40 p.m.** Services rendered for a Medical Emergency at Manchester Boston Regional Airport.  
**11:06 p.m.** Arrest(s) Made by four officers during Suspicious Activity on Memorial Drive.

**Sunday - Oct. 1**  
**1:21 a.m.** Motor Vehicle Stop on Nashua Road at

**2:40 p.m.** Services rendered for a Medical Emergency at Manchester Boston Regional Airport.  
**9:04 p.m.** Domestic Disturbance investigated by three officers on Whittemore Road.



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