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Rockin' Out

Jonathan Uber let out his inner rock star as Drew Boley in Ovation Theatre's production of "Rock of Ages" over the weekend. See more photos on page 5. *Photo by Sam Paul*

Traffic Concerns Slows Progress of 96 Unit Project on Gilcreast

ALEX MALM
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Planning Board had a public hearing, for a formal review of a site plan for a proposed 96-unit multi-family residential development and associated site improvements for the property located at 35 Gilcreast Road during its May 1 meeting.

Joseph Maynard, who was representing

the applicant Gilcreast Realty Holdings LLC, explained that currently the lot is developed with an old Apple Orchard that hasn't been maintained in years.

"It has not been maintained in about 20 years," Maynard told the Heritage Commission previously.

He said the property is about 21.2 acres in size, and told the Her-

itage Commission previously, that the proposal is to build 96 units of townhouse style units, with about three to eight units per building.

"We're looking to develop this land as 96 units," Maynard said.

He said they are proposing to have municipal water and Penichuck water.

"It's the same plan **continued on page 6**

Behavioral Hospital Near Airport Gets Planning Board Approval

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LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Planning Board held a public hearing on May 1 for a formal review of a site plan and conditional use permit to construct an approximately 89,000 square foot behavioral health hospital, along with associated site improvements for the property located at 6 and 10 Innovation Way.

It was explained by Attorney, Ari Pollack, that there is a purchase agreement in place for the land to be purchased in order to build a behavioral hospital in a partnership between Acadia Health and Solution Health.

During the meeting, Deputy Health and Hum-

an Services Commissioner, Morissa Henn, spoke about the importance of the proposed facility.

"We as a state and as a society are facing huge challenges when it comes to mental health," she said.

Henn explained that there are a number of people who suffer from mental health issues saying one in four people are living with someone who has a mental health issue.

One of the biggest issues she pointed to in NH is the lack of beds available for those in need of help, causing many people to end up in emergency rooms, waiting for a bed to open up elsewhere.

"It is truly one of a

person's darkest days," Henn said.

Henn said the state has endorsed the project and has agreed to put \$15 million up for the project, saying they think it will help reach the goal of having "no adult waiting in an emergency department for care."

One question raised was how it would be different from Hampstead Hospital, which has been in the news often in recent months.

Henn explained that it's a "new venture for the state" with Hampstead Hospital, and explained that when she has questions about how to improve the facility, she often asks the people who are looking

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School Board Hear Results From Elementary Testing

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LONDONDERRY TIMES

At the most recent School Board meeting, there was a presentation made regarding the elementary school data for the District.

One of the pieces the data pointed to was that 89% of kindergartners meet or exceed benchmarks in math for number identification, 92% meet or exceed benchmarks for comparing numbers, and 87% for counting objects.

"We're proud of these

numbers and our kindergarten teachers and students," Elementary School Curriculum Coordinator, Nichole Treadway, said, explaining that the three standards are related to the foundation of math for later grades.

For the upper grades, one of the things they look at is the i-Ready scores.

In the first grade, seven percent of students were on or early on grade level in math during the fall, the numbers improved by 34%

during the winter for a total of 41% of students in first grade who are on or early on grade level.

For second graders, the numbers are 19% in the fall and 47% in the winter, in the third grade, 21% of students

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School Board Gets Briefed on Middle School Information

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The School Board received a briefing from Middle School Curriculum Coordinator, Meaghan Nason, during its most recent Board meeting, regarding the winter data.

One of the highlights of the presentation came in the beginning when Nason explained how the report card system works at the middle school level.

She said at the middle school level, it is a “scaffolded approach to the grading model that they then will see at LHS.”

It was explained by

Nason that they use a traditional letter grade system with 80% of the grade being based on “Summative Assessments” and the rest coming from “Formative Assessment.”

One new thing they have begun the process of is basing their comments on the report cards “on our competency work,” she said.

Nason also provided an overview of the i-Ready scores for math at Londonderry Middle School.

In the fall, when the test was administered, 42% of students in sixth grade were on and early on grade level, while in

the winter, 62% of students were on and early on, for a 20% increase.

For the seventh grade, 37% of students were on and early on grade level, while 52% were in the winter, for a 10% increase.

At the eighth grade level, 33% of students were on and early on grade level and 38% were for the winter.

“Students have made great progress in the area of math from our fall to winter,” Nason said.

She noted that as they advance in the different grade levels, it becomes hard to obtain the different bench-

marks.

Some of the different resources and opportunities at the Middle School level for math, that Nason pointed to includes the Math In Focus K-8 program, along with having a part time math interventionist at the sixth grade level.

“We do have one part time math interventionist,” Nason said.

She also noted that they have the pre algebra summer program for enrichment, and have summer school for remediation for students who need it.

For reading scores, Nason noted that 52% of

students at the sixth grade level were on and early on grade level during the fall and in the winter they were at 63%, which was an 11% increase. At the seventh grade level, they were at 57% for on and early on grade level during the fall and 63% during the winter, which was a 6% increase. In the fall, 50% of eighth graders were at on and early on grade level and were at 52% during the winter.

Nason said for math, it becomes harder to meet the benchmarks in the higher grades, specifically in eighth grade.

She said there are a

number of opportunities and programs they have at the Middle School to help, including summer school, saying it’s offered for “students who need remediation in English or reading.”

It was also noted that they have summer reading incentives, along with reading skills for intervention in eighth grade, and Read 180 for reading interventions in grade six and seven.

“We have lots of opportunities for literacy at the Middle School,” Nason said.

The School Board is set to meet again on May 21 at 7 p.m.

Testing

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were on or early on grade level in the fall and 59% were during the winter. In the fourth grade, 31% of students during the fall were on or early on grade level and 54% were during the winter. A total of 34% of

students, in the fifth grade, were on or early on grade level during the fall, and 59% were during the winter.

In terms of reading scores, 11% of first graders were on or early on grade level for reading during the fall, while 52% were during the winter. Second grade

had 38% of students on or early on grade level, during the fall and 70% during the winter. Third grade had 69% of its students on or early on grade level during the fall and 81% during the winter. For fourth grade, 50% of its students were on or early on grade level in the fall and was

at 59% during the winter. A total of 40% of fifth graders were on or early on grade level during the fall, and that number increased to 54% during the winter.

Treadway also explained how the report cards work at the elementary school level, noting that the K-5 report cards are based on a four point scale with one being “marginal progress” and a four

being “deeper understanding.”

She said the report cards are really the “primary communication for our parents.”

Treadway said the goal is for students to be at a three by the end of the year, which is “Consistent and Independent Mastery.”

She also noted that they are year long benchmarks, which means that if a student

is at a one or two at the beginning of the school year, then that is OK.

Treadway also noted that one new thing that they have been able to do at the elementary school level is having customized report cards for all the different schools and the layout in general “is much more friendly for parents and a little bit easier to digest.”

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Harvey Road Regulation Stations Gets Planning Board Approval

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LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Londonderry Planning Board met on May 1 to hear a formal site plan review to construct a natural gas metering and regulation station at 104 Harvey Road from Jason Lopez of Keech Nordstrom Associates and Brian Frost of Liberty Utilities.

“This project, for the past 20 years, Liberty has had a pipeline from Sanborn Road. It goes adjacent to the site along the utility corri-

dor, the old trolley line and then it goes out on Pettengill and goes down to the power plant area, primarily serving that,” said Frost. “This site would put an additional tap on that pipeline, because that pipe operates at a pressure that’s not suitable for what normal houses and business use gas at.”

Frost compared the facility to an electric or water substation. Current infrastructure has struggled to meet an increased demand over the past few years.

“It’d provide increased gas and reinforcement in the area due to growth of usage,” he added.

Board members had a few questions.

“What’s required for maintenance on this facility?” asked Secretary, Lynn Wiles.

Frost responded that the station would not be a “manned facility,” meaning Liberty would only need occasional access to the site.

“It is continuously monitored, all of the equipment we have,

including electronic computer gauges and security to the buildings,” said Frost. “We’d visit the site at a minimum once a month, do an in-person survey of the equipment and facility, make sure that the fence line is secure.”

At least six days per year, the site would see someone there for more in-depth inspections. The plan includes a small driveway allowing service vans to pull off the main road whenever visiting the station. Light pollution was not expected to be an issue, as non-emergency visits will only happen during the day.

“There is no water or

sewer connection to either of the buildings,” Lopez. “There are three buildings on the site.”

The interior perimeter will have a stone surface to limit the amount of vegetation within the fence line. Overall, the location will be similar to another facility on Sanborn Road.

“On the landscaping, you have white pine. White pine tends to lose its lower branches, I have concern about that, and between your facility and the rail trail. What is the plan for keeping some vegetation there?” asked Wiles.

Lopez pointed out that the rail trail was further away from Harvey

Road than it appear to be on the provided map.

“We will be removing trees up to the property line for construction of stormwater and construction of the fence,” said Lopez. “There’s a little triangular region that’s vegetated between the trail and the site.”

He offered to look at different trees for landscaping if white pine turns out to be a problem.

Without much debate, the Planning Board unanimously voted to grant conditional approval of the site plan with small modifications to the original landscaping.

Plein Air Painting Event to Take Place on May 15

The Londonderry Arts Council, in collaboration with the New Hampshire Art Association, announced a Plein Air Painting Event. This event will take place in Londonderry, on Wednesday, May 15, from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. The painting session will be followed by a communal potluck picnic on the Town Common.

Plein Air Painting, a practice of painting landscapes outdoors to capture the natural world’s beauty directly and authentically, will be the event’s focus. Artists of all skill levels, from established to aspiring, are warmly invited to participate.

The Town Common, featuring a Veterans

Memorial, Bandstand, views of a circa 1837 Church, historic Grange Hall, and access to the Kent Allen Forest, offers a variety of inspiring scenes. Nearby are the restored house and farm buildings of the Londonderry Historical Society, the iconic Mack’s Apples farm established in 1732, and the tranquil Glenwood Cemetery, a quiet spot to paint apple trees, blossoms, and stone walls.

Artists will meet at the Londonderry Town Hall, 268B Mammoth Road, Londonderry, at 8 a.m. From there, they will receive directions to various venues. At 12:00 noon, artists and community members are invited to gather on the Town

Common for a potluck picnic meet-up, where artists can share their morning’s artwork. Attendees are kindly asked to bring a dish to share.

To register for this free event, please visit the New Hampshire Art Association Special Interest Groups website at <https://www.nhartassociation.org/special-interest-groups-copy>, scroll down to the Plein Air section, and select “Click Here” to access the Sign-up form. Alternatively, you can contact the Londonderry Arts Council at <https://londonderryartscouncil.org/> by completing the “Get in Touch” form at the bottom of the page. Please include “Plein Air event” in the Subject line.



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Editorial

Remember Your Mother

"All I am I owe to my mother. I attribute my success in life to the moral, intellectual and physical education I received from her." - George Washington. What a mother Mary Bell Washington must have been to have had such a profound influence on her son.

As we celebrate Mother's Day this weekend, we honor the women who shaped us, nurtured us, taught us, and showed us what life and love are about. True, fathers do all of those things too, but in different ways. It's not about whose role is bigger or better, and it's not even about conforming to the specific gender roles. It is simply about acknowledging that both parents influence our lives through the choices they make with us, and each one's influence is distinct from the other.

Has their role really changed so much? Their job is still tireless and often thankless. When it is done right, the job is still about unconditional love, even when that means tough love.

It remains a lifelong commitment. Even after a child is grown, mom is still mom, and moms will always worry. They may cut the umbilical cord at birth, but there are other bonds that always stay intact.

When the world is harsh or when life pokes us in the eye and laughs at us, it is often our first instinct to

seek comfort in a mother's love.

We hope you are surrounded by family today, and if they can't make it home, we hope they at least call. In my house, I ask for a plant to put in our family garden each year, and I remember getting each plant and which child gave it to me. After all, for us moms it is about the memory. If they take you out to eat, let them pay, even if that goes against your maternal instinct, better yet let them cook and clean. Create memories.

We hope at least one person doesn't stop at "Happy Mother's Day", but elaborates at least a little bit on the depths of their gratitude and the reasons for it. Maybe they could share an anecdote or two, whether the goal is to make you laugh, cry, or both.

We hope you feel proud today. When you look at your child or children that you may have influenced, you see the kinds of people you want them to be. It is okay to be proud not only of them, but of yourself for the role you played in getting them to where they are.

And remember hugs. Always hugs.

"Because I feel that, in the Heavens above / The angels, whispering to one another, / Can find, among their burning terms of love / None so devotional as that of 'Mother'" - Edgar Allen Poe

Letters

Seeking Input on Upcoming Strategic Plan

To the editor,
Every five years our School District produces a Strategic Plan to map out its priorities and goals as a system. We are currently in the process of gaining feedback from multiple stakeholders and both the School Board and Superintendent would like to invite input on the upcoming Strategic Plan (2024 to 2029) re-write during our May and June School Board Meetings from parents and community members. Those dates are May 7, and 21, June 4, and 18.

Here is a link to our current Strategic Plan: www.londonderry.org/information/strategic-plan

As you glance through the document, what would be beneficial in terms of feedback would be answers to the following questions:

- What Culture and Climate Goals should we have for our Londonderry Schools?
- What Academic Goals should we have for our Londonderry Schools?
- What Operational Goals should we have for our Londonderry Schools?

If you have good insights to any or all of those areas, please come share them at any one of the upcoming School Board meetings this Spring.

Our goal is to produce the 2024 to 2029 Strategic Plan by the late Fall of the next School Year right before the budget process begins.

Thanks for your time and efforts!

Dan Black
Londonderry

Electing Planning Board

To the editor,
I read with interest the article entitled "Town Council Get Comments on Article to Elect Planning" in the May 2 issue of the Londonderry Times.

At the beginning, it is unreal that a Warrant Article submitted by a citizen, that received the necessary signatures to be placed on the ballot, would be made an advisory warrant at Deliberative Session.

In my opinion it should have been a straight up or down vote on Election Day. Now, five people will decide whether they want to follow the will of the people or not.

If they do agree to make it an elected position, they would be giving up some of their power. As an appointed position it becomes patronage. Friends of the Town Council members could be appointed regardless of qualifications.

Former chair John Farrell, at the recent Council meeting said, "We've been doing it the same way for 30 years."

With due respect to Mr. Farrell, that is a pretty weak argument against not changing to an elected position.

Times have changed significantly over 30 years. We need a more forward-looking view of government. Also of where the development of the town is going is in the best interest of the people. I'm sure that the town has grown significantly in those 30 years.

Jim Butler, who was at points during his time on the council, simultaneously sat on both the Planning Board and a member of the Town

Council. Funny it took until this March's election, earlier in the year spoke about his concerns regarding where the development of the town is going.

Mr. Butler perhaps more than anyone is responsible for where the development is going. I deeply appreciate his work on behalf of the town by serving on two very important entities. However if the Planning Board was an elected position the citizens of the town would have some more say in how the town gets developed.

It's past time for a more open, responsible to the people form of government.

Mike Yochim
Londonderry

Information Literacy Deficit for a Stronger Democracy

To the editor,
In today's rapidly evolving digital landscape, the ability to discern reliable information from misinformation is more crucial than ever. However, we face an information literacy deficit that poses a significant threat to the foundations of our democratic society.

A democracy thrives on an informed citizenry, capable of critically analyzing information and making well-informed decisions. This is not just a nice-to-have, but a fundamental pillar of our society. Yet, the proliferation of false narratives, sensationalism, and echo chambers on social media platforms has led to an erosion of this essential skill. This deficit in information lit-

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Ovation Theatre Rocks Down the Derry Opera House



Over the past weekend, Ovation Theatre Company showcased the rock filled, 80's glammed up and humorous musical "Rock of Ages" at the Derry Opera House. Plenty of fun and killer vocals were had in this PG rendition of the Broadway Jukebox Musical.

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Hospital

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to build the one in Londonderry, noting that they have a lot of experience.

Pollack explained during the meeting that the "Town Council recently approved a zoning amendment," which would allow a hospital to be allowed in the Gateway Business District.

He said some of the main reasons why the location makes sense is because of its close prox-

imity to the highway, along with it not being in a residential area.

Unlike other kinds of hospitals, Pollack said they wouldn't have an emergency department, sirens, or things of that nature, and instead patients would be transported there on orders, and by private transportation.

"No one just shows up at the door unannounced," Pollack said.

He said anyone who is discharged leaves

with a plan for continued care.

In total, the proposal is to have 144 beds, with the potential for future expansion of up to 192 beds.

Pollack said they are going to have a condition that they have to reach an agreement with the town specifically to address concerns raised by the Police Department, through the form of a memorandum of understanding.

"This condition is

something we are very aware of," Pollack said.

Town Councilor, John Farrell, explained that the MOU is being negotiated by the Town Council and its legal counsel, in consultation with the police and fire department, saying they wouldn't be moving forward with the MOU without their blessing.

Police Chief, Kim Bernard, said his leadership team have been discussing it, since the Town Council agreed to

make an amendment to the zoning, to allow the hospital use there.

"We've been working on them, we have plans in place for those impacts," he said.

So far he said they have had "great dialogue."

"We're on it, we're working on it as a team, and I don't see any issues with it at this moment," Bernard.

Division Chief of Fire Prevention, Brian Johnson, said they have also

had meetings, and have been very easy to work with saying "any concern that we have had has been addressed very quickly."

He said based on their research, the average amount of calls is two per month for similar size facilities.

The Planning Board unanimously approved the site plan, with conditions including a MOU being agreed on between the town and the applicant.

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that's been going through this Board for a while," Maynard said.

He explained that they got a positive recommendation from the Heritage Commission after going back to them after comments were made by the Commission, and the changes were made.

One of the main items

discussed was in regards to the traffic analysis for the proposal.

Town Engineer, John Trottier, explained that the Board had previously asked for traffic to be looked at for the development along with the 67 other units being proposed for a different proposed development down the road.

Former Town Manager, Kevin Smith, who is consulting for the proj-

ect, on the behalf of the applicant, said there was a traffic scoping meeting with town staff and the developers, and it was decided to look at all the intersections and to go back and forth with the town's traffic consultant with different comments.

He said there are two issues at hand, one being that the traffic impact from the development shows to be minimal for the intersections, however, over time there may need to be improvements made to it. Smith added that they were asked by the traffic consultant for the town to explain some of the proposed improvements, and how it would impact it.

Smith, however, said he thinks it's "beyond

the jurisdiction," for the particular development, and it's something that the town should be looking into. He noted that they would be willing to make it a condition of approval that the developer has to make a financial contribution for the improvements there or

for the full study of any intersections that is led by the town.

Trottier said there are "too many unknowns right now," and it's "still a work in progress" when talking about the traffic report being finalized.

He also disagreed

with Smith in regards to the responsibility of the developer.

"I disagree, it's right in our regulations," Trottier said.

After discussion, the Planning Board ultimately decided to once again continue the proposal to the June 12 meeting.

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eracy has far-reaching implications. It undermines the integrity of our electoral processes, as voters are susceptible to manipulation and disinformation campaigns. It fosters polarization and divisiveness, as individuals retreat into ideological bubbles, impervious to differing per-

spectives. It also jeopardizes public health, as misinformation spreads unchecked, leading to vaccine hesitancy and other harmful behaviors.

Addressing this issue requires a multifaceted approach. Educational institutions must prioritize information literacy as a core competency, teaching students how to critically evaluate sources and navigate the digital landscape responsibly. Media organizations must uphold journalistic standards of accuracy and transparency, combating the spread of false information. Technology companies must take proactive measures to mitigate the amplification of misinformation on their plat-

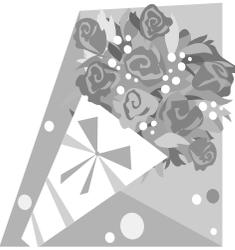
forms, prioritizing the public good over profit.

As engaged citizens, we hold a crucial role in addressing this issue. We are not just passive consumers of information, but active participants in shaping the narrative. We must be vigilant in verifying the credibility of sources and be willing to engage in civil discourse with those who hold different viewpoints. Only by collectively addressing the information literacy deficit can we safeguard the integrity of our democracy and ensure a more informed and resilient society for generations to come.

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Council Hear From Public Regarding Public Input Warrant Article

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LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Londonderry Town Council held a public comment session dedicated to the citizen petition warrant article regarding public input during its May 6 meeting.

The warrant article asked voters to approve a change to the Municipal Code, requiring that

all boards and commissions have public comment at the beginning and at the end of meetings.

During the Deliberative Session, it was amended to be advisory only, meaning even though voters supported it, the warrant article had no legal effect.

In March, voters supported the change on a

3085 to 1077 vote.

Resident and former Town Councilor, Deb Paul, who submitted the warrant article, said people took the time to sign the petition and said "It's important because the people voted for it."

She explained that she originally got the idea from Town Council Chair, Chad Franz, as a

way to be able to hear comments at the end of the meeting as well after things are discussed, which may lead to someone asking a question or bringing something up.

Currently, people would be required to wait until the next meeting in order to make a comment in public, instead of at the end of the meeting.

"You wouldn't have to wait two weeks," she said about the change to public comment.

Paul said as example, when they had a Saturday meeting about the Lions Hall, in order to get public feedback, someone had a comment to make at the end of the meeting, but wasn't able to do so.

Paul also recognized the fact that for the ZBA and Planning Board there would need to be a disclaimer read at the beginning of the meeting explaining that active cases or plans couldn't be discussed during public comment.

Resident and former Londonderry Police Offi-

cer, Dan Bouchard, said he isn't opposed to having public comment at the end of the meeting as well, noting that there are times when people want to make a comment after what was discussed.

Town Councilor, Ron Dunn, said, "I am in full support of public comment in the beginning and the end," noting that in March he proposed having the Town Council move forward with having public comment at the beginning and at the end of meetings, but it wasn't approved.

Town Councilor, Shawn Faber, also agreed saying "I fully support each and every one of these," referring to the citizen petition warrant articles being implemented, saying he supports the will of the people.

Town Councilor, John Farrell, said "I'm in support of opening the charter," but it's something they should look at more before making any decisions, saying it should be opened fully.

On the issue of the Town Council moving right away to having public comment at the beginning and the end, he said they would need to amend the council rules and procedures, which would require multiple meetings.

Paul said she was concerned that if nothing is done before the summer break, then it will "be kicked down the road."

She also asked for an explanation to be given on what the next step in the process would be in order to open up the Charter, however, it was ultimately decided to have Town Manager, Mike Malaguti, prepare an explanation about how to go about changing the Charter for the individual warrant articles approved by the voters, versus opening up the entire Charter for the next meeting.

The next Londonderry Town Council meeting is slated to take place on May 20, at 7 p.m.

It's Earth Day Every Day for the Local GREEN Team

The Green Team of Londonderry is jumping right into some spring gardening, and you can be a part of it too. In 2021 The Green Team planted a wildflower meadow for pollinators located at the entrance to the Moose Hill Kindergarten. Each year the meadow has evolved with a different mix of colorful blossoms. Volunteers met on Saturday to rake and re-seed the meadow to help ensure the continued show of beautiful pollinator friendly blooms.

This year a perennial garden will be added. Plants will be arriving in mid-June. In preparation for the plants' arrival, the garden plan will need to be outlined,

a path created, and a trellis constructed for vines. Any resident interested in helping with this fun, outdoor project is encouraged to bring their garden tools and join the volunteers who will be there every Sunday in May beginning at 10 a.m., providing the weather cooperates. You can email GreenTeam603@gmail.com for additional information.

The Green Team is a non-profit organization whose members are volunteer town residents with a mission to promote personal and environmental well-being through education, advocacy and experiences involving the natural world and the arts. The Green

Team recently sponsored speakers at the library on topics including Growing Native Species, Invasive Plants, Vegetable Gardening, and Medicinal Herbs for Pets. They replaced the overgrown, invasive burning bushes by the library sign with native blueberry bushes. Plastic grocery bags were collected and turned in to the Trex Decking company who made two lovely benches for the garden. Fund raising projects include an annual plant sale in June, and a holiday door swag making event in December. Check Facebook for upcoming events at Green Team of Londonderry NH.



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Fish and Game Holds Annual Kids Fishing Derby



Families flocked to Londonderry Fish and Game on Sunday, May 5, for the annual Kid's Fishing Derby. The small pond on the club's property was stocked with plenty of trout and children were allowed to each catch three fish and compete for a number of prizes. *Photos by Samantha Paul*

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LONDONDERRY SPORTS

Lancers Volleyball Squad Keep Up Perfect Record

CHRIS PAUL
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Londonderry High School Boys' Volleyball team cruised through the mid-way point in the spring season with three more consecutive wins bring the record to 8-0.

The Lancers latest victories came against Bishop Guertin, Dover, and Windham High School and they managed to get by those teams with just one set loss.

On Monday, April 29, the LHS squad traveled to Nashua to take on Bishop Guertin. The result was a straight sets win over the cardinals: winning set one, 25-16; two, 25-12; and three went 25-16.

Two days later, in another road game, the Lancers took three of the four sets played against the Dover High

School Green Wave.

After dropping the initial set 22-25, Londonderry bounced back with three straight wins: 25-13; 25-16; and 25-20.

Tyler Brown put up an outstanding 21 kills, two blocks, five digs, 15 assists, and two aces to lead the team.

Ethan Munro collected eight kills, nine digs, 10 assists, and one ace; Matt Doyle picked up 18 digs, two assists, and an ace; Gavin Doughty had six kills, nine digs, one assist, and two aces; Crosby Nolan got four kills, one block, and two digs; Ethan Saranich had five kills and four digs; Theo Paccione: got two digs, 14 assists, and one ace; Kai Hou and Liam Evans each notched one dig.

At home against the Windham Jaguars, on Friday, May 3, Londonderry registered their

five shutout of the season with another straight sets win.

Set that evening went: 26-24; 25-19; and 25-23.

Tyler Brown had 12 kills, 16 assists, four digs, one block, and six aces; Ethan Munro got 14 kills, 15 assists, three digs, and two blocks; Gavin Doughty managed five kills and seven digs; Crosby Nolan notched three kills, two blocks, and two aces; Ethan Saranich got two kills, one dig, two blocks, and two aces; Connor Koza finished with one kill and four blocks; Matt Doyle tallied 20 digs and two assists; and Liam Evans and Kai Hou each had one dig.

The Lancers squad will try to continue their unbeaten streak when the face Souhegan and Goffstown this week.



The Lancers Boys' Volleyball squad is working towards their second consecutive undefeated season. Courtesy photo.



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Defending Division I Champs Beat Undefeated Rival



Senior Owen Carey went 3-4 with an inside the park homerun against the Titans.

CHRIS PAUL
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Londonderry High School baseball team enjoyed another successful week, defeating three consecutive teams, including handing Pinkerton Academy their only loss in the Division.

On Tuesday, April 30, the defending champions traveled to Nashua, where they easily got past the Bishop Guertin Cardinals in a 7-0 shutout.

It took over four innings to get the first run across the plate in this game, but in the fifth, LHS put four runs on the board thanks to the efforts of Jonathan Wilson, Brett McKinnon, and Jet Jones.

The team tacked on

another three runs in the top of the final inning.

McKinnon, Jones, Johan Pena, and Zach Green factored into those runs.

Junior pitcher, Brady Gillis, received the win, throwing seven strong innings with four strikeouts, two walks, and giving up just four hits.

Green went 3-4 at the plate, while Owen Carey, McKinnon, and Jones each had two hits in the victory.

On Wednesday, May 1, against the Nashua North Titans, the Lancers scored early and often and went on to tally an 11-4 home win.

Carey nearly hit for the cycle, supplying three-RBIs off his three hit game, getting an inside-the-park home run, a triple, and a double.

McKinnon also had three hits and three RBIs in the game.

Joey Cafaro earned the win, pitching five

innings, tallying nine strikeouts, giving up four runs on two hits, and six walks.

Trenton Powers finished the final two on the mound, striking out three, walking three, and not giving up a hit.

Overall, the Lancers' offense put up their 11-runs on 13-hits and five walks.

Three Titan pitchers made it to the mound and were unable to register a single knockout.

In the team's final game of the week, on Saturday, May 4, the Lancers hosted the Astros and handed them their first loss of the season.

In the 4-2 victory, Londonderry scored two runs in the first and fifth innings and hung on for the win with strong pitching from Devin Boles and Gillis.

Boles got the win, striking out nine batters and giving up just three hits and two runs in just over five innings. Gillis

came in as the relief, adding another three Ks, walking two, and allowing just one hit.

The Londonderry bats got to the PA pitching quick, Jayden Hamilton and Carey struck first with singles to get on base. They were then driven in by Jones, with a ground out, and a Pena single to center field.

In the bottom of the fifth, LHS got their remaining runs. Wilson hit a lead-off single and Carey reached on an error, with Hamilton scoring after stealing second.

A McKinnon ground out to short got Carey home for the final LHS run.

With the wins, the Lancers now stand at 9-2 and are scheduled to play at Nashua South (4-5) on Tuesday, followed by games against Salem (1-8) and Spaulding (5-5) at home on Thursday and Friday. The home games start at 4 p.m.

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Lancer Softball Tally Two 12-0 Wins, Fall to Astros

CHRIS PAUL
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Londonderry High School Softball team had two strong 12-0 wins followed by a difficult six-run loss to the Astros and finished the week at 9-2.

Starting on Monday, April 29, the Lady Lancers played host to Bishop Guertin and delivered the Cardinal

their third loss of the season with a 12-0 shutout.

The Londonderry bats put up 10-runs in the first three innings to allow the team to cruise to the one-sided win.

Elizabeth Kearney had another outstanding performance in the circle, pitching five innings, striking out 12, walking one, and allowing just two hits.

The Lancers racked up 13 hits, with four walks, and four Ks.

Ginny Flaherty went 3-3 in the game to lead her team in hits, while Olivia Cutuli and Addie Browning each had three RBIs.

Two of Cutuli's RBIs came off a homerun shot to right field in the second inning.

Two days later, on the road against the

Nashua South Purple Panthers, the game's outcome was extremely similar, scoring 11-runs by the end of the third and winning 12-0.

Abby Austen earned the victory, pitching three innings, giving up just one hit and one walk, and striking out five batters.

Vivian Belanger pitched two relief innings, striking out

three, walking one, and no hits.

Overall, the Lancer bats produced 11 hits, walked six times, and struck out just three times in the game.

Browning hit a homerun during the very productive second inning where the LHS squad racked up six runs.

Flaherty was three for four at the plate, including a double and Austen hit the team's only other double.

In the 1-7 loss to the Lady Astros of Pinkerton Academy, in Derry, on Friday, the Lancers were unable to muster any offense against the tough PA pitching.

Julia Caruso dominated the game in the

circle for PA striking out 15 LHS batters and giving up just five hits.

Cutuli suffered the loss, pitching three innings with five hits, four runs, and five Ks. Kearney picked up the other three innings, allowing three runs on four hits.

The only Lancer run in the game came from a single by Kearney in the fourth innings after two walks led off the inning.

Before the loss to the still undefeated Astros, LHS was riding a nine game win streak.

The Lancers will play Nashua South on Monday and travel to Spaulding High School on Friday.

Girls' Tennis Squad See Doubles Success

CHRIS PAUL
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Londonderry High School Girls' Tennis team is still in search of its second win of the season after starting the year with a win over Merrimack High School.

Most recently, the LHS team had a great deal of in the doubles matches.

Against the Alvirne High School Boncos, in Hudson, the Lady Lancers fell in a tough 4-5 loss, but won two of their three doubles matches.

In the their following game, in Derry, against the Pinkerton Academy Astros, the LHS girls'

suffered the same close defeat, but was able to sweep the doubles matches.

Against the Lady Broncos, Singles wins came from the #3 and #5 spot.

Sarah Lemy had a 8-2 victory in the number three spot and Riley Doyle beat her number five opponent 8-4.

In Doubles, the team of Doyle and Abby Jones gave their team a 8-5, while the team of Bianca Bettencourt and Olivia Josef won their match 8-6.

Against Pinkerton, the Lancers only singles win came from the number six spot. Junior Abby Jones had an 8-4



Five of the six LHS doubles team members.
Courtesy photo

victory in that match.

Following that, Londonderry was able to win all the doubles matches.

The team of Jillian Mazzola and Aloisa Von Pichl won 8-4; Lamy and Bettencourt tallied a 8-3

victory; and the team of Doyle and Jones needed a second set to decide the winner. After an 8-8 tie in the first set the LHS team went on to win 7-3 in the second.

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ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

The Londonderry Zoning Board of Adjustment will hold a public meeting on Wednesday, May 15, 2024 at 7:00 P.M. in Moose Hill Council Chambers to consider the following:

PUBLIC HEARING:
CASE NO. 05/15/2024-1 Request for a variance from LZO section 4.3.3.B.2 to allow parking within the fifty (50) foot residential buffer zone. The parcel is located at 39 Rockingham Road in the Commercial-II (C-II) zone. Tax Map 13, Lot 65-1. AK Investments, LLC (Owner & Applicant).

CASE NO. 05/15/2024-2 Request for a special exception from LZO section 5.12.5 to allow a child care facility as a home occupation. The parcel is located at 162 South Road in the Agricultural Residential (AR- 1) zoning district. Tax Map 7, Lot 108-10. Kerri Madigan, (Owner & Applicant)

CASE NO. 05/15/2024-3 Request for a variance from LZO section 7.6.D.5.B to allow two (2) wall signs, totaling 228 square feet whereas one (1) wall sign totaling one hundred (100) square feet is permitted. The parcel is located at 55 Pettengill Road in the Gateway Business Zone (GB) Map 14 Lot 49-03. Business Finance Authority of State of New Hampshire (owner). NB Development Group LLC (applicant).

CASE NO. 05/15/2024-4 Request for a variance from LZO section 4.3.3.B.2 to allow parking within the fifty (50) foot residential buffer zone. The parcels are located at 4 Nashua Road & 6 Londonderry Road in the Commercial II (C-II) zoning district. Tax Map 10 Lots 118 & 121. Windham Realty Limited Company & Windham Realty, LLC, (Owner & Applicant).

CASE NO. 05/15/2024-5 Request for a variance from LZO section 4.1.2 to allow outdoor storage in the Commercial-II (C-II) zone. The parcels are located at 4 Nashua Road & 6 Londonderry Road in the Commercial II (C-II) zoning district. Tax Map 10 Lots 118 & 121. Windham Realty Limited Company & Windham Realty, LLC, (Owner & Applicant).

CASE NO. 05/15/2024-6 Request for a variance from LZO section 4.3.3.B.1 to allow parking to encroach into the thirty (30) foot landscape buffer. The parcels are located at 4 Nashua Road & 6 Londonderry Road in the Commercial II (C-II) zoning district. Tax Map 10 Lots 118 & 121. Windham Realty Limited Company & Windham Realty, LLC, (Owner & Applicant).

AROUND TOWN

Around Town Policy: This section is meant to be used to announce free events to the communities. If your group is receiving money for what they are publicizing, there will be a charge of \$40/week per paper. All Around Town/Calendar Items will be held to 100 words maximum. All free announcements in the Around Town/Calendar section can run a maximum of three weeks. Deadline for submissions is Monday at 5 p.m. Please send items to londonderrytimes@nutpub.net.

Democratic Meeting

The Londonderry Democratic Committee is holding their monthly meeting on Thursday May 23 from 6 - 8 p.m., at the Leach Library Meeting Room. Registered Londonderry Democrats are urged and welcome to attend.

in it to take home. We recommend having your child dress in something that can get dirty, or bringing along a smock to wear. We will also be giving tours of our preschool during this event. Registration is necessary. Contact us at: 603-425-6231 or lisa@orchard-kids.org

Paint & Plant Party

This is the perfect opportunity to make a gift with OR for mom for Mother's Day! And it's Free! Children ages 3-5 are invited to attend with mom, or another family member or friend, on May 11 between 9:30 - 10:30 a.m., at the Orchard Christian Church. They will get to decorate a pot, and then plant flowers

Moose Hill Forum

The School Board and the Moose Hill Building Committee will be hosting a forum on May 16 at 7 p.m., at Moose Hill itself. The purpose of the meeting is to digest the vote from March and have a community discussion around the needs that still exist for the Moose Hill School. If there are ideas

or comments any member from the public wants to make - the School Board and Moose Hill Building Committee are hoping people can attend the forum and share those ideas and comments.

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>.

VA Information Day

On Saturday June 22 from 10 a.m. - noon a representative from the Manchester VA will be at American Legion Post 27 to provide information, answer questions and sign veterans up. This event is open to all area veterans and not just members of Post 27. Veterans interested in joining the VA need to bring their DD-214. You can send an email to mail@alpost27.com if you have any questions.

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.

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: LondonderryGOP.org, facebook.com/LondonderryGOP, or contact us at lrc@londonderrygop.org.

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: 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 NHSp-artans.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.

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 introduc-

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tion 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.

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.

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 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 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. Registration 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 build-

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ing 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 9-14. Registration is required and begins on Saturday, May 25. To register, visit the library's online event calendar or call (603) 432-1132.

Scrimshaw Showcase

The Scrimshaw art of local artist Tom Abruzese will be on display during April at the Leach Library. There will be 110 pieces of his work using sea shells and bones to be viewed through the library.

Drop-In Tech Help

Curious about reserving library materials online from home? Want to learn how to access library databases and digital collections? Looking to get started with Libby and Hoopla? Need help navigating a new device? The Leach Library reference staff has you covered! We are here to provide one-on-one assistance tailored to your technology-related needs. No appointment is necessary. Stop in any Thursday between 10 a.m. and noon. For more information or to make an appointment for another time, please call the library at (603) 432-1132.

Women's Club

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

reach out at info@londonderrywomensclub.org.

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.

Be Kind - Do Good

The Sonshine Soup Kitchen located at 6 Crystal Ave., Derry, is seeking Volunteers age 18+ for help preparing and serving drive-through meals: Monday -Thursday, 3 - 6 p.m. For more information or if you have questions call 603.437.2833.

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Londonderry Police Log

Selections taken from the daily Londonderry Police Logs

Monday - April 29

9:50 a.m. Medical Emergency at Londonderry Middle School transported to a hospital.

1:51 p.m. Motor vehicle stop on Nashua Road at Route 93 leads to an arrest made. Three officers arrest Christopher Bellemare, 37, of Manchester, charged with: Drive After Revoke/Suspension.

6:02 p.m. Welfare Check investigated on Noble Place.

6:49 p.m. Three officers render services for Domestic Disturbance on Golen Drive.

8:30 p.m. Three officers assist in making an arrest during a Motor Vehicle Check on Aviation Park Drive at Hubbell. Scott Pickering, 51, of North Chelmsford, MA, charged on Bench Warrants.

11:14 p.m. Suspicious Activity investigated on Orchard View Drive at

AMC Classic Londonderry 10.

Tuesday - April 30

12:56 p.m. Five officers make an arrest during a Motor Vehicle Accident on Rockingham Road. James Shea, 31, of Malden, MA, charged with Driving Under the Influence - Impairment.

9:27 p.m. Disturbance investigated on South Road at Saint Mark's Church.

11:05 a.m. Assisted the Londonderry Fire Department at Londonderry Middle School.

12:14 p.m. Services rendered at Londonderry Police Department by Animal Control for a Dog Bite.

12:15 p.m. Services rendered by Animal Control at Convenient MD Urgent Care for a Dog Bite on Nashua Road.

8:40 p.m. Disturbance investigated by three officers on Main Street,

Woodmont.

Wednesday - May 1

5 a.m. Services rendered by four officers for an Airport Alert at the Manchester Boston Regional Airport.

6:12 a.m. Five officers respond to a Motor Vehicle Accident on Nashua Road at Gilcreast Road Transported To Hospital.

9:19 a.m. Criminal Mischief investigated on Winterwood Drive.

3:02 p.m. Services rendered at the Londonderry High School for Juvenile Offenses.

3:11 p.m. Motor vehicle stop on Nashua Road at Derry Town Line leads to an arrest and vehicle towed. Tylor Chase, 25, of Derry, charged with: Suspension of Vehicle Registration; and Drive after Revoke/Suspension.

4:31 p.m. Services rendered for Juvenile Offenses on Fieldstone Drive.

10:25 p.m. Services rendered by five officers for a Domestic Disturbance on Haywood Road.

Thursday - May 2

7:17 a.m. Three officers assisted the Londonderry Fire Department on Rainbow Drive.

7:32 a.m. Services rendered for Drug Offenses on Industrial Drive.

10:23 a.m. Five officers respond to a Motor Vehicle Complaint and Issued a Citation on Mammoth Road.

12:11 p.m. Warrant served and arrests made on Pilling Street in Haverhill, Mass., Betsy Stanley, 51, of Haverhill, MA, charged with: Willful Concealment, Theft. Beatrice Stanley, 51, of Haverhill, MA, charged with: Willful Concealment, Theft.

4:03 p.m. Eight officers assist with making two arrests for Shoplifting at Shaw's on Orchard View Drive. Pamela White, 62, of Salem, charged with: Willful Concealment, Theft - Two Prior Convictions; and Violation of Probation or Parole. Nicholas

Spera, 69, of Pepperell, MA, charged with: Willful Concealment, Theft.

6:02 p.m. Services rendered to Keep the Peace on Perkins Road.

9:47 p.m. Services rendered for Trespassing on Litchfield Road.

Friday - May 3

12:39 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop leads to an arrest made on Gilcreast Road at Catesby Lane. Philip Grigas, 53, of Derry, charged with: Drive After Revoke/Suspension; and Suspension of Vehicle Registration.

8:45 a.m. Services rendered for a Domestic Disturbance on Hall Road.

11:10 a.m. Services rendered for assault reported at Londonderry Police Department.

4:33 p.m. Pedestrian Check investigated on Nashua Road at Home Depot.

10:12 a.m. Warrant served and arrest made on Rockland Avenue, Manchester. Leonard Cooper, 23, of Manchester, charged with two counts

of Simple Assault - Physical Contact or Bodily Injury.

Saturday - May 4

10:02 a.m. Warrant served and arrest made by three officers on Rockland Avenue, Manchester. Richard Cooper, 26, of Manchester, charged with: Simple Assault - Physical Contact or Bodily Injury.

4:34 p.m. Services rendered by five officers for a Sudden Death on Kimball Road.

Sunday - May 5

12:28 a.m. Motor vehicle stop on Nashua Road, at High Range Road, leads to an arrest. Paul Biron, 49, of Litchfield, charged with: Driving Under the Influence - Impairment.

5:51 a.m. Services rendered for Suspicious Activity on King Henry Drive.

3:48 p.m. Services rendered for a Welfare Check on Chartwell Court.

6:29 p.m. Larceny/Forgery/Fraud investigated on West Road.

This Week In Concord - Bills for May 5 to May 13

The goal of this column will be to provide an unbiased update on legislation pertinent to Londonderry citizens, updates on progress through the legislature, and information on how our State Representatives and Senator are working for us up in Concord. Check back as this column evolves and thank you for reading! We will introduce the bill number, indicate whether it is in its original form or amended, provide its intent, whether or not it is partisan or bipartisan, and provide next steps in the legislative process.

House Bill 396, As Amended: Republican; Permitting classification of individuals based on biological sex under certain limited circum-

stances.

Pending executive session in the Senate Judiciary Committee this week.

House Bill 1291, As Amended: Bipartisan; Relative to accessory dwelling unit uses allowed by right.

Pending hearing in the Senate Commerce Committee, May 7 at 10:20 a.m., Room 100 at the State House.

House Bill 1400: Bipartisan; Relative to residential parking spaces. Would require that zoning and planning regulations set a maximum number of parking spaces per residence to one.

Pending hearing in the Senate Commerce Committee, May 7 at 9:30 a.m., Room 100 at the State House.

House Bill 1399: Slightly Partisan; Allowing municipalities to permit 2 residential units in certain single-family residential zones.

Referred by Senate for interim study, scheduled for May 16.

House Bill 1521: slightly partisan; Relative to recovery houses. This bill was originally written to provide clarification by State agencies that adopt administrative rules against public argument; it has been re-written to revise the definition of a recovery house, and require that a recovery house be treated the same as residential housing when similarly zoned.

Pending Public Hearing May 7 at 10:30 a.m., in Legislative Office Building Room 103.

House Bill 1204: Partisan; Relative to government agent entries into secured premises. This bill establishes requirements for when a government agent may enter a secured premises without a warrant. May be known and cited as the "NH Property Protection Act."

Pending hearing in the State Judiciary Committee May 7 in Room 100 at the State House

House Bill 1584: Partisan; Relative to home day care licensing requirements. Increases the number of children that can be cared for at a day care location without required licensing.

Pending hearing at Senate Health & Human Services Committee May 8 at 9:15 a.m., in Legislative Office Building

Room 101.

Senate Bill 413-FN, As Amended: Bipartisan; Relative to civil actions for PFAS contamination. Creates the right for the State to sue those responsible for PFAS contamination, and the right for affected homeowners to sue to be connected to a public water system.

Scheduled to be voted on by the House of Representatives on May 9.

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