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## Shades & Rays

Domenic Arena takes in the rays during a “Day at the Beach” at Moose Hill School on Friday, Jan. 26. The annual event has students take a break from the cold and participate in a number of summer activities. See more photos page 5. Photo by Chris Paul

## Town Council Approve Changes To Londonderry Arts Council

ALEX MALM  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

During the most recent Town Council meeting, one of the agenda items was in regards to an update for the charge for the Londonderry Arts Council.

Administrative Support Coordinator, Kirsten Hildonen, explained that they have been

going through 91A compliance rules for boards and commissions and composition for the Arts Council and its mission has changed since the last time their charge was changed in 2006.

She said she met with the Arts Council and asked them to “come up with a revised charge” to better reflect roles within their mem-

bership.

The purpose of the Arts Council is the following:

“The Londonderry Arts Council (“Committee”) shall exist to promote the appreciation and understanding of literature, arts, and music for all Londonderry citizens of all ages.”

Chairman, Larry Cas-

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## Former Councilor Suggests Changes To Public Comment

ALEX MALM  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

During the Jan. 22 Town Council meeting, state Rep., Tom Dolan, who previously served as a Town Councilor, proposed that the Town Council reconsider its rules for public comment.

He said he has been thinking “over the past several months” and the public comment portion of the meeting can get a “little rough.”

“This would be a modification to your rules,” Dolan said about what he proposed the

Town Council does to change public comment.

Dolan explained that it’s hard to recognize sometimes that “this is your meeting and you’ve invited the public to observe your meeting.”

He said in some cases the Town Council invites members of the public to speak “which is typically what we call public comment.”

“You’re in the business of conducting the town’s business in public,” Dolan told the Town Council.

He explained that the rules for public comment at the State House

are different than they are for the Town Council currently, saying that their rules could be “altered.”

For example, if there is a committee hearing, the Chair of the committee will “insist that the comments from the public have to do with the item on the consideration and that other comments are out of order.”

“You do set the rules for your own committee here,” Dolan said.

His suggestion would be to make it so public comments would be encouraged to be about

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## Colonial Drive Resident Has Plane Crash in Yard

CHRIS PAUL  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

Londonderry residents were reminded last week of the dangers of having an airport within the town when a small plane was set down in the neighborhood of Colonial Drive near Wiley Hill Road.

According to a press release by Londonderry Fire Department, on Friday morning, Jan. 26, at 7:31 a.m., the communications office dispatched Battalion I, Engine II, Tanker I, Rescue I, and Truck I, along with several other mutual aid fire and EMS companies to the area of the power lines near Colonial Drive.

Battalion I arrived on scene to find a twin-engine turboprop Beechcraft 99, on the ground with major damage at the rear of the home at 5 Colonial Drive.

The pilot was the only person onboard and was found heavily entrapped with severe injuries.

Within 11 minutes, the Fire Department had the pilot extricated, and crews continued emergency care. The pilot was transferred to the mutual aid Derry ambulance that had arrived on scene.

Once the pilot of the plane was transported to an area hospital, the focus shifted to hazard

mitigation.

The HazMat team was called to assist with aviation fuel spill control. The NH Department of Environmental Services was requested to the scene as well as multiple other agencies necessary for the incident investigation.

The Londonderry Fire Department worked with

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# School Board Review Capital Reserve Warrant Articles

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LONDONDERRY TIMES

The School Board moved a number of different warrant articles to the ballot during its Jan. 11 meeting, including ones regarding different capital reserve funds.

One of those is the Buildings and Grounds Capital Reserve Fund.

The warrant article reads:

"Shall the voters of the Londonderry School District vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$220,000 to be placed in the District Wide Buildings and Grounds Capital Reserve Fund established in March 2021 School District meeting for the purpose of the

maintenance, construction, renovations, improvements and related professional services to all buildings, grounds, fields, substructures, and infrastructure to the overall property of the Londonderry School District? The fund shall provide the funding source for all equipment, structures, professional services, machinery, and materials, necessary to sustain efficiency, safety, of the District's buildings, grounds, and infrastructure and subsurface that meet the needs of the School District."

It was explained that the plan with the funds this year is \$130,000 for the roof overcoat at South School, \$50,000 to

replace the domestic hot water system at Matthew Thornton, \$117,000 for the South School fire alarm system replacement, \$97,000 for the fire alarm panel at Matthew Thornton, and \$40,000 for playground repairs at South School.

The School Board decided previously to cancel the paving project, which means \$200,000 in the fund that was earmarked for the project will be going towards the FY 24-25 projects.

State Rep. and Londonderry resident, Kristine Perez, asked why those projects wouldn't just be included in the park.

School Board Chair,

Bob Slater, said the funds, as part of the capital reserve funds, are for major projects.

"This is for one time expenses on major projects," he said about the funds.

Another warrant article is a special warrant article for the District Technology Network Infrastructure Capital Reserve Fund.

The Warrant article reads:

"Shall the voters of the Londonderry School District vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$125,000 to be placed in the School District Technology Network Infrastructure Capital Reserve Fund established in March 2019 School

District meeting to provide funds for equipment and services for the school district network infrastructure such as, but not limited to, routers, wiring, switches, access points, wireless network improvements or any other equipment software or service that is necessary for the maintenance, improvement, performance or management of the district's network?"

The other capital reserve fund was for the Equipment Capital Reserve Fund.

The warrant article reads:

"Shall the voters of the Londonderry School District vote to raise and appropriate up to the

sum of \$120,000 to be placed in the School District Equipment Capital Reserve Fund established in 2013 for the purpose of funding the acquisition of minor ongoing equipment and tools, such as but not limited to classroom furniture, technology, furniture, building maintenance equipment and tools, used in the School District, with this sum to come from the June 30, 2024 fund balance available for transfer on July 1, 2024 and no amount to be raised by additional taxation?"

Both the Budget Committee and School Board voted to recommend each of the capital reserve warrant articles.

# Money Allocated for Removal of Problem Beavers at Musquash

PAUL CONYERS  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Conservation Commission addressed some outstanding business on the beavers of the Musquash Conservation Area at their first meeting of the new year on Jan. 9. Damming and interruptions to the flow of water were an ongoing issue last year, and town officials have been

talking to an expert to solve the problem.

"For a \$500 fee, he'll set the traps, and for \$75 per beaver, he'll trap the beavers. But at one point, he was saying there could be up to 50 beavers there, and he wasn't sure they'd be able to trap that many," said Commission Chair, Marge Badois. "Worst case scenario, that's \$3,700. They're going to

be there awhile if we don't do something about it because there's a lot of food in the area."

One beaver lodge was removed, with several others suspected to exist near the Hickory Hill Drive entrance. There was a report of basement flooding and a septic system failure in a neighboring home due to the backflow from a dam.

Beavers looking for trees and food have damaged saplings in the area.

"The beavers will rebuild [their dams], right? If we don't get them all?" asked Vice Chair, Eugene Harrington.

This was confirmed, beaver dams can be rebuilt quickly. Moving the beavers is out of the question, due in part to state law.

"They don't do well if you relocate them, they're just going to perish anyway," said the Conservation Chair. "Starving to death is not a good thing."

Member, Susan Malouin, wanted to ensure that any trapping effort would be "as quick and

painless as possible" for the animals.

Badois promised to double-check with the trapper to ensure that any beavers would be humanely dispatched.

The Commission voted to shift \$3,500 from the Open Space fund to pay for the beaver trapper.

Musquash Field Day is coming up quickly. After some discussion, the decision was made to schedule the event one week after the deliberative session on Saturday, Feb. 17. The discussion revolved around who to choose as the guest participant. Members floated the idea of inviting the mountain bikers back from last year. Other possibilities

included asking NH Fish and Game to connect them with a new group.

"It'd be nice if we could get something Fish and Game," said Commissioner, Deborah Lievens. "It's related to many of the projects we have because they are areas of the town that have such interesting wildlife."

The Conservation Commission is slightly behind on financials. According to Lievens, things got bogged down during the holidays. Budget matters in town have seen delays caused by late tax assessments. Late financials are not expected to be an issue for ongoing conservation activities.

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# Rockingham Warehouse Runs into Problems Near Wetlands

PAUL CONYERS  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Conservation Commission opened its first January meeting with a presentation for a Site Plan Application for a new warehouse complex on 39 Rockingham Rd. Wayne Morrill, President at Jones & Beach Engineers, was there to give a presentation along with the project engineer Dan Page.

“Our proposal is for a 6,250 square foot building for warehouse and office space. It’s a contractor building, so there’s garage doors that will be facing to the east,” said Morrill. “There is no parking

within the 50-foot wetland buffer. With this proposal, there’ll be a new septic system constructed, and stormwater drainage will be similar to what’s out there on the site now.”

As with many similar projects, protecting the surrounding wetlands and water resources was a high priority. The Rockingham Plan will include over 20,000 square feet of impervious surface.

“How are you going to prevent people from parking on pavement in the buffer?” asked Conservation Chair, Marge Badois, referring to the plan. She also worried about any pavement

built into the buffer zone. “The whole purpose of the buffer is filtration of runoff from impervious surface, you’re just pushing it right into the wetlands.”

Morrill offered to put no parking signs in possibly sensitive areas and agreed to cut back on the paved areas where possible, while promising to move snow storage from the buffer to reduce the risk of runoff.

“The whole hope is to clean the site up and have a brand-new building, new parking lot area, and get rid of all those things that are cluttered around the

perimeter,” said Morrill. “We’ll be able to vegetate the area between the impervious surface and the wetland.”

Much of the Rockingham property is currently covered in gravel, with loose storage equipment scattered around the site.

Badois told Morrill and Page to ask the Planning Board for more information on Londonderry’s buffer mitigation policy before finalizing anything.

“Would we allow somebody to build fresh in the buffer? Absolutely not,” warned Conservation Commissioner, Bob Maxwell.

In a second presen-

tation, Jason Lopez of Keach-Nordstrom Associates came before the Commission with a plan from landowner Legacy Building and Development to create seven new single-family lots at 94 Hardy Rd.

Lopez claimed there would be no wetland impact from the project, although there were at least two small wetland patches too small to warrant protection according to the plan.

“We’ve gone through and done the drainage study to show treatment and mitigation of peak runoff,” he said. “Currently, this has just started the review and design process, this will

undergo further review by engineering.”

Commissioner, Deborah Lievens, informed Lopez there was a “Historical Society request that you not take down the stone wall” on the property. The original plan involves tearing down all existing structures before building new homes.

Lopez indicated he would discuss that issue when bringing the plan before the Heritage Commission at a later date.

The Conservation Commission is scheduled to meet again at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 13, in the Moose Hill Council Chambers.

## Fire Department Will Conduct House Burn Training on Feb. 5

According to a notice recently released by Battalion Chief, Jeff Anderson, of the Londonderry Fire Department, the department will conduct a live-burn training session, on Monday, Feb. 5, that will include partial or total demolition of a building by burning.

The training exercise will be conducted at 20 Young Road, in Londonderry, and will be similar to the one that took place earlier in the fall, on the corner of Young Road and Route 102.

Anderson, the department’s Director of

Training, explained that they are hoping to get the word out so residents are aware of the fire, before it takes place.

In a letter sent to area residents, Anderson said, “We are informing you of this training session so that you will not be surprised when you see the Fire Department working in your area on this date.

This will be a great opportunity for you to see your Fire Department at work, practicing techniques, and skills to better protect you and

your property.”

He added, “We would like to remind you to take appropriate action to protect your car and any other items that may come in contact with smoke or other particles. We would also like to remind you to keep your windows closed if you smell smoke in your area.”

Police and Fire Departments will be closing off Young Road, from the Route 102 side, between 22 and 20 Young Road for the safety of the personnel operating at the training site.




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# Editorial

## Winter All At Once

Winter was treating us so well this year, with those of us wanting snow stuck dealing with disappointment as the weather warmed and the days looked almost like spring.

Since it's New England, things change in a blink of an eye, and all at once snow fell making the skiers, snow boarders, tubers, sledders, and skaters are very happy.

Now, it's time to make snowmen, to try not to slide off the road, to get out the snowshoes and the cross-country skis, and to deal with plowing and shoveling.

Adventure is what winter is all about, and there are events coming up all around the state. There is one right here in Londonderry that would like to invite you to venture outdoors to enjoy what the season can offer. It's the 34th annual Musquash Conservation Area Field Day on Saturday, Feb. 17, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

This family friendly event is free, so bring the family by the way leashed friendly dogs are welcome to come learn more about Londonderry's amazing Conservation Area. In all seasons, this is a way to enjoy the conservation area in the winter along with other seasons. Explore trails on sleds, skis, snowshoes or mountain bikes, if we have snow. Learning

about our local wildlife, while making new friends who also love nature, while enjoying hot dogs, cookies, cocoa, and coffee around the fire pit at The Landing.

To get to the Musquash, you can go to Hickory Hill Road, the entrance to the Musquash Conservation Area is off High Range Road at 12 Hickory Hill Road. Please respect parking restrictions on Hickory Hill Road.

Meanwhile, there can often subzero wind chill makes being outside a brisk adventure, but if You dress appropriately along with using traction gear if it's icy or snowshoes, you will have a great time.

There's a theme here, we live in an area replete with opportunities for winter fun where you don't have to spend your money on ski passes to enjoy it.

Plenty of winter outdoor activities can be enjoyed for little to no money right in our own backyard, and you get the benefit of enjoying the stark but striking winter landscape. Just bundle up, pay attention to wind-chill, and be careful where you are out in the elements.

If staying warm indoors is your activity of choice, it's a great time to think about what to grow in a garden. After all, spring has to come sometime.

# Letters

## Shawn Faber for Town Council

To the editor,  
I am excited to announce my candidacy for the Londonderry Town Council. As a dedicated member of this community, I am committed to making Londonderry an affordable place for all residents. My campaign will focus on responsible spending and thoughtful policies to ensure that our town remains accessible to everyone.

Keep Londonderry Affordable

- Implementing measures to keep property taxes stable, ensuring that residents, especially seniors on fixed incomes, are not burdened by excessive taxes.

- Supporting local businesses to create more job opportunities and boost the local economy, which benefits all residents.

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- Prioritizing budget allocation to essential services and infrastructure maintenance, ensuring that taxpayer dollars are used efficiently and effectively.

- Collaborating with

fellow council members to conduct thorough reviews of proposed expenditures, promoting transparency and accountability in all financial decisions

I am going to have Coffee with Shawn sessions every week until the election on Tuesday March 12. I will be at Dunkin' Donuts at 1 Mohawk Drive, Londonderry on Saturdays from 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. Come on down and get a free coffee. I'd love to hear more from the people of Londonderry on what they would like to see for the future of our town.

I am dedicated to representing the best interests of all Londonderry residents and fostering a community that is welcoming, affordable, and sustainable for generations to come. I look forward to engaging with you, listening to your concerns, and working together to make Londonderry an even better place to call home.

Thank you for your support.

Shawn Faber  
Candidate for Londonderry Town Council

## The Friends of the Leach Library

To the editor,  
As it is the season of budgets and sloppy weather I thought it might be a good time to sing the praises of a dedicated group of some 30 volunteer's, The Friends of the Leach Library.

These people raise about \$4,000 to \$5,000 per year for the Library, as well as donating their time for such projects as the Puzzle Swap, twice a year. They staff the book sale room, provide funding for children's programs, planters of flowers in the summer and are busy raising money for the GMLCS.

Perhaps one of their more popular projects was the purchase of a telescope from the NH Astronomical Society, with a long waiting list; they bought a second one for the Library of Things.

The Friends are always happy to welcome new members and new ideas, stop in for a meeting or just be a supporter from the wings and join their ranks.

The Library appreciates there loyal and unfailing support.

Betsy McKinney  
Londonderry

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## Arts Council Invites Artists to Participate in Library Program

The Londonderry Arts Council announces an open call to all artists for participation in the 2024 Library Artist Program. This initiative is an opportunity for artists to showcase their work for one month at the Leach Library and engage with the local community.

The program is open to artists working in all mediums, including paint-

ing, sculpture, photography, and more. Artists may display their work on nine easels, or in a locked glass display cabinet (for 3D mediums).

Interested Artists may submit digital images of their work, along with a brief artist biographical statement. Submissions can be made online through the Londonderry Arts Council's website click on the Application

Form to apply.

Submissions will be reviewed by a panel of Arts Council members and are subject to Londonderry's Community Standards for Public Art Display.

For more information about the Program or the submission process, please visit the Londonderry Arts Council's website or contact directly at [artscouncil@londonderry.com](mailto:artscouncil@londonderry.com).



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## Beach Day

Students at Moose Hill School enjoyed the annual "Day at the Beach" on Friday, Jan. 26, as staff and teachers helped children think warm thoughts during the cold winter season. Both morning and afternoon sessions took part in a play put on by staff, activities in classrooms, surfing in the halls and examining an octopus and a variety of shells. *Photos by Chris Paul*





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# Zoning Board OKs Walton Circle Garage Encroachment

ALEX MALM  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Zoning Board of Adjustment heard a variance request to allow an encroachment of nine feet into the 40-foot right-of-way setback, for the property located at 8 Walton Circle during its Jan. 17 meeting.

It was explained by Douglas Standbridge, who was representing the owners of the property, that they were looking to build a garage.

"This project is a two car garage addition with two floors above for the living space for the exist-

ing home," Standbridge said, explaining that they would have an ADU for the owners family.

He said the issue with the property is it's on a corner lot, "so we're kind of boxed in," he said.

Standbridge explained that due to the 40 foot setback requirement on both corners and due to the existing location of the home in relation to the septic and their well "being the main issue."

"We have very little room to make this work within the set back," Standbridge told the

ZBA.

He explained otherwise they would be too close to the well.

One question raised was how large the garage and ADU would be.

"The footprint is 24x 24," Standbridge said about the garage, noting that the main living space for the ADU would be 30x28.

Standbridge when explaining the "five points of law" said there are other multi-family homes on the street, and in the area.

"Additionally, there is no threat to public health, safety, or welfare

with the location of this ADU," Standbridge said.

Standbridge noted that if the variance is approved, it would still be 31 feet from the setback, which is "still a significant distance from the right of way."

He stated that there is a "dire need" for more housing in the state of NH and the addition would allow more space for the owners family.

"Additionally, the ADU allows housing for the family members that are currently renting and this also provides the family with daycare services, which further

relieves a burden on the childcare shortage," Standbridge said.

Multiple abutters signed a letter in support of the variance request.

No one spoke in opposition of the proposed variance during the meeting.

The Zoning Board of Adjustment unanimously approved the variance request without any

restrictions.

In other news, since the meeting was the first one for the board for the year, they had to have elections for its different Board officers.

On unanimous votes, Chair Jacqueline Benard, Vice Chair, Suzanne Brunelle, and Clerk, Brendan O'Brien, were all reelected to their different roles without any opposition.

## Arts Council

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ey, said one change they suggested is to expand the voting membership role from seven individuals to "seven to nine" noting that they currently have eight.

He said they also were looking to have one to three alternate voting members.

Casey said they also added a treasurer position formally as a board officer.

"We formally added the treasurer position,"

Casey said.

The representation portion of the charge reads:

"The Committee shall consist of seven (7) to nine (9) voting members, and one (1) to three (3) alternate voting members to be appointed by the Town Council. 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 Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, Treasurer, and Secretary. The Committee shall report to the Londonderry Town Council and exist until such time the Town Council deems it inactive."

The reason for expanding the voting membership, Casey explained is to try to get in line with the 91A laws, and they have had troubles getting quorums for some meetings, so they want to have flexibility to meet the requirements and also be able to conduct its business.

The Town Council ultimately approved the changes.

Also during the meeting, the Town Council approved a withdrawal request from the Cable Equipment Capital Reserve fund.

The withdrawal, which is for a total of \$3,693.96, is for the purchase of a new Economy Executive Stage System for the cable department.

The next Londonderry Town Council meeting is slated to take place on Feb. 5 at 7 p.m.

## OBITUARY

Gerald Richard Surette



Gerald Richard Surette, 77, of Litchfield, NH, died Wednesday, Jan. 24, 2024, at Maple Leaf Healthcare Center in Manchester, NH. Gerry was born on Aug. 9, 1946, in East Boston, MA. He was the son of the late John and Marie B. (Cofin) Surette and had been a resident of Litchfield for the past 48 years.

Gerry served in the US Navy during the Vietnam War. After returning home, he worked as a technician with the Xerox Corporation for 20 years. A former Londonderry Fish & Game Club member, he enjoyed fishing and hunting, volunteered with the NH Fish and Game Dept, and contributed to their "Let's Go Fishing" guide. Gerry was also a member of the Litchfield Volunteer Fire Dept from 1977 to 1983 and a member of the Litchfield Zoning Board of Approval during the 1980s.

After retirement, Gerry and Barbara developed a passion for traveling across the country - where they spent much of their time in Cody, Wyoming, and shared their love of the West with their children and grandchildren.

He is survived by his wife of 53 years, Barbara (Joseph) Surette of Litchfield, NH; son, Matthew J. Surette and his wife Tara of Hampstead, NH; daughter, Rebecca Surette and her partner Peter Dumont of Lacoia, NH; former son-in-law, William Davidson of Londonderry, NH; four grandchildren, Nicholas Davidson, Joseph Davidson, Abigail Davidson, and Raymond Dumont, two great-grandchildren, Liam and Nova, two brothers, Thomas Surette and his wife Linda of Gilford, NH and Paul Surette and his wife Julie of Swampscott, MA; four sisters, Leona Melanson and her husband Jim of Meteghan, Nova Scotia, Jean Martilla of Hampton, NH, Janice Ciampa of Exeter, NH and Suzanne Whiteside and her husband Richard of Louisa, VA.

Calling hours were Tuesday, Jan. 30, at the Peabody Funeral Homes and Crematorium. Funeral services were held Wednesday at the funeral home. The burial followed at the NH State Veterans Cemetery in Boscaawen, NH. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Liberty House, 221 Orange St., Manchester, NH 03104, or Friends of the Manchester Animal Shelter, 490 Dunbarton Rd., Manchester, NH 03102.

## TOWN OF LONDONDERRY and the LONDONDERRY SCHOOL DISTRICT NOTICE OF DELIBERATIVE SESSION

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

• The 2024 Deliberative Session of the **Londonderry School District** will be held on Friday, Feb. 9, 2024, beginning at 7 PM in the Londonderry High School Café. All warrant articles shall be acted upon at that time for placement on the School District Official Ballot.

• The 2024 Deliberative Session of the **Londonderry Budgetary Town Meeting** will be held on Saturday, Feb. 10, 2024, beginning at 9: AM in the Londonderry High School Café. All warrant articles shall be acted upon at that time for placement on the Town Meeting Official Ballot.

Voting for all town and school officials and all Official Ballot Warrant Articles shall take place on Tuesday, March 12, 2024, between 6 AM and 8 PM in the Londonderry High School Gymnasium.

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# Autumn Road Hair Removal Business Gets Approval

ALEX MALM  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

One of the cases during the Jan. 17 Zoning Board of Adjustment meeting was in regards to a requisition for a special exception to allow a home occupation for esthetician services, at 6 Autumn Lane, which is in the AR-1 zoning district.

Ashley Swenson, one of the owners and applicants, explained that it would be a permanent hair removal business.

"It's permanent hair removal, one client at a time, one vehicle on the premises at a time," she said.

Swenson said she would like one sign if it's allowed, but if it's not able to be approved with one, then she wouldn't pursue it.

One question asked was about whether or not they would use any regulated or hazardous materials. Swenson said there wouldn't be any, other than enzyme clean-

er, which is essentially the same cleaner used for bathroom or kitchen cleaners.

The hours for the business would be 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. and they would have appointments seven days a week.

Swenson said they wouldn't have any walk-ins available and instead it would be by appointments only with "plenty of time after for sanitation cleaning." She also stated it would

be so clients wouldn't run into each other for privacy purposes.

She explained that they wouldn't necessarily have appointments during the entire 9 hour period, but rather it's for flexibility.

"Just to make it more accommodating for people to come in," Swenson said.

A number of abutters spoke in support of the special exception during the meeting, including Sarah Colby.

"I am in favor of the special exception," she said, saying she thinks it's a "lovely idea."

Ann Snediker, another abutter, said "I think home occupation would be very appropriate in this situation."

An additional abutter of the property, Alexandria Peary, also spoke in support, saying "these are outstanding citizens," and they are quiet and respectful neighbors, and has no problems with the pro-

posal.

"We're in full favor," she said.

No one spoke against the special exception application during the meeting.

It was also asked what kind of sign they were looking to have for the business.

"I would love a free standing one," Swenson said.

The ZBA unanimously approved granting the special exception without any restrictions.

## Crash

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the Londonderry Police Department, Boston/Manchester Regional Airport Officials, NH DES, and several other agencies to bring the incident under control by about 8:07 a.m.

Crews remained on scene for several hours. The scene was turned over to the Londonderry Police Department for the investigation.

Personnel from Derry, Windham, Boston/Manchester Regional Airport Officials, Eversource, and the NH Department of Environmental Services

were also called to the scene.

According to police, the pilot, the sole occupant of the plane, was trapped within the wreckage, was extracted, and transported to the Elliot Hospital in Manchester for treatment. The seriously injured pilot was then transported to a Boston area hospital where he remains in critical condition.

The Londonderry Police Department remains on scene assisting the FAA and NTSB, who will be heading up the investigation into the crash.

Since Friday, Nation-

al Transportation Safety Board (NTSB) investigators reported the left cockpit door was found in a person's yard about six miles north of the Colonial Drive crash site.

The Federal Aviation Administration said the Beechcraft 99 crashed shortly after departing

from Manchester Boston Regional Airport heading to Presque Isle International Airport in Maine.

The plane crashed in the woods about 70 feet from a home in Londonderry.

Investigators have not released the pilot's name, but reported he

was conscious after the crash and was among those who called 911.

The NTSB said the wreckage recovered the day after the crash was brought to a facility in Westfield, MA., to be examined.

Investigators are still examining the flight

track data, recordings of any air traffic control communications, aircraft maintenance records and the weather conditions at the time of the crash.

The release of the preliminary report is expected within 30 days and the final report may take up to two years.

## OBITUARY

### Scott A. Myers



Scott A. Myers, 66, of Londonderry, NH, died Friday Jan. 26, 2024 in the Community Hospice House in Merrimack, NH surrounded by his loving family. He was born in Peabody, raised in Saugus, Scott has been a resident of Londonderry since 1985. He was a son of the late Ronald and Joan (Carter) Myers. Scott was a US Air Force veteran serving from 1976 to 1980. He had been employed as a project manager in the Information Technology industry for many years. Scott enjoyed spending time at the family lake house on Sunset Lake in Alton, NH. He also enjoyed fishing and hunting. He most enjoyed spending time with his grandchildren.

He is survived by his wife, Carolyn (Latham) Myers of Londonderry; two daughters, Emily Panacopoulos and her husband Dimitri of Raymond, NH, and Rachel Blais of Londonderry; four grandchildren, Cove, Isabell, Arya, and Mila; two sisters, Suzanne Lecaroz, and Sheryl Cliggott and her husband John of Duxbury, MA. As well as several nieces and nephews.

Following cremation, calling hours were held on Wednesday, Jan. 31 in the Peabody Funeral Homes and Crematorium. A Celebration of life will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Community Hospice House, Attn. Development Dept., Home Health and Hospice Care, 7 Executive Park Dr., Merrimack, NH 03054. To send a condolence please visit [www.peabodyfuneralhome.com](http://www.peabodyfuneralhome.com).

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## Go Native!

On Thursday, Jan. 25 we were able to learn what native plants are and why they are important to add to local landscapes. UNH Extension Master Gardener Jane Raymond spoke to a full room at the Leach Library where attendees learned where to buy natives and how to use them successfully in their new and existing gardens. The program was sponsored by the Green Team of Londonderry. Two more events in this gardening series are scheduled for Thursday, Feb. 8 and Thursday, March 28 at 6:30 p.m.

*Photos by Chris Paul*

## Public Comment

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items on their agenda and if someone wanted to have a public comment about something not on the agenda, then

the comments may be something “better offline.”

“It might set better expectations for the public that they know

during public comment that comment will be contextual and limited to the items on your agenda,” Dolan said.

He stated that ultimately they should think about ways to “alter the way you hear

and consider public comment.”

Resident, Ann Chiampa, said she disagreed with Dolan.

“I think this is a forum where town residents can voice their opinion, they can ask

questions...but also you encourage us to come to meetings and be involved in the process,” she said.

Also during the meeting, Council Chair, John Farrell, asked for a consensus from the Town

Council to have all 91A requests posted to the town website for the past year and going forward, along with the information sent back to the requestor. Fellow members agreed with the plan.

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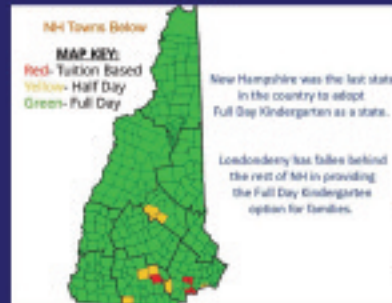
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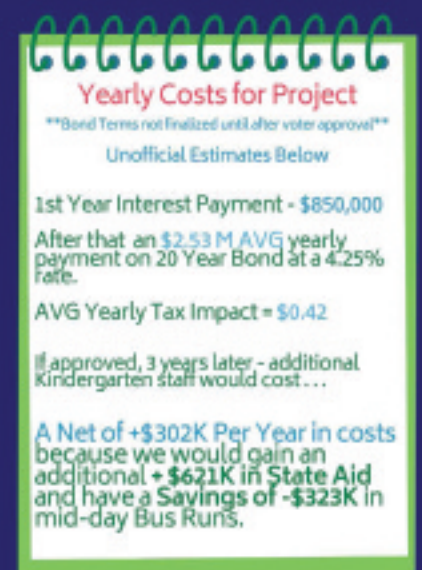


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# LONDONDERRY SPORTS

## Lancers Hockey Add Two More to the Win Column

CHRIS PAUL  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

After suffering their first defeat of the season, the Londonderry High School Hockey team got back to winning with a 5-1 victory over the Trinity Pioneers followed by an exciting 5-4 overtime win against Pinkerton Academy.

On Sunday afternoon, Jan. 28, during the

rematch between the Lancers and the Astros, in a game that was postponed from earlier in the week, due to weather, it took four periods for the LHS squad to defeat PA for the second consecutive time.

The two rivals had met in the second week of January, with Londonderry taking an 8-2, one-sided, victory as the visitors.

Sunday's rematch was quite a bit different, with just two penalties called in the game and a close scoring battle throughout the contest.

The Lancers got on the scoreboard first, with junior forward, Brett McKinnon, evading defenders in the center of Pinkerton's zone for a wrist shot into the net at 7:24 in the first. He was assisted by senior forward, Jayden Hamilton, and sophomore Brendan Fitzgerald.

In the second period, Pinkerton tied the game 1-1, at 9:22, following a successful penalty kill by LHS.

LHS senior forward, Owen Carey, put the Lancers back in the lead, at 3:24 in the second, with shot from the right side of the net, assisted by Hamilton and senior captain, Brandon Morin.

Pinkerton answered quickly, knotting the game at 2-2, two minutes later, with just a minute left in the period.

In the third, the Lancers seemed to take control of the game with



Senior Mike Maloney sends Lancers fans home with a dramatic, game-winning slap shot served up from a pass sent to him by freshman Gavin Karoul to the front of the net.

two successive goals, giving LHS a 4-2 lead.

Carey got his second of the game, at 14:25, off a precise pass from the left side by Mike Maloney to the opposite side and an open net.

Less than a minute later, Fitzgerald made it a two-point lead, getting

around the PA goal tender with a pass from McKinnon on a two on one breakaway.

The 4-2 lead didn't last unfortunately, with the Astros battling back to a 4-4 tie, scoring at 12:27 and at 8:43 in regulation.

With both teams

unable to score in the final nine minutes, the game went into an overtime period, where Londonderry came away with the dramatic goal.

Maloney was able to put in the game-winner with a slap shot served up from a pass sent to

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LHS senior forward, Owen Carey, had two goals in the Lancers overtime win against PA

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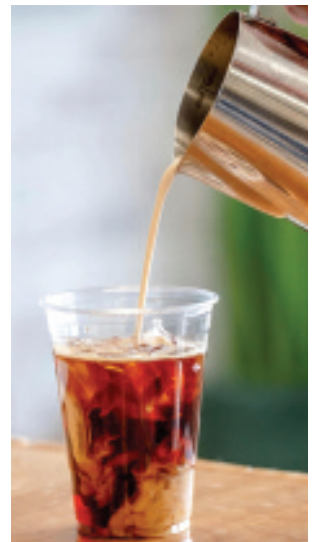
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# Lancers Boys' Basketball Outlasted By Nashua North

CHRIS PAUL  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Londonderry High School Boys' Basketball team suffered another tough loss last week, in a game that looked as though they had every reason to win early on.

Titan's on Friday night, at home, in the team's only game of the week, after their game against Alvirne High School was postponed due to weather on Wednesday. Coming into the game against Nashua, LHS had accrued four wins this season, while the Titans stood at 6-4

and looked to be a good match-up. In the first quarter, Londonderry kept pace with their visitors, finishing that period at 12-12. The second quarter had LHS holding Nashua to another 12-points, while scoring 15 of their own and giving them a 27-24 lead headed into the locker room at the half.

In the third, NNHS was once again held to just 12-points, but they were able to turn up their defensive abilities under the net to give up just 11-points to the home team.

Heading into the final quarter, LHS was clinging to a 38-36 lead, but was only able to put up another 11-points in the final quarter, while the Titans busted out for 21.

The 57-49 final resulted in Londonderry's second consecutive loss, putting them at 4-6, with eight games left in the season.

Senior forward, Ryan Williams, had the team high in scoring with 16-

points, including three, three-pointers.

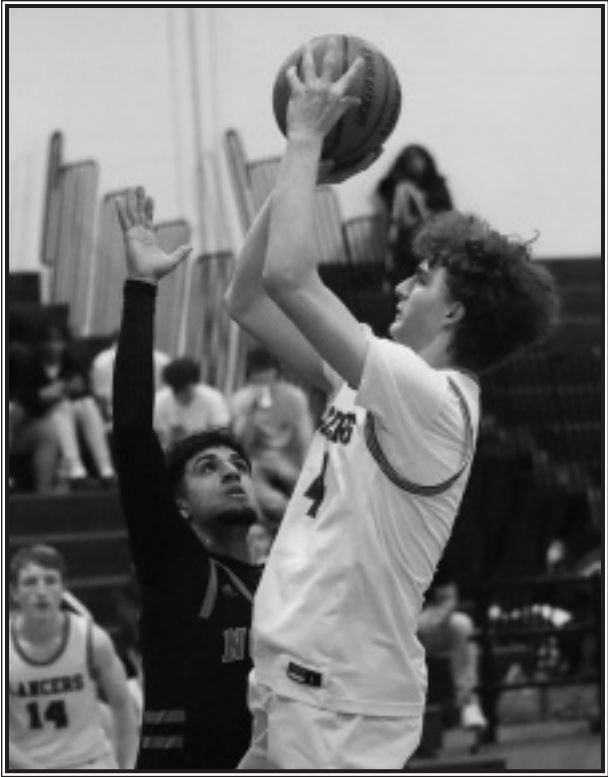
Junior guard, Mason Paquette, also put up three, three-pointers and finished with a total of 15-points.

Senior center, Ty Miles, was hammered under the net most of the night, but still came away with 14-points.

The team was scheduled to play one game this week. They will travel to Merrimack High School on Tuesday, Jan. 30 to take on the 4-6 Tomahawks.



Lancers junior guard Mason Paquette.



Senior LHS forward, Ryan Williams, had the team high with 16-points against Nashua

## Lancers Girls' Basketball Fall to Lady Bulldogs

CHRIS PAUL  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Londonderry High School Girls' Basketball squad suffered its second straight loss to an undefeated team last week, falling 74-34 to the Bulldogs at Bedford High School.

On Friday night, Jan. 26, the Lancers played their only game of the week, after the Wednesday night contest against the Alvirne Broncos was cancelled due to weather.

The Lady Bulldogs

came into the game with one of the best Division I records and beating all but one of their opponents by a significant margin. In a number of cases, BHS has beaten teams by as much as a 50-point margin.

With the Lancers second straight loss, LHS has gotten through the toughest stretch of the year and will head into the second half of the season at 7-2.

Freshman guard, Mia Giampa, came away with three, three-point-

ers for nine points to lead her Lancer squad along with sophomore Brooke Eacrett who also scored nine.

Sophomore forward, Molly Knight, had six points in the game.

On the Bedford side of the court, Kate Allard came away with 24-points, including three, three-pointers.

The Lancers are scheduled for three games this week, starting on Tuesday, Jan. 30 against the winless Merrimack Tomahawks (0-10).

On Thursday, Feb. 1, Londonderry will travel to Alvirne High School for their make-up game against the Broncos (5-4).

The team's week will finish with a home game, on Friday night, Feb. 2, against the Lady Pioneers of Trinity High School (1-10) starting at 7 p.m.



### TOWN OF LONDONDERRY PLANNING BOARD

The Londonderry Planning Board will hold a public meeting on Wednesday, Feb. 14, 2024 at 7 P.M. in Moose Hill Council Chambers, Londonderry Town Hall, 268B Mammoth Rd., Londonderry, NH to consider the following:

Public Hearing on a request for start of construction and site work relating to the conditionally approved site plan for 36 Industrial Drive Map 28, Lot 18-3. Gateway Business District, Scannell Properties (Applicant) and Ballinger Properties LLC and Five N Associates, G.P. (Owners).




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# Londonderry Wrestlers Do Well at Methuen Invitational

CHRIS PAUL  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Londonderry High School Wrestling team had its only Dual Meet of the week cancelled due to weather, but then had some good individual results when they traveled into Massachusetts over the weekend to compete in the Methuen Invitational.

The Lancers dual meet against the Timberlane Owls, on Wednesday night, Jan. 24, was postponed and rescheduled for later this week, but as they

get ready for the state finals, the Massachusetts tournament was a good way to hone their skills.

At the event, in Methuen, on Saturday, Jan. 27, Londonderry came away with a seventh place team finish and three first-place finishes.

The Lancers brought 12 wrestlers to the Methuen Invitational, with three of those being seeded, and four placed in the final matches of the day.

Junior David Pento and senior Patrick

O'Connor were both seeded first in the tournament and both were able to win all four of their bouts and take home first-place medals.

Junior Manny Perez was seeded third in the 150 lbs. bracket and also came away with a first-place finish with four straight victories.

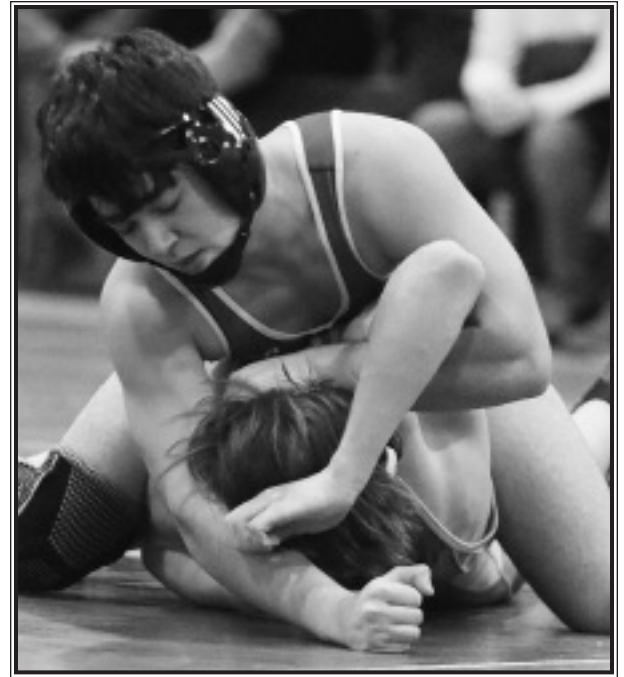
Senior Finn Millis went 3-2 in the 157 lbs. weight class and placed fourth at the event.

Also competing at the event for the Lancers were: Freshman Dylan Nadeau at 120 lbs., went 2-2; freshman Haley Doyle at 126 lbs. went 0-2; at 132 lbs. freshman Caleb Holden finished at 1-2; sopho-

more Moqsid Rahmani, 138 lbs. went 0-2; at 144 lbs, sophomore Brendan Egan went 1-2; junior Lachlan Buttle at 165 lbs. 0-2; junior Jordan Couture at 215 lbs., 0-2; and senior Gabe Mosely at 285 lbs, 0-2.

According to coach, Mark Williams, "All three champions wrestled some of their best matches of the season today, especially Manny Perez winning the tournament in overtime."

The Lancers will compete in four more dual meets before the Division I State Championship, which will take place in Londonderry on Saturday, Feb. 17.



Lancers junior, Manny Perez, got four wins and a first-place medal at the Methuen Invitational.

Photo by Chris Paul

## Athlete of the Week

Week of Jan. 22



**Drewanne Sherman**  
Sophomore, Swim Team

Drewanne beat her Personal Record by 9.42 seconds in the 1,000 yard recently and had the fastest split in the 4x400 Relay.

**Kiet Totten**

Junior, Boys Basketball

Kiet has continued to exemplify the core values of the LHS basketball program on and off the court. He has earned the respect from his peers for his commitment to being a great teammate. He was able to post a career-high eight-points and eight assists against Pinkerton.



Student athletes supplied by LHS Athletic Department

## Hockey

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him by freshman Gavin Karoul to the front of the net.

One day earlier, in the game against Trinity High School, in a game that was originally scheduled for St. A's, but moved to the JFK Arena, the Lancers tallied their eighth win of the season with a 5-1 win over the Pioneers.

Carey had another two-goal game and other points coming from McKinnon, sophomore, Taran Bower, and senior Matt Boyon.

The now 9-1 Lancers Hockey team are scheduled to face the undefeated Concord Crimson Tide on Wednesday at home and then will on the road to face the Bedford Bulldogs (4-5) on Saturday, Feb. 3, starting at noon.

## OBITUARY

### Phyllis Ann Phillinger



Phyllis Ann Phillinger, 45, of Derry, NH, passed away Sunday Jan. 21, 2024, at her residence in Derry, NH. She was born on Feb. 24, 1978 in Quincy, MA, a daughter of Richard and Elizabeth (Mehrmann) Lanord. She had been a resident of Derry for the past 18 years, formerly living in Berkley, MA.

Phyllis was a devoted mother, wife, and friend. She loved her job as a bus driver and cared for all of her students and friends at the station. Summers were her favorite. There was never a day too hot for her. She enjoyed the beaches, cookouts, and laying out by the pool. Her potato salad was a summer staple for all. Phyllis also had a special spot in her heart for animals, she loved them. Without hesitation, she would take in any animal that needed a home. She loved her dogs, Gavel and Judge, and her cat Winston. Phyllis enjoyed spending time with her family and playing cars with her youngest son, Mark. She attended every one of her child's sporting events and cheered them on from the sidelines. Phyllis was one of the kindest, most loving people to have walked this earth.

Phyllis is survived by her husband John Phillinger; two daughters, Julia Phillinger, and Heather Phillinger; four sons, Jack Phillinger, Eric Phillinger, Ethan Phillinger, and Mark Phillinger; brother, Richard Lanord; two sisters, April Lanord, and Suzanne Lanord.

Calling hours were held on Monday, Jan. 29, in the Peabody Funeral Home & Crematorium. A Mass of Christian Burial was held on Wednesday, Jan. 31, in Sacred Heart Church, with burial to after at Village Cemetery, Weymouth, MA. The Clancy-Lucid Funeral Home of Weymouth, MA is assisting the family with services in MA. To send a condolence please visit [www.peabodyfuneralhome.com](http://www.peabodyfuneralhome.com).

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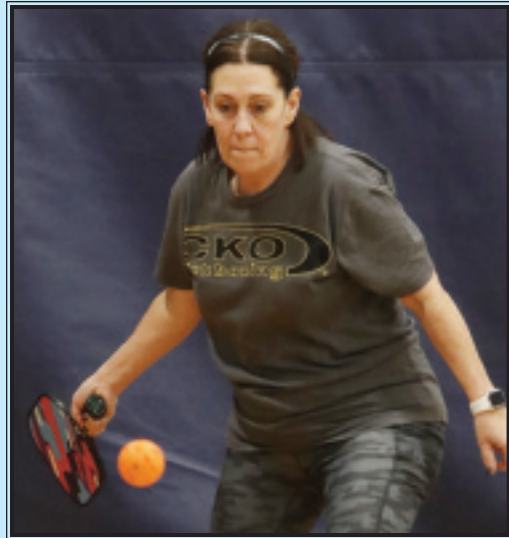
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# Residents of All Ages Give Pickleball a Try at LHS Gym



Residents of all shapes and sizes attended the informational Pickleball session at the Londonderry High School Gymnasium on Saturday afternoon. A number of nets were set up in the gym to show courts sizes and attendees with a wide variety of skill levels got to compete and learn more about the sport. Voters will be asked next month to support the nearly \$500,000 Town Warrant Article on the March ballot to construct 10 public pickleball courts.

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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).

## Splatter Paint

Join the Londonderry Women's Club for an evening of fun at ReLaxe Throwing in Manchester on Feb. 19 at 7 p.m. Splatter painting allows you to make a mess and come out with an artistic masterpiece. You can choose to paint your painting method. The cost is \$20 per person and is due in advance. Adults 18+ only. To ensure your spot for this event, reserve your seat by reaching out to us at [info@londonderrywomensclub.org](mailto:info@londonderrywomensclub.org). Feel free to contact us for additional information. Deadline to sign up is Feb. 8.

## 'The Flying Ace'

Aviation Museum of NH to screen rare vintage aviation thriller on Thursday, Feb. 8 at 7 p.m. 'The Flying Ace' (1926), recently add-

ed to US National Film Registry, features an all-Black cast and will feature live music by Jeff Rapsis, a NH-based silent film accompanist and the museum's executive director. Tickets are \$10 per person at the door. Member discounts do not apply. Advance tickets are available by phone at (603) 669-4877. For more information, visit [www.aviationmuseumofnh.org](http://www.aviationmuseumofnh.org) or call (603) 669-4820. Follow the Aviation Museum on social media at [www.facebook.com/nhahs](http://www.facebook.com/nhahs).

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## Little Sprouts Baby Lapsit

On Tuesday mornings at 9 a.m. through Feb. 13, this story time program for babies 0-18 months old will be held at the Leach Library. This introduction to story time is a great opportunity for your littlest sprouts to learn to interact with you and others in a new environment, as well as to begin to follow along with songs, dances, and finger move-

ments. Registration is required and begins one week before each session. To register, visit the library's online calendar or call (603) 432-1127.

## Wiggle Worms

On Tuesday or Wednesday mornings at 10:30 a.m. through Feb. 14, toddlers and their caregivers are invited to the Leach Library for story time with songs, rhymes, books, and more. This program is designed for ages 2-3, but older children are welcome to join in. Registration is required and begins one week before each session. To register, visit the library's online calendar or call (603) 432-1127.

## Invasive Plants

Join UNH Extension Master Gardener Jane Raymond for a presentation on invasive plants on Thursday, Feb. 8 at 6:30 p.m., at the Leach Library. Attendees will learn the official definition of invasive species and what differentiates an invasive from a native species. Several practical control strategies will be presented, including helpful resources. This program series has been generously sponsored by the Green

Team of Londonderry. Registration is required and begins on Thursday, Feb. 1. To register, visit the library's online calendar or call (603) 432-1132.

## Space Rangers

On Thursday, Feb. 8 from 4 - 5 p.m. in the Leach Library Meeting Room. During this one-hour, space-themed program, students age 9-14 will explore different space science topics through hands-on activities and games. This month's focus will be on Mars. Registration is required and begins on Thursday, February 1. To register, visit the library's online calendar or call (603) 432-1132.

## Craft Time

On Monday, Feb. 12 at 4:30 p.m., kid crafters are invited to create a tissue paper heart wreath in the Leach Library meeting room. Supplies will be provided, and staff will be available to offer assistance. Registration is required and begins on Monday, Feb. 5. To register, visit the library's online calendar or call (603) 432-1127.

## Apple Byte Open Play

On Tuesday, Feb. 13 at 3:30 p.m., teens and

tweens are invited to the Leach Library Meeting Room to explore eSports in a non-competitive environment. During this one-hour program, middle and high school students will have the opportunity to play a variety of video games on the Nintendo Switch platform. This program is free and open to the public. Registration is required and begins on Tuesday, Feb. 6. To register, visit the library's online calendar or call (603) 432-1132.

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## Londonderry Police Log

### Selections taken from the daily Londonderry Police Logs

#### Monday, Jan. 22

**12:32 a.m.** Motor Vehicle Complaint at the 7-Eleven Food Mart on Nashua Road leads to an arrest made by three officers. Elvis Burke, 40, of Derry, charged with: Drive After Revoke/Suspension (DUI); Controlled Drug - Controlled Premises Where Drugs are Kept; Possession of Controlled Drug (Schedule 1-4); and Transporting Drugs in a Motor Vehicle.  
**8:01 a.m.** Motor Vehicle Stop on Rockingham Road, at Londonderry Freezer Warehouse, leads to an arrest made by three officers. Brandon Velez, 23, of Manchester, Arrested on a Warrant.  
**8:35 a.m.** Assisted the Londonderry Fire Department with services at Derry Medical Center on Michels Way.  
**8:35 a.m.** Services rendered for Larceny/Forge-

ry/Fraud at Market Basket on Michels Way  
**8:44 a.m.** Motor Vehicle Stop on Grenier Field Road, at NuCast, leads to an arrest made by three officers. Kentrel Wilson, 34, of Manchester, charged with: Alcohol Interlock Motor Vehicle Not Equipped with the interlock.  
**9:03 a.m.** Services rendered for Criminal Mischief at the Kendall Pond Conservation Area on South Road.  
**10:27 a.m.** Services rendered for Juvenile Offenses reported at Londonderry Leach Library.  
**2:42 p.m.** Dog Bite investigated by Animal Control on Devonshire Lane.  
**4:04 p.m.** Shoplifting investigated at the N.H. Liquor Store on Michels Way.  
**4:27 p.m.** Disturbance investigated at Spindle Eye on Michels Way.

**8:33 p.m.** Services rendered for a Structure Fire on Woodland Drive.  
**Tuesday, Jan. 23**  
**12:36 a.m.** Motor Vehicle Check at the Shell Food Mart on Nashua Road leads to an arrest. Glenn Levesque, 45, of Nashua, charged with: Possession of a Controlled Drug (Schedule 1-4); Transport Drugs in a Motor Vehicle; Controlled Drug - Controlled Premises Where Drugs Kept; and Loitering or Prowling.  
**1:13 a.m.** Services rendered for a disturbance at the Manchester Boston Regional Airport.  
**4:07 p.m.** Warrant served and arrest made on Whitehall Terrace. Matthew Goodhue, 35, of Hooksett, charged with: Conduct After an Accident; Failure to Yield; and Criminal Mischief.  
**7:17 p.m.** Larceny/Forge-

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the Leach Library, bring your own craft project and supplies, and work alongside other local crafters. No registration is required. For more information, call the library at (603) 432-1132.

### Duplo Budding Builders

On Thursday, Feb. 15 at 10 a.m., at the Leach Library. Participants will create using larger Duplo blocks. This program is designed for younger Lego enthusiasts ages 0-5. Registration is required and begins on Thursday, Feb. 8. To register, visit the library's online calendar or call (603) 432-1127.

### Building Buddies

On Thursday, Feb. 15 at 4:30 p.m. come to the Leach Library 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 and begins on Thursday, Feb. 8. To register, visit the library's online calendar or

call (603) 432-1127.

### Tinker Time

Come to the Leach Library on Saturday, Feb. 17 at 10 a.m. for Tinker Time. A variety of toys and games from the Library of Things will be provided for children to try. Registration is recommended and begins on Saturday, Feb. 10. To register, visit the library's online calendar or call (603) 432-1127.

Pokémon Trading Card Game Swap & Play

Come to the Leach Library on Saturday, Feb. 17 from 2 - 3:30 p.m. to swap and trade their collection. Tables will be set up for those who are looking to play a game or two. This program is intended for ages 8-18. Registration is required and begins on Saturday, Feb. 10. To register, please visit the library's online calendar or call (603) 432-1132.

### "Library After Dark" Movie Night

On Friday, Feb. 23 at 6 p.m., an after-hours movie night in the Leach Library's main reading room. Meet Charlie Bucket and the mysterious candy

mogul in this sweet 1971 family favorite (rated G). Pizza and refreshments will be served while supplies last, and raffle prizes will be provided. Registration is required and begins on Friday, Feb. 16. To register, visit the library's online calendar or call (603) 432-1132.

### Children's Book Bingo

Come to the Leach Library on Monday, Feb. 26 at 4:30 p.m., for Childrens Book BINGO. Each participant will have a chance to win books of their choosing, and the whole family is welcome to play along. Registration is required and begins Tuesday, Feb. 20. To register, visit the library's online calendar or call (603) 432-1127.

### Laser Tag for Teens

On Tuesday, Feb. 27 from 2 - 3 p.m., teens and tweens are invited to a Laser Tag experience in the Leach Library Meeting Room. Groups of teens will play against each other while moving through a series of obstacles. Registration is required and begins on Tuesday, Feb. 20. To register, visit the

library's online calendar or call (603) 432-1132.

### Block by Block

On Wednesday, Feb. 28 from 4 - 5 p.m., students in grades 4-8 will be able to explore in a variety of coding exercises and programs including using screen-free coding robots, independent online coding, and other guided activities at the Leach Library. An assortment of art supplies and building materials will also be available for creative expression open to all participants. This program is open to participants age 9-14. Registration is required and begins on Wednesday, Feb. 21. To register, visit the library's online calendar or call (603) 432-1132.

### Books and Board Games

On Thursday, Feb. 29 from 2 - 3 p.m., teens and tweens are invited to a play an assortment of classic and new board games in the Leach Library Meeting Room. Winners will have first choice in choosing a book to keep. All participants will receive at least one book. Registration

is required and begins on Thursday, Feb. 22. To register, please visit the library's online calendar or call the library at (603) 432-1132.

### PJ Story Time

Families are invited to come to the Leach Library in their favorite pajamas on Thursday, Feb. 29 at 6:30 p.m. to hear bedtime stories and sing a favorite lullaby. Don't forget a cozy blanket and stuffed animal to snuggle! Registration is not required for this program.

### Historical Fiction Book Discussion

Come to the Leach Library on Thursday, March 14 at 11:30 a.m. for a historical fiction book discussion at the Leach Library! We will be discussing Sarah Penner's novel, "The Lost Apothecary." You can pick up a copy of the book from the library. Registration opens on Thursday, Feb. 8 and is limited to 15 participants. 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.

### 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](mailto:dfosmire@londonderry.org) or Kim Speers at [kspeers@londonderry.org](mailto:kspeers@londonderry.org).

## Police Log

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ery/Fraud investigated three officers at the Sleep Inn on Perkins Road.

**Wednesday, Jan. 24**

**1:46 a.m.** Motor Vehicle Accident on Nashua Road, at Old Nashua Road, leads to an arrest made by four officers. Michael Duragano, 24, of Londonderry, charged with Driving Under the Influence - Impairment.

**10:39 a.m.** Services rendered for Larceny/Forgery/Fraud at ECCO USA on Delta Drive.

**12:27 p.m.** Services rendered for Suspicious Activity on Hovey Road.

**7:28 p.m.** Services rendered Disturbance on White Plains Avenue.

**7:42 p.m.** Assisted another Police Department with an investigation on Wilson Road.

**8:17 p.m.** Motor Vehicle Check at Triangle Mobil Mart on Rockingham Rd leads to an arrest made

by four officers. Patrick Mills, 46, of Derry, charged with Bench Warrants.

**Thursday, Jan. 25**

**4:57 a.m.** Services rendered for a Medical Emergency at the Manchester Boston Regional Airport.

**9:35 a.m.** Burglary investigated at Right Space Storage on Mohawk Drive.

**12:46 p.m.** Services rendered by three officers for Wires Down on Clark Road.

**2:14 p.m.** Services rendered for Juvenile Offenses at Londonderry High School.

**3:41 p.m.** A motor vehicle complaint made on Holly Lane leads to an arrest. Meghan Williams, 43, of Londonderry, charged with: Breach of Bail; and Operation of vehicle after Certified as a Habitual Offender.

**5:57 p.m.** Suspicious Activity investigated by seven officers on Reo Lane.

**8:29 p.m.** Motor Vehicle Complaint reported on

Michels Way leads to an arrest made by five officers.

**Friday, Jan. 26**

**11:47 a.m.** Three officers render services for a Domestic Disturbance at the Macgregor Cut apartments on Stonehenge Road.

**4:09 p.m.** Services rendered for an Emergency Restraining Order served on Hovey Road.

**4:55 p.m.** Animal Control Investigates a Dog Bite on Chase Road.

**7:04 p.m.** Runaway Juvenile investigated by four officers at Janie's Uncommon Café on Nashua Road.

**7:52 p.m.** Motor vehicle stop on Pillsbury Road, at Mammoth Road, leads to an arrest made by six officers. Jeffrey Morin, 53, of Londonderry, charged with: Driving Under the Influence - Impairment.

**Saturday, Jan. 27**

**1:51 a.m.** Suspicious Activity investigated by three officers on Bartley Hill Road.

**12:03 p.m.** Services rendered to Keep the Peace on Boston Avenue.

**4:20 p.m.** Motor vehicle stop leads to an arrest made on Harvey Road, at the Rail Trail. John Thomas Lewis, 44, of Melrose, Mass., charged with: Driving After Revoke/Suspension; and Uninspected Vehicle.

**4:46 p.m.** Assisted the Londonderry Fire Department with services on Mill Road.

**9:01 p.m.** Juvenile Offenses reported on Pettengill Road, at Harvey Road.

**9:52 p.m.** Services rendered for Juvenile Offenses at Pipe Dream Brewing, on Harvey Road.

**9:54 p.m.** Disturbance investigated by three officers at Game Changer Sports Bar & Grill, on Orchard View Drive.

**Sunday, Jan. 28**

**12:23 a.m.** Services rendered by four officers for a Disturbance at the Shell Food Mart on Nashua Road.

**2:07 a.m.** Motor Vehicle Check at Wendy's, on Nashua Road, leads to an arrest. Veronica Garcia, 36, of Litchfield, charged with: Driving Under the Influence - Impairment; and Loitering or Prowling.

**11:27 a.m.** Peace Restored by three officers during a Domestic Dis-

turbance at the Macgregor Cut apartments on Stonehenge Road.

**12:55 p.m.** Assisted the Londonderry Fire Department with services at Cracker Barrel Old Country Store, on Nashua Road.

**9:32 p.m.** Wires Down reported on Devonshire Lane.

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