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Letter from the Editor:

HAPPY MOTHERS DAY!!!! Being a mother, a grandmother, a step-mother - biologically or not – is one of the most fulfilling, rewarding, loving and wonderful jobs in the world (full disclosure – I am all 3). It is also not for the meek, which is probably why it falls to women! I hope you are all rewarded with adoration, appreciation and full benefits!!! HA just kidding – a plant and a beer will do!!!

Again a lot of opportunities here to help, organize, fund raise, volunteer, donate, golf, luncheon, run/walk, etc. It is our job to present the info, it is your job to pick which lucky group gets your participation! (Full disclosure – I am a volunteer firefighter and treasurer for Champion Fire Co and one of the Historical Homes being auctioned for the Londonderry Arts and Historical Society dinner in July). I know we need all the help we can get so please do not hesitate to join any of the many groups on these next pages to offer your support. It is so appreciated when the community comes together and shares the tasks at hand together to support each other.

Please enjoy Mothers Day and the END of MUD season and the beautiful spring that has finally arrived! Wishing you all a marvelous May.

Darcy Duval

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Friday

\$150 p/p or \$500 per 4-person team

June 28, 2019

Stratton Mountain Golf Course

Price includes:

Green Fees, Golf Cart, Dinner, 2 Drink Tickets and Prizes



12:00 pm – Registration at the Stratton Mountain Golf Course Club House

1:00 pm – Shotgun Start

6:30 pm – Dinner & Awards at the Green Apron Restaurant

For more information or to sign up call 802-824-5540 or email sfdchampionno5@gmail.com



Proceeds to benefit the Champion Fire Company No. 5, a fully volunteer, private organization

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Mountain Towns Dine-around to Benefit the Londonderry Arts and Historical Society.

The Londonderry Arts and Historical Society hosts its first *Mountain Towns Dine-around* on July 19. The festive gallivant begins with 5:30 cocktails at the Custer Sharp House followed by dinner at one of 20 area homes. Many of these homes have historic importance to Londonderry. LAHS President Annie Campbell said the dine-around is a different kind of community event for Londonderry. “We hope to bring lots of community members together to celebrate Londonderry and our history.”

The Londonderry Arts and Historical Society hopes to raise \$20,000 with its fundraising activities. The cost of opening its buildings and managing the collections is not covered by membership contributions. LAHS has made many improvements to its buildings and improved the gallery space and archives. For more information on the Dine-around please visit our website www.LAHSVT.org, email us at LondonderryAHS@gmail.com or call 802-824-4406.

Londonderry Arts and Historical Society. Save Londonderry’s treasures!



Committee Members (left to right) Sally Ogden, Sharon Crossman, Annie Campbell, Hilary Batchelor, Barb Wells and Esther Fishman address the Save-the-Date postcards for the Dine-around.

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SOUTH LONDONDERRY FREE LIBRARY

The guest artist for the months of May and June is Kim Eng Yeo. Kim is an amazing watercolorist and her botanical-like paintings are outstanding. She has very kindly offered to present a free watercolor class to artists or aspiring artists of all abilities on Wednesday, May 15th from 3 to 4:30. Space is limited so please call the library at 824-3371 to sign up.

You can view her exhibit anytime during library hours. Here are our **NEW HOURS:** We are now open on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 10 am to 5 pm. Due to lack of patronage on Wednesday evenings we will no longer be open 7 to 9 pm. Saturdays will remain the same – from 10 am to 1 pm.

If you would like to participate in the wonderful world of books and have a few hours a week to spare, consider becoming a library volunteer. Please call Mary at 824-3371 if you are interested or you can contact us via email at southlondonderryfreelibrary@yahoo.com.

We would like to remind you that the Vermont Department of Libraries offers Audio Books, Magazines and LARGE PRINT books mailed to you for free through its special services. Call 1-800-479-1711, Email LIB.AbleLibrary@vermont.gov or visit their website at [libraries.vermont.gov/able library](http://libraries.vermont.gov/able-library).

If you are house-bound and would like someone to bring you books, movies or magazines from our own libraries' collection, please call 824-3371 and we will see what arrangements can be made.

On Saturday, May 11th at 10:30, Casey Junker Bailey will present a creative workshop to celebrate Mother's Day. Children of all ages are invited to come to the library and make a special gift for Mom.

The summer reading program is A UNIVERSE OF STORIES. Linda Schroeder will again be on hand to present kids' programs with a related theme throughout the summer. Linda will also be busy making Crafts to Go for children to take home. Thank you Linda.

See you at the Library!
Mary K. Butera, Librarian

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Londonderry Area Community Lunch Schedule Announced

Second Congregational Church, UCC, of Londonderry is thrilled to announce its 12th season of sponsoring luncheons for Londonderry and surrounding towns' residents, this year being the first to welcome citizens of all ages. As it has in the past eleven summers, the church will hold six lunches in 2019 on the fourth Thursday of each month, May through October. The lunches, starting at 12 noon, are held in the church's Friendship Room, except the July lunch is a picnic at Hapgood Pond. All are welcome. There will be a free will offering.

The schedule for the 2019 lunches is: May 23, June 27, July 25 (Hapgood Pond picnic), August 23, September 26 and October 24. **Please contact the church at 824 6453 to let us know if you will be coming.**

Neighbors and family members should pass this information along to those that might enjoy these lively, delicious gatherings.

Martha Dale, the church's senior lunch coordinator, said that this year we are welcoming a new chef, Carol Barclay. Carol follows in the footsteps of last year's chef, Marie Porreca and those of Carol's father, Lenny Barclay, who had been the chef at the Church luncheons for ten years.

Other folks who make these lunches possible are Rev. Laurie Krooss, minister of Second Congregational, Bill Cooley, who greets attendees, Susie Cooley who organizes set up and service, Judy Brownell preparing floral arrangements and Beda Lyon, who organizes a very dedicated clean-up crew.

As in recent summers, this year's July lunch will be a picnic at Hapgood Pond. Lunch will be served under the Pavilion, and will feature delicious picnic fare – hamburgers, hot dogs, all the fixings, salads and dessert. Participants should bring lawn chairs to the July picnic and plan on spending a summer afternoon enjoying the Vermont scenery, good food and good company.

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Second Congregational is located at 2051 North Main Street, Londonderry (RT 11 west of the blinker at the junction of RT 11 and RT 100). Any questions, including directions to the church or to Hapgood Pond, please call the church at 824 6453.

Contact Martha Dale at mdale242@gmail.com 802-824-6564 for questions



Save the Date!

MAY 14th 6-8pm

The Nature Conservancy in Vermont would like to invite you to a community forum to discuss its recent acquisition of the 3500-acre Glebe Mountain parcel that spans the towns of Windham and Londonderry. We look forward to coming together with community members over a lasagna dinner on May 14th from 6pm-8pm at the Old Town Hall, 139 Middletown Rd, South Londonderry to discuss a management vision for Glebe Mountain that supports nature, wildlife, and people. We hope you will join us!

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GREEN UP DAY MAY 4th!!!

Green up day is Saturday May 4th. Bags will be available at the Transfer station and town office starting Saturday this week. Additional bags will be available at the Champion South Londonderry Fire Station on Green Up day. Drop off locations will be the transfer station, Mill parking lot and Champion South Londonderry Fire Station.

OPEN HOUSE

8am-1pm

Champion Fire Co

60 Main ST

South Londonderry

Free coffee, brownies and
hamburgers at the Champion
Firehouse

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FREE to residents & charities
Businesses must call ahead to make arrangements

ELECTRONICS COLLECTION EVENT

SATURDAY, MAY 18, 2019 9AM - 1PM



at FLOOD BROOK SCHOOL
91 ROUTE 11, LONDONDERRY, VT

For information call 824-3306,
email recycle@londonderryvt.org
www.londonderryvt.org (click on link)

WHAT TO BRING:

- *Computers *Monitors *Televisions *Copiers**
- *Microwaves *FAX Machines *Typewriters**
- *VCRs and anything else with a cord**

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**Seventh Annual
West River
Trail Run**

**Saturday,
June 1st**

**11 Miles of Trouble &
5K Fun Run/Walk**

**11 Mile Race starts at 9am at the South
Londonderry Depot. \$35 individual
registration, \$75 for three-person relay team***

**5K race starts at 9:30am at Jamaica State
Park. \$25 registration per person or \$65 for
family of four***

**All racers will finish at Jamaica State Park,
and receive a wicking t-shirt, a goodie bag, a
participant medal, and a chance to win a
Farmers Market Basket for six different age
groups full of local Vermont goodies. Live
music, raffles and food for everyone to enjoy!**

***Registration price increases March 29th**

**Registration and more information at
collaborative.us/westrivertrailrun**

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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 townclerk@londonderryvt.org.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

West River Farmer's Market – Saturday, May 25, 2019 – Williams Park

Fourth of July Celebrations - Saturday, July 6, 2019 – Parade at 11:00 a.m.

Fireworks at dusk at Magic Mountain

Pingree Park Music Monday Series – starts July 8th – stay tuned for details.