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Sure Footed

Yesenia Malozemlina makes her way through the obstacle course set up at the Matthew Thornton playground during the Londonderry Recreation Summer Camp last week. See additional photos page 8.

Photo by Chris Paul

Steering Committee Begin Process for Master Plan

PAUL CONYERS
LONDONDERRY TIMES

Londonderry's Master Plan Steering Committee met on July 25 to kickstart the process of developing a new, comprehensive Master Plan for the town. The Committee was meeting for the first time and was composed

of officials from a variety of different town committees, representing various areas of experience.

"We started discussing putting a committee together over the past month or so now," said Committee member, Jake Butler. "Some of us are from boards,

we've got a handful of people from the public, this is our first meeting."

At the first meeting, step one was to nominate and elect officers for the Committee. Without debate on any nomination, Jeff Penta was elected Chair, Jake Butler was elected Vice

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Historic Barn Demolition Denied by Heritage Vote

ALEX MALM
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Heritage Commission held a public hearing on July 25 regarding an application for a Certificate of Approval for the demolition of the 42x32-foot historic barn located at 2 Litchfield Road.

The property had been converted from a residential property to commercial back in the mid-2000s under the agreement that the structures on the site could not be changed.

"This property is unique as it has three layers of regulation on it," Laura Gandia said, an Attorney and former Associate Planner for Londonderry, who was

representing the owner and applicant, Richard Flier, of CC Properties LLC.

Gandia explained that along with the unusual zoning, it is also in the Historic Overlay District, and has a historic preservation easement deed on the property.

"It is approximately 1.3 acres in size," Gandia said.

She also explained it was the first private property in town to be in the historic district, and that the easement deed was placed on the property, prior to her client buying the property.

Gandia also noted that the property has been used for both com-

mercial and residential purposes in the past.

A proposal to remove the 42x32 barn that Gandia said sits on the property line was in question. According to the easement, the Heritage Commission would need to grant the approval of the barns demolition

She explained that they were looking to remove the barn due to public safety concerns.

Gandia explained that recently herself, her client, Richard Flier, Chief Building Inspector, Nick Codner, and Assistant Building Inspector, Brad Anderson, toured the barn, noting that Anderson declined to enter certain portions of

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Special Meeting Needed to Fix Planning Board Error

ALEX MALM
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Planning Board held a special meeting for only one agenda item on July 18.

The agenda item stated: "Public hearing solely to determine completeness of a continued application for formal review of a lot line adjustment to adjust the lot line between two parcels. 37 Stonehenge Road (Map 12, Lot 124-13) and 41 Stonehenge Road (Map 12, Lot 123). Zoned AR-1 (Agricultural Residential). Thomas J. Censabella and Shawna

Denn (Owners) and Promised Land Survey, LLC (Applicant)."

During the July 10 Planning Board meeting, the application was one of two different agenda items that were continued by the Planning Board against the recommendation of Town Staff.

Following the meeting though, it was determined there were concerns that if the application wasn't accepted as complete, then there could be issues with not being in compliance with the RSAs.

"We are merely accepting this application as complete so we can comply with NH RSAs," Planning Board Chair, Jake Butler, said.

During the meeting, Butler explained that they didn't accept the application as complete

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Town Council Approves Funding For HVAC Repairs

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The Town Council had a number of agenda items regarding funding requests during its most recent meeting.

One of the requests was for an expenditure from the Maintenance Trust Fund.

It was explained by Director of Public Works, Dave Wholley, that the heat is starting to take a toll on some of their HVAC systems, specifically for the Fire Department.

“The rest of the buildings have been doing OK gratefully,” he told the Town Council.

He explained they had an issue at Station 2 where a mini split went

down, they were able to fix it temporarily, but then within two hours it went down again so they made the decision to get it replaced, due to the heat, and it being located in the core part of the building.

It was also explained by Wholley that they also had an issue with one of the systems at the North Station, and said they were looking to spend \$18,065 out of the Fund for the both of them.

The Town Council unanimously approved the request.

Another request came from Director of Engineering Services, John Trottier, who said they were looking to withdraw \$173,000 from the

Roadway Maintenance Trust Fund.

He explained that they were looking to spend up to \$173,000 from the fund to improve some of the roads in town, but they would be spending about \$950,000 in total with the other line items within the budget for the roads.

The Town Council unanimously approved the withdrawal request during the meeting.

While it is subject to change it was noted that the roads expected to be done as part of the FY 25 construction season include Trolley Car Lane, Kitt Lane, Kim Avenue, Gary Drive, Wallace Circle a portion of Harvey Road, a por-

tion of Symmes Drive, a portion of Orchard View Drive, Gardner Circle, a portion of Parmenter Road, a portion of Avery Road, and a portion of Winding Pond Road.

The Town Council was also presented with a request to withdraw \$8,000 from the Cable

Equipment Capital Reserve Funds.

Londonderry Finance Director, Justin Campo, explained that the School District annually requests their appropriation of the funds from the franchise agreement of fees with Comcast, and that the \$8,000 would go

towards purchasing various equipment.

On a unanimous vote the Town Council approved withdrawing the funds for the School District’s appropriation.

The Town Council also approved the resignation of Jim Loiselle from the Recreation Commission.

Microbakery Get Approval for Home Occupation

ALEX MALM
LONDONDERRY TIMES

During the July 24 Zoning Board of Adjustment meeting, one of the agenda items was in regards to a request for a special exception to allow for a microbakery Home Occupation, for the parcel located at 8 Spruce St., which is located in the Agricultural- Residential zoning district.

At the meeting, the owner and applicant, Gary Sessa, said “approximately eight months ago, my wife and I decided to start the journey of trying for children and as part of that journey she didn’t want to introduce artificial breads, preservatives, and things like that, so I started creating home-made bread.”

Sessa said he started making sourdough for the family and soon people suggested that he should start selling it, which he did, beginning in February, selling bread to friends and

family.

Now Sessa explained he is looking to be able to start selling it to people in the neighborhood and to people in the town of Londonderry.

One question raised was what the hours would be for the business.

Sessa explained that they would have a two hour pick up window, and that they generally bake on Friday evenings and then do the pickups on Saturdays.

“I still work a full-time job,” Sessa said.

Another question asked was how many customers they expected to have.

Sessa explained that it won’t be many since they only have so much space and time to make the bread.

“We generally limit the amount we can bake,” he said.

He said they can’t bake more than 15 loaves of bread usually since it takes about five hours, and they expect to have between 10 to 20

people coming per weekend, and they usually can’t bake more than 15 loaves of bread since it’s time consuming.

“It’s possible for 10 to come at the same time,” Sessa said, but generally people will be walking there from the neighborhood.

He said the hours would usually be on Saturdays from 9 to 11 a.m. “99 percent of the time,” noting that sometimes they may have a different day for pick ups if they are going out of town.

It was also noted that they don’t require a license from the state since they are making baked goods, and that they would only need a license if they had products that need to be regulated for temperature such as refrigeration products.

On a unanimous vote, the ZBA approved the special exception during the meeting.



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Tax Concerns, Warrant Article Wording Discussed at Public Meeting

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LONDONDERRY TIMES

Claims of a budget surplus from Town Manager, Mike Malaguti, drew skepticism from several residents at his July 16 Town Hall meeting. With the fiscal year formally closing on June 30, Malaguti reported that Londonderry came “reasonably under budget.” The Town Manager gave a rough estimate of “\$700,000” for the surplus, stressing that the exact amount

was not yet confirmed. It was not immediately clear how much money was in the undesignated fund balance.

“The numbers are still being worked out, but it is money that will be available to go back to the taxpayers to offset the tax rate,” he said. “Or to fund some of those infrastructure projects that appear on the annual March ballot.

Londonderry resident, Richard Bielinski, questioned Malaguti’s

definition of a surplus.

“We talk about a surplus in the fund balance, and you talk about taxpayer relief, and that’s not really true,” argued Bielinski. “On the average house, it comes up to perhaps a few pennies on the tax bill.”

Bielinski also questioned whether warrant articles funding infrastructure projects either from the undesignated fund balance or a surplus were being properly labeled in terms of

impact on taxpayers.

“You have the warrant articles, and you say ‘the tax impact will be zero, it’s being funded from the undesignated fund balance,’ so if the number is \$200,000 and think it’s a zero-tax impact,” said Bielinski. “Why don’t we put ‘if this should fail, it will be three cents off your tax rate?’”

He argued the existing wording was unclear, implying undesignated funds were “free money.”

Another resident highlighted the upcoming Gilcrest development as an example of vague wording, arguing that the article permitting the sale of the land only specified “open land” without specifying the construction of 96 townhouses.

However, there was some disagreement on the matter.

“I give the voters a little bit more credit than that,” said Malaguti. “Most of our voters, when they go to the polls, understand what they’re voting on.”

The Town Manager added that there was open discussion over the development of the Gilcrest land while noting that NH state law limits on how a warrant article can be worded.

Such a topic spilled into a broader discussion about who should

be involved in the review process for large developments, which have been a point of contention with Londonderry’s growing population.

“I can understand why people feel that way seeing the pace of development, and seeing some of the projects that are going in,” said Malaguti. “I think that’s it’s important to be involved in review, these are all public meetings, oftentimes abutters and residents who show up, drive the results.”

One attendee worried that “abutters aren’t necessarily notified,” also arguing that “we should look slightly outside” what the town considered an abutter for legal purposes when it came to notifying other nearby residents of a proposed development.

Planning

Continued from page 1 during the July 10 meeting, and they needed to accept it within 30 days in order to be in compliance.

One resident in attendance, Richard Bielinski, said he thinks there was a process issue.

“This isn’t a continuation, this is a new public hearing,” he said.

He argued that the general public wasn’t made aware of the public hearing, and also

argued that he didn’t think they needed to continue it originally.

“This isn’t how you do business,” he said.

Town Manager, Mike Malaguti, explained why the meeting was called in somewhat of a hurried fashion, saying they were trying to fix a mistake.

“If something isn’t right, we try to fix it,” he said, explaining that they took all reasonable steps after the special meeting was called “to do just that.”

Malaguti outlined what was done to notify the public, which included posting the agenda online, putting it in the Union Leader, and that they posted the agenda on the town’s website.

He explained that he personally hand delivered the meeting notice to the abutters for the proposed project.

“The public hasn’t been disenfranchised,” Malaguti said.

Malaguti added that even if it was a new meeting, and not a continuance, that they would still be in compliance with the RSA.

After the application was accepted as complete, the public hearing was continued to Aug. 7.

OBITUARY

Joan E. Morrison



Joan E. Morrison, 77, formerly of Woodland Dr., Londonderry, NH died Saturday July 27, 2024, at her Langdon Place residence in Nashua, NH. She was born in Winchester, MA on March 27, 1947, the daughter of the late Alcide and Antonette (Cardone) Blanchette. She was a resident of Londonderry for 42 years and was employed as a Dental Assistant and Office Manager for Andre Montminy, DMD. Joan was a dedicated wife, a loving mother and grandmother, and a fierce friend. She enjoyed boating with her late husband, George, traveling with friends and cousins, taking art lessons, doting upon her pets and attending her grandchildren’s sporting events.

Joan is survived by her three sons, George A. Morrison Jr. of Salem, NH, Carl A. Morrison and his wife Leah of Manchester, NH, Brian R. Morrison and his wife Shara of Merrimack, NH, two grandchildren, Noah and Anna, two brothers, Thomas Blanchette and his wife Patricia of Woburn, MA and Robert Blanchette of Salem, NH, as well as several close cousins, nieces and nephews.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated Thursday, Aug. 1, at 10:30 a.m., at St. Mark’s Church in Londonderry. The burial will follow in the Holy Cross Cemetery in Londonderry. Memorial donations may be made to the Alzheimer’s Foundation @act.alz.org, or to Brookhaven Hospice of NH @brookhavenhospice.com.



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Editorial

The Role of the Free Press in a Democracy

The idea of freedom of speech is something that has been touted by democratic societies since its inception, and the United States of America is no different.

We run on a specific governmental structure that is put in place by the people, for the people, and is meant to defend the rights of those within the society by allowing the people to participate in the decision-making process as well as be the watchdog for the government.

The three branches of the government are in place for one purpose - our founders never again wanted to live in a country where the government had absolute power, like a country with a monarch or dictator who rules supreme. Democracy is the framework of our society, but there is a greater force that holds it all together: the power of free speech.

That's where a free and independent press comes in.

The First Amendment in the Constitution protects the press under freedom of speech, and it is the press' role to bring the people of the United States accurate, unbiased, and trustworthy news. Without it, the government has a far greater chance of becoming corrupt, because no one knows enough to ask the right questions.

Thomas Jefferson, who was a draftsman of the Declaration of Independence, illustrated the purpose of

the free press perfectly to Marquis de Lafayette in a letter: "The only security of all is in a free press. The force of public opinion cannot be resisted when permitted freely to be expressed. The agitation it produces must be submitted to. It is necessary, to keep the waters pure."

But the question still exists: what happens when the press isn't independent?

We see it today, from big presses to small - billionaires buying out newspaper franchises and small local papers there are many examples. Small independent papers are disappearing altogether because of lack of funding, ultimately putting a hold on what keeps democracy in place.

As newspapers disappear, there is a greater chance that government written newsletters will crop up to push an agenda, be it political (which it is more often than not), or intended to create a false image. These sorceresses of information created by governments are subject to the views and opinions of those who wish to control the narrative, rather than those of us who wish simply to educate citizens.

For democracy to continue to survive in the era of fake news, and conglomerates controlling news sources, the small, locally run newspapers must continue to do their job: ask questions, do research, and do their best to report all sides of the story.

Letters

Deb Paul for County Commissioner

To the editor,

As a New Hampshire resident and business owner for nearly 25-years, I am very excited and proud to let the residents of our community know that I have decided to announce my candidacy for Rockingham County Commissioner of District 3.

I look forward to the chance to represent everyone in the town of Londonderry and the other towns I represent with a fresh set of eyes.

As the publisher of the Londonderry Times, I have learned a great many things about the way towns and state government work, and now I wish to add my input on town matters through the County as Commissioner.

I will be running a positive campaign, one in which I will display integrity, transparency, and honesty in all my interactions with the voters. Things will only start to change when people vote for a leadership that listens to them, and seeks to return government. "We need a government that is confident, and not of what it can do, but of what the people can do," said Ronald Reagan.

As someone who is not been part of the established political party, I will work hard, embrace positive change, and always look at subjects from all sides. Fiscal responsibility is possible in government when you do your homework.

It will be a great privilege to serve my community and the other towns as County Commissioner of District 3. I

will do so by listening openly to the concerns of all community members to help make changes, so that we thrive economically. I will help maintain a "small town feel" in our neighborhoods and will propose better ways to communicate with the public on what is going on.

We live in a great state - let's work together to make it an even better place to live, work and play!

I humbly ask for your vote on Sept. 10.

Debra Paul, Londonderry resident, independent publisher, and Rockingham County Commissioner of District 3 candidate

Sincerely,
Debra Paul

Ostrich View

To the editor,

I have recently seen some writings and letters that encourage voters to support Trump. These "authors" need to explain how voting for a pathological liar, a con-man, a draft dodger, a traitor, and a convicted felon will in any way "make America great again". America is already great. I know what follows (below) is old news but it bears repeating. A tiger doesn't change its stripes and neither will Trump. He has a long history of dishonesty that continues to this day.

Yes, he's a Pathological Liar. He just cannot help himself. Every speech and every campaign event is laden with untruths and outright lies. His supporters eat it up. He is a skilled and crafty liar. Yes, he's a Con-Man. He bilked thousands of dollars

from everyday Americans who enrolled in Trump University which was a joke. He settled the consequent law suit out of court for twenty-five million dollars! He didn't want it to go to trial. Yes, he's a Draft Dodger. Because he had a rich daddy, he was able to get a doctor to "say" he had bone spurs so he could avoid going to Vietnam. I had friends die in Vietnam and friends who suffer from PTSD to this very day. They didn't dodge the draft. Yes, he's a Traitor. He attempted to nullify and overturn an election of the American people in which he lost the popular vote, for the second time, and lost the Electoral College vote as well. Americans spoke at the ballot box but that didn't matter to Trump. This is the type of traitorous crime that would have been dealt with swiftly and severely in years past. Yes, he's a convicted Felon. As we know, he was found guilty of 34 counts of falsifying business records in an attempt to cover up an affair with a porn star so Americans wouldn't find this out prior to the election.

This is the man who will make America great again? Get serious. The main reason Trump is running for the Presidency is to protect himself and line his pockets. He doesn't give a damn about anybody but himself. He has few morals and no conscience. He's a mean selfish man.

There are so many good Republicans in our country and in our very state who would make excellent candidates and could keep America

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Barn

Continued from page 1 the barn “based on his own safety concerns.”

On April 27, she said some members of the Commission toured the barn as well.

“The conclusion was (that) the current condition of the barn was dilapidated at best,” Gandia said.

She also said as part of the report prepared by Codner, it states in part “there has been no meaningful maintenance on the structure for quite some time.”

Gandia listed a number of issues found as part of the report, including that the roof beams on the east half “are extremely sagged” and close to complete failure.

Newly appointed commission member, Jim Butler, asked about

New Hampshire Preservation Alliance and if they have commented on the barn at all.

Gandia explained that they didn’t comment on the condition, saying they asked about any sources of funds they know of.

“They didn’t want it,” Flier said, explaining that they even offered to give it to them and they could move it to a different part of the state, but they weren’t interested.

Flier told the Commission that it would cost \$700,000 or more to restore or replace it properly.

David Ellis, a historian in Londonderry, questioned whether or not Codner or Anderson are registered architects or professional engineers, saying as part of the zoning regulations, “A request for demolition

will be based on structural instability or deterioration as prepared by a registered architect or professional engineer.”

It was noted that neither Codner nor Anderson are engineers or architects.

Ellis also noted that the report should be based on getting the barn into the condition needed for compliance of the easement.

Town Manager, Mike Malaguti, noted that they have to make a decision within 45 days of the application, otherwise it would automatically be approved.

Newly appointed commissioner, Jim Butler, said he agreed with Codner, “I think his report and information is reasonable,” but said the applicant should get a registered architect or engineer and get their



opinion on it and get a report and go from there.

Town Councilor, Ron Dunn, attended the meeting and said he agrees with Ellis and that as part of the agreement, the owner is supposed to keep up with maintenance for the property.

“I just would like to see the barn saved,”

Dunn said.

Heritage Commission Chair, Krystopher Kenney, said, “I think that the focus of the report needs to be on the structural stability and deterioration per our zoning ordinance.”

He also explained that he also thinks it would be good to have

some sort of estimate of what it would take to be structurally stable, “but also in a historical fashion,” saying that it will help them make a determination.

The Commission ultimately denied the request without prejudice, meaning they are allowed to reapply.

Letters

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great. Trump is not one of them. Too many do not see him for what he truly is. Not me.

Bruce Stern
Londonderry

On “Cat Ladies”

To the editor,

J. D. Vance’s remark about “childless cat ladies” has rightly been condemned for its misogyny and cruelty towards step and adoptive parents (and towards people who are childless

by choice, which to me is a not irrational decision in this warming world).

I’d like to focus on the underlying philosophy it reveals: when he says only people with children have a “direct stake” in the future of the country he is denying our ability to have empathy for other people. He is denying the fact that all human beings have a stake in all other human beings, and we all have a stake in what kind of world we will be passing to the next generation.

It has become clear to me that there are some people who just don’t possess this empathic feeling towards their fellow humans, and apparently J. D. Vance is one of them. How many politicians have expressed support for gay rights only when a child of theirs comes out as gay? Or supported reproductive freedom only because they have a daughter? I am a straight white lady with straight white children but I try to have empathy with my fellow LGBTQ humans, and with my fel-

low humans of races and ethnicities different from my own. I don’t need a bad policy to affect my own child to see it as bad. If it negatively affects any child it is bad.

Which brings me to Vance’s support and close involvement with the now infamous 2025 Project. The policies outlined in this document must never be brought to fruition. They would be bad for our government, our

healthcare, and the entire planet.

By the way, Vance recently tried to “soften” his remarks about cat ladies by saying he has nothing against cats.

Mary Lincoln
Londonderry

Where Has He Been?

To the editor,

For the longest time I have missed Letters to the Editor from Steve Homsey. We often jostled with concerns about

Presidents Biden and Trump. Being a “Never Trumper” spewing a continuous regurgitation of his distorted views of the truth, his hatred of Trump was never a secret. If a trophy were awarded to the greatest Trump hater in New England, a Londonderry resident would claim that trophy. Nonother than Steve Homsey. I, as a proud resident of Londonderry take no pride

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Eversource Set to Replace 18 More Wooden Poles

PAUL CONYERS
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Conservation Commission met on July 23 to hear from Eversource regarding a conditional use permit for a transmission line structure replacement project. Travis Yandow from Eversource's Licensing and Permitting was at the meeting with Conor Madison of GZA GeoEnvironmental to make a presentation on the matter.

"We're here for a conditional use permit application for maintenance along existing 326 and 380 transmission line which crosses through town," Madison explained. "It goes from

Dan Hill Road; it goes north and a little east too Rockingham Road or NH 28."

He framed the work as nothing new, similar to Eversource's routine, annual inspection of their utility corridors. It's also part of their ongoing goal to transition from wooden utility poles from wood to steel as needed.

"During inspections we're looking for any cracking, any woodpecker damage that could introduce water or any pests to the inside that could rot it from the inside out," said Madison. "This year, 18 were flagged for replace-

ment."

Poles identified for replacement will be installed off Dan Hill Road, Wiley Hill Road, High Range Road, and Rockingham Road. No new lines will be installed, the right of way is not expected to change, and work should be similar to other recent wood-to-steel structure replacement projects over the past few years.

"This isn't the whole project," said Conservation Chair, Marge Badois. "They've been here multiple times before with different sections, they do one section at a time."

The permit application included alteration of terrain and temporary wetland impact notifications. Eversource was also coordinating with NH Fish and Game and the Natural Heritage Bureau.

Madison went on to say that the "majority" of the project will be conducted in the winter-time, requiring the energy company to install matting under two towers to protect local turtle habitats. Per Heritage Bureau request, Eversource launched a survey to catalog and track five rare species in the area.

"So, there's nothing

unique to this section?" asked Badois.

According to Yandow and Madison, the 18 proposed poles were in a familiar area.

"We have been in this section in years past," Madison answered. "We'll be utilizing as much existing gravel road as possible. We're not out there making any new gravel roads if something is right next to it."

"Can you just detail the measure you will take to block off the entrances that you're using so that we cannot make our ATV problem even worse than it already is?" asked Alter-

nate, Mike Speltz.

In the past, ATV users have illegally taken advantage of poor gated entrances to access roads, causing noise and damage to the surrounding area.

"In anticipation of this project, we've already identified locations where gates are either in poor condition or not functioning properly, and we do have plans to replace those," said Yandow.

The Conservation Commission recommended approval of the plan to the Planning Board. Pole replacement should be complete by March 2025.

Master Plan

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Chair, and Kristi Mynhier was elected Secretary.

Sylvia Von Aulock, Executive Director of the Southern NH Planning Commission (SNHPC),

was also at the meeting to "steer the Steering Committee" by providing guidance and advice through the development of an updated Master Plan. She expected the process to take at least six months and likely much longer ow-

ing to staffing shortages. Every Steering Committee member was encouraged to take an extensive look at the existing 12-year-old Plan to come up with improvements.

"What is it that is missing? What sort of recommendations happened those 12 years ago?" asked Von Aulock. "You don't need to look at every single one, but please, in the 'hat' you're wearing, take a good, thorough look."

The goal was to determine what chap-

ters and focus areas are relevant after 12 years of change in Londonderry.

There were 82 recommendations in the last Mater Plan, 24 of which Town Manger, Mike Malaguti, deemed "substantially complete." Seven are still in progress and ten were "moot or impractical" based on later developments.

"Roughly half have been addressed in some way," said Malaguti. "The fact that we accomplished almost half of those in a decade, from

one standpoint that's impressive. From another standpoint, having 82 recommendations is almost like having no recommendations because it lacks focus and I would encourage the Committee to achieve what is achievable."

One recommendation was to look towards other towns in the state for recommendations on format to make things shorter and more straightforward while focusing on attainable goals.

"In actuality, if you go to the RSAs, a master plan only requires a vision and a land use section. All the rest is up to the community to

decide what is important," said Von Aulock.

With that in mind, the SNHPC Executive Director wanted to have a survey for the Master Plan complete by Old Home Day on Aug. 17.

"That gives us a challenge, that's about two weeks in time," she explained, originally hoping to have the survey results back by the end of July. "By the end of September, I would love to have survey results to the Planning Board."

She also wanted to conduct interviews with every committee to get an idea of what they thought would need more focus in the years to come.

OBITUARY

Constance Lee Trongo



Constance Lee Trongo, 80, of Londonderry, NH passed away Monday July 22, 2024, after a brief illness. Connie was born Jan. 7, 1944 in Greensburg, PA and was the second daughter of the late Joseph and Helen (Kalisz) Perhac.

Connie married the love of her life, Pasquale "Pat" Trongo, Jr., in 1967 and they began their married life in Massachusetts. They also lived in Maine during the first ten years, and then settled in Shelburne, VT to raise their family. After their daughters, Jill and Barbara, were married and raising their families in NH, Connie and Pat relocated to Londonderry to be near their children and grandchildren.

Connie's family meant everything to her, and included her two daughters and their husbands, Jill (Alan) Duhaime and Barbara (Matthew) Bergeron, five grandchildren, Jason and Shannon Duhaime, Anna, Mary and Molly Bergeron, and one surviving sister, Joyce Eicher.

Connie was predeceased by her beloved husband, Pat, in 2016. She was also predeceased by her brother, Joseph Perhac, and three sisters, Barbara Babich, Judy Palenchar and Jeanne Frank.

Visiting hours were held on Monday July 29, 2024 at the Peabody Funeral Home and Crematorium. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated Tuesday at St. Mark the Evangelist Church, 1 South Rd., Londonderry. In lieu of flowers, Connie's family requests that donations be made to Families in Transition, 122 Market St., Manchester, NH 03101. A NH-based charity.

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ZBA Denies Variance After Applicant Misses Meeting

ALEX MALM
LONDONDERRY TIMES

During the most recent Londonderry Zoning Board of Adjustment meeting, the ZBA faced an unusual situation.

One of the cases was a request for a variance to allow an encroachment of 30 feet into the 40 foot right-of-way setback, for the property located at 37 Mill Road, which is in the Agricultural-Residential zoning district.

The applicant and

owners, Michael and Kimberly Spellman, did not show up for the meeting, which was continued from the June 19 meeting, leading to decisions having to be made about what to do.

"Let the record show the applicant isn't here," Zoning Board of Adjustment Chair, Jacqueline Benard, said during the meeting.

It was explained by Town Manager, Mike Malaguti, that he thinks it's the board's discretion for what to do in that

type of situation.

"I believe it's the Board's discretion whether to dismiss or deny without prejudice or continue again," Malaguti told the Board.

Alternate member, Chris Moore, originally suggested they continue the request, saying that circumstances happen.

"I don't know how much additional effort it takes to put it on the agenda for next time," Moore said.

Board member, Irene Macarelli, asked if they

know why they haven't shown up for either meeting. It was noted that the applicants had been contacted, but don't show why they hadn't attended.

One of the questions raised was whether or not they should deny the application without prejudice or with prejudice.

It was explained that the difference between the two is that without prejudice then it means they could come back and ask for a variance again in the future.

"I think it's likely without prejudice anyways," Malaguti told the Board.

Vice Chair, Suzanne Brunelle, said she thinks that if they rule the denial with prejudice and then they come back with a substantially similar request then she doesn't think they would be allowed to make a decision on the variance request.

"We're not hearing the case, it has to be without prejudice I think," Moore said.

ZBA Member, Bren-

dan O'Brien, said that he wasn't opposed to allowing them to present their variance request in the future.

"I have no problem with them coming back, but they have to refile," he said.

Brunelle said it was the first time she had seen a situation like this during her tenure.

"We'll deny it and I guess we'll see what happens," she said.

The ZBA approved denying the application without prejudice.

Letters

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in that. When considering Bidens accomplishments and disasters (think Afghanistan) Democrats seem to be in lock step. They say that "President Biden is the greatest President in their lifetime". Enough said about either. They have been dissected ad nauseum. I found it ironic that Steve Homsey's letter of July 18 appeared next to the Times editorial "Think before you speak". A coincident? The Times cautioned against speaking before thinking. Blurting out vile words is inappropriate and undignified. Clutching the trophy, he was awarded, can Steve Homsey change?

Dr. Paul Minnillo
Londonderry

Response to Editorial

To the Editor:

Mr. Page, it may surprise you to learn I did indeed read the Editorial "Think before you speak"

regarding political discourse. I remember, as when I was reading it thinking the author of the Editorial forgot two words at the beginning, "I wish", as the author clearly had zero understanding of today's political landscape. It appears we need an exercise in defining not only what vitriolic hate speech is, but also where it comes from. For this exercise we will need to take off our red hats and put on our qualitative hats. We will use the words from the Lying, twice impeached, Convicted sexual predator, Convicted Fraud/Felon, i.e. the former Divider in Chief:

The Former President continues to spew his Vitriolic Hate speech every time he has the opportunity. In reference to Democrats (the left): Calling (all) those he sees as having a different viewpoint Vermin, Marxist, Fascist, Radical, Pathetic, Crazy, Dangerous etc. Also, we can

include the words from the new VP pick, JD Vance: Might be America's Hitler, Cultural Hero, Noxious and Reprehensible. Yes, even Vance's words would be considered forms of Hate Speech.

So, now that we have quantified what vitriolic hate speech is and more importantly where it comes from, maybe we can do something about it. Just kidding, that is me being guilty of "I Wish". Obviously, a 787-Million-dollar lawsuit/judgement did very little to stem the flow of hate speech. Also, the Maga Cult has their own built-in policing policy known as RINO. Anyone who

does not tow the party line will be identified, labeled a RINO and immediately ostracized. Don't believe me? You may recall in one of his speeches when declaring the end of the old Republican party, "We have gotten rid of all the RINOS".

I am not part of that party (and never would be), so there is little I can do to change it. However, if you are, perhaps adopting the phrase: "if it is to be, it is up to me" may help. Or simply try putting the vitriolic hate speech label where it really belongs.

I have a little food for thought on the subject. Nine years ago, Hillary

called 1/2 of his supporters deplorable (1 hateful thing). To this day, still burned in all their minds, some who even wear shirts. Compare this to barrage of hurtful hateful

things launched at the Left and Democrats, daily! Solution: Listen to a speech, condemn it and then we'll talk.

Steve Homsey
Londonderry

OBITUARY

Robert G. Gamlin



Robert G. Gamlin, 100, of Londonderry, NH passed away peacefully to join his beloved wife Frances, Thursday July 18, 2024 at his daughter's home in Rochester, NH. Bob was born in Groton, MA on Nov. 21, 1923, a son of the late Edward and Florence (Anderson) Gamlin. He served during WWII with the US Marine Corp.

Bob retired after 42 years with T.C. Edwards & Co., P.C., Public Accounting Firm where he was the Managing Partner. He started right after the Marines and retired in 2008.

His passion was gardening. He is a self-taught botanist and plant collector and was a long-time member of the Rock Garden, Rhododendron, Iris, Fern and Forestry societies. He holds the patent on an iris of European and Siberian specie named the "Gamlin Blue Iris" which was sold throughout the United States and featured in several horticultural magazines.

In the hot summer months, he worked with Fran trimming Christmas trees for the winter sales. Hot and sticky work. In the winter, they sold trees every year to people that came from miles to cut down their own tree at the Gamlin Christmas Tree Farm. He won several ribbons at the Topsfield Fair.

In 2006 Bob donated 127 acres to the Groton Conservation Trust which added to 1,500 acres of protected land. The donated land is legally named the "Gamlin Crystal Spring Conservation area".

He is survived by his two daughters, Dawn Landry and husband Raymond of Rochester, NH, and Robin Gamlin of Raymond, NH, seven grandchildren, and 12 great-grandchildren. He was predeceased by his wife of 76 years, Frances "Fran" (Miller) Gamlin on June 12, 2024, by his two daughters, Susan A. Gamlin in 2013, and Karen J. Gamlin in 2018, his siblings, Edward "Bud" Gamlin, Richard "Dick" Gamlin, Franklin "Sonny" Gamlin, and Thelma Neal.

Calling hours were held Tuesday July 23, in the Peabody Funeral Homes and Crematorium. Funeral services followed in the funeral home, with burial at Forest Hill Cemetery, E. Derry.

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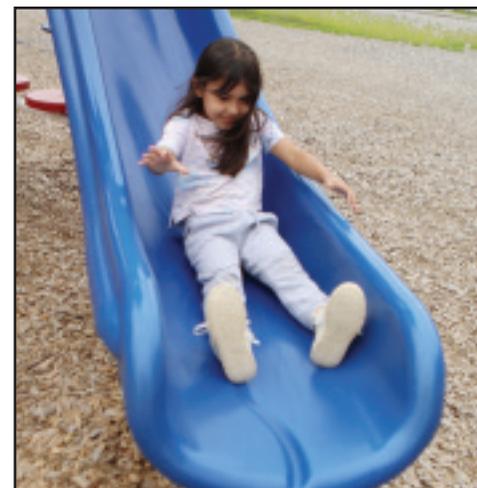
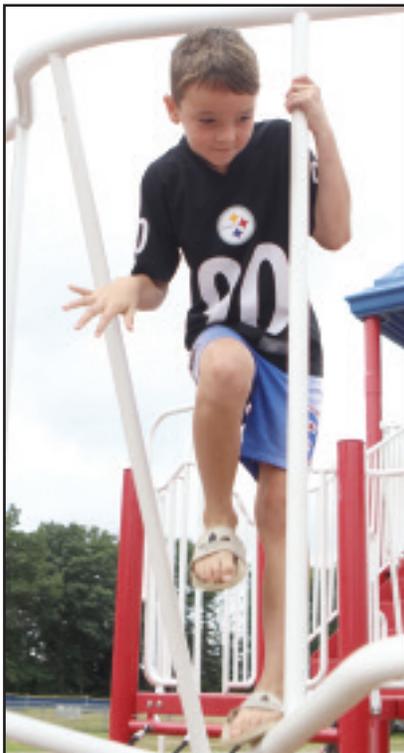
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Summer Rec Program Holds Annual Race Challenge



It was off to the races during the annual Obstacle Course races held at the Londonderry Summer Rec Program. Camper were divided into several grade groups through the playground at Matthew Thornton Elementary School to see who could make it through the challenging course the quickest.

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The show will be presented on Thursday, Aug. 1, Friday, Aug. 2 and Saturday, Aug. 3, with all shows at 7 p.m., at the Derry Opera House (29 W. Broadway, Derry, NH). Tickets are \$18 through July 26 and \$20 beginning July 27 and are on sale at ovationtc.com. *Photos by Chris Paul*

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LONDONDERRY SPORTS

Junior Legion Post 27 Team's Season Ends in Finals

CHRIS PAUL
LONDONDERRY TIMES

After winning the number one seed in District B with their 12-4 record, the Londonderry Junior Legion Post 27 Baseball team made it into Junior Tournament Finals by winning three of four games, but lost on Monday night to end their chances at the championship.

The team's quest for the title started on Friday night, July 26, where they were able to come from behind twice to beat Nashua's Coffey Post 3, 10-9, in the eighth inning.

Post 27 got off to a quick start, plating two runs in the bottom of the first, but saw the Coffey team go ahead 6-2 by the top of the third.

In the bottom of that inning, Londonderry scored another two, making it a two-run deficit after three.

In the fifth, Post 27 regained the lead, scoring four, thanks to lead off singles by Sully Daron and Jace Ruggiero and base hits by

Cameron O'Donnell and Liam Parent later in the inning. The strong hitting also forced a pitching change.

Post 3 came back with one run in each of the final three innings to put them up 9-8 in the bottom of the eighth.

A lead off walk, followed by a Post 3 error and a Connor Loughlin single tied the game at nine. Brendan Fitzgerald was the final batter at the plate when Daron scored from third.

O'Donnell was the starting pitcher, throwing six innings with five strikeouts and four walks. He only gave up five hits, but they were costly, allowing seven runs, six of them being earned.

Daron came in as the reliever and earned the win, pitching two innings, allowing three hits, two runs, and two walks.

Ruggiero was 3-5 at the plate with a triple in the third to score a run. Parent had a single and a double, while Liam Killelea also had two hits in the victory.



Cameron O'Donnell pitched six of the eight innings during Friday night's win over Post 3

The following day, things weren't quite so close, as Post 27 tallied a 5-0 win over Weare's Post 65 in seven innings.

Ruggiero was the winning pitcher, chalking up seven innings with some solid defense behind him.

Most of the game had

Londonderry leading 1-0, after Graham Killelea drove in the first run of the game with a double to right field in the second.

Two runs were scored in the final two innings. B Fuller brought home O'Donnell on a single in the sixth, followed by Liam Killelea



Brendan Fitzgerald attempts to turn two during the teams win over Nashua. Photos by Chris Paul

driving in Graham Killelea to make it 3-0.

The final two runs were scored with a sacrifice bunt by Fitzgerald and a passed ball, scoring Ruggiero.

The final game of the weekend notched the team's first loss in the tourney, losing 2-9 to Post 36 of Berlin.

Daron was the losing pitcher, allowing 11 runs on nine hits, striking out three, and walking three.

Most of the damage done by Post 36 came in the first three innings, scoring two in the first, four in the second, and two more in the third.

On Monday night, **continued on page 11**



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Three Take First for Sixth Straight Race at Fun Runs



CHRIS PAUL
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Greater Derry Track Club Kids Summer Fun Runs season will come to an end next week, but on Monday night, July 29, the final races were recorded to determine the overall winners in the high age groups.

Three young runners were able to remain undefeated throughout the season this year.

Nine-year-old, Sasha Solovyev, of Hudson; Cerie Girouard of Derry; and Christopher Mercu-

rio of Derry all registered six straight wins.

Other runners, ages two-years and up, took to the Londonderry High School track to compete in seven age categories in a variety of distances.

The free event has happened each Monday night at the track with the nine through 13-year old divisions being recorded for the overall winners, which are scheduled to be announced next week.

Each participating family is asked to donate

a non-perishable food item, as part of the registration, which goes to two food pantries in the community, St Thomas Aquinas, in Derry, and St Judes's in Londonderry.

This week's winners were:

Nine-Year Old Girls:
Girls: Sasha Solovyev of Hudson, as mentioned, took first; Second went to Samantha Pannell of Londonderry; and Nyree Zambrana of Londonderry was third.

Boys: First went to Malik Brahim of Windham; second went to

Sam Smith of Londonderry; Jason Marino of Londonderry was third.

Ten-Year Old:
Girls: First was Audrey Pisani; Second was Ryla Zatsky of Windham; and Ryley Menard of Chester was third.

Boys: First went to Derek Bath of Derry; second was TJ Santosuosso of Derry; and third place went to Calvin MacLeod of Derry.

11-Year Old Results:
Girls: Cerie Girouard of Derry took first again; second went to Ava Miller of Litchfield; and

the Third place runner was Corinne Tinkham of Litchfield.

Boys: Christopher Mercurio of Derry won again; second went to Brendan Kuncik of Derry; and third was taken by Guy Girouard of Derry again.

12-Year Old Results:
Girls: First was Megan Mullaney of Derry; second was Adevynn Mullaney of Derry; and third went to Emily Miller of Litchfield.

Boys: Nick Tiney of Sandown was the top runner.

13-Year Old Results:
Girls: First went to Stella Dutton of Londonderry again; second was Isley Morrision of Londonderry; and Kelsey Santosuosso of Derry took third.

Boys: First went to Benett MacCulloch of Londonderry; Jacob Tiney of Sandown was second; and Dillon Bath of Derry finished in third.

Season winners will be awarded backpacks for their efforts this summer.

Jr. Legion

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July 29, Weare's Post 65, ended Londonderry's season and a chance at the title beating them 9-2.

Post 65 17U scored six runs in the third inning and Post 27 was never able to recover.

Joshua Tedeschi

earned the win for Post 65 as the reliever, he allowed four hits and two runs, zero earned, over four and one-third innings, striking out three with no walks.

Nate Halko took the loss for Londonderry, the left-hander went three innings, giving up six runs on five hits, striking out one, and

walking five. Parent and Graham Killelea came in as relievers for four innings.

Liam Killelea and Connor Loughlin each collected two hits for Londonderry hitting back-to-back in the lineup.

The Post 27 season record ended at 12-8.



Kevin Mackey beats the play at the plate to help his team go ahead 7-6 in the fifth inning on Friday night. Photo by Chris Paul



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Londonderry Senior Citizens, Inc. Hold Membership Meeting

JANET MORNEAU
SENIOR CENTER PUBLICITY
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On Thursday, July 11, the Londonderry Senior Citizens, Inc. held its typically well attended membership meeting at the Londonderry Senior Center. Led by Board President Bonnie Ritvo, a detailed review of the Center's fiscal year from June 1, 2023 to May 31, 2024 comprised the meeting's agenda. A luncheon followed.

The Center's membership now tops 570 as folks from Londonderry as well as several surrounding towns continue to join the ranks. The diversity and appeal of the Center's offerings under the management of Director Ilona Arndt and President Bonnie Ritvo definitely contribute to these expanding numbers. Taking a walk around the center, one may see several handmade items on display that are testament

to the popularity of craft classes. The main room is home to many exercise classes that occur on a regular basis such as bone builders, tai chi, chair exercise, yoga and line dancing. Health clinics bring in professionals to talk about issues with feet, hearing, balance, dementia and more. Requests are welcome. There is no shortage of games - cribbage, cornhole, mahjong, cards, and bingo to name a few. Clubs meet regularly for such activities as book discussions, walking, murder mystery solving, and needlework. Meals on Wheels, holiday themed luncheons, comedy acts such as Off Our Rockers, musical presentations, helpful info from the Londonderry Fire and Police departments, guidance from estate planners - the list goes on.

Besides membership dues, November's Holiday Fair (scheduled for 11/2/2024) is our biggest

fund raiser. Our August Ice Cream Social (coming up on 8/15, 12:30 to 2pm), bingo, and 50-50 raffles also generate income as well as luncheon fees and our snack table. We purchased two new flat stone grills for the Center with some of this year's profits.

Also, as an organization we work WITH, and give back TO, the town community with donations of \$2000.00 to Londonderry High School scholarships and another \$2000.00 to the Community Caregivers. We encourage our members to attend the Senior Expo, a collaboration of many local community groups offering info and gift items particularly helpful for seniors. It is heading into its third year on September 21st at Londonderry Middle School.

At the Thursday meeting the current Board officers were reinstated by a vote of those present. Bonnie Ritvo

will continue to be President until her upcoming retirement. After 17 years of dedicated leadership to the Center's many missions, she will be retiring from that role but will fortunately still be very much a part of LSCI. Judy Courtney will continue as Vice President with a focus on the Center's Entertainment; Carol Jablonowski will

continue to handle Membership; Dale Morrison will be in charge of Fundraising; Kelly Smith will handle Purchasing and Inventory; Julie Gasper will be in charge of the Sunshine Committee; and Janet Morneau will be Secretary and Publicity Coordinator.

And finally, none of what we do could happen without the many

volunteers in our membership that come forward to assist. To thank these volunteers, a luncheon was provided at the Coach Stop on July 13. Ilona and Bonnie provided generous gifts and comments to those who have given a designated amount of time and effort to the many activities that give the Center its vitality.

Community Energy Aggregation

The Londonderry Utilities Committee and Town Council are pursuing a Community Choice Aggregation Plan in an effort to stabilize electricity supply charges for Londonderry residents with the objective of long-term savings over the supply contract period on residents' electric bills.

Information About Community Choice Aggregation is currently available through the

town website at: londonderrynh.gov.

Information includes: What is Community Choice Aggregation?

- June 29, 2024 Presentation from the second public hearing

- Possible timeline to implementation from July 15, 2024 Town Council meeting.

- Full text of the Community Choice Aggregation Plan.

- Londonderry's re-

quest for approval from the NH PUC.

The State of New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission is accepting public comment on the Town's Plan until August 6, 2024. Residents can see the notice on information on how to comment at: londonderrynh.gov.

Questions may be directed to Lynn Wiles, Chair of the Utilities Committee, through email at: lwiles@tolboards.org.

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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.

Concerts on Common

Concerts on the Common Features Martin and Kelly Wednesday, Aug. 7, on the Londonderry Town Common - 265 Mammoth Rd., Londonderry, from 7-8:30 p.m. For a complete schedule and more details visit: concertsonthecommon.org

Coffee & Coloring

Adults are invited to the Leach Library to chill out, sip coffee, and color on Friday, Aug. 2 at 10:30 a.m. every participant will be given their own adult coloring book and set of colored pencils. Registration opens on Friday, July 26 and is limited to 24 participants. To register, visit the library's online event calendar or call (603) 432-1132.

Family Fun Day

A special after-hours experience for all ages From 2:30 - 4:30 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 3, play an assortment of classic and jumbo games in the Leach Library's Main Reading Room or a round of mini

golf in the Children's Room. Attendees may also head downstairs to the Meeting Room for a screening of a 2023 Pixar film (rated PG). Registration is recommended and begins on Saturday, July 27. To register, visit the library's online event calendar or call (603) 432-1132.

Camp Half-Blood

Teens and tweens are invited to check out a Percy Jackson-inspired day at camp with target practice and mock battles. Camp activities will be set up on the Leach Library lawn and Meeting Room, weather permitting, on Tuesday, Aug. 6 from 2 - 4 p.m. This program is intended for ages 8-18. Registration is required and begins on Tuesday, July 30. To register, visit the library's online event calendar or call (603) 432-1132.

Rock Painting Craft

Come to the Leach Library on Wednesday, Aug. 7 at 2 p.m. for an afternoon of rock painting! This

event is intended for teens and adults ages 13 and up. Registration opens on Wednesday, July 31 and is limited to 30 participants. To register, visit the library's online event calendar or call (603) 432-1132.

Storybook Tea Party

Come to the Leach Library on Wednesday, Aug. 7 at 4 p.m. for a Storybook Tea Party. Participants are encouraged to come dressed as a favorite character or wear their fanciest clothes and enjoy stories, snacks, and party games. Registration is required and begins on Wednesday, July 31. To register, visit the library's online event calendar or call (603) 432-1127.

Night at the Museum

A special evening at the Aviation Museum of NH on Thursday, Aug. 8 starting at 7 p.m. Enjoy free admission to the museum as well as free activities and refreshments while supplies last. Registration opens on Monday, July 22 and is lim-

ited to 60 library cardholders. To register, visit the library's online calendar or call (603) 432-1132. The Aviation Museum is located at 27 Navigator Rd., Londonderry.

Cookbook Potluck

On Monday, Aug. 19 at 11:30 a.m. stop by the Leach Library for a summer-themed potluck. Prepare and share a recipe from either The Picnic by Marnie Hanel, The Complete Summer Cookbook by America's Test Kitchen, or The Summer Table by Lisa Lemke. You can pick up a copy of the book from the library. Registration opens on Monday, July 15 and is limited to 20 participants. To register, visit the library's online calendar or call (603) 432-1132. Copies of the books will be available to check out at the library's main desk.

Blues Festival

10th annual Blues Festival Aug. 24, from noon - 4 p.m. There will be a 50:50 raffle, barbecue truck, ice cream truck and vendors, location on the town common. Proceeds to go to the combat veterans motorcycle association to raise money for homeless veterans

Summer Tennis

Don't miss the summer sign ups. Londonderry Tennis Camp is doing their first summer camp Aug. 19 - 24 from 9 - 11 a.m., for children, all levels, ages 7 and older. The camps teach tennis through activ-

ities and games, and build on balance, coordination and speed needed for long-term athletic development. Players will be grouped by age and/or ability. Camps will be held at the Londonderry Town Courts, at the LAFA fields on Sargent Road. Signups will begin the end of July. The cost for each session is \$150. Contact Roberta Davis at londonderrytenniscamp@gmail.com to register.

Library Hours

Summer hours will take effect at the Leach library from Monday, June 24 through Saturday, Sept. 7. During this timeframe, the library will be open Monday through Wednesday 9 a.m. - 8 p.m., Thursday and Friday 9 a.m. - 5 p.m., and Saturday 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. Curbside service will continue to be provided during operating hours upon request.

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Women's Club

Looking to dive into stories while connecting

with your community? The Londonderry Women's Club invites you to join their book club, meeting monthly for engaging discussions. But that's not all! The club offers other social events catering to diverse interests. From white elephant bingo to cookie swaps, splatter painting, bake sales, and floral design, their activities promise fun and fulfillment. If you're curious about the book club or want to learn more about the Londonderry Women's Club and its initiatives, reach out at info@londonderrywomensclub.org.

Be Kind - Do Good

The Sunshine 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.

Voter Information

The Supervisors of the Voter Checklist will meet to correct the checklist and register voters at the Town Clerk's Office on: Aug. 12 & 28 From 6 - 7 p.m. To register to vote, one must provide: Proof of Londonderry residency; Proof of citizenship (passport, birth certificate, naturalization papers); Proof of age; and Photo ID. Applicants for registration who possess proof of identity, age, citizenship, and domi-

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city 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.

Drop-In Tech Help

Curious about reserving library materials online from home? Want to learn how to access library databases and digital collections? Looking to get started with Libby and Hoopla? Need help navigating a new device? The Leach Library reference staff has you covered! We are here to provide one-on-one assistance tailored to your technology-related needs. No appointment is necessary. Stop in any Thursday between 10 a.m. and noon.

Please note Drop-In Tech Help will not be available on Thursday, June 6 or Thursday, July 4. For more information or to make an appointment for another time, please call the library at (603) 432-1132.

LEEP

Londonderry Early Education Program is now accepting applications for the 2024-2025 school year! The program is provided by the Londonderry School District for three-year old preschoolers and meets from 8:25 - 10:55 a.m., either 2 or 4 days per week and the program for pre-kindergarten students meet from noon - 2:30 p.m., either 3 or 4 days per week. Tuition rates are: Preschool: \$150 per month for a 2 day per week program and \$200 a month for a 4 day per week program. Pre-kindergarten: \$180 per month for a 3 day per week

program and \$200 a month for a 4 day per week program. Applications are available online on the Moose Hill School website. We also have our LEEP Handbook available online on the Moose Hill School website if you'd like additional information on the program. For more information, contact Denise Fosmire at 437-5855 ext. 7223 or email Denise Fosmire at dfosmire@londonderry.org or Kim Speers at kspeers@londonderry.org.

Child Find

Londonderry School District Announces Free community child find program for all residents ages two 1/2 yrs (2.5) through five yrs., 11 months (5.11) of age who are suspected of have developmental concerns child find will be held at: Moose Hill School 150 Pillsbury Rd., Londonderry.

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Londonderry Police Log

Selections taken from the daily Londonderry Police Logs

Monday - July 22

7:28 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop leads to an arrest at Page Road, on Rockingham Road. Justin Roberts, 22, of Bristol, Arrested on a Warrant.

8:08 a.m. Services rendered for Trespassing at Trego Dugan, on Airport Road.

11:41 a.m. Warrant served and arrest made on Hunt Road. Michael Giardina, 47, of Kingston, charged with Theft by Unauthorized Taking (\$0-\$1,000).

12:54 p.m. Services rendered to Keep the Peace on White Plains Avenue.

1:32 p.m. Services rendered to Keep the Peace on White Plains Avenue.

8:19 p.m. Disturbance on Capitol Hill Drive leads to two arrests made by three officers.

Joshua Mullen, 39, of Londonderry, charged with: Simple Assault, Mutual Combat; and Disorderly Conduct. Leo Jennison, 49, of Londonderry, charged with: Disorderly Conduct; and Simple Assault, Mutual Combat.

8:24 p.m. Suspicious

Activity on Ash Street investigated by four officers.

10:52 p.m. Overdose transported to a hospital from Fieldstone Drive.

Tuesday - July 23

12:40 a.m. Seven officers respond to an Assault on Constitution Drive and make an arrest. Nicholas Batista, 23, of Londonderry, charged with: Charge # 12: Criminal Threatening - Conduct; two counts of Simple Assault (Physical Contact or Bodily Injury); three counts of Criminal Mischief; and eight counts of Domestic Violence (Simple Assault - (Physical Contact or Bodily Injury).

10:29 a.m. Missing Person investigated on Hunter Mill Way.

12:38 p.m. Warrant served and arrest made on South Road. Melanie Richmond, 34, of Fremont, charged with: False Imprisonment; and two counts of Domestic Violence (Simple Assault - (Physical Contact or Bodily Injury).

3:13 p.m. Burglary reported on Charleston Avenue investigated.

4:28 p.m. Warrant served and arrest made in New Hampton. Thomas Drake, 33, of New Hampton, charged with: Hindering Apprehension/Prosecution.

Wednesday - July 24

2:27 a.m. Services rendered by three officers at Fieldstone Drive, on Mammoth Road for Juvenile Offenses.

2:30 p.m. Welfare Check conducted on Pinto Lane.

4:01 p.m. Arrest made on Green Drive, at Trego Dugan, for Violation of a Protective Order. Name: Jonathan Michal, 42, of Merrimack, charged with: Stalking - Notice of Order.

5:48 p.m. Peace restored by three officers during a Disturbance on Mammoth Road.

8:27 p.m. Assisting a Citizen leads to an arrest made by six officers on Litchfield Road. Christopher McKnight, 26, of Manchester, charged with two counts of Criminal Threatening - Conduct.

9:47 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop on Yellowstone Drive leads to an arrest made by three officers. Kenneth Saunders, 37, of Londonderry, charged with: Driving Under the Influence - Impairment; and Reckless Operation.

Thursday - July 25

1:30 a.m. Suicide Attempt/Threat investigated by five officers at the Triangle Mobil Mart on Rockingham Road.

4:12 a.m. Juvenile Offenses investigated by five officers on Lawson Farm Road.

10:43 a.m. Larceny/Forgery/Fraud investigated at Londonderry School District on Kitty Hawk Landing.

11:07 a.m. Warrant served and arrest made on Main Street, Goffstown. Alexander Reed, 20, of Goffstown, charged with: Theft By Unauthorized Taking (\$0-\$1,000).

1:35 p.m. Welfare Check conducted at the Macgregor Cut apartments on Stonehenge Road.

Friday - July 26

12:37 a.m. Missing Person reported at Red Arrow Diner on Rockingham Road.

1:02 p.m. Services rendered for Juvenile Offenses at Londonderry

High School.

4:23 p.m. Shooting Complaint investigated on Wiley Hill Road

5:11 p.m. Shooting Complaint reported on Wiley Hill Road.

8:50 p.m. Services rendered for Criminal Threatening on Wilshire Drive.

8:51 p.m. Domestic Disturbance investigated at Sleep Inn on Perkins Road.

Saturday - July 27

10:34 a.m. Suspicious Activity leads to an arrest made on Mammoth Road, south of Christian Church. Vondel Lorquet, 41, of Weymouth, MA, charged on Bench Warrants.

11:23 a.m. Peace Restored by three officers after a Domestic Disturbance on Mammoth Road.

11:34 a.m. Domestic Disturbance investigated on Premier Drive.

2:19 p.m. Services rendered by three officers during Neighborhood Disputes on Cimmarron Circle.

2:23 p.m. Services rendered for a Disturbance on Constitution Drive.

4:57 p.m. The violation of a Protective Order leads to an arrest made on Premier Drive. Daimen Duncan, 53, of Lon-

donderry, charged with Violation of a Protective Order.

8:08 p.m. Peace restored by three officers during a disturbance at Manchester Boston Regional Airport.

8:33 p.m. Services rendered by Animal Control for a Dog Bite at Pipe Dream Brewing, on Harvey Road.

Sunday - July 28

1:48 a.m. Services rendered for a Domestic Disturbance on Raintree Drive.

8:20 a.m. Motor vehicle check leads to an arrest made at Park & Ride - South, on Garden Lane. Carlos Avila, 40, of Manchester, charged Public Urination or Defecation.

1:01 p.m. Three officers assist the Londonderry Fire Department with transportation to a hospital from Perkins Road.

1:52 p.m. Peace Restored by five officers after responding to Suspicious Activity on Bancroft Road.

7:10 p.m. Welfare Check conducted on Trail Haven Drive.

10:36 p.m. Overdose on Young Road transported to a hospital.

11:09 p.m. Auto Theft reported on Rockingham Road near Exit 5.

'Flying In Style' Exhibit Extended Until Sunday, Aug. 4

Aviation Museum of N.H. display of vintage airline uniforms and memorabilia to remain on display

Relive the Golden Age of Aviation in New England with 'Northeast Airlines: Flying in Style,' an exhibit on display now through Sunday, Aug. 4 at the Aviation Museum of New Hampshire.

The exhibit, organized in partnership with the Manchester (N.H.) Historic Association, was originally scheduled to close in June. However, popular demand prompted museum offi-

cial to keep the exhibit on display for an extra two months.

"Visitors are fascinated by the uniforms, promotional posters, and other memorabilia from Northeast Airlines, a legendary air carrier that once served our area," said Jeff Rapsis, executive director of the Aviation Museum of N.H.

From its early days in the Great Depression through the 1970s, Boston-based Northeast was the region's hometown airline, providing air service to Manchester, N.H. and dozens of other communities in

New England and beyond. Northeast Airlines merged with Delta Air Lines in 1972.

The exhibit 'Northeast Airlines: Flying in Style' offers selections from the Aviation Museum's extensive collection of Northeast items, highlighted by a display of vintage uniforms worn by flight attendants (then called "stewardesses"), maintenance personnel, and flight crew members.

"Many of our visitors have fond memories of Northeast, the airline of the 'Yellowbirds,'" Rapsis said. "But even if

you've never heard of the airline, our 'Flying in Style' exhibit provides a window into an earlier era of air transportation that's now gone forever."

Admission to 'Northeast Airlines: Flying In Style' is included in the non-profit Aviation Museum's regular entrance price of \$10 for adults; \$5 for kids 6-12, seniors 65+, veterans and active military; free to kids 5 and under. The Aviation Museum is open Fridays and Saturdays 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., and Sundays 1 to 4 p.m.

Based in the 1937 art deco passenger terminal

at Manchester-Boston Regional Airport, the museum is dedicated to preserving the Granite State's rich aviation past, and also inspiring students today to become the aerospace pioneers of tomorrow.

For more information

about the Northeast Airlines 'Flying in Style' exhibit or the Aviation Museum, visit www.aviationmuseumofnh.org or call (603) 669-4820. Follow the Aviation Museum on social media at www.facebook.com/nhas

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