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Another phase of construction is currently underway on the drainage issues on the Londonderry Town Common. Photo by Chris Paul

Phase II of Town Common Drainage Project Begins

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The Town Common Drainage system project is currently underway for the next phase and is headed towards completion. The Londonderry Times spoke with the Londonderry Director of Public Works (DPW) and Engineering, Janusz Czyzowski, this past week to discuss questions raised this past month when

the Town Common had various water ponding issues after a big rainstorm. The drainage project at the Common was initiated last year after residents voted yes to enable the town to appropriate \$235,000 for the purpose of making drainage improvements to the Town Common.

The DPW Director stated that the project on the Town Common

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Town Council Prioritizes Goals for Upcoming Year

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Chairman John Farrell, led the April 20th Town Council meeting, which was held by videoconference. The Council members continued discussing goal setting for the council.

Chairman Farrell said, "The last goal we were talking about with Tom Dolan before the meeting interruption was to continue with a refresher with the town attorney to have him come in and meet with us and remind us of our duties and nonpublic meetings and events."

Councilor Tom Dolan said, "This is pointed to you Deb (Paul), since you are new to the Council. We haven't had a change in the council in three years, so it is entirely appropriate for all of us to go through this again with the town lawyer at this time."

Dolan continued, "Our number three goal is attracting new business opportunities, and this is something that the chairman would add to the managers objectives and that is how we would achieve our goal setting this objective with the man-

ager." Chairman Farrell said, "Obviously one action is we need to present a pandemic plan that I think everyone in the country will be working on."

Dolan said, "Our Fire Chief has been doing a great job together with Police Chief Hart. So, I think we just need to take a picture of what they've been doing and capture that as our plan in the future. Somewhere down the road and hopefully this doesn't happen again, we will be able to pull it out of the file and use it

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Zoning Board Denies Home Operation with Food Trailer

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Chairman, Neil Dunn, supported a remote videoconference for a Londonderry Zoning Board (ZBA) meeting on Wednesday, April 15 to discuss specific requests for variances and special exceptions. Those making the requests, as well as the interested public have access to these meetings and can provide their input, as requested or welcomed by the board.

Timothy and Wilda Hood requested a special exception for a home occupation that

would support a food trailer service operation at 143 Litchfield Road that is zoned Agricultural Residential (AR-1). Their request was continued from a March 18, meeting.

Tim Hood told the Zoning Board he was requesting this special exception so that he and his wife could support online food sales and operations from their property via a food trailer. They outlined that the hours of operation were to be Monday through Saturday for lunch at 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. and for dinner from 4 - 9

p.m. The request did not include a sign for the business.

Hood said, "We will take sales only through online services with delivery to set up by a food delivery app. We will not have the public driving to our place and this will keep down the

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Londonderry High School Plans for Senior Week Activities

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Londonderry High School Principal Jason Parent has outlined the plan for the high school for the rest of the academic year. Plans still include a full senior week of activities. The Covid-19 virus has been especially difficult for high school seniors who have had some of their traditional activities and events interrupted, due the "stay at home" declaration by the Governor.

The schools plan starts this week with the 3 school days preempting some of the vacation time. These days are meant for carrying on with what students are

already learning. These non-vacation days are for letting students get caught up with material that they are missing, or for teachers to offer remedial instruction if needed. Students should check in with teachers each day to make sure they are in a good place academically. Major new topics of study will be introduced to students in May. Teachers will also be taking cumulative assessments of their student's progress.

Student academic assignments will be posted for students between 7 a.m. - 4 p.m. (keeping with school hours) Grades for Qtr. 4 will be A's, B's, C's, D's, or I (Incomplete).

There are no F's that will be given for Qtr. 4. The average of the Qtr. 3 grade with the Qtr. 4 grade will determine the semester grade/credit. If a student receives an "I" for Qtr. 4, they will have the summer to complete the assignments needed to pass the course and earn a grade and credit.

The school will not have final exams & June 4 is the last day for new curriculum/summative assessments, the final four days for students, from June 5 - June 10, are intended for students to complete work, conduct remediation, and finish formative assessments.

The school yearbook, equipment returns, and

summer events/ceremonies are now scheduled subject to further NH State or other restrictions. The plan is for Seniors by House number to return books, materials, uniforms, instruments in front of the gym after their last day June 2; which will be H1 June 3, H2 and H3 June 4, and H4 June 5.

The plan is for underclassmen by House to return all the above in front of the gym after their last day June 10. H1 June 11, H2 & H3 June 12, and H4 June 15. Times TBD.

All yearbooks will be mailed to each student's home. If you are looking to order, please connect

to the following web site: www.jostensyearbooks.com - Yearbook orders will be accepted through May 15.

There is possible good news about Senior week activities as they are still scheduled to take place and indoor and outdoor events have been booked. Here is the current schedule that has been setup:

- July 21 - Varsity Banquet 6 p.m. (LHS cafe).

- July 24 - Mr. LHS 7 p.m. (LHS Gym).

- July 27 - Senior Supper and Cap & Gown Distribution 6 p.m. in LHS cafeteria.

- July 28 - Senior Trip (Thompson Island, Boston Harbor) all day. Meet at LHS.

- July 29 - Senior Awards 11 a.m. (LHS Gym). Baccalaureate 7 p.m. in Concord, NH

- July 3 - Grad Practice 9 a.m. Graduation 7 p.m. (SNHU Arena) in Manchester, NH

- July 31 - Prom. 6 p.m. (Castleton) in Windham.

Principal Parent says that he, the staff and administration are excited to still have the opportunity to celebrate the amazing Class of 2020! Residents can see a video tribute to the class created by senior class officer Gia Komst at https://drive.google.com/file/d/1Zo_FhjF5ioVDvAF-NQa4WE_Ov6z5RDrl/view?usp=drivesd.

Hazardous Waste Day Planned for Londonderry and Derry

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Given the current pandemic and stay at home situations, the semiannual household hazardous waste day for residents of Derry and Londonderry has been moved this year to Saturday June 6. The collection will be from 9 a.m. - noon at the West Running Brook School in Derry. The school is located at Rt. 28 By-Pass across from the entrance to the Fairways Complex.

Typically, this day is held during the first part of May every year in Derry. The event in the fall is held in Londonderry. The new proposed

date of June 6 for the spring drop off is subject change, depending on the situations in the towns and the Governor's guidelines for such efforts.

Do not throw toxic products directly in the trash, as they are potential fire hazards in trash and in landfills. They can also contaminate both soil and groundwater.

These collection days are actually connected to a private hazardous waste transporting company that is funded by the tax dollars of both communities. Since you are paying for this in taxes, no fees are charged to Derry and Londonderry residents for disposing

of their household hazardous waste on this day.

If you miss one of these collections and still have household hazardous waste you need to get rid of, the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (NHDES), suggests that residents should contact other towns to determine when they may conducting collections. Most towns will charge a small fee for out-of-town wastes and not all towns accept out-of-town waste, so be sure to contact them before taking hazardous waste out of Londonderry.

There is up-to-date information on the New Hampshire Department

of Environmental Services website at: www.des.nh.gov/organization/divisions/waste/publications.htm

Hazardous waste is any toxic product that is dangerous to people and the environment if not recycled properly. Manufacturers typically label these products to alert you that they are hazardous. Hazardous waste products include fertilizers, bathroom cleaners, pesticides, antifreeze, disinfectants, corrosives, fungicide, car waxes and polishes, furniture polish, oil based paint and stains, insect spray, creosote, metal polish, rust preventative, lighter fluid, driveway sealer, mothballs, solvents, pest strips and traps, flea powder, oven cleaner, paint thinner and turpentine, pesticides, gasoline and pet-

roleum products, roofing tar, photo chemicals, wood preservatives, poisons, radiator flush, rug cleaner, wood stripper, pool chemicals, roofing tar, and thermometers.

Specific items that people are asked not to bring to household hazardous waste collections are batteries, explosives such as fireworks and ammunition, infectious wastes, latex paints, radioactive products, and asbestos products.

For more information in Londonderry, contact Robert Kerry at 432-1100 ext. 137 or RKerry@LondonderryNH.org or visit the town's webpage at www.londonderrynh.org/environmental-services-solid-waste

There are other items to consider that are a bit different from hazardous waste that should be

properly disposed and that includes alkaline batteries and such things as hypodermic needles.

Alkaline batteries produced since 1996 are safe to dispose of in household trash but can be recycled if you wish. The Rechargeable Battery Recycling Corporation is a non-profit organization that collects these and other kinds of batteries at no charge to consumers. New Hampshire residents with explosives they do not want are advised to contact New Hampshire State Police.

If a hypodermic needle of unknown origin is found, you are in Londonderry you can call the police at (603) 432-1118. In most cases, a police officer will retrieve the syringe and dispose of it properly.



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NHDES Looks For Public Comment on I-93 Exit 4A Project

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The New Hampshire Department of Transportation (NH DOT) has proposed and has work in progress on a new interchange on I-93 that is to be known as Exit 4A. This new exit will be developed at an I-

93 site located in Londonderry, NH. This project will also provide important improvements for local roads in Derry. The plan is to reduce congestion and improve safety along NH Route 102, from I-93 Ext. 4 easterly through downtown Derry. There will also be some work done

in Londonderry, which will include certain transportation improvements as well.

Currently the project is finalizing planning efforts for roadway that will be approximately 3.2 miles in length between the new, proposed I-93 Exit 4A interchange and the eastern terminus in

Derry. At this time the New Hampshire Department of Environment and Services (DES) has put out a request for public comments with regard to the draft Section 401 Water Quality Certification that is now available for public comment. Specifically, this is for certification #

2019-4041-002 for the

NHDOT Exit 4A Project in Derry and Londonderry, NH. The document is available for the public at the following web site link: www.des.nh.gov/organization/divisions/water/wmb/section401/documents/202-00410-draft-exit-4a-wqc.pdf

This project will affect surface waters including Beaver Brook, Beaver Lake and Cat O Brook North and South, Brook to Wheeler Pond, an Unnamed brook and certain other nearby wetland areas. The draft document outlines all the legal specifications that must be met for this project and requests the public to examine these guidelines and call out any question or feedback regarding this water certification for this project.

The draft certification states that based on the facts, findings and conditions in the certification, NHDES has determined that there is reasonable assurance that the proposed I-93 Exit 4a project activity will not violate State surface

water quality standards.

Comments will be accepted from the public until 4 p.m. on May 11. Only written comments will be accepted. Comments may be sent by postal mail, or email (email is preferred due to COVID-19 restrictions). Please include the project name/certification number, your name, and organization; mailing address, email address and telephone number with your submittal.

Send any and all comments or questions by email to gregg.comstock@des.nh.gov. If you have further questions that require conversation, please contact Gregg Comstock, Supervisor of the NH DES Water Quality Planning Section at (603) 271-2983.

While email is preferred, the public may also send their comments by mail to: 401 Certification Program (Attention: Gregg Comstock), NHDES Watershed Management Bureau, P.O. Box 95, Concord, NH 03301-0095.

Zoning Board Denial

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traffic."

The Zoning Board noted that the special exception stated the business would not detract from the property value in the neighborhood or create traffic problems.

However, Chairman Dunn noted he had driven by there and he thought the trailer does impact the look of the area and could also impact the traffic safety as the trailer would be located at a bend on Litchfield road.

Hood outlined with more detail that it would not be a traffic concern because a delivery service would be the only vehicles used in the operation, as there would be no public pick up of food. He mentioned that the neighborhood already has a lot of delivery trucks including Amazon and FedEx trucks that commonly make deliveries in the neighborhood, so a deliv-

ery service for his operation would not make much of a difference from deliveries being made to other area homes.

The board further discussed that the food trailer structure would be utilized for operations outside of the home and the garage, which does not fit with special exception guidelines. The requester was asked about delivery forecasts and Hood estimated that there would be about 10-15 trucks delivering food that would come to his driveway each day.

The couple further explained that the business plan was to start this food service small. Once the business got going over the next couple of years his goal was to buy a bigger trailer that they would move somewhere else.

Town Council Member, Deb Paul, who is the Town Council representative supporting the ZBA process pointed out,

"We have an in-home business and this business operation requested is also supposed to be an in-home operation. For example, I could put a trailer in front of my house and run a tax preparation company and say I am doing everything in my house. So, we have to be careful here. I could put a camper and start doing any kind of business if we OK this one. We have to be careful about any precedent we are setting. I do not support this request because, anyone, with any in home business, could purchase a trailer and operate their business from it on their property."

Jackie Benard, ZBA Vice Chair said, "We were provided a drawing and the requestor indicates where his house is and he also indicates there will be a generator to run the food trailer. The generator constitutes equipment necessary to run the business and that is also contrary to special exception guidelines we work with."

The board deliberated and Benard made a motion that this special extension should not be granted. The Board then voted and the request for the special exemption to allow a driveway food operation was denied 5-0.



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Editorial

“April Showers Bring May Flowers”

April is coming to an end, we still have our boots, umbrellas, and rain ponchos out for the rainy days. However, let's remember to take out our vases for the May flowers to come.

The age-old saying “April Showers Bring May Flowers” still holds true today. But where did this saying originate? The saying originated from a poem that dates back to the year 1157 that was written by Thomas Tusser. The line in the poem is: “*Sweet April showers do spring May flowers*”.

If we travel back in time a bit further to the end of the 14th Century, the poet, Geoffrey Chaucer, had this to say about the month of April, in his famous collection of stories entitled, “The Canterbury Tales.” Chaucer’s version in translation is: “*When in April the sweet showers fall, That pierce March’s drought to the root and all, And bathed every vein in liquor that has power, To generate therein and sire the flower*”

Although it may be said Thomas Tusser is the father of this saying, Geoffrey Chaucer is certainly the creator.

The idea was likely posed to urge us out of the depression that looms during the long hard winter and dreary, rainy months of early spring. We are encouraged to look forward to the month of May and the sunny and much more pleasant weather ahead.

Thinking about other sayings like: “*weeping endures for a night, but joy comes in the morning*”; “*there is a silver lining after each dark cloud*”;

and “*this too shall pass*”.

The reality of death producing new life parallels with spring the thought of sunshine following a season of gloom and sadness.

The idea of this saying “*April showers brings May flowers*” shadows what we are all experiencing right now. It is a reminder that even the most unpleasant of things, in this case the virus of 2020, will pass and we can hope and expect enjoyable times in the near future. “*Light at the end of the tunnel*” and “*a pot of gold at the end of a rainbow*” all apply. Looking forward to May flowers and happier days ahead is on all of our minds. “*April showers bring May flowers*” is also a lesson in patience, and one that remains valid today.

Many of life’s greatest things come only to those who wait, patiently. Take in the sights and smells of May and the rebirth of life. After all, if you begin with an optimistic outlook positive things are sure to happen.

Have you had a season of setbacks, disappointments or hindrances? Do not be dismayed. Remember these things: “there has never been a wind that did not change directions, clouds do not hang forever and April showers bring May flowers.”

The point here is that after all this we will come out better prepared and stronger. Sometimes you have to go through something hard to truly understand what is most important.

Letters

Industrial Area’s Impact on Local Traffic

To the editor,

This ongoing traffic issue in parts of town is getting out of hand and with no real solutions or at least none that towns people are aware of. The only thing we ever see is some new sign to litter the streets and police drive by for a couple of weeks...then poof! Nothing!

I have a few questions maybe someone could answer since I live on Litchfield Road, my home value has seen a direct impact and so has my time spent at my house along with others on this road.

Currently, there are six to 10 cars and trucks every 30 seconds going by my house. At times I can’t even hear my kids in the back yard with all the cars going by. I 100% cannot enjoy my house with the windows open (I do not live on a state route).

With the addition of Pettengil Road the North part of town has been impacted the most with commuter traffic using GPS and finding quicker ways off the highway to their destination. Turning our small roads into Highways.

The question is why? At what point can a gate be put in at the top of Harvey to prevent this? Separate your industrial and residential area. That basically alleviates all of the north part of town’s traffic problems through residential areas. It would force Truckers to stay the main routes to access the highways and reduce traffic on the back roads. The town has no trucking signs, but what’s the

point? If there is no enforcement officer stopping trucks and asking them where are you going they have every right since it is a no thru truck road, I see it all the time, 18 wheelers on these roads all week all times.

What about the litter? My daughters and I used to clean up the sides of Litchfield Road, not anymore, the amount of cars makes it just unsafe to do so and the litter has increased exponentially. It’s gross (everywhere in town) and it’s because people cut through, speeding down our residential roads and throw your trash out the window and no one will do a thing.

The residents of this part of town have suffered the most, you gate off the top of Harvey and that helps all of town. We do not have the infrastructure to handle all these cars and trucks. Gating off the top of Harvey closes off commuting traffic to approximately 75 single family homes and 16+ apartment buildings just on Litchfield and Stonehenge alone, never mind what it would do to alleviate the issues with High Range and other roads off of these.

I fell in love with this town and my house and would rather stay here, but I also understand that sometimes towns don’t intend on doing anything about it. I guess it would just be nice to know of any plans or lack there of?

Remember folks these town elections have more impact to you than any presidential election, if you aren’t happy with the direction of this town than let’s

make it clear by replacing all that aren’t listening and have no interest in making or keeping it safe.

Ryan Prudhomme
Londonderry

Library Needs an Online Upgrade

To the editor,

With the advent of the corona virus and the town of Londonderry basically in shutdown there can no more vital source of information than from our town library. But sadly it has been completely shut-down and nothing on their facebook page as of this writing the last posting is from March 17.

This is a real shame and as I stated in a previous letter, the town library needs to have its own dedicated website and not to be linked with the town.

I give tremendous credit to several libraries in the area who are reaching out to their citizens either through their website or facebook.

I mention the Derry Library especially as they are reaching out through their website by having librarians at home doing such things. One is recommending television and movies to watch and another is giving lessons on writing and still another is giving Russian language lessons and the children’s librarians best of all are really reaching out by reading stories and doing projects for their children. They should be greatly appreciated for this.

Follow this link to see what the Derry Library is doing www.derrypl.org/remote-learning-1

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Parents Face Challenges with Remote Learning Process

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Remote learning for school began about a month ago now. While School Districts are working in a difficult situation to sustain quality education for all students in our communities, remote learning is very a mixed bag.

Nutfield Publishing was contacted by parent Moira Ryan who has a student enrolled in the Londonderry school district and is caught up with obstacles and challenges from the current learning system programs. Ryan expressed that her child is facing obstacles and disconnects in the current program. She makes the case that her student

and too many other students are no longer being included in quality education efforts at this moment.

Ryan is a Londonderry High school graduate and she has gone through significant education in the health care industry. She currently works as nurse and has a lot of experience with learning programs. She is focused to help her child get a good education. She says he is smart and has special needs that remote learning is not connecting with. That is, current efforts are not enabling her child to make acceptable progress with his education, even while he is making good effort.

Ryan explained, "One

of the reasons we have the public schools and send kids to school is that classroom instruction teaches to different learning styles that are needed by different kids. Good teachers typically try work with all of the kids in their programs in ways that best connect with them."

"However, when there's a prerecorded lecture, that's not necessarily happening. And it does depend on the teacher and what the teacher is doing to connect with their student too. That is not something that I see is currently working well with remote learning."

Ryan continued, "We have a group for helping parents understand their rights for their students.

And we push legislation and we meet with legislators to try to improve special education."

"One parent in our group members is concerned because she has four younger children including kids with special needs that are being disconnected from quality education efforts. Our group is about children with special needs and right now the school program is sending her parent work for her children to learn and she tells us - I can't even do this stuff."

Ryan said this woman in her group provided examples of problem she is facing. "They want me to teach common core math and I don't know how to teach that - as I can only do math the old

way that I was taught. This is not saying that I don't know how to do math problems, but my kids are telling me it's wrong because I have to break it up and hundreds, tens and ones separately."

It is a problem that remote learning is not connecting with enough parents or directly with students to help them get through their math problems in context of interactive discussions that are properly balance with verbal, written or visual teaching. Ryan points out that people learn in different ways and sometimes they are visual learners that need illustration examples and sometimes they need to interact verbally with the teacher and their classmates to understand.

The kids are already missing their peers and face time with their teachers - and while most kids are getting by - some students are thriving more than others with the current remote learning as the kids are not getting complete education support. This week the schools have additional time to update their remote learning programs and I

hope there is better focus. While parents need to reach out, so do the schools. This is our big bucks, property tax dollars at work as remote learning is now the new norm for the rest of the school year.

Many parents are seeing their children growing weary of this stay at home world, where the students at different levels are also dependent upon the parents 24/7. Parents are now forced to take over the role of classroom support and supervision over and above their roles to help their kids do their homework and learn and support a homelife.

And what about the children who are special education students that have an Individualized Education Program (IEP) and who arguably need the most help?

Special education students, those children who have an IEP, who have a full-time or part-time paraeducator, or who have physical, speech and occupational therapists, are getting support delivered in a way that doesn't produce much benefit or they are no longer getting these services at all.

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library in Hudson is doing similar things and they should be commended too.

If it is a matter of money than the library administration should be advocating for a raise in the budget to make the library do more to reach out to the community in times such as these.

It is very important that the town library have its own dedicated website and should be done as soon as possible.

It is a real shame again that such a great asset as our town library is completely shutdown for all this time.

The library administration really needs to spearhead a real upgrade

in their online access.

Kevin J. Olvaney
Londonderry

Chinese Research Labs Caused Coronavirus Pandemic

To the editor,

Based on information available, I believe the COVID19 outbreak came from bat research at the Wuhan Center for Disease Control & Prevention which is across the street from the Wuhan seafood market falsely blamed by China for the outbreak. Another bat research facility is the Wuhan Institute of Virology (WIV), only 10 miles away.

The following information is from the article listverse.com/2020/03/20 which I liberally paraphrase and quote.

Chinese scientists in the two Wuhan labs. have been conducting experiments on coronavirus in bats since 2012 and the COVID19 strain is solely specific to the coronavirus infecting bats at the Wuhan labs. It is believed a researcher at the labs. was infected with COVID19 and transmitted it to people in the Wuhan area. China has a history of students working in labs. becoming infected. In November 2019 the WIV posted job openings for students interested in "molecular mechanisms that let coronavirus lie dormant for a long time without symptoms." This is a trait of COVID19.

"On Feb. 14, 2020 President Xi of China gave a speech on the

need to contain COVID19 and announced a new law for biosecurity at laboratories. The Chinese Ministry of Science and Technology then sent out instructions on strengthening biosecurity in labs. that handle the novel coronavirus." The Wuhan labs. are the only ones in China that handle these viruses.

Are the Chinese experimenting with viruses as weapons of mass destruction; and COVID19 got away?.

The safety and security of research labs. throughout the world must be evaluated and improvements made where necessary to protect us.

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NH DMV Extends Expiration Date of Previously Issued 20-Day Plates

The New Hampshire Division of Motor Vehicles (DMV) has extended the expiration date of previously issued 20-day plates through May 31, 2020.

NH DMV 20-day plates as well as NH authorized dealer 20-day plates issued on or after February 26, 2020 have been given an automatic extension through May 31, 2020.

Residents are encouraged to reach out to their local city or town clerk's office for perma-

nent vehicle options.

The DMV would also like to offer the following important service reminders:

The Division of Motor Vehicles has transitioned to phone and online services and appointment only walk-in services consolidated to five locations: Concord, Dover, Manchester, Newport, and Twin Mountain.

Driver Licenses: Non-CDL driving road tests as well as motorcycle testing will

not be conducted for the duration of the Stay at Home Order.

All CDL related transactions can be conducted by appointment only. Call 227-4000 to schedule an appointment.

Customers whose licenses have expired or are set to expire between April 1, 2020 and May 31, 2020 may apply for a 6-month license extension. Call 227-4020 to apply for the 6-month license extension over the phone.

The REAL ID compliance deadline has been extended until October, 2021. REAL ID transactions will not be conducted for the duration of the Stay at Home Order.

Vehicle Registrations: Existing vehicle registrations are renewed by your city or town clerk's office. Please visit your town website or call your local town clerk's office for vehicle registration renewal options.

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Walking disability placards or license plates may be issued six (6) month extensions without meeting the in-person application and medical certification requirements.

Drop box services are available Monday through Friday from 8

a.m. until 4:15 p.m. at the following locations: Concord, Dover, Manchester, Newport, and Twin Mountain.

For all other transactions, please call DMV customer service at 227-4000 to determine the availability of services.

Customers should take advantage of the DMV's online services, including online driver license renewal, ID renewals, and online ticket pay at www.nh.gov/dmv

Town Council Goals

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as a framework for the next time we have to do this."

Dolan reported, "Our second goal was something that came to me during the election. This is the first time I've ever seen it on my time with the council that the public voted down the article for the expendable maintenance trust. I have to believe that is because they didn't understand what the maintenance trust is used for. The fact that it is almost \$200,000 of what we

were counting on to maintain our public buildings and to maintain things like the senior center."

Dolan pointed out that the fixes that are happening for the senior center are drawn out of that account. He said, "Without that money you can't do any fixes to the senior center. If the air conditioner breaks at the police station you can't fix it or if there is a roof leak at the Town Hall you can't fix it. So, this is a very serious turn of events. This is some-

thing we're going to have to look at and I hope Kevin Smith has put some thought into it as is a serious issue that we're going to have to resolve."

The Chairman wanted to hear the goals from all the other councilors with the idea that several of the goals would be picked out for the Town Council to focus on.

Joe Green had the following ideas for his goals: Get out to the public more often maybe a have a coffee with the councilor meeting; Provide additional services for seniors and veterans; Set up a think

tank of ways to help people in the community; Help residents with water and air quality and protect our open spaces.

Councilor Deb Paul had the following ideas for her goals: Work to represent the taxpayers in the town in better ways — meet with the public to hear what they want or what the Town should be spending money on; Develop more transparency and public discussions about Town council decisions and actions and proactively know about invoices or expenditure.

Paul said that maybe the reason that the warrant article for maintenance trust fund was voted down is that people are reacting about too much spending after their taxes went up a few months ago.

Paul felt strongly that policies and proce-

dures of the town need to be examined and that the town should stick to those policies and procedures. She said that if they need changing, then it should be done properly as outlined in the Town Charter.

Councilor Paul pointed out, "Now is the time to work on the water issue with a town water plan." She suggested that there are different avenues for the water supply in the town to be evaluated. This is a huge issue and the council needs to look at this long term, including being able to supply water for all residents in the future.

Her final suggested goal was for the Town Council to work better with the School district, which was at the top of Jim Butler's list too. And Butler also agreed with Greens' goals.

Butler also suggest-

ed there was a need for better metrics and understanding about what the town will have for revenues that are coming down the road.

Chairman Farrell summarized the top 4 goals that he understood while pointing out that working closer with school district was in progress too. These goals included more public interaction with the school district and residents in the community; a focus on water and air quality including developing a water plan; continue the economic development goals of the town; have a greater understanding of the town's revenue stream going out into the future.

The Chairman finished up by saying that the council will be looking to finalize these goals at the next Town Council meeting.



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Sonshine Soup Kitchen Gets Up and Running Again

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LONDONDERRY TIMES

Approaching almost a month, the state of New Hampshire has been shut down. This caused all non-essential businesses to shut their doors for the time being and for everyone to stay at home the best they can. Sonshine Soup Kitchen was one of the many businesses affected by the shut-

down. For the past two weeks, they have been almost completely down except for the give away of meal boxes. A way to still provide food to their patrons that need it, however, it is a way for them to make the food at home. These are still being handed out now. In addition, the board members of Sonshine Soup Kitchen have decided that starting

April 21, they will do drive-by hot meal pickups on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

The board members have taken it upon themselves to run the kitchen and hand out the meals to patrons. There is a very limited amount of volunteers able to help during these times, so they are teaming up to support their town. With that being said, volunteers are still welcome to help out as long as they are healthy and understanding of what possibilities may occur at the soup kitchen. The safety of their people and patrons of Sonshine has always been their top priority, notably in these unknown times. As stated, hot meals will be provided Tuesdays and Thursdays starting from 4:30 - 5 p.m. They advise to enter on Franklin Street and leave by taking a right on Crystal Ave.

With safety in mind, Sonshine Soup Kitchen have put in place many precautions and rules for their people to follow. All contributors will have on masks and gloves as they are working in the kitchen and outside handing over food. They have a lead

person delivering food in a protective gown and gear, to assure nothing gets passed on to their patrons. The act of social distancing will be used outside and inside the building. Tuesdays and Thursdays there will be chalk lines on the pavement out front to indicate where the six-foot mark is to make sure while people are waiting for their food, they are being safe. The board members keep up on their people and volunteers to make sure they are healthy while there. Even if small symptoms are shown, they want to ensure their protection and send them home. Sonshine Soup Kitchen is taking safety very seriously as they want to be able to feed their patrons but also keep them protected and in good hands while out of their homes.

The board members meet every week over the internet to assure they are keeping up with what is needed for their patrons and what is in their best interests to keep safety a priority. On a usual day before the shutdown, they would get around 20-40



Londonderry resident Laura El-Ezim volunteers to wash and cook during reopening.

people in their dining area. However, with all these new developments, Sonshine is prepared for whatever crowd they will get these two days a week. Going into the future of this state shut down, Sonshine will still keep their arms open for anyone that wants to volunteer. They are going about recruitment in a smart and efficient way to try to keep both their patrons eating well and their own people healthy. Sonshine Soup Kitchen will be doing hot meal pickups from 4:30 - 5 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays until the state is able to get back to normal and they are able to reopen indoors.

OBITUARY

Richard Philip Gendron



Richard Philip Gendron, 93, of Londonderry, NH, died Monday April 27, 2020, in All American Assisted Living at Londonderry. He was born in Lewiston, ME on April 28, 1926, a son of Philip and Albertine (Ouellette) Gendron. Richard proudly served his country during WWII as a member of the U.S. Navy. He was a life member of the Knights of Columbus and the Founding Grand Knight of Council #6267 of Pembroke, MA. He was also a life member of the VFW and the American Legion Post 27 in Londonderry and a member of the Men of St. Joseph's. Richard was a communicant of St. Mark's Parish, Londonderry. After being honorably discharged from the Navy, Richard started a career as assistant controller for the Howard Johnson Co. in Quincy, MA and then later became Senior V.P. of the Seiler Corp. in Waltham, MA for 10 years. Following Seiler Corp., Richard became V.P. and director of the Susse Chalet in Nashua. Richard later was a management consultant and commercial realtor prior to owning and operating L.G. Liquors in Quincy, MA.

He is survived by his son, Philip R. Gendron and his wife Christine of Plymouth, MA; daughter, Michele L. LaCerta and her husband Kevin of Londonderry; seven grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews. Richard is predeceased by his wife Louisa (Celani) Gendron, daughter, Linda Ann Willwerth and three sisters, Georgette Pierce, Muriel LePage and Loretta Fletcher.

Funeral services will be held privately for the family. The Peabody Funeral Homes & Crematorium is assisting the family with arrangements. Memorial contributions may be made to Alzheimer's Association, MA/NH Chapter 309 Waverley Oaks Road Waltham, MA 02452. To send a condolence or for more information, please visit, www.peabodyfuneralhome.com

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Drainage

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had been restarted over the past week. He explained why there was work also on the electrical system and why the town is putting in a sprinkling system for the Town Common area too.

"Last year the Town and its contractor started the project late in the fall, because we had to wait until all activities that used the Common would be completed. The past year included concerts, the Nutfield 300th Anniversary celebration, parades, dances and other activities. So, we waited until October when the project was able to start. And there were multiple components to that project, as we also need to also build structures for a catch basin to carry the water away from that area.

"As we were laying drainage pipe in the area, there was an existing electrical system underground that we had to move for the drainage to be put in. It turned out the wiring was also not appropriate, especially with the new drainage being put in, so we had to move and redo the wiring as a part of this project.

Czyzowski explained that with a new drainage system construction under the grass area of the Common, the system would take away the water from grass growing on top of it, so the DPW decided to construct a sprinkler system over it to keep the grass alive and growing. July and August are typically dry and the grass would likely die, at a time when Old Home Day and concert events were going on, if there was not an efficient means to keep

this new grass alive. So that's why a sprinkler system was added to the to the project.

Czyzowski continued, "Last fall due to the late start, we could only complete the main pipe structures of the drainage system. Since it was getting close to winter and knowing that we could not continue in frozen ground, we over seeded the area with grass over the graded work that had the new main structure for the drain system. We were hoping to get the grass growing by late November."

"Actually, the winter didn't come right away or as strong as we sometimes get, so the grass did grow and provided us with what we needed to prevent the ground area from erosion."

"That also bought us time to keep the project in shape for the winter



Phase II of the drainage construction and irrigation began this week on the Town Common. Photo by Chris Paul

hold over. We knew fully that in springtime we would go over there and restart and continue the project with the installation of the main lines already in place."

"So now that it is spring, our contractor is installing the rest of the drainage system to complete or project as we planned last fall. Also, there is still the electrical system and sprinkler system this year now."

The DPW Director told us that he was hoping they could start project work a little bit early than now, but we still had several snow days over this month. So, the contractor started this past week and, hopefully within probably two to three weeks, everything will be set including the rework and fixes for the electrical there, as well as the sprinkler system

pretty much installed here during this springtime.

DPW Director Czyzowski pointed out that the project was also challenged by the hilly land slopes from Pillsbury Road where the Common slopes down and water from the road pours onto the Town Common area, so part of the project is reconstructing the curbs on Pillsbury that face the Common and integrate them with appropriate storm drainage.

The DPW Director says the project will come in at or under the budget of \$235,000 that was approved by town voting.

When asked about the bidding process for this project, Czyzowski said that the appropriate bid process was adhered to and a local

business, Continental was selected for the project.

He said, "So right now Continental is a wonderful contractor for us to work with. I already have a contract with Continental for a lot of materials such as crushed gravel, road paving, and other road-work. And they have typically been the lowest bidder for us in town."

"And the company has been us keeping the original prices for us over the past years, so it has been wonderful for us that the company was still able to keep the prices for two years. Currently we have an extended contract with Continental that we have had for less than nine years now. When that expires we will again go out to bid and select an appropriate contractor.

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LONDONDERRY SPORTS

With spring sports being shut down due to the Coronavirus the Londonderry Times has reached into its archives to run the following story:

Lancers Celebrate Long-Awaited Championship



Tyler Kayo and the Lancer Football team passed around the Division I trophy after their victory Sunday night at UNH. Photo by Chris Paul

IDAN VINITSKY
LONDONDERRY TIMES

For the first time since 1998, the Londonderry Lancers football team are Division I champions. The team went a perfect 12-0 to show their conference just what a dominant force they were this season. Even as Mother Nature made things tougher at the championship game at

UNH Stadium, with cold, harsh, rain and wind, on Sunday night Nov. 24, that didn't stop the Lancers and their opponent, the Exeter Blue Hawks, from putting on a terrific show. Both teams put together a hard-fought back and fourth game with LHS coming out on top 21-10.

The Blue Hawks started with the ball, and rushed their way down the field. Senior quarter-

back Ryan Grijalva had a huge eight-yard run on third down to keep their drive going. They then faced fourth down with four yards to go on the Lancer's own 27-yard line. Grijalva completed a 12-yard pass to senior running back Jaedon Cliche which brought the Bluehawks to Londonderry's 15-yard line. Exeter ended up only getting a field goal out of that drive, kicking a 26-yarder by senior Nolan Elmore, but they certainly set the tone to start things with a 3-0 lead and 4:44 left on the clock in the first quarter.

The Lancers responded immediately when senior Alexander Tsetsilas returned the kickoff 42 yards to Exeter's own 49-yard line. Senior Cole Keegan rushed for 10 yards from his first handoff of the game and brought the Lancers to the Bluehawks own 39-yard line. A couple plays later, senior Blue Hawk, Derek Edmiston forced Lancer quarterback Jake McEachern to fumble, but McEachern reacted quickly and was able to recover the ball on Exeter's own 24-yard line. A penalty occurred and resulted in Londonderry being pushed back seven yards to begin a

tough first down and 13 yards to go. Exeter's defense was too good forcing the Lancers off the field in four straight plays. At the end of the first quarter Exeter still led Londonderry 3-0.

In the second quarter, Exeter pushed the ball all the way to Londonderry's 30-yard line, and they faced a crucial fourth down and seven yards. That next play, Londonderry's Tsetsilas intercepted a pass on their own two-yard line and returned it 13 yards. The Lancers started on their own 15 and marched all the way down the field with versatile QB Jake McEachern completing

the drive with a one-yard rushing TD and gave the Lancers a 7-3 lead.

It was a scary start to the second half for Londonderry, as they started their drive with a fumble by senior running back Tyler Kayo, but he made up for his mistake quickly and recovered his own fumble. The Lancers then made it to Exeter's 25-yard line until their offensive was taken off the field by the Blue Hawks tough defense. Exeter took over and quickly brought the ball to their own 46 with several rushes between Cliche, Edmiston, and senior running back Spencer Clark. They then brought the ball to

Londonderry's four-yard line to end the third quarter.

The bluehawks couldn't get anything after their first three plays of the fourth, and they faced a very crucial fourth and goal. Running back Jaedon Cliche rushed for a two-yard TD and gave Exeter life and a 10-7 lead over Londonderry. The Lancers didn't back down as senior Jeffrey Wiedenfield returned Exeter's kickoff 26 yards, giving Londonderry very decent field position to start their drive. QB McEachern put the Lancers on his back and carried them to within scoring position as

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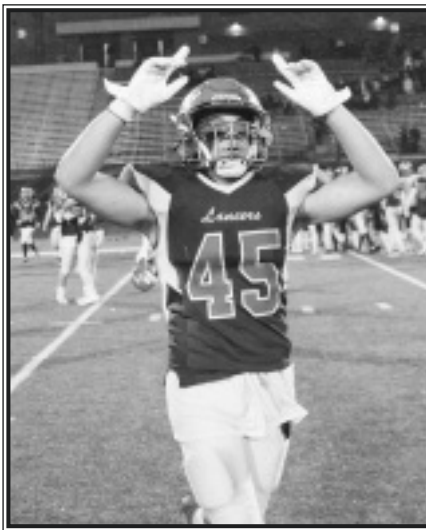
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Football

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he rushed for a huge fourth down 41-yard QB keeper which put them on Exeter's eight-yard line. McEachern then finished the job himself as he rushed for a one-yard TD and put the Lancers back on top 14-10 with 7:09 left on the clock.

Senior kicker Zachery Fawcett sent his kickoff 46 yards to junior Blue Hawk Caleb Constance returned the kick 14-yards and then Lancer sophomore Riley Boles forced and recovered a fumble and gave Londonderry the ball on Exeter's 26-yard line. With great field position Lon-

donderry started their attempt to secure the championship title. Tyler Kayo came up clutch for the Lancers and rushed for a two-yard TD which gave them a commanding 21-10 lead over the Blue-hawks with 2:41 left in the game.

Exeter wasn't ready to give up at that point as Edmiston returned Fawcett's kickoff 50-yards to Londonderry's 31-yard line, and was knocked out of bounds by Fawcett. Fawcett might have regretted that hit since a penalty flag was thrown and the ball advanced 15 more yards for the Blue Hawks, which gave them a first and 10 on the 16-yard line. Then, on the first play of the drive, Grijalva's pass

attempt was intercepted by Lancer senior corner-back Kyle Proulx which caused the Londonderry fans to erupt. That play cemented Londonderry's title and the end to a perfect season, and the Lancers offense ran out the clock and began their celebration.

Winning a championship isn't easy and adding a perfect season to a championship sounds impossible but Coach James Lauzon and his team achieved the impossible. "They earned it, good players make coaches look good and they did that they're a great group," said Londonderry Head Coach Jimmy Lauzon. The thing Lauzon liked most about

the game was that his team proved everyone wrong. "That we proved that we weren't just some pass team that had to live on the big plays. I think it's funny and great that coaches label us as that but were a ground and pound team first and that's what it takes to win in New Hampshire and November." His players also didn't let the weather get in their way of winning a championship. "We were fine with these circumstances and the weather because we knew we could do it." Lauzon added.

Kyle Proulx who came up with the interception dagger late in the fourth quarter couldn't be prouder of what his team accomplished this year. "Oh My God this is the

greatest feeling ever man, we were going down in history as one of the best Londonderry teams," said Lancer senior Kyle Proulx. Proulx got emotional describing his team because of how much every teammate means to him. "I'm just so proud of all my boys they worked so hard every day in the summer and we just grinded," Proulx finished.

No one was more ecstatic after the game than senior Jeffrey Wiedenfield, as he was running around hugging all his teammates. "Best feeling of my life, these are my brothers look at them just having a blast this is my family I love these guys." Said running back Jeffrey Wiedenfield. The most special thing about this team is how long

they've been together and how close they are. "We've been together our whole lives since third grade, we grew up together. The whole story is we never separated we just kept together, kept that bond, and look where we ended up." Wiedenfield continued.

Senior quarterback Jake McEachern finished his last year of high school football exactly as he pictured it. "It was our goal from the beginning, and we came here and did it. I'm so proud of the guys," said Jake McEachern. McEachern chose one word to describe this team and he used the word "close". "We're close just very close, and we have such a brotherhood." An emotional McEachern added.

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You say “so what?” Log in to your favorite social media site and it’s always national something day. You missed National Garlic Day on April 19? Everyone knows enough Spanish for “Cinco de Mayo”. But, did you know May 10 is national “clean up your room day?”

Law day came about way back under President Dwight Eisenhower. The Bar Associations sponsor programs sending lawyers like me into the schools to address students. Various presentations highlight our

judicial system, how it works and how unique it is compared to legal systems around the world. I’ve gone to schools explaining our Constitutional form of government. I’ve done “career day” talks. And I’ve done Q and A.

I’m often impressed with the quality of questions from students. They’ve made me answer how separation of powers works in the U.S. when one branch claims it’s in charge. They’ve asked tough environmental questions.

Covid-19 now prevents lawyers like me from giving “law day” talks in the schools.

There is no school.

Instead, this year on Law Day many attorneys wonder what the future holds for our legal system.

Most people wonder when we can “get back to normal”. Others warn there will be a “new normal”.

The pandemic brought many changes to the courts. In a previous column I pointed out that New Hampshire courts, like those elsewhere, suspended normal operations. That meant, for example, the small claims docket and other daily bread and butter cases were halted. The date of the sus-

pension was extended to May 4. The status of that date was not available at press time.

Most New Hampshire courts either highly recommend or require electronic filing. Lawyers in federal court have been required to file documents electronically since the early 2000s.

Some matters since Covid-19 reared its ugly head are done telephonically. I’ve been spared driving to Concord, NH and Worcester, MA because certain federal hearings normally held in-person are now held on the telephone during the emergency measure.

State trials and other hearings can be either continued until after the pandemic measures, or held on the telephone.

In recent years many cases end with “Alternative Dispute Resolution”. This usually means arbitration or mediation. Arbitrators and mediators now offer to conduct these key legal proceedings telephonically.

So, if a case can be filed electronically, mediated remotely, and tried telephonically, does the future of the legal system in the U.S. mean people will obtain legal services without stepping into a courthouse? Will it be like justice a la Amazon.com? It’s only a question with no answer at least on my part.

Most decision mak-

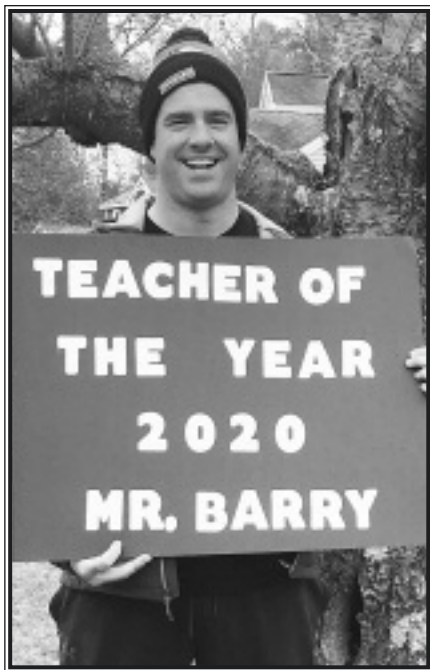
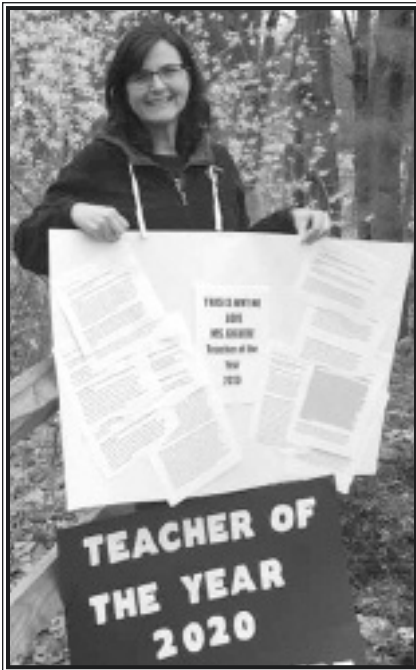
ers, rightly so, believe it’s crucial to meet eye-to-eye with those testifying. Judging credibility of a speaker requires in-person contact, they feel. If a speaker is not in the room, only on the phone, they can be distracted, not fully attentive to the solemnity of a court proceeding.

On the other hand, with people seeming to distrust institutions why not make it easier for them to participate in legal proceedings. Why require witnesses and others involved in law-

suits to drive potentially for hours, especially in bad weather, for what can often be a brief event? Sometimes they’re even cancelled.

Consider everything that changed after September 11, 2001. Air travel and building security top the list. Will that nearby courthouse stop being the place where civil disputes are resolved? Will long lines to get into the court building disappear only because no one goes there anymore?

Teachers of the Year



On Friday, April 24 the Londonderry Dollars for Scholars Committee announced their selections for “Teachers of the Year” for the Middle and High School. They are: High School: English Teacher- Kelly Giguere. and Middle School eighth grade Social Studies Teacher: Ryan Barry.

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Library Hours

The Leach Library hours for May are Monday - Thursday, 9 a.m. - 8 p.m., Friday - Saturday, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. The library

will be closed on Monday, May 25, for Memorial Day.

Tic Tac Toe and Word Scramble

May's adult display theme at Leach Library features foreign languages. On the central display table in the adult room, you will find new books about foreign languages available for checkout. Among these new titles will be Mandarin Chinese for Beginners: Learning Conversational Chinese by Yi Ren and Russian Script Hacking: The Optimal Pathway to Learn the Russian

Alphabet by Judith Meyer. As an added incentive, the library is offering two trivia games during the month: a foreign languages tic tac toe and a foreign languages word scramble. At the end of the month, one tic tac toe winner and one word scramble winner with all the correct answers will be chosen from a random drawing. Each winner will receive a \$10 gift card for the 99 Restaurant. Participants can begin the trivia games as early as 9 a.m. on Friday, May 1, and turn them in to the Reference Desk no later than 5 p.m. on Saturday, May 30 for eligibility.

Mystery at the Library

Come to the Leach Library on Thursday, May 21 from 3:30 - 4:30 p.m. for our young adult Mystery program. Participants in grades 6 - 12 will take part in the library's own version of an escape room challenge. This event includes a fun door prize raffle and light refreshments. No registration required.

Children's Book Week Raffle

During Children's Book Week, for each item checked out of the Leach Library Children's Room starting at 9 a.m. on Monday, May 4 and ending on Saturday, May 9 at 5 p.m., you will earn a raffle ticket for a chance to win a cool book bag. Stop by the display case in the Children's Room to see what the book bag looks like.

A Few Seconds with Our Fathers

On Thursday, May 14 at 7 p.m., the Leach Library will offer Mr. Curt Bessette and Ms. Jenn Kurtz's presentation A Few Seconds with Our Fathers: Songs and Stories of World War II. In this program honoring WWII veterans, Mr. Bessette and Ms. Kurtz share stories as well as Mr. Bessette's original songs. Topics covered are Pearl Harbor, the war in Europe, veterans returning home with emotional and physical wounds, life on the home front, and the historical facts surrounding these songs and stories. This program is free and open to the public with seating limited to the first 90 individuals. It will be held in the library's lower-level meeting room. Light refreshments will be served.

Paint a Puppy Bank

On Monday, June 1 from 4 - 5 p.m. to paint your own ceramic puppy bank at the Leach Library. Using colorful paint, participants can create a very special bank to start saving money. This program is open to 90 participants of all ages and advance registration is required. To register call 432-1127 beginning at 9 a.m. on Tuesday, May 26.

Let's Go Fly a Kite

Soar into the Leach Library on Monday, May 18 from 4 - 5 p.m. for an hour full of high-energy fun. During this program,

participants will hear stories of adventures with kites, including some of the many things that can get stuck in a tree alongside a kite, and practice flying around the room like a kite. Each participant will leave with a cheerful kite to fly on a breezy day. This adventurous program is open to 90 participants of all ages and advance registration is required. To register, stop by the Children's Room or call 432-1127 beginning at 9 a.m. on Monday, May 11.

Linda Peck - Variety Show

During her family variety show at the Leach Library, Linda Peck will entertain and amuse all ages on Monday, May 4 from 4 - 5 p.m. Using mime, juggling, illusion, and comedy, there will be something for everyone during her dynamic performance. This entertaining program is open to 90 participants of all ages. Advance registration is required and began at 9 a.m. on April 27. To register, stop by the Children's Room or call 432-1127.

Spring Filing Canceled

The Londonderry Lions will be rescheduling the spring dance to sometime in the fall.

Matching Game

The Leach Library's Children's Room will be offering a Matching Game beginning at 9 a.m. on Friday, May 1 and ending at 5 p.m. on Saturday, May 30.

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Presbyterian Church

The Walking Together Group and the Walk With Me Group will be meeting together via zoom 7 p.m. every Tuesday, via computer or telephone. This is a support group for

anyone who has lost a spouse, a family member or a friend. For information, contact: 781-866-9976 or jrkdias@aol.com

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maybe in need. Call Kay at 434-1827 to make an appointment to pickup your food from the panty. "We are there for the people and want to help them."

Romping Reads

Open to participants of all ages. Each week, participants will have a romping good time with songs, interactive stories, and a game. Move and groove with friends old and new on Wednesdays from 4:15 - 4:45 p.m. Meet-

ing dates are: May 6, 13, 20, and 27.

Craft Time

Calling all children. Children of all ages are invited to the Leach Library on Wednesdays
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Monday - April 20

7:17 a.m. Motor vehicle accident on Nashua Road at Burger King investigated by seven officers.

8:34 a.m. Services rendered for Criminal Threatening on Treadway Lane.

10:06 a.m. Services rendered in keeping the peace on Mammoth Road.

11:17 a.m. Suspicious Activity investigated on Peabody Row.

11:46 a.m. Suspicious Activity reported at Home Depot on Nashua Road.

12:19 p.m. Services rendered in keeping the peace on Bunker Hill Drive.

12:23 p.m. Weapons Offenses reported at Giovanni's Roast Beef on Rockingham Road.

12:27 p.m. Attempted Suicide on Eglin Boulevard.

1:34 p.m. Complaint investigated at Cross-

roads Animal Hospital on Nashua Road.

2:54 p.m. Attempted Suicide is transported to a hospital from Charleston Avenue.

3:05 p.m. Services rendered in keeping the peace on Bunker Hill Drive.

7:12 p.m. Juvenile Offenses reported on Vista Ridge Drive.

Tuesday - April 21

8:44 a.m. Services rendered during Neighborhood Disputes on Sandstone Circle.

11:36 a.m. Services rendered for Criminal Mischief on Manter Mill Road.

12:38 p.m. Services rendered for Suspicious Activity on Capitol Hill Drive at Constitution Drive.

1:08 p.m. Services rendered for Drug Offenses on Fairway Road.

3 p.m. Peace restored after Domestic Distur-

bance on Pillsbury Road.

11:40 p.m. Suspicious Activity investigated at Manchester Boston Regional Airport.

Wednesday - April 22

11:12 a.m. Services rendered for Complaint on Manter Mill Road.

11:38 a.m. Removed Hazard - Wires Down on High Range Road.

12:54 p.m. Removed Hazard - Wires Down on Noyes Road.

1:41 p.m. Services rendered for Suspicious Activity on Jolly Lane.

2:56 p.m. Sex Offender Registration on Beacon Street.

3:19 p.m. Criminal Mischief investigated on Hovey Road at Pinkerton and Pillsbury Cemetery.

4:44 p.m. Disorderly Conduct investigated on Adams Road.

6:10 p.m. Peace Restored after Juvenile Off-

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NH Fish and Game License Reminders, Spring Turkey Season Precautions

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LONDONDERRY TIMES

Granite Staters have likely begun seeing flock after flock of wild turkey scurrying across neighborhoods for a few weeks now, a sign that turkey hunting season is upon the Granite State.

With social distancing orders still in effect, many have wondered what might become of the Spring turkey hunting season. According to the New Hampshire Fish and Game Department (NHFG), hunters will not have to quit turkey hunting cold turkey this year - but there will be some new guidelines to consider.

Spring Turkey Season opens statewide on May 1 of this year and resumes through May 31. All previous turkey hunting regulations remain in effect, including hunting hours, permitted hunting weapons,

etc. For a full list of rules see the 2020 NH Turkey Season flyer available on the NHFG website.

Local hunting and day trips are currently recommended as opposed to traveling to camp during the health emergency. Hunters are encouraged to go out alone or with members of the same household only, avoiding crowds and following the recommended distance of six feet between other hunters.

NHFG urges hunters that it is more important now than ever to be aware of other people recreating in the outdoors and to be absolutely certain of targets and what lies beyond them. Hunters are also encouraged to maximize their scouting and to be prepared with back-up locations should their first desired spot become busy during the spring season.

For the first time,

hunters will be able to register their birds online. NHFG has filed an emergency rule with the NH Legislature that allows for online registration process for turkeys for the 2020 turkey hunting season.

Hunters who choose to register their birds online must do so within 24 hours of harvest. The tag that is issued with the turkey license must also be affixed to the bird, and the first bird taken must be legally registered before taking a second bird.

Before starting the online registration process, hunters should have the following information readily available:

Hunting/turkey license information, license plate number of the vehicle used while hunting, town and wildlife management unit where the turkey was harvested, sex of the

bird, age of bird (adult vs. juvenile), weight of bird to the nearest quarter pound, beard length to the nearest quarter inch, and spur lengths to the nearest 1/16 inch.

According to NH Fish And Game, many in-person turkey registration points will remain open at this time. However, these locations will likely have changes to their hours of operation and in the way they register turkeys, so hunters are encouraged to call their choice of registration point to find out what their current rules are.

Hunters who choose to register their birds at a local registration station will need to have the same information as the online registration, however, birds collected at these stations will continue to receive the official leg seal.

A list of NH registration stations can be found at [https://wild-](https://wildlife.state.nh.us/hunting/deer-check-stations.html)

[life.state.nh.us/hunting/deer-check-stations.html](https://wildlife.state.nh.us/hunting/deer-check-stations.html). Hunters are still encouraged to call their choice of station prior to visiting to understand their current hours and regulations.

The NH Fish And Game also reminds NH residents that fishing licenses are still very much required in order to go fishing. All fishing, hunting, and off-highway recreational vehicle (OHRV) rules and regulations remain in effect and will be enforced during the COVID-19 public health emergency.

The NHFG Department's Inland Fisheries Division has continued to stock trout in rivers, ponds, and other water bodies through the pandemic. However, stocking reports remain unpublished on the Fish And Game website to prevent large numbers of fishers and to ensure the safety of fisheries

stocking staff.

NH Fish And Game reminds fishers to maintain the public social distancing recommendations of at least six feet between individuals.

According to its website, the NHFG will continue to sell hunting and fishing licenses and Hike Safe cards during this time. Residents are encouraged to buy online at the NHFG website to ensure the safety of the public and department staff.

Licenses and cards will still be available at the NHFG headquarters, however, residents are encouraged to call the department at (603) 271-3422 with questions and instructions on how to safely obtain their licenses or cards.

For further details on turkey registration for the Spring 2020 season, visit www.wildlife.state.nh.us/hunting/turkey-reg.html.

Police Log

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ences on Bridle Path at Wallace Farm Apartments.

Thursday - April 23
2:59 a.m. Disturbance leads to an arrest on Shenandoah Avenue. Four officers assist with charging Megan Patterson, 27, of Londonderry on a Bench Warrant; and possession of Controlled Drug (Heroin/Crack less than one gram).
9:27 a.m. Auto Theft investigated on Airport Road at Manchester Boston Regional Airport.
10:35 a.m. Suspicious Activity investigated on Hampshire Lane.
10:54 a.m. Disturbance investigated on Mercury Drive.
11:27 a.m. Auto Theft investigated on Airport Road at Manchester Boston Regional Airport.
4:33 p.m. Criminal Threatening investigated on

Auburn Road.

6 p.m. Peace restored after Neighborhood Disputes on Wyndmere Drive.

8:38 p.m. Services rendered during Neighborhood Disputes on Midridge Circle.

8:53 p.m. Violation of Protective Order on Grifin Road.

9:24 p.m. Suspicious Activity investigated by five officers on Mohawk Drive at Granite Clover Self Storage.

10:05 p.m. Three officers assisted Londonderry Fire Department with an on Beacon Street. Daniel Gentile, 59, of Londonderry charged with Second Degree Assault (Domestic Violence); and Domestic Violence Simple Assault.

10:29 p.m. Warrant served and arrest made on Lowell Street, Manchester. Harvey Pomerleau, 63, of Manchester Charged with Misuse of 911 System; and providing

False E-911 Information.

Friday - April 24
1:05 a.m. Domestic Disturbance leads to an arrest on Elwood Road by four officers. David Williams, 50, of Londonderry charged with Domestic Violence - Assault: and Simple Assault.

1:50 p.m. Services rendered for Larceny/Forgery/Fraud on Sundry Lee Terrace.

2:47 p.m. Larceny/Forgery/Fraud investigated on Morrison Drive.

2:50 p.m. Suspicious Activity results in a Warning Issued on George Avenue at Rapid Finishing Corp.

5:22 p.m. Assault investigated on at UPS Pettingill Road.

8:28 p.m. Assisted Londonderry Fire Department with transportation to a hospital from Whittemore Road.

Saturday - April 25
1:24 a.m. Motor vehicle

stop leads to an arrest on Nashua Road at Route 93. Joseph Wallace, 20, of North Reading charged with Reckless Operation.

7:25 a.m. Suspicious Activity reported on But-ton Drive.

9:15 a.m. Services rendered by three officers during a Domestic Disturbance on Boyd Road.

10:26 p.m. Three officers respond to a Domestic Disturbance, which leads to an arrest made on Old Nashua Road.

Harvey Pomerleau, 63, of Manchester charged with Reckless Conduct - Deadly Weapon; Domestic Violence - Simple Assault (Physical Contact); and Criminal Threatening - Conduct.

12:38 p.m. Services rendered for Weapons Offenses on South Road at Gilcreast Road.

2:22 p.m. Three officers Investigate report of Domestic Disturbance on Charmand Row.

9:58 p.m. Missing Person investigated on

Bunker Hill Drive.

Sunday - April 26
9:28 a.m. Services rendered during Juvenile Offenses on Bunker Hill Drive.

5:16 p.m. Warrant Served and Arrest made on Lowell Street. Harvey Pomerleau, 63, of Manchester charged with Violation Of Restraining Order: and Breach of Bail Conditions.

9:53 p.m. Three officers assist citizen by Restoring Peace on Bunker Hill Drive.

Around Town

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from 9:30 - 10:15 a.m. to explore their creative side. Each week, participants will discover a different fun craft to make using a variety of materials. Meeting dates are: May, 6, 13, 20, and 27.

Toddler Time

Open to children ages

2 & 3. Children attend with their parents and enjoy a fun half-hour of thematic stories, games, songs, and a simple craft. Meets on Thursdays, 9:30 - 10 a.m. Meeting dates are: May 7, 14, 21, and 28.

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the group on the second and fourth Sundays at 6 - 7:30 p.m. Our mission is to promote healing in the grieving process for those who have lost a loved one through the unique circumstances and chaos of addiction; through education, encouraging support and compassion. Facilitated by: Jim Gamache, Julia Gamache, & Jerry Goncal, Journey-ofhopenh@gmail.com



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