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## Mulch Around

GREEN Team member, Kaylee Esposito, works with her son to add fertilizer and mulch around the blueberry bushes at the Leach Library. The bushes were planted lastyear by the groups when they replaced a number of invasive species. *Photo by Sam Paul*

## School Board Receive an Update On LHS Data Points

ALEX MALM  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

During the April 16 School Board meeting, the School Board received an update regarding different data points for Londonderry High School, including its graduation rate.

“As you see the graduation rate at Londonderry High School remains strong,” Curricu-

lum Coordinator, Shawn Flynn, said, noting that they have less than 1 percent of its students who dropped out for 2023-2024.

For advanced placement tests data, it was noted they had a significant amount of students who registered for the AP exams in 2024, compared to past years. In 2024, 327 students signed up for the AP

exam with 192 in 2023, and 194 in 2022.

It was noted by Curriculum Coordinator, Kim Lindley-Soucy, that they received a grant to cover all AP exam costs this May so students can take the exam “without the financial barrier of \$100 to take the class.” It was also noted that they have seen an increase in the number of students **continued on page 4**

## Town Council Get Comments on Article to Elect Planning

ALEX MALM  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Town Council, at the most recent Public Meeting held on April 22, had an agenda item dedicated to a citizens petition warrant article that overwhelmingly passed in March. This article had asked voters if they supported moving from an appointed Planning Board, selected by the Town Council, to an elected Planning Board, selected by the will of the people.

While the warrant article was advisory only, meaning it had no legal effect to compel the Town Council to listen, it is felt that many citizens expressed how they felt on the matter, and that it is incumbent upon the

town to listen and to take action!

Resident, Deb Paul, who originally gathered the necessary signatures and submitted the warrant article for the March election, was unable to attend the meeting due to a personal matter, but several citizens gave input on the matter.

Resident, Kristine Perez, spoke at the public hearing, reminding the Council that “This was overwhelmingly approved by the voters,” Perez said. She went on to note that about 65% of the voters in town voted in support of moving to an elected Planning Board.

Resident, Jonathan Esposito, also spoke, noting that the primary reason he supported moving to

an elected Planning Board is because he feels that the current appointed one isn’t receptive to feedback from citizens. With going to an elected body versus an appointed one, he said “perhaps our voices would travel a little farther in being heard.”

Resident, Martha Smith, said she thinks the planning board must “keep in mind what the vision of Londonderry is,” and without generous public comment, the Board would miss input from the community.

Planning Board Chair, Jake Butler, spoke, explaining that there is public comment as required by law, as part of public hearing processes for things like new pro- **continued on page 6**

## Council Hear Unanticipated Revenue and Resignations

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The Londonderry Town Council conducted a number of pieces of administrative business for the town, approving several resolutions during the April 22 Town Council meeting in order to accept sources of unanticipated revenue.

One of the grants accepted came from the 2023 Homeland Security Grant, which will provide for equipment for the SWAT/SOU Team. This grant came from the NH Department of

Safety, with a total grant award of \$40,637.86. Town Manager, Mike Malaguti, explained during the meeting that the grant would be for cold weather outdoor gear for the Southern New Hampshire Special Operation Unit members of the Londonderry Police Department.

Another grant accepted came from the 2022 Homeland Security Grant, for search and rescue equipment for the SWAT/SOU Team. This was also granted by the NH Department of Safety, and the total

accepted grant award was for \$89,777.00. Malaguti said that this funding would pay for infrared illuminators for the Southern NH Special Operation Unit.

During the meeting, the Council approved grant funding for the **continued on page 3**

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# Town Council Approve Funding For New Detective

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The Town Council had a public hearing on April 22, to accept additional funding from the NH Department of Justice, under the Comprehensive Opioid Stimulant and Substance Abuse Site-based Program.

The total allotment is \$178,000 through fiscal year 2025, and would be \$112,000 more than what they were originally awarded.

"This is \$112,000 on top of that," Town Man-

ager, Mike Malaguti, told the Town Council.

He said the program is intended to address opioid and other substance abuse issues, and that they would be looking to fund a full-time drug detective.

Malaguti explained that it's similar to other previous grants, where there isn't necessary funding for it after the initial funds expire.

He said it should be made clear by the Town Council what their intention is for funding the additional position or

not moving forward once the funds expire.

Resident, Richard Bielinski Jr., said he was concerned that the positions will be absorbed as part of the Default Budget, and was concerned that it wouldn't be transparent that an additional position would be added to the budget moving forward.

Police Chief, Kim Bernard, explained that they have been working on the program for close to a year with a detective doing it part time to have better out-

reach in the community.

Ultimately, he stated that the idea of the program, which has been successful in other parts of the state, is to be able to reach out to people with substance abuse issues, or to connect with family or friends of people who are struggling in town, and be able to help connect them with different resources.

In 2022, he said NH had over 400 overdose deaths and said, "We have our share here too, we are not immune from overdose or death."

Bernard also noted that they used to have an additional detective and were able to do more proactive work, and outreach at that time.

"Isn't this what you want your police to be doing, I think so," he said.

He also noted that if the program wasn't successful, he wouldn't look for the funding for the position to continue, once the grant funding ends.

The Town Council ultimately approved accepting the revenue.

On the issue of deciding on how to handle the position moving forward, Town Councilor, John Farrell, said they don't normally make decisions for future Town Councils.

"It's not the way the Council operated in 50 years," he said.

While the Town Council voted in support of accepting the unanticipated revenue, no decision was made about whether or not it would be expected for it to be included in future proposed operating budgets.

# Council Allow Alternate Members To Beautify Londonderry Committee

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LONDONDERRY TIMES

During the April 22 Town Council meeting, the Town Council was presented with a proposal to change the charge for the Beautify Londonderry Ad Hoc Committee.

It was explained by Administrative Support Coordinator, Kirsten Hildonen, that when the

Solid Waste Committee dissolved due to the redundancy within the town, it was decided to make Beautify Londonderry its own standing committee.

At the time, it was decided to go with five members for the make-up of the committee.

"When they were made a standing committee they asked for a

membership of five voting members," Hildonen explained.

She said they decided on that membership based on the needs of the committee, but because they have become busier it was decided to pursue adding alternate members "To ensure they came have a quorum," specifically for the meetings

leading up to their larger events.

Hildonen explained to the Town Council that based on the size of the committee it would be standard practice to have two alternate members, because it means that as long as there's one regular member and the two alternates are present it would mean they would be able to have a quorum and conduct a meeting.

The Town Council unanimously approved allowing for the two alternate members to be added.

The representation part of the committee's charge will now state "The Committee shall consist of five (5) voting members and up to two (2) alternate members to be appointed by the Town Council. The Committee may enlist ad hoc non-voting members as needed to support their activities, but these members shall not count toward a quorum for the purpose of Committee business. The Committee shall determine its own rules and order of business, unless otherwise provided by law or

Town Charter. The Committee shall choose from its members a Chair, Vice Chair, and Secretary. The Committee shall report to the Londonderry Town Council and exist until such as time as the Town Council deems it inactive."

It was also noted by Hildonen along with Town Councilor, Ron Dunn, later in the meeting that Beautify Londonderry would be having its annual cleanup event on Saturday, May 4 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. at Matthew Thornton Elementary.

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# DPW Director Gives Overview on Department Needs

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The Londonderry Town Council received a recap from Director of Public Works, Dave Wholley, during its April 22 meeting, regarding the 2023-2024 winter season.

“Now that it is officially over we have established that,” Wholley told the Town Council, about the winter season coming to an

end. He said they had “14 weather events this winter,” which began on Nov. 21, with a two inch weather event, and then ended the season on April 5, with eight inches of “heavy wet packed snow, which resulted in multiple down trees, wires, and made it complicated to move around town.”

In total, Wholley

said they had a total of 137 days of the winter season, and they were glad to be over with it.

Wholley said during this winter season they had to plow eight times, with a total of 43 inches of accumulation during the season.

He added that there is ‘ongoing work that is not done yet,’ explaining that they have to do things like fixing mail boxes, law

repairs, and other work that needs to get done now that the winter season is over.

During the most recent weather event, Wholley said they had good communication with the Fire and Police Departments, which he said worked well.

“When first responders can’t get to where they need to be, as first responders understand the importance

of that,” Wholley said, explaining that they want to make sure fire, police, and paramedics “can get to where they need to be.”

Wholley said Ever-source was also happy with how they were able to move around in town once they got there.

Overall, Wholley said he is glad that things overall went well with the major storm.

“We’re just glad everybody is OK,” Wholley said.

Wholley stated that they currently have one person out, who is currently on active duty with the National Guard, and one position who they still haven’t been able to fill yet, and encouraged anyone interested to look at the job posting on the Town’s website.

## Council

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Londonderry Police Department to add a full time detective to address opioid and other substance abuse issues.

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Residents, Richard Bielinski and Jonathan Esposito, spoke on the topic, noting that personnel brought on paid for by grant revenue often end up absorbed into the staff planning, and therefore the default budget. Both urged caution in how the town moves forward, with Esposito noting that if a new staff member leads to a tax increase in the future, that some residents in town may be priced out of living in Londonderry before they could ever benefit from the increased services provided.

Bernard noted that if the program wasn’t successful, he wouldn’t look for the funding for the position to continue, once the grant funding ends.

No decision was made about whether or not it would be expected for the position to be included in future proposed operating budgets.

The Londonderry Town Council also accepted a \$1,000 donation in unanticipated revenue from Bode Equipment, which will be used at the Fire Chief’s discretion.

During the meeting, the Town Council waived a first reading for changes to the Fire Department’s rules and procedures. Malaguti explained that the Fire Department Command Staff would be at the next meeting to explain the changes, but said it would mostly add things about plans, permits, and other things of that

nature that Division Chief of Fire Prevention, Brian Johnson, oversees.

“This builds that out,” Malaguti said, noting that it also updates fees and gives them

more oversight.

In other news, the Town Council also accepted the resignations of two different board and commission members. One of the resignations came from

Jim Leary, a member of the Conservation Commission. The other resignation came from Barbara Mee, a member of the Senior Resource Committee.



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# Editorial

## Welcome To Town

In the good old days, when a new family moved to a town, a cheerful greeter would contact new homeowners and welcome them to the community. This greeting would be accompanied with a basket full of information, useful phone numbers, discount coupons and so on. Some of us may recall having gained some helpful knowledge of our new surroundings through such a visit, but as small towns grow and the nature of society changes, a knock on the door from a stranger is hardly as welcomed these days as it once was. With many of towns functioning more as “bedroom communities”, there is often a knowledge gap about the place where newcomers have chosen to hang their hats.

Yet, residents are far from being left to navigate unfamiliar territory on their own. You have your local newspaper where local has been the source of hospitality for many decades, and of course there is social media.

Just a quick glance at the local calendar section in today's edition offers a myriad of options including; social gatherings, civic club, garden club, mothers' club, support groups for health concerns; entertainment for all ages, and plenty of sports, again, for all ages. It's like having a phone and email directory for town activities at your fingertips.

Need information on voter regis-

tration, Kindergarten registration, or transfer station hours? Your local newspaper announces those on a regular basis, but why stop there? New residents may have little knowledge of how government operates in their chosen hometown, and the local newspaper can help provide information on what's happening in detail at things like town council or planning boards.

There are plenty of naysayers who say that type of news is boring, but if a development is going in next to the home you just bought, or the road is being realigned in front of your house, that's the kind of news you need, want, and expect your local newspaper to provide.

There is also the give and take of the letters to the editor, where residents are welcome to share their views on sundry topics, and get to know a little more about each other in the process. Along with this, of course the advertisements throughout the newspaper are letting readers know what businesses serve and support their community.

So while we aren't going to be knocking on your door with a basket of goodies and a big smile, we are indeed being distributed with news and helpful advertising full of information you can use to make yourself feel quite at home.

Whether you are brand new to town or have lived here all your life, we're here for you!

# Fire Rescue Assist with Rollover on Interstate 93



**L**ondonderry Fire Communications Center received multiple 911 callers reporting a motor vehicle accident rollover on Interstate 93 Southbound in the area of mile marker 16.2.

Dispatched to the scene were Londonderry Engine 3, Rescue 1, Medic 3, and Battalion 4. While companies were responding to the scene LFD Communications Center reported the vehicle was on fire with victims trapped.

With this information added to the dispatch was Londonderry Engine 2 as well as Londonderry Battalion 2.

Londonderry Engine 3 arrived on the scene

and reported a single vehicle off the road into the woods with significant damage and confirmed a victim entrapped. Engine 3's officer requested an additional ambulance and Derry Medic 1 was dispatched to the scene.

Companies worked to stabilize the vehicle and gain access to the victim. Londonderry Battalion 4 arrived on the scene and requested a helicopter from Boston MedFlight. Due to the significance of entrapment Manchester Fire Rescue 1 was requested to the scene.

The southbound lane of the Interstate was closed to facilitate the helicopter landing on

the highway. Boston MedFlight arrived and landed south of the incident. The single victim was provided Advanced Life Support care by Londonderry Fire Paramedics and Boston MedFlight Care team while crews worked to disentangle the from the vehicle.

The victim was airlifted by Boston MedFlight to a level 1 trauma center in Massachusetts.

The accident is under investigation by NH State Police. Londonderry Police assisted on the scene. All fire personnel were cleared of the highway at 20:27

*Photo by Jay Heath*

## School

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taking the courses.

For academic honors, 72% of students in the class of 2024, made the honor roll for the first semester this year, 57% for the class of 2025, 59% for the class of 2026, and 68% for the class of 2027.

“Academic achievement is a huge part of our culture at LHS,” Flynn said.

It was noted that in order to make the honor roll, a student needs to

earn between a 3.2 and 3.6 grade point average, and high honors is above a 3.7 grade point average.

One of the programs Flynn pointed to is the Futures Lab.

“The Futures Lab at LHS provides a physical and virtual space where students can explore trades and various career paths,” he said.

Flynn said they have had a number of different events including career breakfasts, and other programs through the Futures Lab.

It was also noted that they had steady numbers for dual enrollment in 2023-2024, including 241 college credits being earned from Southern NH University, and 379 credits from Manchester Community College.

In 2022-2023, Londonderry High School students earned 385 college credits from MCC and 236 credits from SNHU.

The next Londonderry School Board meeting is slated to take place on May 7 at 7 p.m.



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# ZBA Hear Small Condo Proposal at Mohawk Hill Property

PAUL CONYERS  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Londonderry Conservation Commission met on April 23 to hear a presentation from George Chadwick of Bedford Design on behalf of PMP Revokable Trust, the owner of a duplex located at 24 Mohawk Drive.

“What we’re looking to do is create a condominium, basically split the duplex in half,” said Chadwick. “There is no wetlands at all on this piece of property and if you happen to drive by it sits on top of a hill.”

The condo complex would have several common areas, most notably in the back of the property.

“The retaining wall on the side, what is that? Just for the grade change?” asked Chair,

Marge Badois.

Chadwick confirmed the retaining wall provided the stability needed for a home on a steep hill, emphasizing that nothing was being added to the land.

“Everything on this plan is existing, we’re not constructing anything out there at all,” Chadwick stated, entertaining further questions from Commission members.

“Who will be responsible for the common area in the back?” asked Alternate member, Mike Speltz. “You still have to file a condominium agreement with the state, right?”

As designed, each condo unit would have partial ownership of the common area. This would make both owners collectively responsi-

ble for maintaining that part of the land. With only two units, the plan does not include a homeowner’s association with any disputes to be handled using a prearranged agreement in the condo documents that will be included once the land is sold.

“The only real thing that would occur in the common area is the septic system,” said Chadwick. “There is one septic system on this piece and the people will share 50% of the cost of repairing it.”

Roughly 33,000 square feet would comprise that common area. The land will need state subdivision approval, especially as selling the condos will mean a change of ownership.

“The only thing we’re really waiting for

is a final site walk from DES [Department of Environmental Services] and we already got a letter back saying its okay,” said Chadwick. “As far as filing as a condominium, no, we do not have to do that. We’re under the threshold of doing that, but there will be condominium documents recorded at the registry.”

Generally, the Conservation Commission did not have an issue with the condominium plan.

The board also received a wetland application submitted from the Department of Transportation regarding the traffic circle planned for the intersection of Route 28 and Stonehenge Road. There was no formal presentation on the topic, although a small

wetland and two small stream culverts are in the area, which will be replaced during construction.

“I think I know what they’re doing, and it’s going to happen whether we want it or not,” said Badois, referring to how the project has been in development for some time.

She thought that the lack of a recommendation from the Commission would likely not have a major impact on the Stonehenge Road project.

However, Ray Breslin of 3 Gary Drive was of the opinion that protec-

tion of the local waterways was still important and that Conservation members should still give their opinion on the matter.

“My concern is the protection of the wetland, protection of the water,” he said. “There’s only so much effect we can have on this, but we do have to have some effect. I would just try to impress upon all you folks that we do have to pay attention.”

The Commission decided to give the matter a closer look, extending the comment period to their next meeting.

## Planning

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posed developments, or other proposed regulation changes. He pointed to one example being a recent meeting when the Board heard a fair amount of feedback for a proposed unit development.

“I can’t stress enough

that there is public comment on everything that is a public hearing that comes to the Planning Board,” he said.

Town Councilor, John Farrell, said, “We’ve been doing it the same way for 30 years,” and that the Planning Board has been advised by the town’s attorneys in the past that they shouldn’t have pub-

lic comment in general outside of public hearings.

“If the reason to do this is public comment that has seemed to have been resolved,” he said. Farrell also gave his opinion on whether or not he felt the Citizens Petition was a good idea, and his feeling was that no one had explained sufficiently enough to him why an elected board would be the way to go.

When reached out for comments, Deb Paul stated that she put this warrant article forward because she felt that an elected planning board are chosen by the people, while appointed board members are given there position by some other

authority, and it can be taken away at anytime if they do not agree with their opinion. “I feel that many different perspectives, not just those people that are like-minded with the Town Councilors that appoint them, is a better system.”

Paul went on to say that she has not been happy with the direction the town is headed, becoming much less rural and that our infrastructure was having a had time handling it.

She added, “To say this is the way we always done it is just backward thinking and not a reason to go against the will of the people in a town election.”

## OBITUARY

### Maurice A. Ouellet



Maurice A. Ouellet, 85, of Londonderry, NH, passed away Wednesday, April 24, 2024, in the Hanover Hill Healthcare Center, Manchester, NH. “Moe”, as he was known to his family and friends, was born on Aug. 21, 1938, in Manchester, the third of eight children, of the late Victor and Sadie (Fraser) Ouellet. Moe had been a resident of Londonderry for over 60 years having previously resided in Manchester. He was also a communicant of St. Jude Parish in Londonderry.

Moe earned a Bachelor’s Degree from Saint Anselm College and Masters Degrees from Rivier College and the University of NH. Moe spent the first five years of his teaching career in Epping before being hired to teach chemistry at Manchester Central High School. Moe retired from the Manchester School District in 1997 after having taught there for over 30 years. Following his retirement from full time teaching Moe worked at both Bee Bee Shoe and as a substitute teacher for the Londonderry School District.

Upon his retirement from all employment, Moe spent many years tending to his garden and maintaining the landscaping for his home and the homes of his daughters. Moe (a.k.a Grandpa) also loved taking care of his grandsons during their summer school vacations.

Moe is survived by his wife, Phyllis (Rock) Ouellet of Londonderry; two daughters, Marianne Ouellet of Londonderry, and Denise Ouellet of Vernon, CT; one son, Paul Ouellet of Londonderry; two grandsons, Adam Weinstein of Vernon, CT, and Eric Weinstein of Somerville, MA; two brothers and their wives, Philibert and Faye Ouellet of Mechanicsburg, PA, Richard and Nancy Ouellet of Manchester, NH; three sisters, Marjorie Paquet of Manchester, NH, Claudette Moher of West Lebanon, NH, and Diane Hillner and her husband, Larry, both of Manchester, NH; as well as numerous nieces and nephews. Moe was predeceased by his siblings Pauline Enright and Ronald Ouellet as well as his son-in-law, Paul Weinstein.

Calling hours will be held on Friday, May 3 from 5 -7 p.m., in the Peabody Funeral Homes and Crematorium, 290 Mammoth Rd., Londonderry. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Saturday, May 4 at 10 a.m., at St. Jude Parish, 435 Mammoth Rd., Londonderry. The burial will follow in St. Joseph’s Cemetery, 448 Donald St., Bedford, NH. In lieu of flowers, Memorial contributions may be made to the Sonshine Soup Kitchen, 6 Crystal Ave., Derry, NH 03038.

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# EPA Find Decreases in Toxic Chemical in Several New England States

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SUBMISSION

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) recently released its 2022 Toxics Release Inventory (TRI), in which the EPA Analysis shows that in 2022, there was a documented decrease of toxic chemical releases in NH. Of particular note, toxic chemical releases have declined 21% nationally in 10 years according to this new Toxics Release Inventory data.

In greater detail, the US EPA released its 2022 Toxics Release Inventory (TRI) National Analysis on March 26, 2024 in a Press Release that described how environmental releases of TRI chemicals from facilities covered by the program were 21% lower in 2022 compared to 2013, which also includes a 26% de-

crease in air releases. During this period, releases from manufacturing facilities decreased by 9%, but that decrease in releases did not have a detrimental effect on manufacturing, which actually added about 14% of added value to the U.S. economy. The only uptick during this period was that overall releases increased by 1% from 2021 to 2022, which was offset by a 6.5% increase in the number of pollution prevention activities reported under the TRI program compared to 2021.

In NH, the reporting data showed that total on-and-offsite releases and disposal of toxic pollutants to the air, land, and water decreased to 400,800 lbs from 406,900 lbs during 2021, and if viewed over the last 10-year span, NH indus-

tries have reduced these releases and disposal from 763,800 pounds, which is over 360,000 lbs, or about 180 tons of airborne emissions and releases. In addition, overall emissions decreased by 71% over the last 10 years, as a result of significant reductions of certain TRI chemicals at several manufacturing facilities and significant reductions from power plants.

The 2022 TRI National Analysis provides additional detail into these releases and summarizes the releases of TRI chemicals, as well how facilities managed their related wastes. In 2022, facilities reported managing 88.5% of their TRI chemical waste through preferred practices such as recycling, energy recovery and

treatment, while releasing 11.5% of their TRI chemical waste into the environment. For NH, more detail on specific values can be found here: [https://enviro.epa.gov/triexplorer/tri\\_facsheet.factsheet\\_forstate?pYear=2022&pstate=NH&pParent=NAT](https://enviro.epa.gov/triexplorer/tri_facsheet.factsheet_forstate?pYear=2022&pstate=NH&pParent=NAT)

For NH, the following data was made available:

1. Released on and offsite

During 2022, 121 facilities reported that approximately 181,500 lbs were released onsite to the air, water, and land, compared to 143,800 lbs released in 2021 (an increase of 47,700 lbs). Of note, significantly more (608,000 lbs) was released 10 years ago in 2013. Approximately 176,800 lbs were released to the air and, 452 lbs were released to surface water.

The major pollutants released to the air were sulfuric acid at 32% and toluene at 17% of all air releases in the state. The major pollutant released to the water, although small was ammonia (at 64% of all releases to water).

2. Total Production Related Waste

During 2022, 121 facilities reported approximately 20.5 million lbs of total production related waste was managed compared to 124 facilities and 22.3 million lbs managed in 2021 (a decrease of 1.8 million lbs). Total production related waste includes chemicals released directly to the environment, waste recycled offsite, waste sent offsite for treatment (such as to an incinerator or wastewater treatment system), and waste sent to landfills.

3. Top Five Companies  
The companies in NH with the greatest releases included various industries including fabricated metals, chemicals, pharmaceuticals, and electric utilities. These 5 facilities produced 42% of the releases in the state of NH in 2022. Over the last ten years, total disposal and releases decreased from 763,800 lbs in 2012 to 400,800 lbs in 2022.

In his statement from his Press Release, EPA New England Regional Administrator David W. Cash, "A big part of how we do our part of protecting the environment and serving our communities is the gathering and analysis of crucial scientific data, which we use to inform and guide our processes moving

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## OBITUARY

Andrew J. Therien

Andrew J. Therien, 70, of Londonderry, NH died Monday April 22, 2024 at the Boston Medical Center, Boston, MA following injuries sustained in an automobile accident. Andrew was born in New Jersey on April 1, 1954, a son of the late Alcide and Eleanor (Anderson) Therrien. He had been a resident of Londonderry for the past 30 years, formerly living in Derry. Andrew had been employed as a heavy equipment operator and a truck driver for many years.

Following cremation, private graveside services will be held at a later date in Forest Hill Cemetery, E. Derry.

The Granite YMCA is hosting a series of FREE Healthy Kids Day events through May 18. Next is the YMCA of Greater Londonderry! These events will feature a variety of family-friendly activities to encourage a healthy start to the summer.

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forward. TRI reporting is one of many ways we do this, and it provides more insight into where pollution may be harming communities and the environment," Cash continued, "We know that that transparency is key, especially for those locations that have been overburdened by environmental issues and concerns. By releasing this information out to the public, we can empower our communities and give guidance on how to proceed with being equipped with this latest environmental data."

Overall, EPA, the states, and Tribes receive TRI data from facilities in various sectors, including manufacturing, mining, hazardous waste management and electric utilities. More than 21,000 facilities submitted reports on 522 of the 827 chemicals and chemical categories for which TRI reporting is required on a yearly basis, and listed on EPA Form R. Further information on TRI reporting can be found at: [www.epa.gov/toxics-rel](http://www.epa.gov/toxics-rel)

ease-inventory-tri-program/basics-tri-reporting. The remaining 305 chemicals either were not manufactured, processed, or used by facilities required to report to TRI or were not manufactured, processed or used in amounts large enough to trigger reporting.

The 2022 TRI National Analysis features various user-friendly visualizations and analytical tools to make data more useful and accessible to communities. Readers can view data by state, Tribe, metropolitan area, EPA region and watershed using the "Where You Live" mapping tool, for which a link to the TRI National Analysis was listed previously. This tool also allows readers to view facility locations overlain with demographic data to identify potential exposure to TRI chemical releases in communities, including overburdened communities. Community groups, policymakers and other stakeholders can use this information, along with other environmental data, to better understand which

communities may be experiencing a disproportionate pollution burden and take action at the local level.

Additionally, the 2022 TRI National Analysis highlights trends and changes in waste management practices for specific sectors and chemicals in the Sector Profile and Chemical Profile sections.

Of local interest to our readers, is PFAS Reporting, which is now part of the TRI National Analysis, reporting on per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) as required by the 2020 National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA). A provision of the NDAA outlines criteria for additional PFAS to be automatically added for TRI reporting. For reporting year 2022, four PFAS met the criteria and were added to the reporting requirements for a total of 180 PFAS tracked by the TRI program. During 2022, 50 facilities managed 1.2 million pounds of these chemicals as waste, which represents an 8% decrease compared to 2021.

For reporting year 2024, TRI will no longer have a reporting exemption for facilities that use PFAS in small, concentrations as a result of EPA's recently published final rule. This rule will improve the quality and quantity of publicly avail-

ailable data on PFAS, as many materials used at facilities contain PFAS in low concentrations. Facilities that make or use these products will no longer be able to rely on exemption to avoid their responsibility to disclose PFAS releases and other waste management of these chemicals.

Rounding out the topics covered in EPA's Press Release were:

**Pollution Prevention**  
Facilities implemented 3,589 total pollution prevention activities in 2022 with the most common being process and equipment modifications, followed by changes to operating practices and training. Through both existing programs and the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law, EPA offers grant opportunities to state and Tribal technical assistance providers to help prevent pollution.

Industry professionals can view TRI reporting on pollution prevention to learn about best practices implemented at other facilities.

**Key Expansions to TRI Reporting**

Important expansions to TRI reporting went into effect for reporting year 2022. Some contract sterilization facilities, which are contracted to sterilize products or equipment for hospi-

tals and other facilities, were required to report to TRI for the first time on their management of ethylene oxide and ethylene glycol as waste. These facilities managed 6.3 million lbs of ethylene oxide waste, nearly all of which was treated.

Reporting year 2022 was also the first year of expanded reporting for the natural gas processing sector. The 305 facilities in this sector that reported to TRI managed 115 million pounds of TRI chemicals in waste and disposed of 81% of TRI chemicals in underground injection wells.

For additional information and comments,

contact Jo Anne Kittrell, [kittrell.joanne@epa.gov](mailto:kittrell.joanne@epa.gov), (617) 918-1822; EPA Region 1 Press Office ([RI\\_Press@epa.gov](mailto:RI_Press@epa.gov))

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## OBITUARY

### Gwen Gifford St. Germain



Gwen Gifford St. Germain, 59, of Londonderry, NH passed away on April 4, 2024 after a 13-year battle with cancer. Gwen was born March 20, 1965, to George and Jessica Gifford in Northampton, MA. She graduated from Granby High School in 1983, & went on to study chemistry and marine biology; first at University of Rhode Island and then at Southampton College of Long Island University. After graduating, Gwen worked for MacDermid in Waterbury, CT as a scanning electron microscopist, & then for Olin Chemical in Meriden, CT, working her way up to research scientist. After receiving her MBA from the University of New Haven, Gwen was hired by Orion Research as a product manager & moved to the seaside town of Beverly MA.

Gwen married Roland St. Germain of Barrington NH, in 2004 & welcomed their daughter Megan in 2005. In 2006, Gwen left her job at Orion Research but never left her lifetime interest & skills as a scientist. In 2011, they moved to Londonderry, NH where the family home remains. Gwen's interests & passions ranged broadly & deeply. Besides being an incredibly devoted & supportive person, Gwen was a scientist & a gifted artist. Growing up visiting her grandparents on Martha's Vineyard contributed to the depth of her love for the sea & original desire to become a marine biologist. Seeing her beloved mother's paintings encouraged her own artistry, & spending time with her engineer father honed her analytical skills. Her activities included artistic cake decorating, baking, kayaking, girl scout leader, FOM volunteer, & ski club chaperone among many others.

Gwen was predeceased by her mother Jessica (1991), & her husband Roland (2021). She is survived by her loving daughter Megan, father George Gifford, brother George Gordon Gifford and numerous beloved nieces & nephews. She also leaves behind a very devoted group of in-laws, friends, & community members from her years in NH, CT, & hometown of Granby, MA.

Gwen will be dearly missed & will be in our hearts forever. A Celebration of Gwen's Life will be held on May 11, with visiting hours starting at 1 p.m. & a memorial service at 3 p.m. at the Peabody Funeral Home, 290 Mammoth Rd., Londonderry, NH. Friends & family are invited to a local friend's house after for a beach themed service. Gwen received excellent care from the Termeer Cancer Center at Mass. General Hospital. She also loved keeping dogs & cats in her life. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to the Termeer Cancer Center, or Kitty Connection of Medford, MA.

The family would especially like to thank the many wonderful friends for their attentive in-home caregiving & the Elliot Hospital staff for their care, comfort, & support. We also thank the many on her Mass. General Hospital team.

To send a condolence, please visit, [www.peabodyfuneralhome.com](http://www.peabodyfuneralhome.com).

# LONDONDERRY SPORTS

## Lancer Softball Squad Dominates Three Opponents

CHRIS PAUL  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

While many of the High School Softball teams fellow students were on vacation last week, the Lady Lancers kept busy playing three games, getting three shutout victories. The three shutout victories brought their season record to 7-1, their wins were against Bedford, Concord, and Keene.

On Monday, April 22, the team welcomed the Bedford Bulldogs and didn't allow a run, thrashing them 12-0. Elizabeth Kearney registered the win with just two innings pitched, six strikeout, and no hits or walks. Olivia Cutuli came as

relief for three innings, struck out nine, and also had no hits or walks. Abby Austen finished the last inning and kept the streak going with three strikeouts and also had no hits or walks. All pitchers pitched perfect innings not allowing a single Lady Bulldog on base. Four players got doubles during the game and it only took nine hits off of Lancer bats for the overwhelming win. Addie Browning went three for three at bat to lead the Lancers offense. Ginny Flaherty and Allison Chambers both had three runs for Londonderry. Overall, the team took advantage of their patience and got on

base 10 times with walks.

Two days later on Wednesday, April 24, another home game for the Lancers, Londonderry took on the Concord Crimson Tide blanking that team with a three run win. Kearney was the winning pitcher, throwing seven innings with 17 strikeouts and giving up just two hits and two walks. As a team, Londonderry had eight hits in the game. With Austen and Cutuli getting triples, and Kearney and Flaherty getting doubles.

Finally on Friday, April 26, the Lancers brought their winning ways over to Keene where they took on the Black Birds, shutting

them out 6-0. Cutuli pitched the entire game, getting the win, allowing just four hits, striking out 14, giving up four hits, and no walks. Londonderry batters got seven hits and struck out just five times. Chambers had the teams only triple during the game and Austen belted a double.

The softball squad has three games this week, on Monday they faced Bishop Guertin at home, Wednesday they travel to Nashua North, and on Friday, May 3, they face Pinkerton Academy at 4p.m. in Derry.



Olivia Cutuli

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# Lancer Baseball Win Three of Four During Vacation Week

CHRIS PAUL  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Londonderry High School baseball team took on four opponents during the school's vacation week and dominated three of the four teams they faced.

Starting on Monday, April 22, the Lancers headed to Bedford to take on the Bulldogs where they defeated them 11-3 in seven innings, getting 10 hits, and striking out just twice. Brady Gillis was the winning pitcher taking the mound for five and two thirds innings, giving up five hits, striking out seven, and giving up four walks. Jonathan Wilson, the team's designated hitter, drove in four runs on three hits, singling in the sixth inning to score two runs,

and hitting a double in the seventh to score two more. Londonderry took the quick lead in the third inning, but Bedford took the lead away in the fourth, scoring one in the third and two in the fourth. Londonderry took control in the fifth inning adding two more runs, then scored five in the sixth, and two in the seventh, with Bedford never being able to comeback for the dominating win. Owen Carey and Wilson had the teams only extra base hits in the game, both hitting doubles, with Wilson hitting two.

The very next day, Tuesday, April 23, the Keene Blackbirds traveled to Londonderry, only to fall to the strong Lancer squad 11-1. Carey was the team's big hitter, getting 3 hits with

four at bats, with a single in the first inning, double in the second, and had another single in the fourth to drive in two runs. Carey crossed the plate three times during the game. Joey Cafaro was the winning pitcher of the game striking out eight over six innings, giving up three hits and three walks. Londonderry got four runs in the first and fourth inning, and tacked on another three for the win. Brett McKinnon, Jet Jones, and Carey each had doubles in the game.

On Wednesday, April 24, the Lancers traveled to the state capital to face the Concord Crimson Tide and defeated them, 15-9. Jones was three for three in the game, with four RBI's and three runs. Devin

Boles registered the win, pitching six and two thirds innings striking seven, giving up seven hits, and seven runs. Londonderry scored in the first four innings to take control of the game early, getting two runs in the first and second, and three runs in the third and fourth innings. Londonderry also had five in the seventh inning before Concord tried to come back with seven of their own. Jones and Jayden Hamilton had the only extra base hits with both getting doubles.

The final game of the

week, on Thursday, April 26, the Lancers winning streak was cut short at home by the Exeter Blue Hawks, 3-2, in extra innings. Both teams had strong pitching performances on the mound, but Exeter wound up on top. Gillis pitched five innings, giving up 3 hits, two runs, walking two and striking out seven. Ryan Williams was saddled with the loss, pitching in relief for three innings, giving up four and a run. Londonderry was only able to muster up seven hits during the course of the game and

struck out just five times. McKinnon had a triple in the game, and Care and Ty Miles both hit doubles.

The Lancers are heading into the fourth week of the season at 6-2 and will be facing off against Bishop Guertin on Tuesday, April 30. On Wednesday, May 1, they will be home against Nashua North. Finally, on Saturday, May 4, Londonderry will be up against the team they beat for the Division Title last year, the undefeated Pinkerton Academy.

# Volleyball Squad Beat Astros

CHRIS PAUL  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Londonderry High School Volleyball squad kept its season perfect last week with a four set win over Pinkerton Academy.

The team moved its season record up to 5-0 with the victory and have only dropped two sets so far.

Set scores against the Astros at home were: 25-18, 25-17, 18-25, and 25-22.

Matt Doyle: 10 digs, 2 assists.

Tyler Brown: 6 kills, 5 digs, 13 assists, 4 aces, 1 block.

Ethan Munro: 7 kills, 3 digs, 7 assists, 2 aces, 1 block.

Crosby Nolan: 1 dig.

Gavin Doughty: 3 kills, 1 digs.

Connor Koza: 6 kills, 1 block.

Ethan Saranich: 4 kills, 1 dig, 1 ace, 1 block.

Liam Collins: 5 digs.

Peter Pispitos: 2 kills, 1 assist.

Theo Paccione: 2 assists, 1 ace.

Kai Hou: 2 digs.



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# Boys Lax Sandwiches One Strong Win Between Two Loses

CHRIS PAUL  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Londonderry High School boys' Lacrosse team did take a break during the school's vacation week and settled for one wide-margin win between two narrow loses.

After suffering a tough 4-5 overtime loss to Lawrence Central Catholic on Friday, April 19, the Lancers bounced

back during the break. Colby Walden tallied three goals in the home game against the Bay State team and Blake Thompson added the fourth goal.

Cam Brutus got two assists and Sam Melia had one assist. The following day, at LHS, the team took on the Purple Panthers of Nashua South and notched their third win of the season

with a 14-3 result. A number of players factored into the scoring.

Aiden Stowell and Cam Brutus put up three goals and one assist each. Kody Playdon scored two goals; Colby Walden had a goal and three assists; Gavin MacIntosh, Blake Thompson and Tiago Keyes had one goal; Declan Brown and Parker Lewis each

had one goal and one assist; and Liam Knight added one assist.

On Friday, April 26, the Lancers suffered a 6-9 loss to the Crimson Tide at home, ending the week at 3-3 for the season.

Londonderry goals were scored by: Colby Walden, two goals; Aiden Stowell, two goals; Cam Ayotte, one goal; Ty Parsons, one goal and

one assist; Damon Dawson had one assist; and Liam Knight also had one assist.

The team is scheduled for a tough stretch of games this week,

starting with Dover on Monday, Pinkerton Academy on Wednesday, Hollis Brookline on Thursday, and Bishop Guertin on Saturday.

# Girls' Lax Notch Second Win of Season

CHRIS PAUL  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Londonderry High School girls' Lacrosse team had a tough start to the season, losing their first three, but bounced back with a 14-5 win over Merrimack.

Last week, the girls' settled for a split, losing to Pinkerton Academy 16-11 at home, but then beat Concord in the state capital 9-8.

In the Astros loss, on Wednesday, April 24, the LHS points came from a number of places.

Natalie Washington and Annabelle Melie each had three goals.

Jill Leonardo and



Photo by Christine O'Loughlin

Eres Delorey each had a goal and an assist; Ash-

liegh Leone had a goal and two assists; Katie

O'Neil and Cora Rogers each had a goal.

## OBITUARY

### Lawrence F. Warhall



Lawrence F. Warhall, 87, of Londonderry NH died on March 14, 2024 at home, as he wished, surrounded by his loving family. The cause was congestive heart failure. A resident of Derry and Londonderry since 1970, Lawrence was born in Fall River, MA, in 1936, the son of Walter and Mary (Burke) Warhall.

Larry grew up in Fall River attending Sacred Heart Grammar School and Monsignor James Coyle High School. During high school he worked at Paul Woltman's men's clothing store in Fall River. From 1955 to 1957 Larry was stationed in post WWII Berlin with the US Army as a military police officer. In 1959 Larry married his high school sweetheart, Dolores L. St. Pierre, also of Fall River, who he remained married to for 59 years. In 1961 Larry graduated from Bradford Durfee College of Technology (now SMU) with a degree in Business Administration. During college he worked at Globe Manufacturing Co. and Plymouth Printing Co. in Fall River.

From 1961 to 1970 Larry worked for Ford as an accountant and Ralston Purina Company managing egg processing plants throughout the Midwest and New York. In 1970 he and his family returned to New England where he managed the Agway egg processing plant in Derry. In 1971, while still working full-time, he began attending New England School of Law at night, graduating in 1975. After passing the bar exam, he had his first law office at Buckley's Egg Express in Derry, later joining with Edmund Boutin and Robert Fryer at the law practice of Fryer, Boutin and Warhall. In keeping with his egg processing background one of his first clients was Jack Radlo of Radlo Foods who became a lifelong friend.

Larry later sat part-time as a Judge in Derry District Court from 1981 and became the full-time Judge of Derry District Court in 1988, retiring in 2004. In retirement he continued to work with Jack Radlo and taught law courses part time.

In addition to serving as a judge, Larry served the Derry community on the board of directors for the Boys and Girls Club, the Sunshine Soup Kitchen, the Hoodkroft Country Club, Parkland Medical Center and the Domestic Violence Council of Derry.

Larry's most important ambition in life was to care for his family and serve as a judge in Derry District Court and other NH courts in a fair and impartial manner. His personal life exemplified these principles.

In his free time Larry liked to travel, wintering in Florida with his wife Dolores and family and friends, was an avid reader and lover of history, liked to golf, play cards and enjoyed a Manhattan or a gin martini.

Larry is predeceased by his wife, Dolores L. Warhall, his sister, Margaret M. Curtis and her husband, James F. Curtis. He is survived by his three sons, Lawrence F. Warhall Jr. and his wife, Amy Hughes of Ave Maria, FL, Mark Warhall and his wife, Mio Olsson of Brooklyn, NY, Joseph Warhall and his wife, Diana Warhall of Sunapee, NH, and his daughter, Lynda Warhall of Londonderry, NH and the two children that are a presence in her life, Samuel Smith and Gage Piwowarczyk. He is also survived by three grandchildren whom he cherished, his grandson, Dillon Warhall, granddaughter, Danielle Maguire and her wife Mackenzie Maguire and granddaughter, Alva Olsson. In addition to his grandchildren he leaves 6 nieces and nephews from his sister's family; James, Marybeth, Jeffery, Shelia, Margaret and Annie who he was very close to. Also, his friend and neighbor, Judy Reilly, was a constant comfort.

Dad, you will be deeply missed but never forgotten. May you rest in eternal peace, knowing you are forever loved. Until we meet again may God hold you in his hands.

A private burial will be held in the Pillsbury Cemetery in Londonderry. A Celebration of Life will be held on Saturday, May 18 from 11:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m., at the LaBelle Winery, 14 NH-111, Derry, NH. The Peabody Funeral Homes and Crematorium of Derry and Londonderry are assisting the family with arrangements. To send a condolence or for more information, please visit, [www.peabodyfuneralhome.com](http://www.peabodyfuneralhome.com)

# AROUND TOWN

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## Spring Artisan Craft Fair

Plan to attend the 37th St. Peter's Artisan Craft Fair on Saturday, May 18 from 9:30 a.m. - 4 p.m., at St. Peter's Episcopal Church on Mammoth Rd., at 3 Peabody Row Londonderry NH. It will host over 70 booths of original, creative artisan crafts such as jewelry, baskets, quilts, wooden goods, artwork, pet accessories and more. Satisfy your appetite at the One Happy Clam food truck or by purchasing delectable baked treats.

Try your luck with raffles or look for bargains at the great-deals tag sale. The fair will be held rain, or shine. <https://stpeterslondonderry.org>.

## Comedy & Music Night

Comedy and Music by Off Our Rockers and Dave Papa will perform on Saturday, May 4. Show begins at 7 p.m., preceded by Havalah at 6:30 p.m. Off Our Rockers is a group of seniors from Londonderry who formed a comedy group in 2018 to entertain folks in Senior Centers and

55+ communities. Dave Papa performs professionally in blues and rock bands and as a solo acoustic act in the southern NH area. Tickets are \$18. Price includes a snack bag at intermission. Purchase your tickets online at [www.etzhayim.org](http://www.etzhayim.org), or by check to Etz Hayim Synagogue, 1-1/2 Hood Rd., Derry, NH 03038, memo "Off Our Rockers."

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Sunday, May 5, Doors open at 6 p.m., Film Starts at 6:15 p.m. A screening of Regina Jonas, The First Female Rabbi Who Was Almost Forgotten. Will be held at Etz Hayim Synagogue, 1-1/2 Hood Rd., Derry, NH 03038. RSVP required email [Office@etzhayim.org](mailto:Office@etzhayim.org). Refreshments provided.

## Lions Open Meeting

The Public is invited to a Londonderry Lions open meeting where all are invited on May 13, at 7 p.m. The meeting will be held at the Londonderry United Methodist Church, 258 Mammoth Rd., Londonderry, parking in the rear of the building. Speaker for the night will be Sherman A. Packard, Speaker of the NH House, State of NH, House of Representatives.

## Tennis Camp

Londonderry Tennis Camp will be offering spring and summer sessions for children ages 7 and up. The camps teach the foundational skills of tennis through activities and games, and build on balance, coordination and

speed needed for long term athletic development. Players will be grouped by age and/or ability. Camps will be held at the Londonderry Town Courts, LAFA fields, Sargent Road. Spring Session will run from May 21- June 6 on Tuesday and Thursday, with Intermediate camp from 3 - 4:30 p.m., and Beginner/Novice camp from 4:30 - 6 p.m. The Summer Sessions will run June 17- 21, from 9 - 11 a.m., and Aug. 19 - 24, from 9 - 11 a.m. The cost of each session is \$150. If you have any questions or want to register your child, email Roberta Davis at [londonderrytenniscamp@gmail.com](mailto:londonderrytenniscamp@gmail.com).

## Talk with Reps

What have Reps. Ron Dunn and Kristine Perez accomplished in Concord (so far)? Come to the Leach Library on Tuesday, May 14, from 6 - 7 p.m., to meet them, share information and have your questions answered. Feel free to asked about recent Bills passed in the House that have now moved on to the Senate as of April 11, 2024. That is known as "Crossover Day."

## Republican Meeting

The Londonderry Republican Committee will be meeting on Thursday May 9 at 7 p.m., at Londonderry Baptist Church, 368 Mammoth Rd., Londonderry. For more information: [Londonderry-GOP.org](mailto:Londonderry-GOP.org), [facebook.com/LondonderryGOP](https://facebook.com/LondonderryGOP), or contact us at [lrc@londonderrygop.org](mailto:lrc@londonderrygop.org).

## Touch A Truck

Moose Hill PTA is bringing back the Touch A Truck event! The event will be take place on Saturday, May 4 rain or shine from 10 - 2 p.m., at the Moose Hill parking lot. It should be another fun family event to help raise money for the school. A \$10 suggested donation per family.

## Basketball Camp

The NH Spartans have recently announced their annual Summer Basketball Camp dates all hosted in Derry, NH this coming season. All camps run from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m., Monday through Thursday. The camp dates are as follows:

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July 22 - 25 at The New England Sports Center. Each camp features top coaching with a focus on intense ball handling/station work, shooting form and technique, attack move drills and instructional game play. To register, visit the NHSpartans.Com website.

## Summer Reading

Leach Library's Summer Reading Program sign-ups for children, young adults, and adults begin on Saturday, June 1. Visit the library to register and pick up program information from June 1 - Aug. 31.

## Library Hours

Summer hours will take effect at the Leach library from Monday, June 24 through Saturday, Sept. 7. During this timeframe,

the library will be open Monday through Wednesday 9 a.m. - 8 p.m., Thursday and Friday 9 a.m. - 5 p.m., and Saturday 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. Curbside service will continue to be provided during operating hours upon request.

## Free Comic Book Day & Star Wars Day

Come to the Leach Library on Saturday, May 4 during regular hours for two fun celebrations. Check out the Free Comic Book Day activities in the Main Reading Room. During this all-day event, visitors may receive a free comic book (one per person while supplies last). After getting your free comic book, stop by the teen section to pick up supplies to create your very own DIY comic at the library or at home. Then visit the Star Wars Day display in the Main Reading

Room where you can take a selfie with C-3PO and R2D2! There will also be an action figure inspired photo booth set up for patrons to pose with a lightsaber prop. All visitors are encouraged to dress up as their favorite character! These programs are open to all ages and registration is not required.

## Little Sprouts Baby Lap-sit

On Tuesday mornings at the Leach Library at 9 a.m. beginning on May 7 and continuing through May 21, a story time program for babies 0-18 months old. This introduction to story time is a great opportunity for your littlest sprouts to learn to interact with you and others in a new environment, as well as to begin to follow along with songs, dances, and finger movements. Registration is

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

## Historical Houses

Come to the Leach Library on Monday, May 6 at 6 p.m. for a presentation on Londonderry's historical houses. Learn about Londonderry's history from local historian and member of the Londonderry Historical Society, Dr. David Ellis. Registration is required and opens on Monday, April 29. To register, visit the library's online event calendar or call (603) 432-1132.

## Wiggle Worms Story Time

On Tuesday or Wednesday mornings at 10:30 a.m. beginning on Tuesday, May 7 and continuing through May 22, toddlers and their caregivers are

invited to the Leach Library for story time with songs, rhymes, books, and more. This program is designed for ages 2-3, but older children are welcome to join in. Registration is required and begins one week before each session. To register, visit the library's online event calendar or call (603) 432-1127.

## Crafternoon

Drop in to the Leach Library for Crafternoon, a monthly 90-minute meet-up for crafters. On Wednesday, May 8 at 4 p.m., bring your own craft project and supplies, and work alongside other local crafters. No registration is required. There will not be a meeting in July and August. For more information, call the library at (603) 432-1132.

## Family Yoga

Families are invited to

come on Saturday, May 11 at noon for an afternoon of family yoga led by Lauren Young at the Leach Library. This program is geared towards families with children ages 1-12, but older siblings are welcome. Teens and adults are encouraged to bring their own yoga mat, and children under 12 are invited to use the library's tumble mats. Registration is limited to 20 participants and opens on Saturday, May 4. To register, visit the library's online event calendar or call (603) 432-1132.

## Apple Byte Open Play

On Tuesday, May 14 at 3:30 p.m., teens and tweens are invited to the Leach Library Meeting Room to explore eSports in a non-competitive environment. During this one-hour program, Middle and

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High School students will have the opportunity to play a variety of video games on the Nintendo Switch platform. This program is free and open to the public. Registration is required and begins on Tuesday, May 7. To register, visit the library's online event calendar or call (603) 432-1132.

### Craft Time

On Monday, May 13 at 4:30 p.m., children are invited to the Leach Library to color and assemble a 3D spring garden craft. Craft kits will be provided and staff will be available to help. Registration is required and begins on Monday, May 6. To register, visit the library's online event calendar or call (603) 432-1127.

### Puzzle and Board Game Exchange

From Monday, May 13 through Saturday, May 18, drop off your jigsaw puzzle and board game donations at the main circulation desk during Leach library operating hours. The library will accept gently-used jigsaw puzzles and board games for any age. In exchange, the library staff will provide a voucher indicating how many puzzles and games you

contributed. On Monday, May 20, return to the library with your voucher between 10 a.m. and 7 p.m. to select your new puzzles and games. For further information, call the library at (603) 432-1132.

### Duplo Budding Builders

Meeting on Thursday, May 23 at 10:00 a.m. Participants will create using larger Duplo blocks. This program is designed for younger Lego enthusiasts ages 0-5. Registration is required and begins on Thursday, May 16. To register, visit the library's online event calendar or call (603) 432-1127.

### Building Buddies

Come to the Leach Library on Thursday, May 23 at 4:30 p.m. for a Lego program designed for ages 6 and up. Each month, there will be a fun theme and time to create using the library's Legos. Registration is required and begins on Thursday, May 16. To register, visit the library's online event calendar or call (603) 432-1127.

### Tinker Time

Come to the Leach Library on Saturday, May 25 at 10 a.m. for Tinker Time. A variety of toys and games from the Library of Things will be provided for children to try. Registra-

tion is recommended and begins on Saturday, May 18. To register, visit the library's online event calendar or call (603) 432-1127.

### Block by Block

Come to the Leach Library's Coding Club and Maker Lab on Wednesday, May 29 from 4 - 5 p.m., students in grades 4-8 will be able to explore a variety of coding exercises and programs including using screen-free coding robots, independent online coding, and other guided activities. 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, May 22. To register, visit the library's online event calendar or call (603) 432-1132.

### Explorers Workshop

Celebrate National Dinosaur Day Saturday, June 1 from 1:30 - 2:30 p.m., at the Leach Library. This one-hour program will focus on paleontology and dinosaurs. Participants will excavate their own dinosaur then create an identification card for their new dinosaur that will include a name and characteristics. This program is open to participants age

# Londonderry Police Log

Selections taken from the daily Londonderry Police Logs

## Monday – April 22

**2:25 a.m.** Three officers respond to a Domestic Disturbance on Adams Road.

**10:30 a.m.** Suspicious Activity reported and Warning Issued at Prostar Aviation on Kelly Avenue.

**1:25 p.m.** Warrant served and arrest made on Windham Road, Hudson. Chad Breault, 46, of Hudson, Charged with Criminal Mischief

**2:24 p.m.** Warrant Served and arrest made on Calla Road. Gerald Leblanc, 66, of Londonderry, charged with : Second Degree Assault (Domestic Violence - Strangle); and two counts of Domestic Violence (Simple Assault; – BI or PC).

**8:45 p.m.** Warrant Served and arrest made on Driscoll Drive in Framingham, MA, Lance Driscoll, 41, of Framingham, MA, charged with: Theft by Unauthorized Taking of \$0-\$1,000.

## Tuesday – April 23

**9:18 a.m.** Services rendered for Fish & Game Violations on Beacon Street.

**3:49 p.m.** Services rendered for Shoplifting at Market Basket on Michels Way.

**4:35 p.m.** Medical Emergency reported at the Manchester Boston Regional Airport.

**4:55 p.m.** Medical Emergency reported at the Manchester Boston Regional Airport.

**6:19 p.m.** Welfare Check

conducted on Pinyon Place results in transport to a hospital.

**8:46 p.m.** Motor Vehicle Stop leads to an arrest made at the LAFA Complex on Nelson Road. Colby Smith, 19 of Londonderry, charged with: Transporting Alcoholic Beverage by a Minor.

**Wednesday – April 24**  
**12:32 a.m.** Arrest made at the RMZ Truck Stop, on Rockingham Road, after a Violation of a Protective Order. Michael Ralston, 44, of Derry, charged with: Stalking - Notice of Order.

**2:01 a.m.** Services rendered for an Auto Theft at the Manchester Boston Regional Airport.

**12:33 p.m.** Services rendered by four officers for Suspicious Activity at Crossroads Mall on Nashua Road.

**7:22 p.m.** Warrant served and arrest made on Hall Road. Ronald Jenkins, 56, of Londonderry, charged with: Willful Concealment, Theft.

## Thursday – April 25

**9:04 a.m.** Warrant served and arrest made on Birch Street, Derry. James Parrington, 45, of Derry, charged with:

Drive After Revoke/Suspension - Driving Under the Influence; False Report of a motor Vehicle Accident; and Unsworn Falsification; Written/Electronic Statement.

**8:36 p.m.** Motor Vehicle Stop and Arrest on Route 93 at Exit 5 - southbound. Maciel Belmiro, 39, of

Lowell, MA, charged with Operating a without a Valid License.

## Friday – April 26

**9 a.m.** Arrest made after a Disturbance at Rebel Convenience Store on Nashua Road. David Allen, 36, of Londonderry, charged with: Bench Warrants; Criminal Trespass; Inhaling Toxic Vapors For Effect; and Receiving Stolen Property - Two Prior Convictions.

**11:31 a.m.** Officers assisted the Londonderry Fire Department on Pumpkin Patch Way.

**3:41 p.m.** Services rendered for Trespassing at Staples on Nashua Road.

**4:31 p.m.** Juvenile Off-

enses investigated on Shasta Drive at the Nutfield Country Store.

**4:36 p.m.** Services rendered for Criminal Mischief at the Rail Trail - Route 93 North Overpass.

## Saturday – April 27

**1:21 a.m.** Motor Vehicle Stop leads to an arrest made by four officers on Rockingham Road at Page Road. Quintin Cross, 34, of Nashua, charged with: Driving Under the Influence - Impairment; Driving After Revoke/Suspension; and Open Container.

**2:43 a.m.** Motor Vehicle Accident leads to an arrest made by five officers on Rockingham Road at Route 93. Jacob Kateregga, 40, of Cambridge, MA, charged with: Driving Under the Influence - Impairment; Conduct After

Accident; Disobeying an Officer; and Criminal Mischief.

**10:08 a.m.** Peace restored after a Disturbance on Acropolis Avenue.

**8:22 p.m.** Officers res-

pond to a Structure Fire on Gilcrest Road.

**Sunday – April 28**  
**10:44 a.m.** Welfare Check conducted on Scots Place.  
**12:55 p.m.** Officers Keep the Peace Severance Drive.

## OBITUARY

### Yves G. Steger



Yves G. Steger, 81, of Londonderry, NH, passed away peacefully on Wednesday April 17, 2024, at the Courville at Manchester. He was born on Oct. 20, 1942, in Antwerp Belgium, a son of the late Fernand & Yvonne (Dandois) Steger. He is survived by his wife, Edwige (Richebé) Steger, his son, Patrick Steger & wife Kimberley Derry Steger; his daughter, Claire Steger, 3 grandchildren, Kullen, Sydney & Isabelle, as well as many nieces, nephews and extended family. He was predeceased by one brother, Michel Steger.

Yves was born in Antwerp during WW2. His family would move to Brussels when he started elementary school. His youth was spent largely in scouting & going on adventures with his younger brother.

He studied chemistry in college, eventually earning a Ph.D. During this time, he was leading a folk dance group, where he met Edwige Richebé. She was also studying chemistry & they spent much time together in the labs. Yves served in the Belgian military (mandatory at the time), he was the leader of a tank group & as an officer in a cavalry unit also rode horses.

He & Edwige married in 1969. They had two children, Patrick & Claire. Yves found work at a computer company, which led to an offer to move to the U.S. The family packed up & moved to Florida in 1980. Yves was a product planner for most of his career. He traveled extensively for work & was always enthusiastic about learning about the places he visited, including learning to speak Chinese. Yves' work transitioned to networking products, leading to a move to NH in the early 1990's.

Yves enjoyed spending time with his grandchildren. As "Grandy" he relished sharing stories, teaching them about the Belgian cultural heritage such as going to the annual St. Nicholas celebrations, Boston Pops holiday concerts, & various coastal family vacations.

He delighted in planning & going on travel, always choosing to experience as much of the world as he could. These trips often included family, he enjoyed sharing these new experiences with loved ones. Although mainly residing in the U.S., Yves & Edwige continued to visit their extensive family in Belgium. These travels often centered around a get-together or specific visit, where Yves' experience as a troop leader shone through in planning & leading family adventures. A large part of these adventures included educational, cultural & historical visits, he always enjoyed learning more through his visits to the great wall of China, Mt. Fuji, Rome, Athens, Istanbul, & many travels throughout Europe & the U.S.

Yves was at home on the sea, an avid sailor & scuba diver. His sailing experience ranged from captaining sailboats in the North Sea, to family sailing adventures in the Caribbean. He realized his dream of owning his own boat, a 37' sloop. Favorite sailing jaunts included the Isles of Shoals & various trips along the Maine coast. He enjoyed sharing sailing stories with fellow members of the Little Harbor Yacht Club.

Yves was a life-long learner & had many hobbies. He loved food & cooking, & took a course at the Culinary Institute of America. He was a wine connoisseur & cocktail enthusiast, & collected martini glasses. His love of astronomy went along with his navigation skills. In retirement, he added many more hobbies: anime/manga, Minecraft, & X-Plane flight simulator, spending much time learning about different aircraft or designing his own, & flying routes that fascinated him. He was always passionate about learning new things, using his scientific research background & his natural curiosity to dive deep into whatever piqued his interest.

He always remained young at heart, with joy & a sense of humor. He was a big dreamer with a long bucket list, he realized his life-long dream of crossing the Atlantic on a sailing ship. He was always enthusiastic and positive, with a generous and kind spirit.

There are no calling hours. Following cremation, a celebration of life will be held by the family at a later date. Memorial contributions may be made to St. Jude Children's Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105 or at [www.stjude.org](http://www.stjude.org).

## OBITUARY

### James Anthony "Jay" Hayes



James Anthony "Jay" Hayes, IV, 22, of Londonderry passed away Saturday April 20, 2024, at Samaritan Hospital in Troy, NY. Jay was born Dec. 20, 2001, in Manchester, NH & was the son of James A. III & Johanna (Nackley) Hayes. Jay was a lifelong resident of Londonderry & a 2020 Graduate of Londonderry High School. Jay was an avid New England Patriots & Boston Celtics enthusiast. He was Captain of the 2020 Londonderry High Tennis Team & a member of the 2019 NH Division 1 State Champion Football Team.

The following are excerpts from a letter sent to the family & the RPI Community, by Martin A. Schmidt "81, Ph.D., President.

Jay, as he was known to his fraternity brothers, friends & classmates, was a senior in the Biomedical Engineering Program, & he was a student in the Life Sciences Entrepreneurship MBA program. He was named to the Dean's List throughout his freshman year, he was also selected as an I-PERSIST Chemistry Mentor for new freshman. Jay was a recipient of the RPI Leadership Scholarship, & spent a semester as an undergraduate research assistant in the lab of Richard Gross, Ph.D.

As part of his senior Capstone project, Jay collaborated with Jason Heckman, MD, a surgeon specializing in hepatobiliary & pancreatic surgery, to develop an improved suture needle insertion & removal device for robotic-assisted surgeries.

Outside of academic and professional endeavors, Jay was very involved in campus life & his community. Jay loved his fraternity brothers Pi Lambda Phi, where he was VP of Communications. He also wanted to make a difference in the lives of those with special needs. Earlier this year he began working as a client liaison manager for the Center for Disability Services in hometown in NH, where he also served as a volunteer basketball coach for Special Olympics.

In addition to Jay's father James A. Hayes, III & mother, Johanna F. Hayes, he is survived by his loving sister, Caroline E. Hayes, 3 aunts, Sharon Hayes & her partner, Jill Barres, Mary Emily & Richard Rockwood & Diana Nackley, & his uncle David Nackley, as well as many cousins, great-aunts, great-uncles & friends. He will be forever missed by his beloved dog "Teddy".

Calling hours were held Sunday April 28, in the Peabody Funeral Homes & Crematorium. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated Monday April 29 at St. Mark the Evangelist Church, 2 South Rd., Londonderry. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to Special Olympics NH, 650 Elm St., #200, Manchester, NH 03101.



## TOWN OF LONDONDERRY LEGAL NOTICE

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

Adopting the Londonderry Fire Department Rules & Regulations - copy on file with the Londonderry Fire Department.

The public hearing will occur on Monday, May 6 at 7 PM in the Moose Hill Council Chamber at the Londonderry Town Hall, 268B Mammoth Road, Londonderry, NH 03053.

Londonderry Town Council

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