

The Londonderry Monthly

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Letter from the Editor:

THINK SNOW!!! I know – there are several people who are sick of snow. Ok, maybe more than several. But so many jobs and families are dependent upon the arrival of snow – that we must keep a positive outlook! Or move to Florida. From the wiped-out shelves at the IGA, the overflowing parking lots at area ski resorts, restaurants and shops I would say there are so many tourists here on the weekends and holidays that I think we are having a good season and wish you all financial windfalls, great success and a lot of patience! Support your local businesses and enjoy the wintery white while we've got it!

February is shaping up to be another busy month – don't forget VALENTINES DAY in the mad rush – even bears tend to their Honey!!! So many romantic options – a thermos of coffee and watching the sunset in the warmth of your car (and perhaps a smooch if you are lucky), a snowshoe up the back yard and warming bonfire with hot cocoa, a martini - extra dirty - by the fireplace (the MARTINI – get your minds out of the gutter!), or a fancy dinner and flowers – so many options – so little time! But I hope you all find time for a little love on V Day!

So, I sort of cheated on my indoor Rosemary plants this year by growing several sturdy pots this summer and then bringing them indoors. I'm about 50/50 – one died almost immediately in November, another looks as if on its last leg and I have 2 more that seem fine. For anybody reading this for the first time – I have a love hate relationship with Rosemary (I love it, it hates me) in the winter and have a two-year public battle with it. So, I am keeping you updated on the fascinating world of my incredible lack of success.

As usual so many groups doing great things – the Rotary, Neighborhood Connections, the Library, the VT Movie, the Lions Club – too many to list and probably much more than I'm aware of – so keep us informed by sending me your information!! Sometimes there are interviews, sometimes there are events, sometimes just info for you to decide what to do with – most all events are free or community fundraisers or charity events. But we are eager to print your submissions and activities if appropriate.

Darcy Duval

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These lectures are offered at no charge, but **please register to attend by calling 824-4343**

MONDAY FEBRUARY 4th 10AM - PROTECT YOURSELF FROM SCAM ARTISTS!

Neighborhood Connections, in cooperation with AARP Vermont's Fraud Watch Network will host a timely presentation on scams, fraud and con artists. According to Elliott Greenblott, Vermont Fraud Network Coordinator, "Consumer fraud of every type is on the increase. From the imposters claiming to be IRS agents to the computer tech support scams, to the bulk-mailed contests – there has been a dramatic rise in the number of attempts to defraud the public." The program will identify current scams and tactics being used today, is free and appropriate for all ages. The program provides free information and resources including a national hotline to assist people who feel they may have become victims. Space is limited, so please call 824-4343 to register.

THURSDAY FEBRUARY 7TH 2PM – LEARN ABOUT THE HEALING POWER OF REIKI

Margaret Miller of Jamaica Healing Arts Center will be at Neighborhood Connections to discuss and demonstrate the popular and beneficial healing modality that is Reiki. As an aid to stress reduction and relaxation, Reiki is a complement to traditional medicine and is practiced in many hospitals and medical care settings as part of a patient's wellness plan. Space is limited, so call 824-4343 to register.

TUESDAY FEBRUARY 5th 12pm to 4pm and EVERY TUESDAY THRU APRIL 9th -

AARP FREE TAX AIDE. AARP Foundation is providing free individualized assistance and preparation for all low to moderate taxpayers – especially those 50 and older - at Neighborhood Connections. AARP Foundation Tax-Aide is the nation's largest free tax assistance and preparation service. Since its inception, the program has served more than 50 million taxpayers. Tax-Aide volunteers are trained and IRS-certified each year to ensure they know about and understand the latest changes to the US Tax Code. Call Neighborhood Connections at 824-4343 to schedule an appointment. When calling for an appointment, a volunteer will work with you and provide guidance on what materials to bring with you. They will also do their best to determine if your tax return is within the scope of the AARP Foundation's Tax Aide programs.

MEDICAL EQUIPMENT NEEDED AT NEIGHBORHOOD CONNECTIONS

Have a shower seat or toilet riser that you would like to donate? We have received recent requests for both items and have none in inventory. Thank you for dropping them off here.

Employment Opportunity at Neighborhood Connections

We are now interviewing for a Program Coordinator to generate a wide range of programs for the general public in The Meeting Place - the organization's community room. The goal is to generate a high level of attendance to create goodwill and the opportunity to inform the community about services provided at the agency.

Primary duties include initiating and organizing lectures from start to finish; promoting individual programs through newspapers, list serves, web-sites and social media; and give an accurate report on attendance. Please submit your resume to Trish Paradis, Neighborhood Connections, PO Box 207, Londonderry, VT 05148.

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An Appeal from the Londonderry Volunteer Rescue Squad

To facilitate 911 calls, the LVRS is asking all residents to put your physical address in your driveway with these requirements:

- Numbers should be visible from the road in both directions.
- Numbers should be 4-6" tall and placed perpendicular to the road
- Ideally the numbers should be reflective.

Once the rescue squad finds you, it is helpful to emergency personnel that you have a list of your current medications, allergies and pertinent medical information available to aid in providing the most appropriate care.

THE WANTASTIQUET FOUNDATION

The Wantastiquet Foundation invites you to participate in a second annual, **NO SHOW: DO NOT ATTEND** Valentine's Day Gala of dinner and dancing! This **NON-EVENT** will benefit the Wantastiquet Londonderry Rotary Scholarship Fund in honor of Dick Foley. Thank you for participating in this unique way to support the youth of our surrounding communities.

Suggested contribution is \$ 50.00

Please **RSVP** to this no-show event by writing a check to the Wantastiquet Foundation and mail your contribution to

WANTASTIQUET FOUNDATION PO Box 309 LONDONDERRY, VERMONT 05148

We would like to thank all those who contributed to last year's event. A total of \$6000.00 was distributed in scholarships in 2018.

Wantastiquet Rotary

Soup distribution at Neighborhood Connection

Recently the Wantastiquet Rotary supplied and served soup at the Neighborhood Connection office in Londonderry. Over 30 people were served a choice of lemon chicken or butternut squash soup.

Wantastiquet Rotary serves the surrounding mountain towns. Please consider joining this active community centered club. Meetings are on the first and third Tuesday, at the Second Congregational Church in Londonderry, Vermont.



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FEBRUARY AT THE LIBRARY

Currently showing in the Janeway Wing is an extensive collection of pastels created by Karol Allen. Karol's work depicts Vermont scenes in all our four seasons. Many paintings are inspired by photographs she took over the years and there are many depictions of barns in various parts of the state. There will be a reception to meet and chat with the artist on Friday, February 1st from 4 to 5 pm.

Celebrate Valentine's Day with Casey Junker Bailey on Saturday, February 9th at 10:30. Casey will read a story and help children of all ages create unique Valentine cards for those we love and care about. All are welcome!

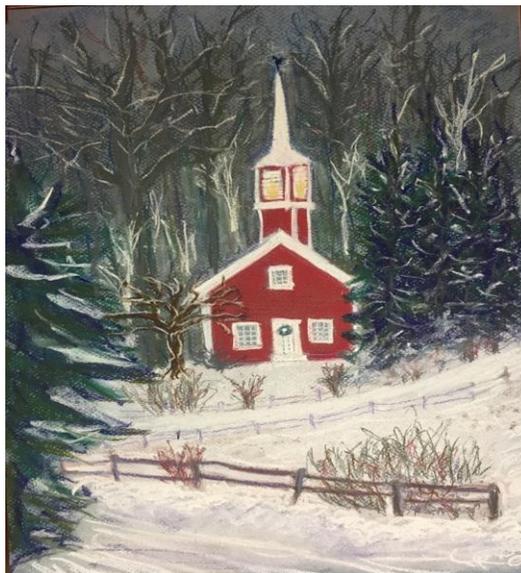
For newcomers to the area, we are located at 15 Old School Street in South Londonderry. We are a **FREE** library that has been in existence since 1902 and have books in all categories for all ages. If there is a book or movie you want that is not in our collection, I can try to get it for you via Inter-Library-Loan. We have access to all the libraries in the state of Vermont.

Our phone number is 824-6003 and the email address is southlondonderryfreelibrary@yahoo.com. Visit your library at southlondonderryfreelibrary.org or better yet, stop by and check out the charming "House of Books" in person.

Current library hours are: Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 10 to noon & 1 to 5 pm with additional hours Wednesday evenings from 7 to 9 pm. On Saturdays we are open from 10 am to 1 pm. See you at the Library!!

Mary K. Butera
Librarian

Karol Allen



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Londonderry Area Tri-Mtn Lions donate \$200.00 to local student Olav Pajala for his tuition for STEM Camp at Babson College in Wellesley Ma. this summer.



Olav presented to the local Lions Club describing his experience and what he is looking forward to at this summer's STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering & Math) Camp. When a student is accepted, they are responsible for the tuition, his goal is to earn \$200.00 per month. He has been baking and selling Star Wars cookies and reaching out to friends and relatives to reach his goal. Tri-Mtn Lions donated \$200.00.

The following is a description of the camp Olav will be attending: Explore the Frontiers of Science and Technology with a Mission to Mars - NYLF Explore STEM is a unique learning experience for bright, forward-thinking middle school students who will evolve into our next generation of innovators, engineers, doctors, forensic scientists, mathematicians, and physicists.

During this six-day immersive experience, students learn by doing as they take part in hands-on simulations, workshops, and competitions, while making new friends and having unforgettable adventures as they plan for a "Mission to Mars."

Few fields are more important to the future of mankind than STEM—science, technology, engineering, and math—and few shows as much promise for future career opportunities. Virtually all career fields today require a solid foundation of STEM, and that's precisely why these are the fastest growing areas of study—and the reason that STEM professionals are in the highest demand throughout the w

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MAGIC opens Green Chair!



Happy Skiers



Travis Richmond

Geoff Hathaway and his team continue to make miracles happen at Magic Mountain. The newly installed, refurbished Green Chair was completed and up and running in early January 2019. The plan to finish a mid-mountain lift that was begun and abandoned by previous owners in the early 2000's due to a lack of financing was completed with great success. This project, begun in May by Ski Lifts Unlimited was completed by Pfister Mountain Services and overseen by Travis Richmond, a 6-year veteran employee at Magic. Travis and his team worked round the clock to meet the deadline and get the chair ready for skiers for the new year. This additional chair allows for better beginner and intermediate accessibility to the mountain and increases the flow of skiers to the trails. The lift is a Borvig Double Chair with 106 chairs with an old school wooden chair look but with a modern drive, electronics and safeties. Congratulations Magic!

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The Friends of the West River Trail, Weston Historical Society
& The Londonderry Arts and Historical Society present:



Freedom & Unity: The Vermont Movie

One State. Many Visions.

Freedom & Unity: The Vermont Movie is the first-ever documentary series about Vermont. All six chapters will be shown at the South Londonderry Depot; chapters Two through Four will be shown this Spring, the balance in the Fall. The Weston Historical Society, Londonderry Arts and Historical Society and the Friends of the West River Trail are combining resources to present the six chapters of *The Vermont Movie*, the first-ever documentary series about Vermont. The film is thematic, not chronological, and explores issues in the state's history that recur and circle back, from 1777 to the present.

Part 2: "Under the Surface"

Thursday, Jan. 17

Yes, quarrying, but also about social movements that have belied Vermont's bucolic image, quarrying and labor unions.

Part 3: Refuge, Reinvention and Revolution

Thursday, Feb. 21

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The turbulent mid-twentieth century; hippies and Phillip Hoff vs. IBM and the Interstate Highways

Part Three – Refuge, Reinvention and Revolution In the mid-20th century, political pioneers like Bill Meyer, a Congressman who challenged the Cold War, and Governor Phil Hoff, whose 1962 victory set the stage for historic change, rose to take the lead in state politics. Innovation was everywhere: in the work of “talented tinkers” like Snowflake Bentley and Thaddeus Fairbanks, in the rise of IBM, and in the creation of the Interstate highways. We see the pros and cons of the highways--the high price of “eminent domain.” Revolution was in the air—rare archival footage provides a vivid look at the "hippies," the realities of communal life and the paths of members of the counter-culture who established roots in Vermont. Who changed whom?

Part 4: Doers and Shapers **Thursday, Mar.21**

People and institutions that pushed conventional boundaries, from out-of-the box educators to Act 250.

All showings are at 7 PM, at the South Londonderry Depot on Route 100. Length of each chapter is approximately 90 minutes. There is no cost to attend, though donations are appreciated.

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No Outfit
is
complete
without
the latest
accessories

Get your
Dog's Tag
at the
Town
Clerk's
Office
today.



DOG LICENSES ARE DUE BY APRIL 1ST
CURRENT RABIES CERTIFICATE REQUIRED
LONDONDERRY TOWN CLERK OFFICE
HOURS: M, T, TH, F 8:30-4 & WED 10-5

Article Submission Information If your group or organization has community news to share, and you would like to submit an article to The Monthly for publication, please contact us via email at derrynews@aol.com. For your reference, our article submission deadline is the 25th of each month. Due to space limitations it is up to our discretion to edit any and all submissions and/or reject submissions. The articles and information enclosed do not necessarily reflect the opinions or policies of the Town of Londonderry or its board members

TOWN EMAIL LIST The town has established an Email/distribution list to send important and emergency information to town residents and property owners. If you have not submitted your email address, please consider doing so. Your information will not be shared with anyone. Call the town office at 824-3356 or email to londontown@vermontel.net

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WARNING FOR THE LONDONDERRY TOWN MEETING

The inhabitants of the Town of Londonderry, Vermont, who are legal voters of the Town Meeting are hereby notified and warned to meet at their Town Hall, 139 Middletown Road, S. Londonderry, on Tuesday, March 5th A.D. 2019 at 9:30 A.M. to act on the following Articles, namely:

BUSINESS TO BE TRANSACTED FROM THE FLOOR ON TUESDAY, MARCH 5, 2019:

- ARTICLE 1 To choose a Moderator to preside at Town Meeting.
- ARTICLE 2 To act on the report of the Town Officers.
- ARTICLE 3 To elect all Town Officials required by law:
- Selectboard member for a term of three years.
 - Selectboard member for a term of two years.
 - Lister for a term of three years.
 - Lister for a term of one year.
 - First Constable for a term of one year.
 - Second Constable for a term of one year.
 - Collector of Delinquent Taxes for a term of one year.
 - Town Grand Juror for a term of one year.
 - Town Agent for a term of one year.
 - Cemetery Commissioner for a term of five years.
 - Trustee of Public Funds for a term of three years.
 - Trustee of S. Londonderry Library Association for a term of three years.
- ARTICLE 4 To see if the Town will vote the sum of \$1,000 (One Thousand) for the Londonderry Conservation Fund.
- ARTICLE 5 To see if the Town will vote to raise a sum of \$20,000 (Twenty Thousand) on the Grand List of 2019 for Champion Fire Company #5 Inc.
- ARTICLE 6 To see if the Town will vote to raise a sum of \$80,000 (Eighty Thousand) on the Grand List of 2019 for Phoenix Fire Company #6 to purchase a Ford F550 four door crew cab Fire Truck.
- ARTICLE 7 To see if the Town will vote to raise a sum of \$10,000 (Ten Thousand) on the Grand List of 2019 for Londonderry Volunteer Rescue Squad.
- ARTICLE 8 To see if the Town will vote to raise a sum of \$10,000 (Ten Thousand) on the Grand List of 2019 for S. Londonderry Library Association.
- ARTICLE 9 To see if the Town will vote to renew the exemption from Property Taxes for the S. Londonderry Library Association – Old School Street, S. Londonderry.
- ARTICLE 10 Shall the Town of Londonderry vote to approve a sum not to exceed \$40,000 (Forty Thousand) to fund contracting with the VT State Police for policing the Town of Londonderry?
- ARTICLE 11 Shall the Town of Londonderry vote to approve a sum of \$120,000 (One Hundred Twenty Thousand) to put into the Highway Equipment Reserve Fund?

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ARTICLE 12 Shall the town raise and appropriate the sum of \$100,000 (One Hundred Thousand) to fund the Town Buildings Reserve Fund?

ARTICLE 13 Shall the Town of Londonderry vote to approve a sum of \$5,000.00 (Five Thousand) to the Londonderry Parks Board to install a Pump Track at Pingree Park?

ARTICLE 14 To see how much the Town will vote for a General Fund.

ARTICLE 15 Shall the Town vote for its taxes to be paid to the Town Treasurer as provided by law, due date to be on or before October 1st, 2019?

ARTICLE 16 Shall the Town vote to raise the sum of \$29,445 (Twenty-nine thousand, four hundred forty-five) for the following organizations?

American Red Cross	500.00
Flood Brook Athletic Association	2,500.00
Grace Cottage Foundation	750.00
Greater Northshire Access TV	2,000.00
Green Mountain RSVP	415.00
Green Up Vermont	100.00
Health Care & Rehabilitation Services	1,513.00
Londonderry 4 th of July	1,000.00
Neighborhood Connections	5,500.00
Senior Solutions	850.00
SEVCA	1,700.00
Southeast Vermont Watershed Alliance	410.00
The Collaborative	1,000.00
Valley Cares	2,742.00
Visiting Nurse Assoc. of VT & NH	7,000.00
Vermont Rural Fire Protection	100.00
Windham County Historical Society	250.00
Windham County Youth Services	315.00
Women's Freedom Center	800.00

ARTICLE 17 Shall the voters in the Town of Londonderry appropriate the sum of \$5307 (Five Thousand three hundred and seven) to be raised by taxes in support of Southeastern Vermont Economic Development Strategies (SeVEDS) to provide workforce and economic coordination services to residents of the town?

ARTICLE 18 Shall the voters in the Town of Londonderry appropriate the sum of \$500 (Five Hundred) to the Windham County Humane Society?

ARTICLE 19 Shall the voters in the Town of Londonderry appropriate the sum of \$1,000 (One Thousand) to the Friends of the West River Trail?

ARTICLE 20 Shall the voters in the Town of Londonderry appropriate the sum of \$5,000 (Five Thousand) to the Mountain Valley Medical Clinic to provide assistance to uninsured patients?

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ARTICLE 21 Shall the voters in the Town of Londonderry appropriate the sum of \$3,000 (Three Thousand) to West River Montessori School to provide scholarships for students in the 2&3-year-old program?

ARTICLE 22 Shall the voters in the Town of Londonderry appropriate the sum \$125 (One hundred twenty-five) to the Current?

ARTICLE 23 To transact any other business that may legally come before the Meeting.

Dated at Londonderry this 21st day of January 2019

/S/ James Ameden James Ameden, Chairman

/S/ Georgianne Mora Georgianne Mora

/S/ Thomas Cavanagh Thomas Cavanagh

/S/ Robert Forbes Robert Forbes

/S/ Taylor Prouty Taylor Prouty

Received for the record this 21st day of January 2019

/S/ Kelly M. Pajala Kelly M. Pajala, Town Clerk