

LONDONDERRY TOWN LANTERN

DECEMBER 2023



Greetings! We are thrilled to bring you the inaugural *Londonderry Town Lantern*. There is so much happening in our vibrant community every day, and so many people doing so much good. What a perfect time of year for me to mention just a few things I am thankful for. I am privileged to lead more than 200 of the most dedicated public employees in the state. Literally every day, I hear about them going above and beyond to serve the residents, and I know their contributions do not go unnoticed around town. I am also grateful for our exceptional, caring community. Unlike Massachusetts, we in the Granite State don't fund our social safety net with tax dollars. We rely on each other. That's why organizations like Rotary, the Lions, the Senior Center, Community Caregivers, CHS, the American Legion, Meals on Wheels, and all of our churches, to name just a few, are so important. We in Londonderry always stand up to support each other.

This monthly newsletter will shine a light on all of this good. Occasionally, we will address more serious topics. Always, we will be accurate. I know you can obtain a perspective about what is happening in town from any number of sources, including on social media and in the local paper. I hope you will choose to hear from us too.

My best wishes for a healthy, happy, and prosperous holiday season.

Mike Malaguti, Town Manager

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Holiday Happenings in Londonderry



Southern NH Tour Of Lights



Be a part of the holiday magic!

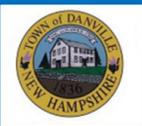
Decorate your house for the holidays!

Do you decorate your house for the holidays? Consider becoming a part of the Southern New Hampshire Tour of Lights. Residents are encouraged to decorate the exterior of their homes with festive lights this upcoming holiday season and then register your address with one of the participating Recreation Departments listed below.

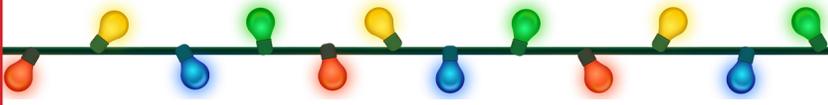
On December 8th, we will publish a master list of all the homes that have registered to be on the Southern NH Tour of Lights. All entries for this free event will be entered into a raffle to win a special prize courtesy of your local Recreation

Register your home by December 4th

CONTACT YOUR LOCAL RECREATION DEPARTMENT TO ENTER!



TOWN HALL HOLIDAY CLOSINGS



FRIDAY, DECEMBER 22
Closing at NOON

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 29
Closing at NOON

MONDAY, DECEMBER 25
Closed

MONDAY, JANUARY 1
Closed

IT'S BACK! LETTERS TO SANTA IS LIVE!

Apparently, Londonderry stayed off the naughty list, because Santa's North Pole Express mailbox has returned to the entryway at Town Hall! Once again this year, Londonderry and the Rotary Club will work with Santa's elves to make sure all your wish lists get delivered to the North Pole. Each child will receive a personalized letter from Santa in return.

Please visit londonderrynh.gov/santa to download a copy of the form. In order to make sure your child gets a return letter, PLEASE make sure the child's name and address are written clearly on the letter or envelope. We don't want any reindeer getting lost!

The mailbox will be available Monday to Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., until Tuesday, December 19, when we have to send it back to Santa's workshop.



LONDONDERRY ELECTIONS UPDATE

*The New Hampshire State Presidential Primary date has been set for **Tuesday, January 23, 2024.***



POLLING PLACE:
Londonderry High School Gymnasium,
295 Mammoth Road

POLLING HOURS:
6:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

CURRENT NUMBER OF REGISTERED VOTERS IN TOWN:
16,466

TOWN MODERATOR: Jonathan Kipp

*This is a **STATE PRIMARY** election, so Londonderry has **NO ABILITY** to postpone or reschedule due to weather. Please plan accordingly!*

For the most up-to-date information on elections, please reach out to Town Clerk Sherry Farrell at 603-432-1100 x199 or sfarrell@londonderrynh.org.

HOW DO I REGISTER TO VOTE?

To vote in the New Hampshire, you must be at least 18 years of age, a U.S. citizen, and a resident of the town in which you are voting, and you need a photo ID. Please bring proof of age, identity, domicile, and citizenship to one of the following places:

- » Town Clerk's office; Monday to Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
- » Supervisors of the Checklist sessions:
 - Monday, December 18, 2023; 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. in the Town Clerk's office
 - Wednesday, January 17, 2024; 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. in the Town Clerk's office
- » The polls on Election Day for same-day registration

ABSENTEE BALLOT REQUESTS AVAILABLE



Absentee ballots can be requested in person in the Town Clerk's office, by fax, by email, or by mail. For more information and to download a request form, please visit londonderrynh.gov/absentee-voting.

PARTY CHANGES CLOSED ON OCTOBER 6, 2023



If you are currently registered in a party (Republican or Democrat), that is the ballot you will receive on Election Day. If you are registered as Undeclared, you will be able to choose your party at the polls.

*For more information on voter registration, the documentation needed to register, or what to do if you **DO NOT** have those documents or a photo ID, please visit londonderrynh.gov/supervisors-checklist.*

NEWS AROUND TOWN



Christmas Week Trash & Recycling Pick-up 1 Day Delay



During the week of December 25 – 30, 2023, Trash and Recycling collection will be delayed one day after the holiday.

Monday's pick-up will be on Tuesday
Tuesday's pickup will be on Wednesday
Wednesday's pickup will be on Thursday
Thursday's pick-up will be on Friday
Friday's pick-up will be on Saturday

Please make sure all trash is placed at the curb by 7AM.

Any questions contact the Department of Engineering & Environmental Services at (603)432-1100 X193.



New Year's Week Trash & Recycling Pick-up 1 Day Delay



During the week of January 1 - 6, 2024, Trash & Recycling collection will be delayed one day after the holiday.

Monday's pick-up will be on Tuesday
Tuesday's pickup will be on Wednesday
Wednesday's pickup will be on Thursday
Thursday's pick-up will be on Friday
Friday's pick-up will be on Saturday

Please make sure all trash and recycling is placed at the curb by 7AM.

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Have a suggestion for a future issue?

Send ideas, suggestions, requests & feedback to Kirsten Hildonen at 603-432-1100 x153 or khildonen@londonderrynh.org.

Reminder: Register Your Dog!

Dog registration may happen annually in April, but your Town Clerk would like to remind you to let the clerks know year-round if your very good boy or girl no longer lives in Londonderry. As of this newsletter, we have about **230 outstanding dog registrations!** All dogs over four months old must be registered. You can register your dog online or in person in the Clerk's office.

WHY DO I NEED TO REGISTER MY DOG?

Dog registration is required under State of New Hampshire law (RSA 444:1). The revenue raised from dog registration goes toward statewide rabies testing programs to keep all animals - and people! - safe. Plus, registering your dog means that if they are talented escape artists like Lizzie here, Londonderry Police can help get them home.

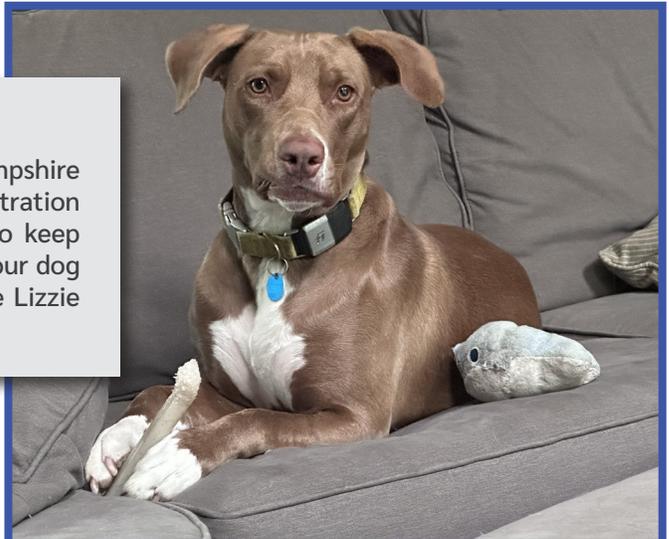
Please reach out to the Town Clerk's office with any questions at 603-432-1100 x195. More information on dog registration can be found at londonderrynh.gov/dogs.

FIRST BUDGET HEARING

December 18, 2023; 7:00 p.m.
Moose Hill Council Chambers

In November of each year, the Town of Londonderry begins a series of workshops and hearings on the budget for the next fiscal year. The budget hearings are an opportunity for residents to provide input on the Town's proposed budget.

The **current** fiscal year is **FY 2024**. The **next** fiscal year is **FY 2025**. Fiscal years run from **July 1 to June 30**, and are named after the year in which they **end**.





Stop by the Leach Library to enter an amazing raffle sponsored by the Friends of the Library! All the funds raised will go to support the Library's onboarding efforts to join the GMILCS (Greater Manchester Integrated Library Cooperative System) consortium.

What does GMILCS mean for you?

- » Borrowing privileges at 13 area academic & public libraries.
- » Access to these libraries when the Leach Library may be closed on nights & weekends.
- » Expanded access to physical & ebooks through faster interlibrary loans and CloudLibrary.
- » A new, modern, user-friendly library catalog with an improved notification system & more useful features.

Thank you to our generous prize donors: Backyard Brewery & Kitchens, 603 Brewery, 99 Restaurants, Dunkin Donuts, Super Wok, Wrap City, The Nest Family Cafe, Panera Bread, and the patron who donated the print. Tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5 and will be available until December 16, 2023.

Town of Londonderry Employment Opportunities

The Town of Londonderry is seeking applicants for the following positions:



Assistant Director of Engineering & Environmental Services
Department of Public Works & Engineering
Full Time



Truck Driver/Laborer
Department of Public Works & Engineering
Full Time



Fire Telecommunications Operator
Londonderry Fire Department
Part Time

For full job descriptions and more information on how to apply, please visit londonderrynh.gov/human-resources.



Assessing Update

Deadline to file an abatement – March 1, 2024

An abatement may be filed with the Town of Londonderry Assessing office following the receipt of your final tax bill. The date of filing is the date the form is either hand delivered to the municipality, postmarked by the post office, or received by an overnight delivery service. Deadline to file is March 1st. Pursuant to BTLA Tax 203.02(d) the applicant must sign the application.

Deadline to apply for Exemptions and Tax Credits – April 15, 2024

The following exemptions and credits are available to those qualifying residents: blind exemption, disabled exemption, elderly exemption, solar and wind powered exemption, and Veterans' tax credits.

For more information on abatements, exemptions, and tax credits, please contact the Assessing Department at 603-432-1100 x135 or visit our website at londonderrynh.gov/assessing.

Londonderry's Town cemeteries are CLOSED to vehicle traffic and for burials for the winter, from December 2023 to April 2024. The cemeteries remain open to foot traffic, but we ask that you refrain from trying to drive on the unplowed roads. Burials will resume in April, depending on the conditions of the grounds. Please reach out to Denise Manella in Public Works, 603-432-1100 x193 or dmanella@londonderrynh.org, with any questions.



Senior Center Calendar

535 Mammoth Road, Londonderry
londonderrynh.gov/senior-affairs

December 2023						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	09:00 Cards 10:00 Chair Exercise 11:00 Bone Builder 11:00 MOW 12:15 Cribbage 12:30 Mah Jongg 12:30 Ceramics 12:30 Line Dancing	09:00 Cards 09:00 Yoga 10:00 Chair Exercise 11:00 MOW 12:15 Bingo	09:00 Cards 10:00 Knit/Crochet 10:00 Chair Exercise 11:00 MOW 11:00 Acrylic Painting 12:15 Bingo	09:00 Cards 09:00 Yoga 10:00 Chair Exercise 11:00 MOW 12:15 Cribbage 12:30 Cornhole	09:00 Cards 10:00 Chair Exercise 11:00 Bone Builders 11:00 MOW 12:00 Diamond Art 12:30 Tai Chi	
26-Nov	27-Nov	28-Nov	29-Nov	30-Nov	1-Dec	2-Dec
3-Dec	4-Dec	5-Dec	6-Dec	7-Dec	8-Dec	9-Dec
					9:30 Book Club	
10-Dec	11-Dec	12-Dec	13-Dec	14-Dec	15-Dec	16-Dec
				10-12 Hearing Test	12:15 Greeting Card Class	
17-Dec	18-Dec	19-Dec	20-Dec	21-Dec	22-Dec	23-Dec
			10:00 Murder Mystery	Holiday Brunch	1/2 Day close noon, no pm classes	

**The Senior Center will be closed the week of December 24 to December 30, 2023.*

Recreation Programs

For more information, or to sign up for a program, please visit londonderrynh.gov/recreation

YOUTH PROGRAMS

DODGEBALL

Fridays, Jan 5 to Mar 8; times vary by age
 Grades K-1 \$27 resident, \$37 non
 Grades 2-4, 5-8 \$40 resident, \$50 non
 Registration Deadline: January 4, 2024

FLAG FOOTBALL CLINIC

Fridays, Jan 5 to Feb 2; 6:30-8 p.m.
 Ages 6-14 \$75 resident, \$85 non
 Registration Deadline: January 3, 2024

GYM CLASS HEROES SAMPLER

Fridays, Feb 16 to Mar 29; times vary by age
 Grades K-8 \$25 resident, \$35 non
 Registration Deadline: February 9, 2024

All of the above programs will be held in the Matthew Thornton Gym.

ADULT PROGRAMS

DANCE AEROBICS

Wednesdays, Jan 20 to Mar 20; 6-7 p.m.
 Londonderry Senior Center
 18+ \$50 resident, \$60 non-resident
 Registration Deadline: January 11, 2024

TAP DANCE

Wednesdays, Jan 20 to Mar 20; 7-8 p.m.
 Londonderry Senior Center
 18+ \$50 resident, \$60 non-resident
 Registration Deadline: January 11, 2024

"FOUNTAIN OF YOUTH" P.E. SAMPLER

Mondays, Jan 22 to Mar 11; 6:45-8 p.m.
 Matthew Thornton Gym
 18+ \$30 resident, \$40 non-resident
 Registration Deadline: February 9, 2024



PUBLIC MEETINGS – DECEMBER 2023

In accordance with RSA 91-A:2, you are hereby notified that the following boards, commissions, and committees will meet on the indicated days at the indicated times and locations.

Utilities Committee – Water Subcommittee	Saturday, December 2	9:00 a.m.	Leach Library Community Room – 276 Mammoth Road
LHRA	Monday, December 4	6:30 p.m.	Sunnycrest Conference Room
Town Council	Monday, December 4	7:00 p.m.	Moose Hill Council Chambers
Senior Resources Committee	Tuesday, December 5	6:00 p.m.	Sunnycrest Conference Room
Utilities Committee	Tuesday, December 5	7:00 p.m.	Moose Hill Council Chambers
Planning Board	Wednesday, December 6	7:00 p.m.	Moose Hill Council Chambers
Leach Library Board of Trustees	Wednesday, December 6	7:00 p.m.	Leach Library Community Room – 276 Mammoth Road
Trustees of the Trust Funds	Thursday, December 7	11:00 a.m.	Sunnycrest Conference Room
Recreation Commission	Monday, December 11	7:30 p.m.	Sunnycrest Conference Room
Conservation Commission	Tuesday, December 12	7:30 p.m.	Moose Hill Council Chambers
Planning Board	Wednesday, December 13	7:00 p.m.	Moose Hill Council Chambers
Heritage Commission	Thursday, December 14	7:00 p.m.	Moose Hill Council Chambers
Londonderry Arts Council	Thursday, December 14	7:00 p.m.	Sunnycrest Conference Room
Supervisors of the Checklist	Monday, December 18	6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.	Town Clerk’s Office
Town Council	Monday, December 18	7:00 p.m.	Moose Hill Council Chambers
Zoning Board of Adjustment	Wednesday, December 20	7:00 p.m.	Moose Hill Council Chambers

Please note that this list of meetings is not meant to be exhaustive. Other public meetings may be added as need dictates, and they will be individually noticed as required by NH RSA 91-A:2.

Unless otherwise indicated, all meetings take place at Londonderry Town Hall, 268B Mammoth Road, Londonderry, NH 03053.



Londonderry Organizational Chart FY2024

