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Haeleigh Hyatt and her Border Collie “Sage” displayed their unique talent of freestyle frisbee tricks for children at the Londonderry Recreation Summer Camp. Hyatt brought along five dogs to perform a number of routines. See more page 5. *Photo by Chris Paul*

Vote on Jack Bridge Road Project Delayed To July 21

ALEX MALM
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Londonderry Town Council held a public hearing during its most recent meeting regarding a proposal to issue a building permit for a property located on a Class VI road.

Bob Baskerville of Bedford Design Consultants, who was representing the applicant said they were looking to build a home on an eight-acre lot.

“We want to build one house at 38 Jack Bridge Road,” he said.

In a memo to the Planning Board Assistant Town Manager Kel-

lie Caron explained, “Lot 17-42A is an existing lot of record situated along the historic right-of-way of Jack’s Bridge Road.”

“Historically, the lot was accessible via both Jack’s Bridge Road and Page Road,” Caron wrote. “However, in 2004, the Town Council acting on a formal petition-voted to discontinue a portion of Jack’s Bridge Road classified as a Class VI roadway. As a result, the lot’s only current access is via Page Road, which is also classified as a Class VI road. The property is located in the AR-1 zoning district.”

Caron also explained

that a “similar request regarding this property was brought forward in 2016 by a previous owner.”

“At that time, the Planning Board issued a recommendation to the Town Council, accompanied by a staff memorandum outlining conditions to be applied should the Council approve the issuance of a building permit,” she wrote. “The current applicant is seeking approval to construct on the lot and has formally requested a building permit. Under NHRSA 674:41, building permits for lots accessed by **continued on page 3**

Trustee Meeting Brings Threats of Recall and Ethics Complaint

PAUL CONYERS
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Leach Library Board of Trustees had a very lengthy July meeting last week with a discussion of ways to fill several staff openings that ended with public comments threatening to recall the chair and bring forward ethics complaints.

During the meeting, Trustee Chair Liz Thomas, explained that there has been delay in filling the positions of part-time library technician and children’s librarian was related to poor communication between the members and Library

Director Erin Matlin.

“We have had two different versions of Erin for both positions, and both positions’ versions have not been what she said she would send to us, and that’s the problem,” claimed Thomas, who later added that she wanted to “work together” with library staff.

According to the Chair, one version of the job postings sent by Matlin had listed rates that were “way too high.”

“The pay rate is a direct reflection of the salary ranges,” said Assistant Director Donna Plante, who argued the job listing she wanted to

post was based on instructions given to her by the Trustees. “If you drop the rate minimum significantly, you’re going to have a pay inequity. You have people doing the same job for less.”

There was also uncertainty over the question of job benefits.

One of the job de- **continued on page 7**

EPA’s Proposes Plan to Supply Water to Homes Impacted by the Tinkham Site

PAUL CONYERS
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Utilities Committee met on July 1 to hear new information about the clean water plan for homes most impacted by the Tinkham Garage Superfund Site. Recently, the Environmental

Protection Agency (EPA) began soliciting public comments for its latest proposal.

“We have a Proposed Plan for the interim remedy. It’s not the finalized plan before it goes through the whole public comment period,” explained Administrative Sup-

port Coordinator Kirsten Hildonen. “The Proposed Plan, the one that is favored by the EPA, is the construction of water line extensions; there’s a water line down Gilcrest.”

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Town Council Expected To Discuss Revisiting Impact Fees July 21

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The Town Council had its first formal discussion on the idea of reinstating impact fees during the July 7 meeting, but the discussion was ended without a vote. The subject will be brought up again during the next meeting, on July 21.

"The intention of this item is to have the Council discuss and provide direction that authorizes the Town Manager to start to develop that impact fee ordinance and then an implementation plan for your consideration," Assistant Town Manager Kellie Caron said.

In a memo to the

Town Council, she wrote that "Impact fees are a tool authorized under NH RSA 674:21(V) that allow municipalities to assess new development for its proportional share of capital facility costs - such as schools, roads, fire protection, or recreation - needed to accommodate growth. Fees must be assessed in accordance with a locally adopted ordinance and based on a documented methodology."

"This agenda item seeks Town Council direction to authorize the Town Manager to develop a draft impact fee ordinance and implementation plan for future Council consideration. The plan would outline

the legal, procedural, and administrative steps necessary to establish a compliant and effective impact fee program," Caron wrote. "While there are no immediate financial implications to proceeding with development of an implementation plan, there will be financial implications associated with conducting a formal study and methodology to support the establishment of impact fees. Legal review may also be required during ordinance development."

Town Council Vice Chair Shawn Faber said he wasn't necessarily on board with looking at it at this time.

"This is the problem:

we get a concept, throw it out there that's going to solve a bunch of problems, but we don't have anything on the CIP that we'd apply to this. So it's hard to envision how to go forward without having an end in mind," he said.

Town Councilor Ted Combes noted that they don't have the funding for it right now and that they would have to go through the budget process.

Town Councilor Deb Paul argued that they should have the tools in place to act quickly.

"What are the tools we want in our tool belt, ready and prepared to be able to use when a situation arises that we need to use them on?"

Paul said.

Faber said he thinks they should take the approach of tackling a policy when or if there is a project that comes in that it would pertain to.

Former Town Manager Kevin Smith spoke during public comment, explaining that they used to have the fees many years ago, until the Town was sued because they were illegally collecting and appropriating the impact fees.

"The Town owed hundreds of thousands of dollars back to the developers because it was not administering its impact fee program correctly," he said.

He also explained that there has to be a

"rational nexus between the impact fees that are being collected and growth in the Town."

For example, he explained that developers already pay taxes for operational costs, and that the fees would have to be related to growth.

Smith suggested that they look at other things rather than going through the impact fees process.

The discussion ended with Combes invoking Councilor Privilege, meaning they delayed any action until the next meeting, citing that the Town Manager wasn't present, who was on a pre-planned vacation.

Tinkham

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Ross Drive, Tokanel Drive, Albany Avenue, and Boston Avenue.

"It's important to note that this is an interim remedy for drinking water that they're proposing. This does not end EPA involvement with the Tinkham site; they're still looking for ways to basically remediate the contamination," Hildonen continued. "This

is designed to bring clean drinking water, as soon as possible, to roughly 89 homes."

Construction costs for the Proposed Plan have been estimated at \$6.8 million. Design and construction of the new pipeline will take two to three years.

"Who's paying for that?" asked Utilities Vice Chair Martha Smith. "That was unclear."

Hildonen indicated that the EPA was "work-

ing with the responsible party" to fund the project, meaning the Cannons Sites Group would be required to contribute toward the Proposed Plan and later clean-up efforts. Secondary aspects of the plan, like the possible addition of hydrants connected to the new water lines, would be covered by the town of Londonderry.

"The EPA has been speaking to the Cannon

Group, and there has been regular communication," she said. "As it is a Superfund site, we are not involved in that conversation."

According to Town Manager Shaun Mulholland, final details of the arrangement between the EPA and the Cannon Group would only be finalized once the Proposed Plan is approved by the regional EPA director.

"They've some similar projects, this is all in line with what they're doing in similar paces with similar issues," said Mulholland.

A former automotive garage and salvage yard, the 375-acre Tinkham site was added to the National Priorities List in 1983 and was first

reported as a problem in 1978.

"This has been going on for a long time," said committee member Ray Breslin. "The Cannon Group is the people responsible for bringing the contamination to the Tinkham site. This is nothing new; the EPA has known this for years, along with the people from the chemical companies who supplied Cannon to get rid of them. This has been going on way too long."

Mulholland encouraged those impacted by the Superfund site to make their opinions known during the regulatory process.

"It's important we get every point across," he said, emphasizing the importance of written

comments. "Those will go into the official record, and they will respond to those on the record."

Comments on the Proposed Plan can be submitted by residents via mail to 5 Post Office Square, Mail Code: 07-I, Boston, MA 02109, via email to sprague.cheryl@epa.gov, or online via www.regulations.gov/doctype/EPA-R01-SFUND-20-25-0117. There was a public comment period that ran from Friday, July 11, through Tuesday, Aug. 12 and the EPA has also scheduled to host a formal public hearing on Tuesday, July 29, from 6 to 7 p.m. at the Londonderry Town Hall in Moose Hill Council Chamber.

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Farrell's Deputy Town Treasurer Appointment Raises Debate

ALEX MALM
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The decision on whether or not to confirm the appointment of a Deputy Town Treasurer was put off until the next meeting, after Town Councilor Dan Bouchard invoked Councilor Privilege during the July 7 meeting.

At the Monday meeting, recently elected Town Treasurer Tom Dolan announced he was looking to appoint former Town Councilor John Farrell as the Deputy Treasurer, after discussing Farrell's com-

mitment to the Town.

"John is never looking for credit or a thank you; he just wants to help his fellow citizens. John has excellent experience and knowledge and is the perfect candidate to fill this role as deputy treasurer," Dolan said.

During public comment, resident Kristine Perez said while she knows it's up to the Town Treasurer to select their deputy, she wanted to throw her name out as a possible deputy, saying as a nurse for over 40 years, mostly in acute care, she is a

"stickler" for details.

"Having been retired for 14-years, my job has been to save money, a job my husband says I excel at," Perez said.

She also explained that she doesn't pose any potential conflict of interest if she is appointed as the Deputy Town Treasurer.

"I also feel that with my appointment, it would offer no conflict of interest with the Town," she said.

Bouchard explained that he wanted the information ahead of time, and also said that they heard from someone

else who was interested, when announcing he would invoke the councilor privilege, which allows any councilor to delay action on an item by one meeting.

He also made reference to the complaints recently filed by Farrell against Town Councilor Deb Paul, which have not reached a final conclusion at this time.

Councilor Deb Paul recused herself from the discussion and vote, due to the multiple complaints placed against her by Farrell.

"I also have a problem when we have an

investigation going on right now with that individual," Bouchard said, noting that he wanted to consult with Legal Counsel.

But Dolan said he had already spoken to them.

"There's no conflict of interest," he said.

Kathy Wagner, who previously served as the Town Treasurer for 18 years, before deciding against running for reelection in March, said that the person as deputy treasurer only

needs to be qualified in order to be appointed.

"They have the option to not appoint anyone," Wagner said, noting that in the past, they would just go in front of the Town Council to let them know who they picked. "It's a courtesy for them to come up in front of you," she explained, noting that they could do it by consensus.

The next Londonderry Town Council meeting is set for July 21, beginning at 7 p.m.

Road

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Class VI roads require approval by the Town Council, following review and comment by the Planning Board."

She explained that per statute "if the Town Council grants approval, a notice must be recorded at the Registry of Deeds stating the limitations of municipal responsibility and liability."

"The Town has a standard agreement and release form that has been used in similar cases. This agreement confirms that the Town has no responsibility for maintenance or liability for damages related to the use of the Class VI road," Caron wrote. "It also includes a release

of claims for loss or damage, including those arising from the potential failure to provide emergency services due to road conditions. Additionally, the agreement requires that the road be maintained to a minimum 20-foot width and kept in good and passable condition."

It was noted that the Planning Board gave a unanimous recommendation to approve the request.

One of the points of contention was a proposal by the applicant to make the road 15-foot wide instead of 20-feet.

Division Chief of Fire Prevention Brian Johnson said that they weren't recommending it to be 20-feet and instead it comes from the fire code, put out by the State.

"These are all coming out of state fire code," Johnson said.

Acting Fire Chief Fred Heinrich said he is concerned with the idea of having the road be 15 feet. He said even with a waiver, his department would still respond, which could cause their equipment to get stuck or possibly damage.

"Saying that we're not going to respond to somebody in a time of need just I struggle with that, and that's my biggest concern," he said.

Heinrich also explained that he would be concerned about the road possibly not being maintained.

"Without the road being maintained it will be challenging," he said.

Margherita Verani, and other abutters in attendance, argued that

they were required to build the road to be 20-feet when they built their home, and think that they should be required to do the same.

Verani also mentioned that there is the potential of four houses being built off the driveway and added that the new property would be impacted by her road if they choose not to maintain it.

John Verani thought that the town would be putting itself at risk if they granted the waiver from the required 20-foot driveway.

Ultimately, no decision was made on the road when board member Deb Paul invoked Councilor privilege, meaning the vote was delayed to the July 21 meeting.

OBITUARY

Suzanne M. Hilliard



Suzanne M. Hilliard, 82, of Londonderry, NH died Monday, June 30, 2025 in All American Assisted Living in Londonderry following a lengthy illness. She was born on Oct. 14, 1942 in Manchester, NH, a daughter of the late Lucien and Charlotte (Gagnon) LaPlante. She had been a resident of Londonderry for close to 50 years, formerly living in Manchester, NH. Suzanne had been employed as a mail carrier for the USPS out of the Derry office, retiring in 2009. She was an avid gardener and had been the President of the Londonderry Garden Club. Suzanne was also a huge supporter of Londonderry sports teams.

She is survived by her sons, Sean R. Hilliard and his wife Tashia, and Brian R. Hilliard and his wife Nancy; four grandchildren, Maya Hilliard, Nathan Hilliard, Chris Hilliard and his wife Melissa, and Allison Hilliard. She was predeceased by her husband, Robert S. Hilliard in 2021, and her sister, Pauline Rainville.

Following cremation, the family will hold services privately. Memorial contributions may be made to The Alzheimer's Association, 225 N Michigan Ave., Floor 17, Chicago, IL 60601. The Peabody Funeral Homes and Crematorium of Derry and Londonderry are assisting the family with arrangements.

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Editorial

Taste the Local Flavors

There has been considerable discussion recently about preserving the “rural lifestyles” of our communities as population density increases. One of the defining features of a rural community, particularly in the New Hampshire countryside, is the flourishing presence of local farm stands and farmers’ markets.

In recent years, farmers’ markets have emerged in the downtown areas of larger cities. Locations such as Portsmouth and Manchester provide a wonderful opportunity for residents seeking fresh, local fruits and vegetables, especially for those who may not have enough land to grow their own or who cannot easily travel to the countryside to purchase them directly.

Fortunately, our community is in close proximity to local sources of fresh produce; in many cases, we are the source. Just look for a nearby farmers’ market. Their agricultural offerings are available for both residents and tourists daily, often right at the farm where the food is grown, frequently with a U-pick option as well.

There’s something particularly satisfying about residents getting together for a couple of hours a week to shop outdoors. It’s not certain what you will find. Whether it be flowers, fresh breads, fruits, vegetables, homemade soaps, organic dog biscuits, maple syrup, live music and entertainment, or crafts

for the kids, it has something new every week.

These local markets bring together local products and community members, transforming shopping into an occasion to connect with friends, share recipes, learn about unique fruits and vegetables, and promote healthier eating habits.

If you value supporting your neighbors and keeping your dollars within the community, then farms, farm stands, and farmers’ markets are an excellent way to support small businesses and strengthen the local economy, effectively cutting out the middleman.

Farm stands and farmers’ markets go back to the market days of past centuries, when area residents would come to town to do their weekly shopping and visit with their neighbors.

Living where we do, we don’t have to reinvent the wheel to find community and good eating close to home.

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Letters

Library Trustees & Staff

To the editor,
I attended the Library Trustee meeting on July 10 and wanted to share some observations and thoughts in the spirit of helping move things in a more productive direction.

To be candid, I found the meeting to be quite disorganized and marked by noticeable division. It was clear there are differing perspectives among the trustees, and unfortunately, those differences appear to be affecting the group’s ability to work collaboratively. This lack of cohesion, which seems to extend to interactions with library staff as well, makes it difficult to have effective, solution-oriented discussions.

The meeting’s extended length - over four hours - was difficult for everyone involved. Meetings of this duration are challenging for productivity and often result in conversations looping without clear outcomes. From my perspective, many of the issues discussed are not particularly complex, but the group seems to struggle with decision-making and forward momentum.

While I did not attend the Saturday meeting and can’t comment directly on what occurred, I understand there were serious concerns raised, including the involvement of the Londonderry Police Department. That situation, from what I gather, was unfortunate and hopefully avoidable in the future.

I would strongly recommend that the seven trustees consider organ-

izing a private offsite meeting - something focused and constructive - to establish a clear plan for how the group intends to operate cohesively and respectfully for the remainder of the term. If changes to leadership or meeting structure are needed, I encourage those decisions to be made thoughtfully but decisively. The current pattern is simply unsustainable.

To the library staff, I want to acknowledge that the environment may feel tense at times. However, I did not witness any overt disrespect directed toward staff during the meeting, and the requests made seemed reasonable. If there are ever points of confusion or uncertainty, I encourage a quick sidebar or follow-up conversation rather than prolonged exchanges during the meeting. While the library is not a corporate business, a certain level of professional conduct and efficiency is still important.

Ultimately, I believe everyone involved - the trustees and the library staff - cares about the well-being and success of the library. I urge all nine individuals to set aside personal differences and work toward a more respectful, organized, and productive meeting environment.

And on a lighter note - let’s save the jazz hands for a different kind of performance. Professionalism should set the tone for these meetings.

Sincerely,
Cris Navarro
Londonderry

Demand for Change from Library Trustees

To the editor,
Objectively, this board is not efficient. Meetings run (extremely) long and special sessions are added frequently. This is a solvable problem which can improve with outside assistance. A strong board is the foundation for a thriving library. Patrons want to see them succeed because we want our library to succeed.

Aside from inefficiency, most troubling are patterns that don’t have an easy fix. These patterns are why more and more residents are showing up to meetings. When the government functions in alignment with community values, people don’t need to show up. When it doesn’t, we do. It’s not an unnecessary disruption or escalation due to rumors, it’s democracy in action.

Community members have made it clear that we are worried about how library staff are being treated. Trustees are meant to be stewards: holding the library accountable - but also supporting it. That requires trust in and collaboration with the people who run it.

Instead there is micro-management and “death by a thousand cuts” - a buildup of small decisions that undermine morale and exhaust capacity. It’s a tactic I’ve seen used against our own public schools, and it’s just as harmful here.

A few recent examples:

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Haeleigh Hyatt brought her Aim High Canines to the Londonderry Recreation Summer Camp last week for some freestyle frisbee tricks. Hyatt had five dogs performing a number of routines. *Photo by Chris Paul*



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Residents Not Happy with Limited Public Input Amidst Long Library Meeting

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At their July 9 meeting, the Leach Library Board of Trustees discussed changes to their bylaws and meeting procedures, most notably when and how they would hold a public input session. Such sessions have typically been held at the start and end of each meeting. Resident David Gaintz was one of many who noticed that the July meeting did not open with public input.

“According to the bylaws, public comment is supposed to happen before starting new business, is that not true?” asked resident David

Gaintz. “I think that you’re not doing the public a service with this.”

Chair Liz Thomas stated that the Trustees went by Robert’s Rules of Order, that the bylaws allowed the Chair control of the agenda, and that the agenda placed the public comments session at the end of the meeting in light of what was expected to be a crowded meeting.

While there was support for Gaintz’s position among the members of the public and more than one Board member, the sentiment was not universal, with other Trustees arguing that excessive and even uncontrolled public input

had repeatedly proven to be disruptive.

“I think based on the disorder that happened during the last meeting, having started with public comment to begin with, and having people clapping all through the meeting, and having people not leave when they were being disrespectful to the Chair, I think it’s reasonable to say that we’re going to have a more controlled situation,” said Trustee Jan McLaughlin.

With a few brief exceptions, the Trustees eventually voted to limit most public discussion to the end of the meeting, leading to several complaints when the

meeting length eventually exceeded four-and-a-half hours.

“Objectively, this Board is not efficient. You’ve all acknowledged this with meetings running long and special sessions added frequently,” said Tiffany Gagnon, who called it “a solvable problem,” even with growing public participation at meetings. “The public is watching now because we care, and showing up because this matters.”

Amy Agostino was sharper with her criticism, accusing the Board of Trustees of making the meeting “deliberately inaccessible.”

“My elderly neighbor, who adores this library

and is in every Wednesday without fail, goes to bed at 8:30; he couldn’t be here!” said Agostino. “I’ve never seen such an inefficient meeting!”

Several residents who had been present at the start of the meeting had left early.

Resident Gabriela Webber also chastized the Trustees for the high level of “discourse” at their meeting, noting that long meetings, along with disputes between the Board, library staff, and residents, were nothing new.

“I have never seen a Board that micromanages to this level,” she said.

“There are clearly a

lot of problems with this Board and its operation, it’s just so evident, it’s been evident for many months, and it’s not getting better, it’s accelerating, it’s getting worse,” claimed resident Paul Sclard.

Several Leach library staff members expressed similar opinions.

“I think we’re all about to turn into pumpkins, but I want to make a point. I have never seen this insanity before,” said Azra Palo.

The public input section of the meeting was timed, although it was unclear what steps the Trustees would take to limit the length of meetings in the coming months.

Officials Move to Have Public Hearing on Performance Overlay

ALEX MALM
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Town Council agreed to move forward with a public hearing to potentially remove the Route 28 Performance Overlay District during its July 7 meeting.

It was explained by the Assistant Town Manager, Kellie Caron, that they first created the District over 20 years ago.

“The Route 28 Performance Overlay District

(POD) was adopted in 2002 to discourage large-scale commercial development - such as big box retail - along major highway corridors by imposing reduced lot sizes and more restrictive dimensional standards,” she wrote. “The POD was created in accordance with the 1997 Master Plan and was intended as a temporary planning tool.”

It was supposed to be temporary, she said, and it is still in place, pre-

sending different challenges.

“More than 20 years later, the overlay remains in place and now presents challenges to redevelopment efforts, particularly along the Exit 5 corridor - a key area with strong redevelopment potential,” Caron wrote. “The restrictive dimensional requirements imposed by the POD are now a constraint on adaptive reuse and infill development. This proposed

amendment eliminates the Route 28 Performance Overlay District (Section 4.6.7) in its entirety to promote modern land use priorities and redevelopment flexibility. There are no direct financial implications, and legal review is not required.”

Caron explained during the meeting that they have heard a lot of feedback that people are looking for improvements to that area, and that, because of the lot sizes, she thinks it makes sense from a planning perspective to remove it altogether.

Caron stated that the Planning Board recommended that the Town Council vote to remove

it completely.

Town Councilor Deb Paul said she isn’t against removing the overlay, but thinks they should have a conversation with the Department of Transportation about potentially making improvements to the road, and then fitting the overlay. This way, when the overlay is lifted, we know what the road can handle where.

Town Council Vice Chair Shawn Faber said he didn’t disagree with Paul. But said that would be part of a long-term plan.

Paul argued we can start the discussions with DOT now.

“You’ve got to start somewhere,” she said.

Caron said that they plan on looking at the corridor, including for traffic, and said she thinks it’s appropriate to remove it.

Town Councilor Ted Combes said it’s currently detrimental to build anything there, with the current POD in place, and that they had heard from people as long as two years ago, who own property there, who were looking for a change from the Planning Board.

The Town Council voted 4-0 to move forward with a public hearing on July 21.

Town Councilor Dan Bouchard recused himself from the discussion and the vote during the meeting.

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Tax Credit Proposal Sent To Public Hearing by Town Council

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LONDONDERRY TIMES

One of the agenda items during the July 7 Town Council meeting was regarding the Disabled Veterans Tax Credit.

"Recently, the legislature adopted HB99 with an effective date of July 13," Assessor Stephan Hamilton explained to the Town Council.

It was explained by Hamilton that it changes the provisions of the tax credit in two different ways.

"It allows for the town to increase the maximum amount of the tax credit for qualifying veterans to be increased from \$4,000 to \$5,000 per year; and it eliminates a veteran who would qualify for another credit (such as the Standard Veterans, Optional Veterans, All Veterans credits) or exemption (such as a certain disabled Veteran under RSA 72:36-a)," he wrote in a memo to the Town Council.

He explained that the currently adopted "Op-

tional Veterans Tax Credit of \$750 will no longer be combined for qualifying Disabled Veterans."

Hamilton explained that they were proposing to move to a public hearing on July 21 "to adopt the provisions of RSA 72:35, I-a, Tax Credit for Service-Connected Total Disability, in the amount of \$5,000, with an effective date of August 1, 2025."

It was explained by Hamilton that there are currently 79 people who use it.

Currently, 79 individuals are granted the Total and Permanent (78 full and 1 partial). Adoption of the increase results in an increase of \$78,500 in this category," he wrote. "There will be a corresponding decrease in the Optional Veterans of \$50,250 due to the current allowance of these credits to be combined being removed by adoption of the new provisions. This results in a net increase of the total tax credits of \$28,250."

One question raised

during the meeting was what the estimated tax rate impact would be for \$28,250.

Hamilton explained that he didn't have the exact amount, but it would be less than half a penny on the tax rate.

The Council unanimously approved sending the proposal to a public hearing on July 21.

In other news, during the meeting, the Town Council accepted the resignation of Kristen Endyke from the Heritage Committee.

The Council also

accepted the resignation of Karen Riddle from Beautify Londonderry.

Also, during the meeting, the Town Council approved an invoice for NE Systems of NH for services and repairs in the amount of \$15,973.

Director of Public Works, Dave Wholley, in a memo to the Council, explained the "emergency 'repairs of two ACCUs at Town Hall, one servicing the Finance Department and one servicing the Moose Hill meeting room, which is what the invoice was for.

OBITUARY

Gail Patricia Garrity



Gail Patricia Garrity, 87, of Londonderry, NH, passed away peacefully on Wednesday, July 9, 2025, surrounded by her loving family at Parkland Medical Center in Derry, NH.

She was born on Sept. 29, 1937, in Winthrop, MA, and was raised in Winchester, MA, by her parents, William and Celia Forrey Perkins. Gail lived in Reading, MA, for 30 years before retiring to Cape Cod with her beloved husband of 55 years, the late Donald Garrity, who predeceased her in 2012. She had lived in Londonderry, for the past 7 years.

Gail had a deep love for the beach and enjoyed playing tennis. She will be remembered as a kind, giving, and compassionate person, always ready to care for others. Above all, she cherished her role as a devoted mother, grandmother, and friend. Her greatest joy came from caring for and spending time with her family.

She is survived by her daughter, Trudy Garrity of Londonderry, and her partner Doug; her son, Donald Garrity, Jr. of Reading, MA, and his wife Karen; ten grandchildren: Donnie Garrity III and his wife Jess, Danielle Lloyd and her husband Chris, Kim Matthews and her husband Steve, Melissa Guilmette and her husband Bill, Matt Quale and his wife Hannah, Randi Newton and her husband Dan, Kelly Garrity, Katie Dickey and her husband Bill, Victoria Quale and her partner Nick, and Cam Quale and his wife Sabrina. She is also survived by 23 great-grandchildren, as well as many nieces, nephews, and extended family members.

In addition to her husband, Gail was predeceased by her brother William Perkins and her sister Kathleen Palumbo.

There are no calling hours. Following cremation, a Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on July 24, at 10:30 a.m. at St. Mark's Parish, 1 South Rd., Londonderry, by the family. She will be laid to rest with her husband Donald in Mosswood Cemetery, Cotuit, MA, at a later date. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Epilepsy Foundation, 3540 Crain Highway Ste 675, Bowie, MD, 20716 or at <https://give.epilepsy.com/page/33651/donate/1>. To send a condolence, please visit www.peabodyfuneralhome.com.

Trustees

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scriptions for a part-time Children's librarian was approved by voters last March. The Board separately approved the library technician job. The debate over the delay in posting the jobs despite formal approval continued to prove controversial.

"My bigger concern is that the Board voted, and the vote was overridden by the Chair," said Trustee Hendricks. "No Chair has the authority to override a vote."

Thomas countered by saying a higher salary was not approved by the Board of Trustees, nor were any benefits.

"I'm reading this job description right now, and pro-rated pay time off is not considered to be benefits," said resident and former library staff member Sally Nelson. "Benefits are health insurance and retirement, this says 'pro-rated paid time off.'"

Manchester resident

and Merrimack Library staff member Kat Smith argued that her institution suffered from a "rotating door" of employees leaving due to low pay.

A vote to post the library technician and children's librarian job as written was formally rejected by the Board, which, combined with several other lingering issues, including transparency, budgetary matters, program planning, and bylaw changes, led to backlash from members of the public.

"I came in here tonight hoping that things would be different and I heard some great things that sounded awesome like 'let's collaborate on these policies that the Treasurer is trying to implement, it sounded great, it sounds wonder-

ful,' and then it all went absolutely to hell," said resident Erica Laue. "There is no collaboration when you blatantly disrespect, gaslight, and blame the people you claim to be working alongside."

She accused the Chair of acting unethically and openly called for the removal of Thomas.

"This is the second time, madam Chair, that you have been implicated in the removal of something that was voted on," said Laue. "It takes 1,800 signatures to remove any one of you. We'll gladly get that."

According to the town charter, 10% of the registered voters in the Town may file a request for a recall petition.

They indicated that she and the Board had

done their best to follow all necessary bylaws and regulations guiding the library and the Trustees.

"The taxpayers are our bosses, we work for the taxpayers," she said, indicating it was up to the Library Director to "figure it out" when writing an acceptable job listing. "We turned this position down, the job posting."

Resident Tara Myles was particularly unhappy with a lack of public comment before holding a vote on the job description.

"I do intend to submit ethics complaints around the public comments for today, based on the bylaws of our town, and based on the town charter," Myles promised.

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Renewable Biogas Project Proposed for Litchfield Road

PAUL CONYERS
LONDONDERRY TIMES

Engineer Nick Golan from TFMoran and technical expert Zachary Swelfer from Purpose Energy attended the June 24 meeting of the Londonderry Conservation Commission to request a recommendation for a Green Energy Campus at 162 Litchfield Road.

“What is it we’re doing here? In short, it’s reducing waste stream to NH landfills, and producing renewable biogas that can then be injected into the local natural gas network,” Golan explained. “But there’s a whole lot of chemistry to it, there’s a whole lot of fun things that have to take place for this to happen, there’s some remarkable new technology they’re going to be utilizing for this all to take place.”

Swelfer went into more detail on the role Purpose Energy would play on the Campus, out-

lining what he called the “specialized” role in harnessing less conventional energy sources.

“Historically, our facilities have been co-located with food manufacturing. We’ll do a good amount of breweries, distilleries, things like that. We’re really looking for production and businesses that have waste streams that are causing a problem for the community, whether that’s going down the drain and causing problems for the municipal system, or that they’re going to landfills,” he said. “We’ve been working with Stonyfield for quite a few years. For a while, they’ve had a production process of yogurt, one of a couple of waste streams that have been pretty difficult.”

The waste stream from Stonyfield and the Braintree company, Recycleworks, would serve as starting points for Green Energy Campus

and its goal of redirecting 400 tons of food waste away from landfills.

“The Purpose Energy half of the facility is built around anaerobic digestion, that’s our core competency,” said Swelfer. “It’s a giant metal tank. In there, we have bugs that are operating kind of like your stomach, digesting organics out of the streams and burping it out as natural gas/methane.”

The facility also processed wastewater into gray water and created fertilizer from the food waste.

Despite showing interest in the proposal, members of the Conservation Commission had several questions about the facility’s impact on the surrounding watershed, including at least one stream and multiple wetland patches.

“What’s going to happen to that long wetland in the middle?” said Con-

servation Chair Marge Badois, who looked at a map of the property.

Golan stated that the middle wetland would need to be filled in and that it was not the only waterway that would be impacted.

According to TFMoran’s wetland scientist, avoiding wetlands completely was impossible without compromising the overall design. Developers focused on limiting the impact of the construction on “high-functioning” wetlands. The application also included a dredge and fill application, in part to build underground, connective piping.

“I don’t see a Fish and Game habitat classification,” noted alternate Mike Speltz, who pointed out that a project with such a large impact was subject to numerous statewide regulations.

Speltz was assured that there was a classifi-

cation and that the project had been properly filed with NH Fish and Game.

“Some of the things they’ve been asking for typically are a wildlife exclusion barrier; they have concerns with turtle species,” said Golan. “Other things they’re looking for are catch basins and outlet structures that don’t have sumps or issues with entrapment.”

He warned that the 15-acre Litchfield Road site was relatively close to Manchester Airport, blocking part of the land from development and making it harder to avoid some environmentally sensitive areas.

“How do you control what comes in?” asked Speltz. “Obviously, you have a company that says ‘I’m giving you this, but how do you know that’s what you’re getting and not other contaminants that could be toxic?’”

Swelfer responded by highlighting the relationship Green Energy Campus would have with Recycleworks.

“They have relationships with these manufacturers,” he said. “Typically, it’s recurring cycles of product; it’s pretty consistent. Plus, when we feed stream, we test it pretty extensively. We have a lab we partner with down at the University of Arkansas that runs 60 days’ worth of tests and samples before we’re willing to accept it.”

Developers emphasized the long planning process behind the Campus and expressed their desire to move forward as soon as possible.

“This is an exciting project for us,” said Golan. “This type of use was always what was envisioned for this parcel.”

The Conservation Commission overwhelmingly voted to recommend the project.

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Ovation's Hunchback of Notre Dame Set to Start July 24

From the company that brought you Newsies and Legally Blonde, get ready for Ovation Theatre Company's latest summer blockbuster, *The Hunchback of Notre Dame*, at the Derry Opera House.

Based on the Victor Hugo novel and featuring songs from the Disney animated film, *The Hunchback of Notre Dame* showcases the film's Academy Award-nominated score.

Director Meg Gore is excited to bring this beautiful show to the stage.

"Fans of the Disney movie may recognize their favorite songs woven throughout this powerful story," Gore said. "But this version of the story has more depth and maturity, which makes it appeal to people of all ages."

Eric Berthiaume transforms on stage into Quasimodo.

"This is a role I've personally wanted to play for such a long time," Berthiaume said, "because the score is gorgeous."

Berthiaume appreciates that the role of Qua-

simodo can teach us a lot about humanity, acceptance, inner strength and love.

Berthiaume hopes that audience members of all ages will be inspired.

"You can walk away from this show and find even the smallest thing that you can do differently in your life to make the world a better place."

Will Caswell plays the antagonist, Frollo. Caswell contrasts this portrayal from the Frollo of the Disney movie.

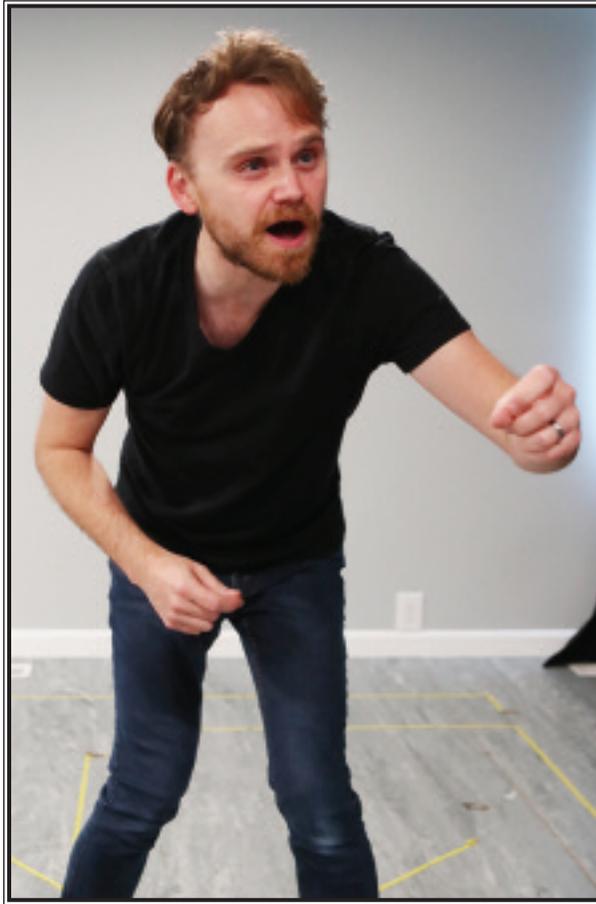
"He is a little more human," Caswell said. "It makes it more intense."

Kevin Lundy, who plays the soldier, Captain Phoebus, agreed with Caswell about the layered nature of this version of the story.

"It's a story about the duality of man," Lundy said. "What makes a monster and what makes a man?"

In a show in which dance is not traditionally a focal point, choreographer Katy Gore developed a vision for incorporating dance creatively.

"It was exciting to



*Eric Berthiaume, of Merrimack, will be playing the role of Quasimodo in *The Hunchback of Notre Dame*. photo by Chris Paul*

weave dance throughout this show in ways that are unexpected and help to further elevate the storytelling and illuminate themes present within the show," Gore said. *The Hunchback of Notre Dame* features spectacular staging and lighting and powerful singing, including a full

choir, with a cast of predominantly adult actors drawn from all over New Hampshire and Massachusetts.

This production is led by veteran creative team Director Meg Gore, Music Director Sarah Herron, Dance and Fight Choreographer Katy Gore and Stage Manager Tim Gore, along with Assistant Stage Managers Olivia DeWinkleer, Ava Leahy and Allison Zenga.

The cast includes Fred Brown, Jennifer Brown, Becca Crivello, Dan Gore, Katy Gore, Joseph Smith and Randy Williams of Londonderry; Adrianna Bridge and Jenna Sullivan of Derry; Ella Burroughs and Jonathan Uber of Hampstead; Debrah Hernandez of Chester; Erin Fehlau, Ryan Kaplan and Finn Roach of Windham; Theron Zajchowski of Pelham; Lucas Ross of Plaistow; Sarah Herron and Samantha Weis of Hudson; Heather Bridges, Joanne Magnifico and Max Yakubovich of Hooksett; Eric Berthiaume, Samson Carter, Robin Howell and Kevin Lundy of Merrimack; Jake Doble,

Eneshia Oliver and Nate Sawyer of Manchester; William Caswell and Meg Roscoe of Nashua; Camille Bishop of Bedford; Nick Thissell of Bow; Nick Ford of Penacook; Dana Gastich French of Exeter; Meg Beggs of Wilmot; Brett Branscombe of Newmarket; and Jillian Mastroberte of Rochester.

Ethan White; Katie Heron; Tomiko Nicholson; Jonathan Wisco; Kat Plano; and Izzi Shaffer are all from Massachusetts.

The Hunchback of Notre Dame will be presented on Thursday, July 24 and Friday, July 25 at 7:00 pm and Saturday, July 26 at 1:00 and 7:00 pm, at the Derry Opera House (29 W. Broadway, Derry, NH). Tickets for adults are \$25 through July 17 and \$30 beginning July 18; for students/seniors, tickets are \$20 through July 17 and \$25 beginning July 18. Tickets are on sale at ovationtc.com. This musical is rated PG by Music Theatre International for dark themes and some suggestive language & lyrics.



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Londonderry Teen Takes Gold at National Championship

CHRIS PAUL
LONDONDERRY TIMES

Londonderry Middle School 2025 graduate, Andrew Emery, recently traveled to Florida during the week of July 4th to compete in the AAU Karate National Championships.

Andrew faced the best competitors in the USA and emerged victorious, winning gold in the "14-year-old advanced Male Long Weapons" category.

The contest culminated in a thrilling tie-breaker showdown with the current AAU National Champion, where Andrew triumphed to become the new Champion.

Andrew has been a resident of Londonderry since the age of one and loves this town dearly. He has trained under the Dimacali Family at the "House of the Samurai" since he was four years old and considers it his

second home. He is deeply grateful to his family and friends for their unwavering support and encouragement.

Additionally, Andrew would like to give a special shout-out to Derek at the BlackRose Barber Shop for keeping his hair competition-ready.

Next on Andrew's karate journey is the AAU Junior Olympics in Houston, TX, scheduled for July 25-27.



Letters

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requirement from the children's librarian job description

- Board members misunderstanding basic information around account ownership

- Not reaching out to staff to get simple answers (such as whether Quickbooks or Quicken is used)

- Requesting staff to document every donated book - without citing a legal requirement.

- Making decisions without input from Erin

or her team, who are highly competent and often best positioned to offer solutions.

They should be working with her, for their own benefit, instead they are actively working against her.

At the last meeting, I was particularly frustrated by how quickly board members cited "the letter of the law" - right after it was pointed out that writing checks to oneself, or for another trustee, is illegal. There is an audacity in demanding others over-comply before becoming intimately famil-

iar with what your own compliance entails.

Londonderry is not alone or unique in what we are experiencing today. Across the country, libraries are under quiet but coordinated attack under the guise of "oversight." I encourage everyone to research this topic.

I've heard trustees claim, "If we didn't support the library, we wouldn't be here" but their actions demonstrate otherwise week after week.

The Leach Library is the heart of our community. The board's purpose is not just to ensure com-

pliance, but to nurture and protect that heart. I have lost faith that the current board will start leading in a way that strengthens the library, honors its incredible staff, and reflects the best of what Londonderry can be. Positive change will happen if Liz Douglas steps down as chair, and the community petitions Moira Ryan, Christine Fitzgerald, and Jan McLaughlin off the board so we can get back to normalcy and move on from this strategic incompetence and chaos.

Tiffany Gagnon
Londonderry

Democrats Fill the Info Void

To the editor,

This past Saturday, a well-attended and very informative community listening session was organized by the Londonderry Democratic Committee and held at Leach Library.

Thirteen NH state representatives from as far west as Keene, east to Portsmouth and points north, who do not directly represent Londonderry but who understand the duty to represent ALL citizens in our state, gen-

erously spent nearly three hours of their personal time, on a Saturday in July, with voters from Londonderry and Windham. We owe Representative Wendy Thomas (Merrimack) a debt of gratitude for gathering these excellent State Reps of varying committees to hear from our community on all topics of concern, including PFAS in our water and rising energy costs, state down-shifting of education costs to cities and town and the resulting rise in property taxes,
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Historical Appraisal Day

The Londonderry Historical Society recently held its annual Antiques Appraisal Day offering the community the chance to bring in their family treasures for an expert opinion of their value.

Daniel F. Reidy, an appraiser, antiques dealer and auctioneer returned for the fifth time for the fundraiser. Reidy has over 35 years of experience and is the owner of Discerning Eye, an estate appraisal and disposition planning business based in Warner.

Photos by Chris Paul.

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 access to the ballot and GOP efforts to make it more difficult, federal raids on our immigrant population, housing shortages and barriers to housing entry for young families, assaults on protections for the LGBTQ community, a state budget that dramatically cuts services to those most in need, huge cuts to the Arts and other programs that add so much beauty and revenue to our communities, expansion in school vouchers that threaten public education, and higher fees on so many services to pay for the cuts that benefit the top 1%. There was great energy and thoughtful dialogue amidst the voters in the room. The thirst for information was palpable. It's yet another reminder of how Londonderry Republican representatives are absent in their duty to

interact with their constituents in an open forum. I have lived in this town for twenty four years. Not once has our Londonderry Republican delegation held an open forum for the community of which they purport to represent. These excellent thirteen Democratic State Reps, from across the state, filled a void that desperately needed filling. We will do this again in the Fall. Maybe someday our Republican representatives will do the same.

Paul Skudlarek
 Londonderry
Leach Library Trustee Board Meeting

To the editor,
 We have wrought a monster right here in Londonderry. Last night after attending my first Board meeting. I'm aghast at what our Dear Library Staff has to endure. Instead of

support and encouragement they are getting micromanaged in a cruel and hostile way. The Big Four Christine Fitzgerald, of who masked your kids fame posted this sign right next to Ann Fenn when she was running, Liz Thomas, who tries to do her best as Chair, with a bit of humor, but with out Helen Palmieri has no idea how to run a meeting, Helen must have been a Kindergarten Teacher, Moria Ryan, Queen of Negativity along with Jan McLaughan who roots for minutiae i.e. account for every pencil and a detailed description of

donations along with we will have our own PO Box and receive the bank financials directly and take this out of the hands of the Library Staff, even though they will have online access to these very financials as they are changing banks at Jan's request, and on and on.
 If you have the time watch the video and note Beth Marrocco, Nancy Hendricks and Helen Palmieri attempt to fund a functioning board. Lastly if watching the video, which starts at 7 p.m., and ends about 11:15 p.m., (So long my hearing aids were whistling a shut down tune), don't miss

the Public Comments which will show up at the end. A clarion call to all of us who have voted for this disaster to find a rem-

edy so our Library Staff endures no more. PS Note HB 324(ban us who have voted for book) which please **continued on page 16**

OBITUARY

Julie E. (Mastrangelo) Stuart



Julie E. (Mastrangelo) Stuart of Londonderry, NH passed away peacefully surrounded by her loving family. Born on Jan. 3, 1945, Julie lived a life marked by devotion to her family, her work and the community. She was a greeter at St Mark's Church and served on the Bereavement Committee. She was a 20-year volunteer for Community Caregivers of Derry, NH. Her clients all received her bountiful love and caring. At Mary Star of the Sea in Simpson Bay in Saint Martin she continued her high level of goodness.

She was the beloved wife of Bob Stuart, Sr. for 60 beautiful years. In 1976, Julie and Bob founded Eastern Rainbow out of their home in Hyde Park, MA. Two years later, they moved both the business and their young family to NH. The company would become the cornerstone of their life's work and legacy. Julie's energy, creativity and quiet determination were instrumental in its success.

Julie was a proud and loving mother to Bob, Jr. and his wife Karen, Julia and Nancy Hunt. She was a cherished grandmother to five grandchildren, Cam Stuart, Amanda Hunt, Brett Stuart, Vanessa Hunt and Mike Stuart. She led by example with strength, grace and endless generosity. She is survived by her brothers Paul and Daniel of Hyde Park, her sister Ann Tierney and her husband Richard of Dorchester. She was predeceased by her brother Robert.

She had a lifelong passion of staying active often beginning her mornings with a workout. Perhaps what brought her the greatest joy outside of family was traveling with Bob. The two visited Saint Martin dozens of times over the years, making it their second home and a place of deep happiness and connection.

Julie's presence was one of warmth, calm and quiet strength. Whether at home, at work or abroad, she lived with purpose and love and leaves behind a legacy that will be remembered always.

Family and friends are invited to visiting hours on Friday, July 18, from 4 - 7 p.m., at the Goundrey Dewhirst Funeral Home 42 Main St., Salem, NH. A Funeral Mass will be on Saturday, July 19 at 10:30 a.m., at St Mark the Evangelist Church, 1 South Rd., Londonderry, NH. Family and guests are asked to meet directly at the church. In lieu of flowers, please support Community Caregivers of Derry or St Mark Church of Londonderry. To leave an online condolence, please visit Julie's tribute page at www.goundreydewhirstfuneral.com.

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Car Show and Sumerfest Shuts Down Liberty Drive



Much of Liberty Drive was shut down on Saturday afternoon for the Liberty Car Show and Summer Fest. The free event featured dozens of exotic and custom cars on display, live entertainment, a pig roast and a 60-40 raffle.

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Car Show

Aviation Museum's annual Classic Car Show ready to roll on Saturday, July 19. Trophies will be given out for the People's Choice Award and the Museum Award. All registered entrants will be included in a raffle with multiple winners of valuable prize packages. A separate 50/50 raffle will be held as well as a yard sale, with all proceeds to benefit the non-profit Aviation Museum. Admission/registration is \$10 per vehicle entry plus occupants, cash only. To facilitate orderly set-up, owners are asked to arrive between 9-10 a.m. at the grounds of the Aviation Museum, 27 Navigator Rd., Londonderry, NH. Admission to the grounds for spectators is

\$5 per adult; children 12 and under free. Admission is cash only. Only show cars will be allowed on museum grounds; spectators and visitors are asked to park on local streets outside the museum. Rain date for the event is Saturday, July 26 from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. The event will host several food trucks. The Aviation Museum will be open to visitors starting at 10 a.m.; admission to the museum is included with car show entrance until 2 p.m.; after that, regular admission applies until the museum closes at 4 p.m.

Concerts On The Common

Concerts on the Common Features Chicago Total Access on Wednesday July 23, on the Lon-

donderry Town Common, 265 Mammoth Rd., Londonderry, from 7 - 8:30 p.m. For a complete schedule and more details visit: concertsonthecommon.org. This talented 10-piece band brings the magic of Chicago's timeless hits to life, showing why this legendary band has resonated over the decades. If it's raining or bad weather, will move indoors to one of the schools near the Town Common. To determine the exact location, check the Facebook page or Web site after 2 p.m., on Concert Day for details.

Literary Fiction Book Discussion

Come to the Leach Library on Thursday, July 31 at 1:30 p.m. to discuss "What Comes After" by

Joanne Tompkins. Refreshments will be served. Registration is required and begins on Monday, June 23. Copies of the books will be available to check out at the library.

D&D for Adults

Are you an adult who loves D&D? Come to the Leach Library on July 21, and/or Aug. 4 from 5:30 - 7 p.m., for a game! Registration is required and begins one week prior to each session.

Stories with Oscar

On Tuesdays in July at 10 a.m. or 11 a.m., come to the Leach Library as a storytime with Oscar the Tortoise, will be held. Registration is required and begins one week prior to each session.

Cookbook Potluck

Prepare and share a recipe from one of three Italian cookbooks at the Leach Library on Saturday, July 19 at 11 a.m. Please make enough for 20. 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 required and begins on Monday, June 9. Copies of the books will be available to check out at the library.

GMILCS Library Hop

The GMILCS Library Hop is back and includes the Leach Library for the first time! From June 1 - Aug. 31, visit each participating library in the GMILCS Consortium, complete a unique challenge at each library, and earn prizes along the way. To get started, stop by your home library to pick up a game board. On your game board, you'll find each library's information and challenges. After you complete a challenge, show it to a library staff member to receive a stamp or sticker on your game board and earn a prize. Once you have completed all of the challenges, present your completed game board to your home library to be entered into a raffle for a \$100 gift card to The Bookery in Manchester, NH. The grand prize will be drawn at the end of the Library Hop, and the winner will be notified by their home library.

Tennis Camp

The schedule for upcoming Tennis Camps and Lessons is as follows: Camp being held Aug. 18 - 22, 9 - 11 a.m., for ages seven-plus. Fall Middle School Club, Tues./Thurs., Aug. 9 to Oct. 16, 2:45 - 4:15 p.m. Lessons, Aug. 9 to Oct. 16, 4:30 - 6 p.m. for ages seven-plus. A minimum of eight students needed per group. Cost of each group is \$150, \$125 for multiple family members. Contact Roberta Davis at londonderrytenniscamp@gmail.com with questions or to register.

Summer Reading

Leach Library Summer Reading Program sign-ups for children, young adults, and adults begin on Monday, June 2. This year's theme is Level Up at Your Library, and the program will include story times, craft workshops, special presenters and performers, collaborative off-site events, reading incentive prizes, and more. Visit the library to register and pick up program details from June 2 through Aug. 31. For more information, call the library at (603) 432-1132.

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Around Town

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Library Summer Hours

Leach Library summer hours will take effect from Monday, June 23 through Saturday, Sept. 6. During this timeframe, the library will be open Monday through Wednesday 9 a.m. - 8 p.m., Thursday and Friday 9 a.m. - 5 p.m., and Saturday 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. Please note the library will be closed to observe Juneteenth on Thursday, June 19 and Independence Day on Friday, July 4 as well as to celebrate Old Home Days on Saturday, Aug. 16.

Child Find

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

Drop-In Tech Help

Curious about reserving library materials online from home? Want to learn how to access library databases and digital collections? Looking to get started with Libby and Hoopla? Need help navigating a

new device? The Leach Library provides one-on-one assistance tailored to technology-related needs. No appointment is necessary. Stop in any Thursday between 10 a.m. - noon.

Overeaters Anonymous

Is food a problem for you? Do you eat when you are not hungry? Is your weight affecting the way you live your life? Overeaters Anonymous, no dues, no fees, no weigh-ins no diets. Meetings are on Tuesday's from 9 - 10 a.m., at St. Elizabeth Seton Church 190 Meetinghouse Rd., Bedford, use the rear doors for access to the meeting room in the church basement. Contact Pat At 603-289-8476 Or Jane At 603-674-6540 With Any Questions (Not Affiliated With Any Private Or Public Organization)

Memorial Bricks

American Legion Post 27 is offering community members the opportunity to create a lasting tribute with personalized bricks that will be installed in the Post's backyard this spring. Each brick allows up to three lines of text with 15 characters per line, making it a meaningful way to honor a veteran, loved one, organization, or group. Pricing: 1 Brick:

\$125, 2 Bricks: \$225, 3 Bricks: \$300, Each Additional Brick: \$100. Photos of the pavilion, bricks, and the new backyard layout, along with the order form, are attached. For more information, email salpost27@gmail.com.

Clean Water Survey

Clean water is more than a resource; it's the lifeline of our community. Your voice holds the power to shape a healthier water future for you and for generations to come. Survey at www.surveymonkey.com/r/VOWNOV2024. As an added bonus, when you complete the survey, you'll have the chance to enter to win one of 25 fixed-mount or handheld water-saving showerheads, making your contribution to clean water even more rewarding.

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Londonderry Police Log

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Monday - July 7

2:23 a.m. Suspicious Activity at Harvey Industries on Jack's Bridge Road leads to an arrest made by four officers. David Morin, 66, of New Boston, charged with: Disorderly Conduct; and Indecent Exposure/Gross Lewdness.

2:50 a.m. Criminal Mischief investigated at Manchester Boston Regional Airport.

5:23 p.m. Assisting a Citizen at the Park & Ride - South leads to an arrest on Garden Lane. Tracey Ramsdell, 51, homeless, arrested on a Warrant.

7:52 p.m. Warrant served and arrest made on Mountain Ash Lane in Goffstown. Kevin Krug, 47, of Goffstown, charged with: Violation of a Protective Order; and Stalking (Domestic Violence).

11:58 p.m. Motor vehi-

cle stop on Nashua Road, at Home Depot, leads to an arrest. David Sanders, 39, of Londonderry, charged with: Driving After Revoke/Suspension; and Suspension of Vehicle Registration.

Tuesday - July 8

11:25 a.m. Motor vehicle stop on Harvey Road leads to an arrest made by three officers. Tavaréz Reynoso, 40, of Nashua, charged: Operating a vehicle with an Expired License, (License Required).

5:21 p.m. Eight officers investigated a Robbery reported at Route 102 Gas on Nashua Road.

7:01 p.m. Services rendered by three officers during a Welfare Check on Devonshire Lane.

8:08 p.m. Officers assist the Londonderry Fire Department on Nashua Road at Young Road. Subject taken/referred

to another agency.

8:21 p.m. Services rendered for Larceny/Forgery/Fraud at the 7-Eleven on Rockingham Road.

8:14 p.m. Disturbance reported at Manchester Boston Regional Airport.

Wednesday - July 9

6:39 a.m. Car Break-ins investigated on Forest Street.

9:04 a.m. Larceny/Forgery/Fraud investigated at the CVS Pharmacy on Mammoth Road.

9:06 a.m. Suspicious Activity investigated by five officers on Nashua Road, at Parmenter Road.

9:43 a.m. Car Break-ins investigated on Forest Street.

5:24 p.m. Identity Theft investigated on Bartley Hill Road.

7:09 p.m. Follow-up leads to an arrest made on at the Manchester Police Department. Seth

Skillin, 44, of Manchester, charged with: Robbery with a Weapon.

8:15 p.m. Five officers render services for a Disturbance on Ross Drive.

Thursday - July 10

7:01 a.m. Criminal Threatening investigated at Manchester Boston Regional Airport.

2:48 p.m. Larceny/Forgery/Fraud reported at the Red Arrow Diner on Rockingham Road.

3:58 p.m. Services rendered to Keep the Peace on Fieldstone Drive.

5:55 p.m. Welfare Check conducted by three officers on the Macgregor Cut apartments on Stonehenge Road.

Friday - July 11

12:21 a.m. Medical Emergency at the Manchester Boston Regional Airport Taken/Referred to another agency.

4:46 a.m. Medical Emergency at the Manchester Boston Regional Airport Taken/Referred to another agency.

11:57 a.m. Seven officers assist a citizen at the Londonderry Police Department.

2:09 p.m. Disturbance on Beacon Street investigated by three officers.

3:52 p.m. Six officers assist the Londonderry Fire Department with an arrest on Rockingham Road. Samantha Blanchette, 28, of Derry, charge with Bench Warrants.

Saturday - July 12

12:04 a.m. Motor Vehicle Complaint on Nashua Road, at Market Basket, leads to an arrest made by three officers. Vinaya Gupta, 47, of Seabrook, charged with: Possession of a Controlled Drug (Schedule 1-4); and Driving Under the Influence - Impairment.

3:10 p.m. Services rendered for Criminal Threatening at Manchester Boston Regional Airport.

5:13 p.m. Shoplifting investigated at I-Vape on Nashua Road.

9:08 p.m. Motor vehicle

stop at Mammoth Green Driving Range, on Nashua Road, leads to an arrest made by four officers. Eric Small, 44, of Braintree, MA, charged with: Disobeying an Officer; Resisting Arrest/Detention; and Failure to Display Plates.

10:55 p.m. Trespassing investigated at the 7-Eleven on Rockingham Road.

Sunday - July 13

1:01 a.m. Warrant served and arrest made on Central Street, Manchester. Daniel Matthews, 60, of Manchester, charged with: Theft Lost/Mislaidd (\$1,001-\$1,500); and Theft By Unauthorized Taking (\$1,001-\$1,500).

5:47 a.m. Sudden Death on High Range Road investigated by seven officers.

12:16 p.m. Criminal Mischief investigated on Independence Drive.

9:26 p.m. Services rendered for a Disturbance reported on Lawson Farm Road.

Letters

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read. It is right out of Project 2025, supposedly this will give the power to other than educators and Library Staff to decide curriculum and what books to have in the Library. Proscription will be right wing priorities and it is a pretty good guess if that passes, The Four will be all on it and get to work, with claiming this is the law. Beware.

Jane Cooper
Londonderry.

Antisocial Social Media

To the editor,

The decline in socialization due to real-time social interaction has become a generationally destructive device to children and young adults. The sensitivity of people these days and awkwardness of people falls on the hands of living life through a screen on a laptop and in the hands

of every person blindly walking through a real-time life around them.

If you grew up with a real-time face to face socialization experience you had the best personal development tools in your handsfree lifetime. You learned how to treat people and not hide behind an electronic device waiting to see the actions of your inaction. You're experiencing the development of yourself and your mind with real in person emotions. And most of all you grew up with somewhere you can go to and make memorable moments in life, with all the real emotions, both good and bad experiences shaping your life.

People used to actually meet in person at parks, playgrounds and local baseball/football fields without having a "play date" but actually meeting for the first time in person and having discussions that in some cases build a relationship that lasts a lifetime

without a delete or unfriend button.

Now imagine your life as a disabled person whose job is to reach out to a community of disabled people and interact with them talking about their situation to learn and help them with the development of entering their new life into the disabled community. A community without electronics but with real-time life skills and experiences with other people like yourself.

Social media has been disabling able-bodied people and separating them into boxes of likes and unlike with no real-time personal experiences and development. You have to "unplug" and go out to connect with people again to bring yourself back down to reality and experiences in real life. You have become that disabled person, not in the physical scene but in the mental state of a controlled device that

you carry around with you every day and sleep beside at night as an alarm clock/telephone/news source/calculator/you get the picture, you're living it now.

And our town(s) are supporting your social awkwardness by not providing those places, not putting your tax dollars to use for something constructive for the development of a better society.

Go to your town meetings, get involved with what's happening in your town and around your community for the betterment of you, your children and grandchildren.

Just like being a physically disabled person, take back those experiences you lost and have given up on by means of your convenience at pulling up life around you on a screen that you reached into your pocket for.

Life misses you and it's passing you by.

Alan Roy
Londonderry

We Need To Support Ukraine And NATO

To the editor,

Various reputable agencies have reported an estimated 13,000 to 17,000 civilians have been killed in Gaza along with possibly 100,000 injured from Israeli bombings which occurred after the Hamas attack on Israel. An estimated 13,000 civilians have been killed in Ukraine by Russian aggression and on the order of 40,000 or more Ukrainians injured, including in areas where some of my ancestors lived.

Russia has devastated the Ukrainian infrastructure, including power plants, water distribution systems, warehouses, businesses and housing. Israel has levelled structures and destroyed infrastructure in Gaza while it tried to destroy Hamas.

Protesters at U.S. colleges and other locations have conducted anti-Israel demonstrations, and in some cases targeted students who

have no affiliation with Israel and its activities.

If the protesters and some letter writers care about civilians killed in Gaza, why don't they care about the civilians killed in Ukraine? Why aren't there protests against Russia? Aren't the Ukrainians just as important as the Gazans? The Jew haters should transfer their attention to Russia and protest against the Russian aggression in Ukraine.

The U.S. should continue to support Ukraine with military equipment, supplies and intelligence, which Ukraine can pay for with their rare earth minerals. I hope the recent decision by NATO European countries to increase defense spending to 5% of GDP does not mean the United States might step back from NATO. The security of Europe flows through Ukraine, and U.S. abandonment of Ukraine and NATO could possibly lead to WWII.

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