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Trump Stumping

President Donald Trump paid a visit to the Londonderry polls during the First in the Nation Primary on Tuesday. He took time to sign autographs and field questions from the media and talk with supports that had gathered. *Photo by Chris Paul*

Resident Calls For Town Manager's Resignation

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LONDONDERRY TIMES

During Public Comment at the Friday, Jan. 12, Town Council meeting, resident, Richard Bielinski Jr., addressed concerns he had with how some in the community have been treated by town officials.

One of those issues was in regards to how a

91A request made by former Town Councilor, Deb Paul, was handled. Paul was looking to receive a copy of a sexual complaint letter sent from Town Manager, Mike Malaguti, to the Town Council last year, on comments she had made while on the council.

The town refused to handover the letter, and

instead Paul's only recourse was to take the issue to court, leading to a judge siding with Paul, requiring the town to handover the letter and for the town to pay for her legal fees.

Superior Court Judge, Andrew Schulman, said it was a "frivolous sexual harassment complaint."

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Town Council, Budget Committee Differ on Town Treasurer Article

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LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Town Council voted to recommend that voters approve a charter change this March, which would change the Treasurer position from an elected position to an appointed one during its Jan. 12 meeting.

Current Town Treasurer, Kathy Wagner, and Finance Director, Justin Campo, are both supporting the proposed change, saying that currently there are no background checks done on those who are candidates for office, which would be different

if the position was an appointed one, and there are also concerns about someone being elected who has no experience.

Wagner argued that she didn't think there was a need to campaign in support of the warrant article last year.

"That was my bad for not showing up and defending my position on this," said Wagner.

Wagner also argued that since they have grown as a town and over \$100 million goes through the town's finances between the school district and the town, combined with what she

described as a tough election process, she thinks it makes sense to go with the appointed position.

"It's just time," she said.

State Rep., Kristine Perez, who is a resident of Londonderry, pointed out during the public hearing portion of the meeting that last year voters rejected the warrant article.

Resident, Dan Bouchard, who said he voted against it last time, asked if they thought about what they are looking for in terms of qualifications.

Campo said ideally **continued on page 8**

Moose Hill Warrant Articles Separated by School Board

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After months of discussion, the School Board held a bond hearing regarding a warrant article which will ask voters to approve an expansion project for Moose Hill and a warrant article to make kindergarten full day in Londonderry.

The overcrowding project would be \$23.1 million, and would address what district officials describe as a space need at the school.

It would include 24,646 square feet of additions and renovations, including renovating seven learning spaces,

adding 15 new learning - therapy or office spaces, adding five adult bathrooms compared to only having one now, renovating the main office, and making a safer school entrance along with other improvements.

The full day kindergarten expansion would add 18,013 square feet and would include 11 new full size kindergarten classrooms, adding a cafeteria/ gym, and adding an additional adult bathroom.

It was noted by Black that starting in 2025-2026 they would be seeing a decrease in bond payments for older projects.

ects.

"The investments from a couple of decades ago are coming to an end," he said.

Town Councilor, Ted Combes, said he is supporting the bond and was on the Building Committee, which recommended the project, after vetting the proposal along with the costs.

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Town Council Recommend Pickleball By a 4-1 Vote

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After previously deciding to propose a \$490,000 warrant article to build up to 10 pickleball courts in town, the Town Council and Budget Committee heard from members of the community about their thoughts on the proposal during the Jan. 12 public hearing.

The Pickleball Task Force, who was tasked with making recommendations to the Town Council, throughout its vetting process, received different quotes for various work that needs to be done in order to

bring the courts to town.

It was explained previously, that for six courts, estimates for the different work and for the physical courts, came in at \$360,000 to \$560,000, and for 10 courts, the estimated cost is \$490,000 to \$740,000 to build the courts.

One of the questions raised during the meeting was about whether or not they should ask voters to approve the full \$490,000 from additional taxes, or if they should use some of the unassigned fund balance.

It was noted that the

unassigned fund balance is at \$6.2 million currently, which is above the recommended threshold.

Town Councilor, Ted Combes, suggested that they split it by using \$250,000 from the unassigned fund balance, while raising the additional \$250,000.

Town Councilor, Ron Dunn, said he was against using the unassigned fund balance.

"This is a want, not a need," Dunn said.

He explained that his concern with the warrant article is that with tough economic times, and other pressing is-

suues in town, he didn't think it was the right time.

Resident, Ray Breslin, also raised concerns with it not being a need.

"This is not a need," he said.

Other concerns raised was whether or not the plan had been vetted out enough.

"We did our homework," Pickleball Task Force Chair, Brian Samolyk, said, explaining that within 20 miles, Londonderry is the only town without courts. He also noted that Litchfield has cut off registration for those that don't live in town.

Dawn Cava a member of the Pickleball Task Force, said they have "done a lot of work on this."

She said after the Covid-19 pandemic, people were looking for ways to socialize and exercise, which she thinks is one of the reasons for the raise in the games popularity. Cava, and other members of the task force, argued the sport isn't just for the elderly, noting she wants to be able to play with her grandson one day.

Budget Committee Chair, Patrick Cassidy, said that since they are

behind other communities in the area when it comes to pickleball, it would be a nice thing to do for seniors, before they fall further behind.

Budget Committee member, Kate Burbidge, said for a \$500,000 home, the tax impact would be about \$38, which would be her approximate tax rate impact if the warrant passed.

"I've spent \$38 in a much sillier way," she said.

The Council ultimately voted 4-1 to recommend the warrant article, with Dunn voting against it.

School Board Not in Favor of Citizens Petition Warrant Article

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LONDONDERRY TIMES

The School Board and Budget Committee discussed a citizen petition warrant article during its Jan. 11 meeting, which would essentially divide the district's operating budget into two separate budgets.

The draft warrant article reads:

"Shall the residents of Londonderry, NH vote for the division of the School District 12's Op-

erating budget to be divided into two parts:?

Operating Budget A: for the School Administration Unit (SAU) covering all salaries and benefits of all the office staff, as well as all Principals and Vice Principals, and all operational expenses of the SAU 12.

Operating Budget B: for all other school-related expenses. This aims to clearly differentiate administrative costs from direct student education expenses."

State Rep., Kristine Perez, who put forward the warrant article said there has been a "big misinterpretation" on social media regarding the non binding warrant article, saying that it had nothing to do with putting a "wedge" between staff and the administration.

"It has to do with transparency and letting the voters know that has been a major descriptionary between administrators increas-

es and teachers increases over the past 20 years," she said.

She explained that when cuts are proposed, oftentimes it's explained that they would have to take certain things away from students.

She explained that if they were able to vote on two separate budgets, people would be able to make cuts to the administration budget, but not necessarily to teachers or other services for students, if they wanted to.

Perez said that based on numbers she received from the District about \$2.69 million is spent for 22 salaries and benefits for people who work at the SAU office. She said there are also other expenses including rent for the SAU office.

"We need the money

to go to the teachers and the people who have direct contact with students," she said.

Perez said they tried to get legislation passed at the State House to have two separate budgets, which failed.

Tony DeFrancesco said he had a different view, noting that someone could go through the budget book and find anyone's salaries in the District already.

Perez argued that if they had two separate towns as part of the SAU, then they would have it broken out by the two budgets already, and was concerned with seeing cuts made to things that directly impact students.

"That's my concern," she said.

School Board Chair, Bob Slater, said they

started the budget process at Thanksgiving time, and that it would have been more appropriately vetted if it was introduced earlier than the beginning of the week. He added that they wouldn't be able to do it legally as of now anyways.

School Board member, Amanda Butcher, argued there is a difference in the amount of months people work, noting most if not all administrative staff work 12 months out of the year. She added that different positions come with more responsibilities and education requirements, which makes it hard to compare the two.

The School Board voted 5-0 against recommending the warrant article.

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School Board, Budget Committee Recommend Support Staff Contract

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The School Board voted unanimously to support a warrant article, which if voters approve would give a three year contract to the Support Staff union.

One of the biggest changes is offering “sig-

nificant benefits” to support staff union members.

“Employees will have the option of School Care Green (\$20 copay) (Currently \$10 copay) or School Care Red – both with prescription coverage \$10/\$30/\$65 (was \$5/\$15/\$35) School Year Employees-District con-

tribution will continue the same for previously grandfathered employees and those working over 1300 hours per year,” a previous memo to the School Board read.

It was also explained in the memo that employees who work less than “1300 per year and

at least 25 hours per week – The district will contribute 50% of the cost of the Single Red plan for FY 24, 60% for FY 25 and 70% for FY 26.”

“This contribution can be used towards the cost of the Red or Green plans as well as 2 person or family coverage for either plan,” the memo read.

In terms of wages, employees would receive a \$1.25 an hour wage in year one, \$1.50 an hour in year two, and \$.50 plus the consumer price index percentage, with a minimum of a 2.5% raise and a maximum of 4%.

The hope for district officials is the changes will help with both

recruiting employees and retaining the ones they currently have.

“We believe that we already have competitive rates, this is going to keep us with the market rates,” Superintendent, Dan Black, said, noting that it will help with inflation.

Juneteenth was also added as a holiday, and the attendance bonus, paid at the end of the year, will be \$600 for employees that use zero sick days, \$400 for one, and \$200 for two.

Black said it was asked during a previous meeting if they could use fund balance. It was decided to add language that they would use \$250,000 from the fund

balance.

With using the fund balance it will reduce the estimated tax rate by 3 cents making the estimated tax rate in year one 9 cents.

Business Administrator, Lisa McKenney, said they would use funds from the end of the fiscal year, meaning they could preserve what they have in fund balance already.

For year one, the cost of the contract would be about \$399,000 for salary increases and about \$398,000 for benefits.

The Budget Committee, during its meeting, also voted unanimously to recommend the warrant article.

Moose Hill

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“This is the right time financially, but also the right time school wise,” he said.

He said the committee had 85 to 95 years of experience in different areas and they found “the numbers were very spot on with the cost of this project.”

Tony DeFrancesco said that either way, the space needs issue won’t go away.

“Regardless of whatever else happens, there is a space needs issue at Moose Hill,” he said.

“That is not going to go away,” DeFrancesco added.

School Board member, Tim Porter, said he viewed the full day kindergarten project as a “want.”

“At this point, I believe a full day program falls in the category of a want not a need,” he said.

School Board Chair, Bob Slater, said he is in support of full day kindergarten, and the

space needs project.

“The last five years we have been out of space at Moose Hill,” Slater said.

Originally going into the meeting, the proposal was to include both the expansion project and all day kindergarten question into one warrant article, however, Slater said he thought they should make it two separate warrant articles.

“We’re breaking it up so it can run on its own merit,” Slater said, thinking they would be able to get more “yes” votes if people are able to vote on each question separately.

The rest of the School Board agreed.

Combes said he was opposed to splitting up the warrant article.

“The building committee never recommended two articles,” Combes said, noting that he is concerned with continuing issues and the cost of the project going up.

“It’s just going to get worse if we push this can down the road, like

we’ve done with other projects” he said.

The Moose Hill expansion project to address space needs, will ask voters to approve raising and appropriating \$23.1 million, which would have an estimated tax rate impact of 9 cents in year one, 28 cents in year two, and 27 cents in year three. The School Board voted 5-0 to recommend the warrant article and the Budget Committee voted 6-1 to recommend the warrant article.

For the full day kindergarten warrant article, voters will be asked to approve raising and appropriating \$11.1 million, which would have an estimated tax rate impact of 4 cents in year one, 14 cents in year two, and 13 cents in year three.

The School Board voted 4-1 to recommend the article and the Budget Committee voted 4-3 in support of the warrant article.

More details about the project can be found on the district website www.londonderry.org.



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Editorial

Here's Your Chance

Deliberative sessions are the times specifically set aside under the SB2 form of government to discuss and potentially change warrant articles. Residents don't vote on whether or not to approve the warrant article at deliberative session – they vote instead to send the article to the warrant, and on Election Day, they vote the warrant article up or down.

But at these sessions, voters can amend most warrant articles, so long as they do not change the subject matter.

Depending on who's in the audience, school budgets, for example, can be amended up or down before they go to the March ballot. That's why you often hear the fear expressed that some group will "pack" the deliberative session and "force" their views on everyone else.

There's no force. It's up to the registered voters who show up. If the turnout is poor and few people are present to promote or defend their views, the majority of those in the room will have their way.

To participate, all you need do is to register to vote, attend deliberative, pay attention as the moderator explains the rules, read the proposed warrant articles, listen to public comment, and

vote on any changes or send the article as is to the warrant.

The articles on the warrant hit you where you live, and as New Hampshire residents, we have the right to express our views in a forum specifically designed for that purpose, and to change articles if we have the votes.

Voters are clearly in the seat of power. That's why it's so important not only to attend, but also to stay for the whole session. In some towns, that means about two hours. In other towns, it can take a whole day. In the grand scheme of things, it's not such a time-consuming commitment to make.

Plan to attend, and play a role in one of the most participatory forms of democracy alive today. We can wave the flag and claim to be patriotic all we want; if we really believe in democracy, the deliberative session is the place to be.

For your calendar: Londonderry School Deliberative is at 7 p.m. Feb. 9, in the high school café and the Town Deliberative is at 9 a.m. Feb. 10 also in the café.

Consider throwing your hat in the ring, if you want to play an even more active role, Friday, Feb. 2, is the final day to file to run for elected school district or town office.

Letters

Property Taxes

To the editor,

I have been a Londonderry resident since 2002. I am concerned about a recent trend in the increase of our property taxes. From 2002 through 2019 my taxes grew a reasonable average of 1.75% per year. Then in late 2021 an article came out in this press entitled "Smith Boasts Town's Lowest Tax Rate in Over 40-Years". At the surface this sounded like great news. The town dropped our tax rate 9.5%. But what Kevin Smith glossed over was the September 2021 re-assessed valuations of our homes using a new assessment evaluation formula. This new formula increased my assessment by 19% and increased my property taxes by 10.9%, by far the single largest annual increase since my arrival to this town. Obviously, I was not happy with this increase but rationalized it as a one-time adjustment to account for the new tax formula. So now fast forward to August 2023 when assessor Steve Hamilton reminded us that Londonderry was changing from re-assessing our properties every 5 years to every 2 years, and this had just occurred again with an average 23-24% assessed value increase given the hot real estate market. Once again, it was suggested a higher assessment does not necessarily mean higher taxes. Once again, the tax rate did go down, this time 18% to \$15.65. But once again with my new 27% assessment increase my taxes went up, this time another 7.1%.

So here is my con-

cern. During my first 19 years in Londonderry my taxes went up a cumulative total of 28% which is fair. The last 3 years it has gone up a total of 18%, an average of 6% per year, which is almost quadruple the rate it was going up the prior 19 years! What is happening here? Is there actually a person in this town who can say their taxes went down? Is this a disguised money grab by the Town?

I understand with inflation being what it is these days costs are going up, but this shouldn't automatically mean Town and School Budgets must also go up each year. Given this is an election year, I would suggest candidates running for either Board make a pledge to find effective ways to instead trim our Budgets to give the town's citizens a break from this alarming trend. As a retired person this would be welcome relief, and a very important factor determining who gets my vote.

Otto Meier
Londonderry

Politicians Propose Abandoning Ukraine

To the editor,

Representatives Gaetz of Florida and Greene of Georgia and joined by Senator Hawley of Missouri have made wild statements and taken absurd positions. The three of them want to abandon Ukraine, which will allow Russia to overrun Ukraine. Their geopolitical ignorance is astonishing. Greene stated "Under Republicans, not another penny will go to Ukraine, our country comes first". Gaetz

proposed a resolution calling for an end to aid for Ukraine and Hawley said the U.S. policy of supporting Ukraine's survival has to stop.

Governor DeSantis of Florida has joined them by saying the Ukraine War is "not a vital national interest but a territorial dispute".

These government officials put politics first to the detriment of our country. They are trying to make President Biden look bad, and don't consider the impact of their positions on the world stage. Thankfully, the majority of our government officials understand the world situation and the need to stand up to Russian aggression. They should not allow politics to threaten our national security and the security of other countries.

Vital military funding for Ukraine is hung up in the House of Representatives because the republicans want to tie it to tightening U.S./Mexican border security. I agree we have to stop the influx of illegal immigrants entering our country. However, preventing Russia from conquering Ukraine, attacking NATO countries, and then drawing the U.S. into a major war with millions of casualties and costing hundreds of additional billions of dollars should be a very high strategic priority.

Donald Moskowitz
Londonderry

Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday

To the editor,

How did the Town of Londonderry choose to honor MLK?

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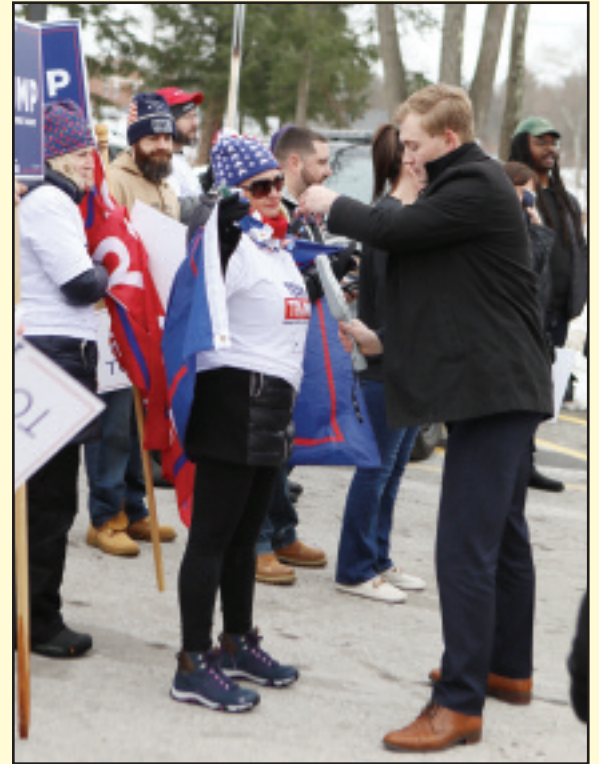
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Trump Visit

A large group of Trump supporters gathered in front of the Londonderry High School gymnasium to get a chance to meet the former president as he campaigned in the First in the Nation Primary on Tuesday afternoon, Jan. 23. Those gathering, including a sizable press contingent, needed to be checked by officers before the arrival of Donald Trump. His visit was brief, but he made time for questions from reporters, he talked with supporters and signed autographs.

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Resignation

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The complaint against Paul, was over a comment Paul made during a Feb. 6 meeting when she said, "... that's a conflict of interest with the Planner being in economic development. You have someone seducing businesses to come here and then looking at their plans. That's not a conflict of interest?"

Paul made the statement in response to concerns she had over making the Town Planner also in charge of economic development for the town.

"The judge said that

the town should've known better," Bielinski explained, regarding the decision to withhold the letter.

Noting that the town had to pay all the legal fees in the case, including Paul's.

Bielinski also said he had issues with Malaguti issuing no trespass orders last year to former Associate Planner, Laura Gandia, and her husband, Chris Gandia, a former Londonderry Police Captain, after Malaguti made the decision to reorganize the town's planning department leading to Laura Gandia's position being eliminated.

He noted that the

ACLU became involved, forcing the town to end the no trespass order.

"What do the people in this town have to do to get correct answers from this town? When is Deb Paul and the Gandias going to get an apology for what should have never happened," he said.

Bielinski also accused Town officials of trying to "scare" members of the community.

"You're trying to scare people from speaking," he said.

Bielinski also added that after an apology is issued "the town manager, when this is done, should resign," also calling on Town Council

Chair, John Farrell, and Vice Chair, Chad Franz, to resign as well, since they attended the hearing regarding Paul's 91A case, and didn't do anything to stop it.

Following public comment, Farrell said that under federal law when a harassment complaint is brought forward "the authority has no choice but to investigate that harassment complaint."

He said that it was thoroughly investigated "and found to be completely unfounded," noting that the investigation determined the same thing that the judge determined.

Farrell said that once

the investigation was completed, they were told by their attorney that the town councilors should allow Paul to be shown the letter and read what happened.

"We did that," Farrell said, noting that Paul had the chance to read over the letter and ask questions of the town's human resources director, but was not allowed to take a copy of it.

"They could've wrote the letter down word for word," Farrell said.

Farrell said that based on rules around harassment complaints, they felt that they couldn't release the letter, so the Town Council decided to defend the rights "of people being able to bring forth a complaint without retaliation."

"That's why we didn't turn the document over, that's why we went to court, that's why we chose to protect the process," Farrell said.

Farrell further explained that Paul was seeking the letter to publish it in the newspa-

per (the letter in its entirety was not published in the Londonderry Times to date, however, a link to the letter was made available online).

"It appears the only reason that the complaint had to come out in public was.... so it could get printed in a local publication," he said.

Paul following Farrell's comments looked to refute claims made by Farrell, however, was not allowed to since public comment was over.

After the meeting, Paul explained that writing down what was written on the letter would be meaningless, "It would have come down to my word against theirs without the actual letter."

Paul added, "As far as Farrell saying the only reason for my request was so I could put it in the paper, there would have been far less attention paid to this if they had just given me the letter."

Town Addresses Stance on Placing Campaign Signs on Town Property

With state and federal primary campaigns underway, questions have continued to arise concerning the Town's practice for campaign signs on Town property. The Town of Londonderry has the legal right to remove campaign signage from public property, including Town rights-of-way. That right has been, and will con-

tinue to be, exercised sparingly. It is the Town's policy to remove campaign signage from rights-of-way only if necessary for traffic safety. Campaign signage is not generally allowed on Town property such as the Town Common, Town Hall complex, fire stations, conservation land, and cemeteries.

For years, campaign signs have been a regu-

lar fixture on the parcel of property across from the Matthew Thornton School, which was formerly owned by Moose Hill Orchards. When the Town acquired that parcel last year, it continued to allow campaign signage there, and intends to continue that practice. The Town does not select which candidates' signs are permitted here and will remain neutral.

There is no law stating how early signage can be placed, but the Town believes it is sensible to permit campaign signage once the filing period has opened, if otherwise permitted under the above requirements. Campaign signage must

be removed no later than the second Friday following the election, unless the election is a primary and the signage concerns the winner of the primary. In that case, the candidate prevailing in the primary may leave his or her signs up until the second Friday following the general election.

Town maintenance or law enforcement personnel are authorized to remove signage that violates these requirements.

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OBITUARY

Charles N. Finley



Charles N. Finley, 83, of Londonderry, NH died Sunday Jan. 7, 2024 at the Hanover Hill Healthcare Center, Manchester, NH. Charles was born in Concord, VT on Feb. 29, 1940, a son of the late John Finley and Ruth (Kenney) Wilson. He had resided in Londonderry since 1975.

Charles Finley was a lifelong Yankees fan and baseball enthusiast. He even played in college and made sure to pass his love of the game onto his children and grandchildren. He worked in several different fields including nuclear and fossil power before working in the car sales industry at Peter's of Nashua where he retired. Charles was very fond of April Fools' Day and never missed the opportunity to prank his friends and family. In his later years, he could be found watching the Game Show Network and playing Candy Crush while eating Lemon Oreos.

He is survived by his wife of 56 years, Linda (Michalenoick) Finley of Londonderry, one daughter; Jennifer Dyer and her husband Randy of Hooksett, NH, one son; Michael Finley and his wife of Clinton, MA, six grandchildren; Caitlin, Sean, Megan, Brandon, Emilie, and Liam, two sisters; Mary Gochie of Concord, VT, and Majel Wood Lunenburg, VT, as well as seven nieces and nephews.

He will forever be missed by his family and will always be remembered as the best husband, dad and grandfather.

Following cremation, burial will take place in Vermont in the spring. The Peabody Funeral Homes and Crematorium of Derry and Londonderry is assisting the family with arrangements. To send a condolence, please visit www.peabodyfuneralhome.com

Town Council In Favor of Public Safety Warrant Articles

ALEX MALM
LONDONDERRY TIMES

One of the warrant articles discussed during the Jan. 12 Town Council public hearing, was in regards to the addition of a prosecutor position.

Londonderry Police Chief, Kim Bernard, previously explained that they were looking to add the position due to an increase in the number of arrests the department has had, the time it takes to prosecute cases, and with just one full-time prosecutor, he said it has led to concerns.

The proposed warrant is for \$162,000, which is based on salary and benefits.

Resident and former Londonderry Police Officer, Dan Bouchard, said he thinks if the town is going to pay for people

to go to school, including law school, then there should be a benefit from the town, arguing they could help with the extra workload.

"I think it's great that we do that as long as the town benefits from it and we're not benefiting from it if we need to hire another individual to do prosecution," he said.

Bouchard also noted that if the warrant article passes, the additional position will be added as part of the default budget moving forward.

Resident, Martha Smith, asked about the current prosecutor and if rumors are true that she works multiple jobs.

Benard said like other people, having a second job is for personal and private reasons and she works over 40 hours a week or more for

the police department, and she works for two different police departments part time one day a month.

He said that is not the reason for why they are looking for a second prosecutor.

"We need a second prosecutor to help with this additional work," he said.

In terms of allowing police officers to get continuing education, Bernard said it's something they have allowed through collective bargaining agreements since he started working for the town.

He said he thinks it's "fair and reasonable" to have the tuition program, saying that it's an incentive to recruit and retain officers.

The Town Council ultimately voted 5-0 to

recommend the warrant article.

In addition to the prosecutor warrant article, the Town Council also voted 5-0 to recommend a warrant article that would add four firefighters for a total of

\$495,000.

With a growing community, and an aging community, Fire Chief, Bo Butler, previously made the pitch, saying that by adding the positions they will be able to have 13 firefighters per

shift, and allow one paramedic for all of its fire engines as well a paramedic dedicated to a so called "fly car" allowing them to respond to medical emergencies when needed.

Letters

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By having the Town Offices open.

We do know that NH was the VERY last state to acknowledge him, and is Londonderry planning on being one of the last Towns to do so?

It is getting a bit embarrassing to admit that we live in this very MEAN town.

Do I dare I call out the officials, that run this town?

Think I will, after the

elections.

Jane Cooper
Londonderry

On Bill HB 1258_L

To the editor,

On Jan. 9, 2024, the state house introduced a bill HB 1258_L which would allow local towns to increase the around the veterans' tax credit.

The proposal is to allow it to be increased up to 100% of property taxes. We have approximately 40 families in

town who could benefit from this.

Our local representative Dave Lundgren is on the committee that heard this bill. If you would like to support this bill, please contact Dave at Qtipnh@aol.com. I am in support as disabled veterans are on fixed income and it's important to support them as part of this community.

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Make A Wish

During December, the Matthew Thornton School's student council held a Mystery Gift Raffle and raised \$1,271. The donations went to the New Hampshire Make A Wish Foundation, an organization whose mission is to "create life-changing wishes for children with critical illnesses." Each student council member brought in a present, wrapped them, and placed clues on each one. With over 20 gifts, raffle tickets were drawn before winter break so the winning children could bring home their presents. Friday, Jan. 5, Olivia Stanas, the Make-A-Wish representative, came to Matthew Thornton to meet the student council and receive the donation check.

Treasurer

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they would look for someone with an accounting or finance background "that has experience in governmental accounting," explaining that there is a difference between government and corporate finance.

Bouchard suggested they put the qualification online, which the Town Council agreed with.

Former Town Councilor, Deb Paul, said she is against it, and if they do background checks, then they should be made public "so that the people can see that and look at it."

Richard Bielinski Jr., who once served in the

Treasurer role, said he thinks someone without a background in finance or accounting could do the position.

"An honest person is an honest person," he said.

Town Councilor, Ron Dunn, was the one person on the Town Council to vote against recommending the warrant article, saying he thinks it should be up to the voters who they pick for the position.

At the Budget Committee meeting, the Committee voted 4-3 to not recommend the article. Budget Committee Chair, Patrick Cassidy, Committee member, Kate Burbridge, and Vice Chair,

Joseph Gagnon, voted in support of the article.

OBITUARY

Christopher Steven Miller



Christopher Steven Miller, 63, of Londonderry passed away Sunday, Jan. 14, 2024 after a brief, courageous battle with cancer.

Christopher was born in Gwynedd, PA to George and Margaret "Peg" Miller. After graduating high school, he moved to Vashon Island, WA to work at an orchid grower, pursuing his life's passion. He earned a degree in Biology (Plant Genetics) from Cornell University in 1987, and after working in the biotech industry for several years, obtained his MBA from Boston University in 1993. Christopher began working as an intern at Dana Farber Cancer Institute in the summer of 1992, where he remained employed until his death.

Christopher is survived by his wife, Michelle, and sons Owen and Emmett, all of Londonderry; brothers Mark (Jean) of Harvard, MA and Karl (Susan) of Harleysville, PA; and sisters Marilyn (Michael) Berenzweig of Clemson, SC and Elizabeth of Hatfield, PA, as well as several nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews.

The family is planning a memorial service for this spring/summer. In lieu of flowers, please consider donating to Dana Farber Cancer Institute, 44 Binney St., Boston, MA.

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LONDONDERRY SPORTS

Londonderry Gymnastics Squad Edged Out by Owls

CHRIS PAUL
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Londonderry High School Gymnastics team hosted its first home meet this season at Spectrum Gymnastics, on Sunday morning, Jan. 21, facing the Timberlane Regional High School Owls.

The meet was actually supposed to be the team's second home meet, but the first one, on Jan. 7, was postponed due to snow.

At the Sunday morning meet, overall, the team did well, but were edged out by the Owls overall 132.6 to 130.3.

In the Vault, senior, Lilly Haggart was Londonderry's top finisher with a score of 8.8. Timberlane's Anne Quinn took first with a 9.45 and second went to Kacey Fitzgerald (9.05) also of TRHS.

In the Bars, Cailee Anderson was the top LHS finisher, taking third place with a score of 8.1.

Mandy Robinson scored an 8 in that event for fourth. Timberlane's Quinn scored a 9.3 for first and Owl, Kacey Fitzgerald, took second with an 8.3.

On Beam, Haggart took second and with her score of 8.9 and Robinson tied for third place with an 8.5.

The only first-place event for the Lancers was on the Floor, where Haggett finished with a 9.1 to edge out Quinn, who finished with a 9.0 for second place.

Anderson took third place with her 8.85.

Anderson also took second in All Around with a 34.35.

Lancers Gymnastics head coach, Heather Tuden, commented after

the meet on the team's battle with injuries this season, "This year has once again been a battle of injuries and illnesses. Since our first meet we have been missing 4-5 of our starters. We are so thankful that we have an amazing group of girls who are willing to step up and compete an event they might not be comfortable with. Evelyn Gillespie competed all around (AA) for us yesterday for the first time and Cailee Anderson has been doing AA all season and placed second with a 34.35".

The team is scheduled to host another home meet this week, with seven schools expected to compete.

The meet is expected to take place at Londonderry High School on Thursday, Feb. 1, starting at 7 p.m.



Cailee Anderson was the top LHS finisher with a score of 8.1. Photos by Chris Paul



Senior Lancer Lilly Haggart took first-place on the Floor with a 9.1 on Sunday morning, Jan. 23.

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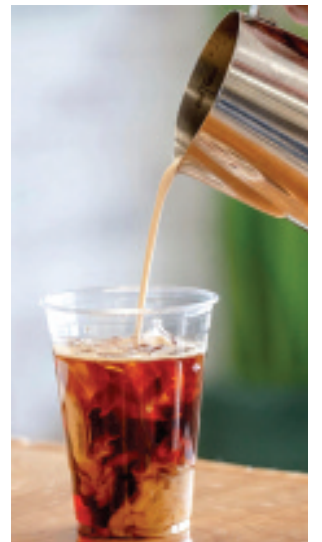
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Lancers Basketball Beat Green Wave, Fall to Astros

CHRIS PAUL
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Londonderry High School Boys' Basketball team pushed their season record up to the .500

mark last week, but then fell to an extremely strong Pinkerton Academy squad on Friday night to finish the week at 4-5.

On Wednesday even-

ing, Jan. 17, the Lancers hosted the Green Wave of Dover, and despite being outscored 22-7 in the fourth quarter, held on to get a 57-54 victory.

That result gave the Lancers their third consecutive victory and put them at 4-4 overall this season.

Londonderry came out of the gate with an impressive barrage, outscoring Dover High School 23-9, but then settled in during the second with each team tallying 13-points, which gave LHS a 36-22 lead by halftime.

In the third period, the Lancers widened their lead to 50-32, but then came out flat in the fourth, allowing the Green Wave to score 22-points while only putting up seven of their own but still came away with the victory.

Junior guard, Mason Paquette, led his team with 12-points. Senior forward Ryan Williams had 11-points, which included three, three-pointers and senior Ty Miles finished with 10-

points. Kiet Totten and Matt Luongo both had eight-points in the game.

In the Friday night match-up against the undefeated Astros, Londonderry never really seemed out of the game, but could do little to defend against PA senior center, Jackson Marshall, who came away with 34-points in the game and helped his team to a 86-69 victory.

Londonderry trailed by just two-points after one period, 15-17, but

PA started to pull away in the second, taking a 36-27 lead into the locker room.

In the third, PA scored 33-points, many of which from Marshall, resulting in a 69-50 lead for the visitors. In the fourth LHS outscored PA 19-17.

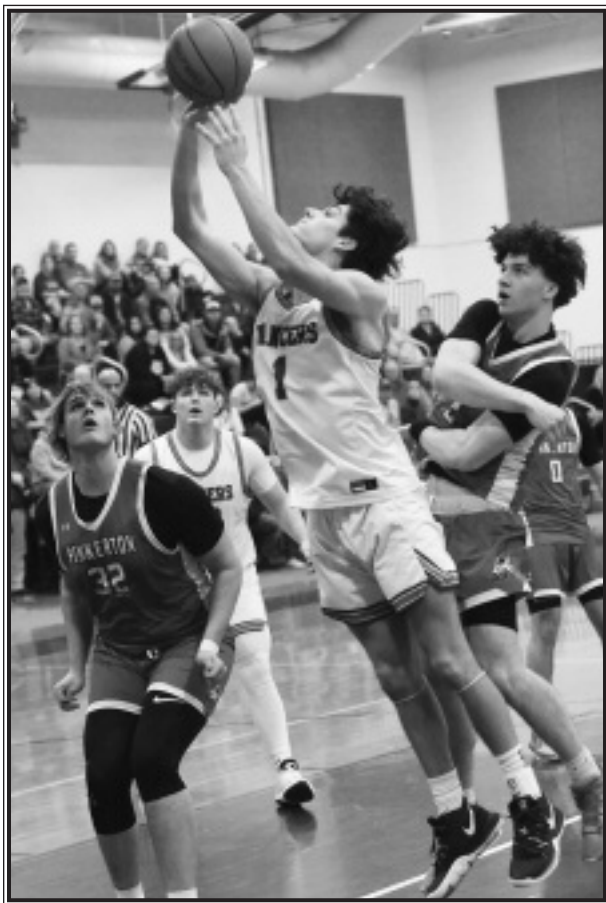
Despite the loss, the game resulted in the highest tally of the season. The 69-points was 11-points higher than the team's next-highest total.

Paquette had an out-

standing night, leading the team with 22-points, 15 of which came by way of three-pointers. Williams and Miles each tallied nine-points, while Totten and Luongo added eight-points each again.

On Wednesday, Jan. 24, the Lancers will host the Alvirne Broncos (3-5) and try try to get back to the .500 mark.

On Friday night, Jan. 26, the team will host the Nashua North Titans (5-4) starting at 7 p.m.



Junior guard, Mason Paquette, led LHS in scoring last week with 12-points against Dover and 22-points in the Game against PA.

Lancers Wrestling Squad Take Four of Six Dual Meets

CHRIS PAUL
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Londonderry High School Wrestling team took part in a total of six dual meets last week, winning four of them and losing two.

The Lancers busy week started on Wednesday night, with a home meet against two Manchester teams.

Against Manchester Memorial High School, LHS won nine matches and came away with a 50-26 win.

At 106, Nikki Stylianos had a forfeit win to start the meet.

Next, Lucas DeLeon (113) won by Fall at 1:03.

Dylan Nadeau (120) defeated his opponent with a Technical Fall, 16-1, at 4:19 in the match.

At 132, Caleb Holden won by Fall at 1:02; at 144, Brendan Egan took a 6-2 decision; Manny

Perez (150) was given a forfeit win; Finn Millis (157) pinned his opponent at 2:29; David Pento Jr. (175) and Patrick O'Connor (190) both added forfeit victories to the final tally.

Following that win, Londonderry took on a short-handed Manchester Central after a short break and got a 69-12 victory.

The Little Green forfeited a number of weight classes in the dual. Londonderry won six matches that MCHS couldn't fill.

The Lancers had six match wins outside of the forfeits: Moqsid Rahmani (138), scored six with a Fall at 0:44; Brendan Egan (144) won by Fall at 5:16; Finn Millis (157) pin at 5:42; David Pento Jr. (175) Fall at 1:45; Patrick O'Connor (190) Fall at 0:34; and Dakota Shaffer (285)

with a SV-1 8-6.

Londonderry had two more Dual Meet victories on Saturday, Jan. 20, at the Merrimack Hall of Fame Duals. The Lancers beat Portsmouth 54-29 and had a 46-33 victory over Winnisquam Regional High School. The team fell to Bow 42-31 and dropped their meet with Noble High School 48-36.

Against the Clippers, wins came from: Pento, Stylianos, Nadeau, Haley Doyle, Caleb Holden, Brendan Egan, Perez, Millis and Lachlan Buttle.

In the Winnisquam victory LHS had eight wins: Perez (MD 14-4); Millis over (Fall 1:42); Pento (Fall 3:12); O'Connor (Fall 0:44); Shaffer (Fall 3:17); Stylianos (Fall 3:39); DeLeon (Fall 3:08); and Dylan Nadeau (Fall 1:02).

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Lancers Girls' Basketball's Unbeaten Streak Ends at 7

CHRIS PAUL
LONDONDERRY TIMES

As the old saying goes, "All good things must come to an end," and so goes the result of the game between two of the three unbeaten Division 1 teams on Friday night.

Two low scoring quarters against the Pinkerton Academy Astros resulted in the Londonderry High School Girls' Basketball team's first loss of the season during a double header on Friday, Jan. 19 at LHS.

Both teams came into the game with perfect records, LHS stood at 7-0 and PA had a 8-0 record, but a poor start and a five-point third quarter for the Lancers gave Pinkerton a 74-48 win.

The game started with the Astros outscoring the Lancers 18-8 in the first quarter, but Londonderry managed to get things under control in the second, outscoring PA, 21-19, putting them at a manageable 37-29 deficit by the half.

In the third, a tough

PA defense made it difficult for the home to get to the basket, resulting in just five points being tallied for LHS. PA put up 18 in the third.

The final period had the Astros outscore the Lancers 19-14 for the one-sided result and Londonderry's first loss of the winter season.

Junior guard, Reagan Anderson, and Sophomore Brooke Eacrett both had 14-points in the loss, sophomore forward, Sammy Sullivan, scored 13-points.

Two days earlier, on Wednesday, Jan. 17, the Londonderry squad traveled to Dover High School, where a strong fourth quarter separated a close contest and gave LHS a 61-51 victory for their seventh straight win of the season.

In that game, a one-point difference was maintained for three of the four quarters.

The Lancers trailed 9-10 after the first, but outscored the Green Wave 16-14 in the second to put the score at 25-24 by halftime.

In the third, both squads came away with 16-points and LHS maintained a 41-40 lead, but in the fourth Londonderry busted out with 20-points and held Dover to just 14 for the 61-51 win, handing DHS their second loss of the season.

On Wednesday, Jan. 24, LHS will travel to Hudson to take on the 4-4 Broncos.

Following that, they face another difficult challenge, when they travel to Bedford and face the 9-0 Bulldogs.



Sophomore Brooke Eacrett 19-points against Dover and 14-points against Pinkerton.

OBITUARY

Lee Clark Moulton



Lee Clark Moulton, 74, of Londonderry, NH, passed away on Tuesday Jan. 16, 2024, at the Elliot Hospital in Manchester, NH after a battle with interstitial lung disease. He was born on Aug. 16, 1949, in Burlington, VT, a son of the late Paul and Jennie (Sager) Moulton. Lee had been a resident of Londonderry for the past 36 years, formerly living in North Yarmouth, ME.

Lee was one of five children, growing up in Shelburne, Vermont in his youth before moving to Manchester, NH. He attended Central High School for two years before moving to Cheshire, CT his junior year. While in Cheshire, he met the love of his life, Dayle.

An avid sports enthusiast, Lee played baseball and football throughout high school, going on to play both sports at Bowdoin College (Class of '71). While in college, Lee was a member of the Chi Psi fraternity, where he made many lifelong friends. After college, Lee and Dayle married and settled in North Yarmouth, ME, where all three of their children were born.

In 1987, Lee and Dayle moved to Londonderry NH, where they raised their children and spent the rest of their lives. Lee was very involved in the community, coaching many sports teams, and serving as an active member of the Londonderry United Methodist Church. Lee worked as General Manager of Salem Plumbing Supply and Designer Bath in Beverly, MA, for many years, where he was beloved by his coworkers and clients alike, to his retirement and beyond.

Lee was an avid reader, a crossword puzzle and sudoku enthusiast. He enjoyed woodworking and created many beautiful wood carvings in recent years. His greatest joy was his grandchildren. He was there for every game, cheering them on.

Lee is survived by his three children, daughter Greta Swisher, son Matthew Moulton and Karen Moulton, daughter Johanna Gould and her husband Jonathan, all of Londonderry; seven grandchildren: Julianne, Samuel, Andrew, Emily, George, Joseph, and Jonathan; his siblings Carl Moulton, David Moulton, Marsha (Moulton) Ladeau and husband Rob, and Jay Moulton and wife Erika Sweet. He was predeceased by his loving wife of 44 years, Dayle Moulton, in 2016.

Calling hours will be held on Friday, Jan. 26, from 4 - 7 p.m., at the Peabody Funeral Home, 290 Mammoth Rd., Londonderry, NH. A funeral service will be held on Saturday, Jan. 27, at 11 a.m., at the Londonderry United Methodist Church, 258 Mammoth Rd., Londonderry, NH. A private burial will take place at a later date. Memorial contributions may be made to Rivier University, 420 S. Main St., Nashua, NH 03060. Kindly note, "Dayle Moulton Memorial Scholarship" on the memo line. To send a condolence, please visit www.peabodyfuneralhome.com.

Lancers Hockey Team Suffer First Defeat

CHRIS PAUL
LONDONDERRY TIMES

Riding a seven game winning streak and heading into their eighth game of the season undefeated, the Londonderry High School Hockey squad suffered its first defeat to the Windham Jaguars at the team "White Out for Warriors" event.

The strong Windham

team scored four unanswered goals on Saturday night, Jan. 20, behind a very tough Jaguars goal tender for the 0-4 loss in Salem at the Icenter.

The Windham squad came into the game with a 5-2 record, with losses to Bow High School and the Crimson Tide, but despite the superior record, the Lancers

were stifled in the scoring department.

Three nights earlier, on their home ice, at the Hooksett Tri-Town Arena, Londonderry added to their win streak with a 3-2 overtime win against the Salem High School Blue Devils.

Lancers goals came from seniors Owen

Carey, Brandon Morin, and Matthew Boyon.

The LHS squad is scheduled with another game against Pinkerton this week after delivering the Astros an 8-2 loss a week earlier, and they will take on Trinity (3-6) on Saturday, Jan. 27, at St. Anselm's Sullivan Arena starting at 2 p.m.



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Londonderry Ski Team Take to the Slopes at Pats Peak

CHRIS PAUL
LONDONDERRY TIMES

Londonderry High School Girls' and Boys' Alpine Ski Race Team have had three races this year and have seen some significant progress in the 2024 season.

Although snow was mostly man-made to start the year, recent snowstorms have made conditions more desirable as the season progresses.

In the Slalom Race on Pat's Peak Mountain, on Jan. 4, the Girls' team results were: senior captain, Laurel Guthrie, had a total race time of 48.96 and earned 87 NHIAA points, finishing 16th overall; junior Emily Linkov, had a time of 57.78 and earned 81 NHIAA points, finishing 29th; junior Maddie Tufts had a time of 59.54 and earned 80 NHIAA points, finishing 30th; junior Nora Maher had a time of 62.30 and earned 75 NHIAA points, to finish 38th.

Overall, the Girls' team finished in fifth place out of the 10 teams competing. For the Boys' team: sophomore Caden Guthrie had a time of 43.87 and earned 98 NHIAA points, finishing in third-place overall; freshman Hayden West had a time of 56.37 and earned 81 NHIAA points (23rd); senior captain, Jacob Vogel, had a time of 56.39 and earned 80 NHIAA points (24th); junior Mason Turek had a time of 72.66 and earned 68 NHIAA points for 39th overall.

The Lancer boys finished sixth out of 10 teams and 62 racers participating.

At the Giant Slalom Race, on Pat's Peak Mountain, Jan. 11, additional points were accumulated.

For the Girls' Team: Guthrie had a time of 55.94, earned 89-points and 12th place. She finished 12th overall in the race; Linkov had a time of 61.60, 79-points and

23rd place; junior Ava Amaro, had a time of 65.85, earned 75-points and finished 30th; Tufts had a time of 67.20, earned 71-points and finished 34th overall.

The Girls' team finished in sixth place with 69 racers participating.

The LHS boys also had a sixth place finish at the event. West had a time of 57.53 and 85-points, finishing 17th overall; Vogel had a race time of 60.93 earning 75-points and finishing in 29th; Turek had a time of 68.67, earned 66-points and finished 43rd; senior Connor Koza finished at 71.06, earned 64-points and finished 46th overall.

At the Giant Slalom Race on Jan. 18 at Pat's Peak Mountain the teams had similar results

For the Lancers Girls: Guthrie had a time of 52.62, earned 87-points and finished at 17th; Tufts had a time of 61.31, earned 77-points and finished 32nd; Amaro had a



Lancers Boys and Girls Ski Teams at Pats Peak. Courtesy photo

time of 62.64, earned 75-points and finished at 36th; junior Nora Maher had a time of 63.41, earning and 74-points to finish 37th overall.

As a team, the girls finished in sixth out of the eight teams.

For the Lancers boys team: Guthrie had a time of 48.83, earned 95-points and finished in sixth-place overall in the race; West had a time of 53.98, earned 84-points and finished 18th overall; Vogel had a time of 55.96 and earned 81-points for 23rd place; and Koza had a time of 63.89 and earned 73-points, finishing at 36th.

Overall, the boys finished in fifth-place at the event with 52 racers participating.

Coach, Keith Foley, commented on the sea-

son, "We had a slow start at the first race because of the poor ski trail conditions. However, now that the snow is falling and the weather is much colder, we can incorporate some extra ski training drills to improve the skill set of each individual racer" -

Coach, Stephen Tufts, added, "We have a good mix of experienced racers and younger racers. The most important thing Coach Foley and I stress is that all of the team members stick together, support each other, and improve their ski racing skills each time on the mountain."

Future Pat's Peak races include: Slalom race on Thursday, Jan. 25; and the Giant Slalom race on Thursday, Feb 1. Races start at 3:30 p.m.

on both days.

Londonderry will host their annual "A-1 Day Race" and "Senior Day" at Sunapee Mountain on Thursday, Feb. 8, starting at 10 a.m. Teams will run the Giant Slalom race in the morning, followed by the Slalom race starting at 1 p.m. The event includes tailgating and cookouts, a ceremony to honor the seniors, and an awards ceremony at the end of the race.

The Girls NHIAA State Championship is scheduled to be held at Gunstock Mountain on Monday, Feb. 12, starting at 10 a.m.

The Boys NHIAA State Championship is scheduled at Crotched Mountain on Tuesday, Feb. 13, starting at 10 a.m.

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Pickleball Day

There will be a Pickleball Day, on Saturday, Jan. 27, from 3 - 6 pm at the Londonderry High School Gym. There will be free lessons, free play on one of the four indoor courts, learn about the game's rules and equipment, a raffle and information on the proposed Londonderry Pickleball complex.

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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.

Republican Meeting

Londonderry Republican Committee will hold their Monthly Meeting will be held on Feb. 1, from 7 - 8:30 p.m., at Londonderry Baptist Church, 368 Mammoth Rd., Londonderry, NH.

LEEP

Londonderry Early

Education Program is now accepting applications for the 2024-2025 school year! The program is provided by the Londonderry School District. The Program for three-year old preschoolers meet 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 Please email Denise Fosmire at dfosmire@londonderry.org or Kim Speers at kspeers@londonderry.org.

Wiggle Worms Story Time

On Tuesday or Wednesday mornings at 10:30 a.m. from Jan. 9 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.

ESL Conversation Group

Leach Library is partnering with the Nashua Adult Learning Center to offer a free ESL Conversation Group at the Leach library on Wednesday afternoons from Jan. 10 - Feb. 21, from 12:30 - 2:30 p.m. The group is free and open to adults ages 18 and older. Participants will receive free storybooks provided by New Hampshire Humanities. Advance registration is required,

please contact M.T. Huard at the Nashua Adult Learning Center, (603) 716-7017, mhuard@nashuaalc.org. Participants will be asked to take a brief initial assessment before the first session.

Go Native! Native Plants in Landscapes

Come to the Leach Library on Thursday, Jan. 25 at 6:30 p.m. to learn what native plants are and why they are important to add to your landscapes with UNH Extension Master Gardener Jane Raymond! Attendees will learn where to buy natives and how to use them successfully in their new and existing gardens. This program series is sponsored by the Green Team of Londonderry. Registration is required and begins on Thursday, Jan. 18. To register, visit the library's online event calendar or call (603) 432-1132. Two more events in this gardening series are scheduled for Thursday, Feb. 8 and Thursday, March 28 at 6:30 p.m.

Cookbook Potluck: Everything Chocolate

Come to the Leach Library on Wednesday, Feb. 21 at 11:30 a.m. for a chocolate-themed potluck.

Prepare and share a recipe from either "Everything Chocolate" by America's Test Kitchen or "Chocolate is Forever" by Maida Heatter. The library cannot guarantee each dish's ingredients or accurate preparation. Food served at this program may contain or come into contact with common allergens. Registration is limited to 15 participants and begins on Wednesday, Jan. 10. Please visit the library's main desk to reserve a recipe and check out a cookbook.

Block by Block Coding Club and Maker Lab

On Wednesday, Jan. 31 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,

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Londonderry Police Log

Selections taken from the daily Londonderry Police Logs

Monday, Jan. 15
12:20 a.m. Motor Vehicle Check on Avery Road, at Londonderry Flea Market, leads to an arrest made by two officers. Hannington Waswa Muwanga, 37, of Billerica, MA., charged with Driving Under the Influence - Impairment.
12:37 a.m. Services ren-

dered for Suspicious Activity at the Manchester Boston Regional Airport.
4:30 a.m. Four officers assisted the N.H. State Patrol with an arrest on Nashua Road, at Route 93. Justin Hainey, 32, of Manchester, charged with: Disobeying an Officer; Reckless Operation;

Disorderly Conduct; Resisting Arrest/Detention; Speeding 21-24 mph Over Limit of 55 or Less; Misuse of Plates; Defective Equipment; Possession of Controlled Drug (Schedule 1-4); Transporting Drugs in a Motor Vehicle; Controlled Drug - Premises Where Drugs

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Jan. 24. To register, visit the library's online calendar or call (603) 432-1132.

Romance Book Discussion

Come to the Leach Library on Thursday, Feb. 15 at 6:30 p.m. to discuss "The Bromance Book Club" by Lyssa Kay Adams. Chocolate will be served. Registration opens on Thursday, Jan. 11 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 avail-

able to check out at the library's main desk.

Republican Meeting

On Thursday, Feb. 2, from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m., the Londonderry Republican Committee (LRC) will meet at the Long Blue Cat Brewery, 298 Rockingham Rd, Londonderry. Members, friends, and affiliates are welcome. They will be discussing upcoming Town and School Board elections. Come and join like minded citizens for a discussion and enjoy a drink in a friendly atmosphere. For more information: <https://Londonderry-GOP.org>, www.facebook.com/LondonderryGOP, or

contact Chair Jonathan Esposito at lrc@londonderry-gop.org

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to your technology-related needs. For more information no appointment is necessary or to make an appointment for another time, please call the library at (603) 432-1132.

Meet Your Neighbors

The Londonderry Women's Club brings diverse women together; creating an environment that nurtures friendships while encouraging community involvement through volunteerism. If you would like more information about the Londonderry Women's Club or are thinking about joining a group that gives back to the community, check us out on

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are Kept; Unregistered Vehicle; and Arrested on a Warrant.

9:41 a.m. Services rendered to Keep the Peace on Pleasant Drive.

9:56 a.m. Seven officers render services at Londonderry Town Hall for a Disturbance. Subject believed to be on under the influence of drugs or alcohol had left Town Hall, but was found later at residence and there were no signs of impairment.

2:33 p.m. Suspicious Activity investigated on Litchfield Road.

3:04 p.m. Welfare Check conducted by for officers at the RMZ Truck Stop on Rockingham Road Transported to a Hospital.

6:08 p.m. Services rendered for a Medical Emergency reported at the Manchester Boston Regional Airport.

5:19 p.m. Services rendered for Juvenile Offenses reported on Windings Pond Road.

Wednesday, Jan. 17

2:44 a.m. Five officers make a "Be On The Look-out" arrest at Home Depot on Nashua Road. Angus Lynch, 59, of Manchester, arrested Without a Warrant - Domestic Violence.

8:03 a.m. Four officers assisted the Londonderry Fire Department with services on High Range Road.

9:45 a.m. Warrant served and arrest made by three officers on Bartley Hill Road.

Unit Number: 16 Officer: Officer Brandon Gauthier Unit Number: 18 Officers: Officer Tony Ssonko & Officer Tyler Macdonald Kimberly Masson, 41, of Londonderry, arrested on a Warrant.

11:14 a.m. Warrant ser-

ved and arrest made by three officers on Pinyon Place. David Allen, 36, of Raymond, charged on four Bench Warrants; and arrested on two Warrants.

3:19 p.m. Services rendered for a Medical Emergency on Kelly Avenue at the Manchester Boston Regional Airport.

8:58 p.m. Assisted the Londonderry Fire Department with services on Pinyon Place.

9:56 p.m. Welfare Check conducted by three officers at the Sleep Inn on Perkins Road.

Thursday, Jan. 18

8:33 a.m. Suspicious Activity investigated at the RMZ Truck Stop on Rockingham Road.

12:38 p.m. Suspicious Activity investigated by three officers on Rockingham Road at the Convenience Plus Londonderry.

7:20 p.m. Disturbance

investigated by five officers on Rockingham Road.

8:58 p.m. Neighborhood Disputes investigated on Norwich Place.

Friday, Jan. 19

11:33 a.m. Warrant served and arrest made on Rambling Rose Drive. Nicholas Silakos, 20, of Manchester, charged with three counts of Forced Sexual Assault - Penetration - Victim age 13-15.

2:12 p.m. Services rendered for Criminal Mischief at Shaw's on Orchard View Drive.

3:06 p.m. Services rendered for Suspicious Activity reported on Griffin Road.

4:47 p.m. Report of Run-away Juvenile investigated on Mammoth Road.

8:40 p.m. Juvenile Offenses reported on High Range Road at Shasta Drive.

Saturday, Jan. 20

1:02 a.m. Two officers responded to an alarm at a business on Londonderry Road and make an arrest. Michael McKenown, 46, of Londonderry, charged with: Driving Under the Influence - Impairment.

7:39 a.m. Services rendered for Larceny/Forgery/Fraud on Chase Road.

9:37 a.m. Medical Emergency transported to a hospital from Janie's Uncommon Café on Nashua Road.

2:47 p.m. Two officers assisted another Police Department with services at the Macgregor Cut apartments on Stonehenge Road.

7:10 p.m. Juvenile Offenses investigated on

Mountain Home Road.

Sunday, Jan. 21

11:03 a.m. Services rendered to Keep the Peace on Bartley Hill Road.

4:46 p.m. Domestic Disturbance investigated by four officers on Wedgewood Drive.

10:48 p.m. Motor vehicle check at Wendy's, on Nashua Road, leads to an arrest made by four officers. Christopher Dubuc, 54, of Derry, charged with: four counts Possession of a Controlled Drug (Schedule 1-4); Transporting Drugs in a Motor Vehicle; Controlled Drug - Premises Where Drugs Kept; Loitering or Prowling; and Falsifying Physical Evidence (Alter, Destroy, Hide).

Tuesday, Jan. 16

6:30 a.m. Assisted the Londonderry Fire Department with services on Adams Road.

9:50 a.m. Eleven officers assist other Police Department with an arrest on Auburn Road.

10:46 a.m. Services rendered for Trespassing reported at the Triangle Mobil Mart on Rockingham Road.

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