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2013 Town Meeting Results



Loudon's Vietnam Veterans were thanked at this year's town meeting.

By Kathy Pitman

Residents of Loudon came together Tuesday, March 12th to elect town officials (article 1) and vote on zoning amendments (article 2). Dustin Bowles was re-elected as Selectman with 344 votes against John Storrs 288 votes and Rocco Bagone III 19 votes. There were two seats open for the Planning Board; Thomas Moore received 380 votes, George Saunderson 288 and Stephen Jackson 246. Linda Krieger was elected Trustee of the Trust Fund and Ken Krzewick was elected Library Trustee. Congratulations to all. The zoning amendments all passed.

On Saturday, March 16th residents met at Loudon Elementary School at 9:00 am for part two of the town meeting. The meeting opened with the Loudon Police in dress uniforms presenting the US and state flags and leading those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance. Mike LaBonte then called all Vietnam veterans to the front of the room and read a very special thank you and acknowledgment of their service. After they were acknowledged all veterans were asked to rise and were thanked for their service to our country by a round of applause. Fire Chief

Richard Wright was presented with a beautifully framed document thanking him for his 47 years of service and a proclamation to name the fire station on Clough Hill Road the Richard E Wright Fire Station 2 in his honor.

Article 3 to see if the town will vote to raise \$137,695 to purchase a truck cab and chassis with a stainless steel body with plow setup and sander controls passed with little discussion. Whereas Article 4 to see if the town will vote to accept Green View Drive, beginning at the intersection of Voted Road to the end as a public highway was discussed for 30 minutes. It was put to a secret ballot and was defeated 147 to 36. Discussion in favor of the article cited safety issues for the children who have to wait at the end of the road for the bus; not having mail delivery to their homes; and better fire and police protection. Discussion against the article included a NH Supreme Court decision stating that the Town of Loudon did not have to accept this road; as well as the fact that the road goes between the 15th and 16th holes of the golf course and golf balls are often being hit into the street. Other comments were the legal ramifications to the town if they do accept this road:

with the water runoff from melting snow, etc. could cause damage to the golf course; and should the dam break, it could take out homes. Some of the legal issues mentioned involved acquiring the property for public domain and the possible necessity to take the property by eminent domain. The road would also need drainage improvements and the digging of the drains could cause harm to existing underground water pipes, etc.

Article 5 to see if the town will vote to raise \$225,250 for paving part of Hemlock Hill Road, Plateau Ridge Road and Mudgett Hill Road was passed with very little discussion. It was mentioned by the selectmen that the town now prepares the roadbeds along with paving so hopefully we won't have to re-pave these roads for a long time.

Article 6 was passed to allow the town to raise \$18,800 to purchase a new 3 point hitch boom mower. The one that we now have is very old and beyond repair.

Article 7 was passed with little to no discussion. This article was to rescind the authority given to the selectmen last year with regards to purchasing and/or

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**Town of Loudon Office Hours
Selectmen’s Office**

PO Box 7837 • 798-4541 • townofloudon@comcast.net
Selectmen meet Tuesday evenings at 6:30 p.m. in the Community Building.
Mon.–Thurs.: 8 a.m.–4 p.m. • Tues. evenings: 6 p.m.–9 p.m.

Town Clerk

PO Box 7837 • 798-4542 • townclerkloudon@comcast.net
Mon.: 8 a.m.–2 p.m. • Tues.: 3 p.m.–9 p.m. • Wed.–Thur.: 9 a.m.–4 p.m.

Planning/Zoning Board

PO Box 7837 • 798-4540 • loudonplanningoffice@comcast.net
The Planning Board Meets the third Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in the Community Building. The Zoning Board meets the fourth Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in the Community Building.
Mon. through Thurs.: 8 a.m.–4 p.m. • Tues. 8 a.m.–7 p.m.

Tax Collector

PO Box 7844 • 798-4543 • taxcollectorloudon@comcast.net
Tues.: 3 p.m.–9 p.m. • Wed.–Thurs.: 9 a.m.–4 p.m.

Police Department: Emergencies: 911

PO Box 7059 • 798-5521 • www.loudonpolice.org
Mon.–Fri.: 8 a.m.–4:00 p.m.

Code Enforcement

PO Box 7059 • 798-5584 • rfiske@loudoncodeenforcement.com
Monday–Thursday: 8 a.m.–4:00 p.m. Closed Fridays.

Fire Department: Emergencies: 911

PO Box 7032 • 798-5612 • dick@loudonfire.com
The Fire Department holds its general meeting on the second Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in the Safety Building. To obtain a fire permit, please stop by the station weekdays between the hours of 7 a.m. and 6 p.m. Fire permits for the weekend need to be obtained during these times.

Loudon Elementary School

7039 School Street • 783-4400
The School Board meets the second Monday of the month at 7:15 p.m. Call the Superintendent’s Office for meeting location.

Transfer Station

783-0170 • townofloudon@comcast.net
Tues. & Thurs.: 9 a.m.–5 p.m. (Winter)
Tues.: 9 a.m.–5 p.m. • Thurs.: 11 a.m.–7 p.m. (Summer) • Sat.: 8 a.m.–5 p.m.
Loudon residents can purchase facility stickers at the transfer station for \$4.00. See the attendant.

Highway Department

Road Agent: David Rice • 783-4568 • townofloudon@comcast.net
Mon.–Fri.: 7 a.m.–3:30 p.m.

Maxfield Public Library

Librarian: Nancy Hendy • 798-5153 • maxlib@comcast.net
Mon.: Closed • Tues.: 10 a.m.–9 p.m. • Wed.: 1–9 p.m.
Thurs.: 10 a.m.–9 p.m. • Sat.: 9 a.m.–1 p.m.
The Library Trustees meet at 4 p.m. on the first Monday of the month.

John O. Cate Memorial Van

Call 783-9502 at least a week in advance of your appointment to schedule a ride.
The John O. Cate Van committee meets the last Thursday of the month at 2 p.m. at their facility at the Transfer Station.

Loudon Food Pantry

30 Chichester Road, Unit D, Loudon
Intake Hours: Monday–Thursday by appointment only.
Donations accepted: Monday–Thursday 10 a.m.–5 p.m. Closed Fridays.
For more information, call Sue or Sarah at 724-9731 or email LoudonFoodPantry@yahoo.com

Loudon Representatives

Merrimack County — District 9
Priscilla P. Lockwood: PO Box 1, Canterbury, NH 03224-0001
Howard M. Moffett: 66 Cogswell Rd., Canterbury, NH 03224-2011
Merrimack County — District 26
Lorrie J. Carey: 151 King St., Boscawen, NH 03303-2107
Senators — District 17
John Reagan: 53 Mt. Delight Rd., Deerfield, NH 0303-1304

Loudon Ledger Submission Policy

All groups, organizations, individuals, etc. are encouraged to submit articles to the *Loudon Ledger*. Special events, landmark anniversaries or birthdays, “attaboys,” etc. are all welcome.

Please note, however, that the *Ledger* will uphold its mission:

To provide a comprehensive source of information and education about business, government, and community organizations within Loudon in order to facilitate and encourage informed citizen participation.

We will also follow our *Articles of Agreement*, which are on file with the Secretary of State:

The corporation shall not participate in, or intervene in any political campaign on behalf of any political party or candidate for public office, nor shall it sponsor or endorse any plan or proposition that does not facilitate or encourage informed citizen participation.

In other words, any article submitted must present *all sides* of an issue in a factual, unbiased manner so that the reader may form his/her own opinion based on the information presented. To paraphrase Eric Severard: “You should elucidate but not advocate.”

Articles should be submitted to the Loudon Communications Council, P.O. Box 7871, Loudon, NH 03307. They may be emailed to debbie@debbiekgraphics.com. From there, they will be forwarded to the Council for review before they are inserted in the *Loudon Ledger*. If you have any questions regarding this policy, please contact Mary Ann Steele, chairperson of the Council, 267-6509. ■

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May 2013 Ad & Copy Deadline:	Fri. 4/19	Council Meeting:	Tues. 4/23
June 2013 Ad & Copy Deadline:	Fri. 5/17	Council Meeting:	Tues. 5/22
July 2013 Ad & Copy Deadline:	Fri. 6/14	Council Meeting:	Tues. 6/18
August 2013 Ad & Copy Deadline:	Fri. 7/19	Council Meeting:	Tues. 7/23
September 2013 Ad & Copy Deadline:	Fri. 8/16	Council Meeting:	Tues. 8/20
October 2013 Ad & Copy Deadline:	Fri. 9/13	Council Meeting:	Tues. 9/17
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December 2013 Ad & Copy Deadline:	Fri. 11/15	Council Meeting:	Tues. 11/19

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Where to Worship in Loudon

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Monday: Men’s Fellowship and Prayer 7–8:45 p.m.

Wednesday: Women’s Bible Study, fellowship, and prayer: 9:15 a.m.

Ongoing Evening Adult Bible Studies: call for details

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Faith Community Bible Church

Evangelical Free Church of America

Jeffrey Owen, Senior Pastor • Joshua Owens, Associate Pastor
334 North Village Road, Loudon, NH 03307 • 783-4045 • www.fcbc-loudon.org
Office Hours: Mon.–Thurs. 9 a.m.–2 p.m.

Sunday Worship Hours: 8 a.m. and 11 a.m. (Nursery provided.)

Sunday School Classes: 9:30–10:30 a.m.

Children’s Worship for ages 3 up to 4th Grade

Youth Group: Sunday 6:30 p.m.

Bible Study: Thurs. 9:30 a.m.

FCBC also has ministries for Men, Women, and Seniors.

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Pastor Paul J. Clow

103 Chichester Road, Loudon, NH 03307 • 798-3818 • www.landmarkbaptistchurch.info

Sunday School and Bible Classes for all ages: 9:30 a.m.

Sunday Morning Worship Service (Jr. Church Provided): 10:30 a.m.

Sunday Evening Worship: 6 p.m.

Wednesday Evening Service: 7 p.m.
(Nursery provided for all services.)

Please visit our website for more information!

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Loudon Center Freewill Baptist Church

Clough Hill Road. Mailing address: P.O. Box 7852, Loudon, NH 03307
Contact Stephanie Gagne, Clerk (568-5080) or Sam Langley, Deacon (848-1455)
Member of the American Baptist Churches of VT/NH (Lakes Area Association)

Sunday Worship: 10:00 a.m.

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Loudon Congregational Church

Rev. Dick Carter, Interim Minister

7018 Church Street, PO Box 7034, Loudon, NH 03307 • 783-9478 • www.loudoncongregational.org

Sunday Worship: 9:30 a.m. followed by Fellowship Time

Wednesday Evenings: Bible Study

*Loudon Congregational is a member church of the
Conservative Congregational Christian Conference (www.cccusa.org).*

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New Beginnings Church of the Nazarene

Senior Pastor Rev. Joshua T. Johnson

Youth Pastor Brian Bollinger

33 Staniels Rd, Loudon NH 03307 • Ph: 224-1311 • Office Hours: 9–2, Mon.–Fri.
office.LNBnazarene@gmail.com • www.LNBnazarene.org

Sundays: Sunday School & Adult Bible Studies: 9:15 a.m.

Worship: 10:30 a.m. (Childcare provided for Infants.) *Jr. Kids Church* (2-year-olds–Kindergarteners.)

Kidsville (Grades 1–4)

Tuesdays: Early Youth Group (Grades 5–6). 6:30–8 p.m. Brian & Jill Bollinger: 267-1744

Wednesdays: Youth Group (Grades 7–12). 6:15–8:15 p.m.

Adult Bible Studies: 6:30 p.m.

Other: Once a month will also have events for men, women, adults, and seniors (50+) called OASIS.

Please visit our website or call the church office for details.

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To have your Church’s information added to this column,
please email your information to debbie@debbiekgraphics.com

Loudon Center Freewill Baptist Church News

Loudon Center Freewill Baptist Church is pleased to announce that the Rev. Linda Overall has accepted the call to be our new pastor. Come meet Rev. Overall on Sunday mornings at 10 a.m. and/or at our monthly potluck suppers.

Our monthly fellowship/potluck supper and concert will be held at the Loudon Center Freewill Baptist Church on Saturday, April 20, 2013. Bring your favorite dish or dessert to share. Supper at 6 pm, concert at 7 p.m. Concerts are free, however we do take a love offering for the musicians. Come join us for this fun family event.

Bible study will be held every other Saturday at 8 a.m., call Rev. Linda Overall for more information at 603-875-5822.

For anyone without a church home and searching for answers, please feel free to join us Sundays at 10 a.m. at 433 Clough Hill Road in Loudon. Come Grow with Us!

Spasenie Returns In Concert!

Thursday, May 2, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. at the New Beginnings Church of the Nazarene, 33 Staniels Road, Loudon, NH 03307. Admission is FREE Phone 603-224-1311. Handicapped accessible.

New Beginnings Church will welcome this Belarusian band for a free concert open to all for the second time! If there were a movie about how God is working in Eastern Europe, Spasenie would dominate the soundtrack. This band from Belarus has a huge heart for the world. Their pop/rock, folk style music shares the hope of the gospel with people in the former U.S.S.R., across Europe and a many other continents.

Spasenie first visited Loudon in October 2011. Back by popular demand, this Spring, the band Spasenie, translated in English as Salvation, is returning to New Beginnings Church of the Nazarene, 33 Staniels Road, Loudon, New Hampshire 03307. Spasenie has ministered for over two decades sharing the gospel of Jesus Christ through their music in the former Soviet Union, restricted countries and internationally.

“We’re looking for friends and partnerships to work together,” said founding band member Pavel Shelpuk.

Spasenie was formed in the late 1980s in the former U.S.S.R. After a friend invited Pavel to a Bible study, his personal search, he came to know Jesus.

He also met fellow musicians Igor Mukha and Peter Semeniuk, and together with cousin and pastor Alexander Borisiuk, a band was born.

“One day we sat near the river in our city, Brest, and played our songs and sang,” Shelpuk said. “People came and they started clapping. We weren’t prepared for that, but this was God’s answer to our prayers about our purpose, our goal in life. God said, ‘You can use music.’”

With borrowed equipment and invitations to play at factories, colleges and even on TV, the young men used their music to share a message of hope in the midst of perestroika.

In the last 23 years, many have been encouraged, come to know the Lord and several churches have been planted, including one in the band’s hometown that has grown to 700 members.

Bring the entire family and be blessed by these seasoned musicians. They will entertain and inspire you! ■



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Popcorn to the Stars From Loudon's Own Michele's Totally Awesome Gourmet Popcorn

On February 23, 2013 Michele's Totally Awesome Gourmet Popcorn was invited back to Hollywood, CA to participate in a Celebrity Gifting Suite for the Academy Awards®. Set up in a soundstage in downtown Hollywood, Michele's Popcorn was there to meet, greet, and gift the talent. The celebrities in attendance were treated by Michele's with their Chocolate Caramel Popcorn, Michele's Munchie Mix, and their newest treat, a Stuffed Oreo. "It's exciting to be invited back to Hollywood," says Michele Holbrook, one of the owners. In 2012 they participated in

a Gifting Suite for the Kids' Choice Awards and in 2010 their popcorn was selected for the Daytime Emmy and Sports Emmy SWAG Bags. So what does it take to make a "popcorn to the stars"? "A lot of pride, passion, and quality goes into the production of our popcorn and treats. The Red Carpet is all about recognizing quality and talent. We offer a quality product so naturally they have recognized our talent," says Holbrook.

Visit their Facebook page to see all the pictures from the Gift Suite at www.facebook.com/nhpopcom.

Check out Michele's short funny story meeting the actor Christopher Atkins on YouTube® at www.youtube.com/watch?v=eV_kcQxXhGE.

Michele's Totally Awesome Gourmet Popcorn Company has been handcrafting more than twenty mouthwatering flavors since starting their business in Loudon in 2007. Their factory store is located on Route 4 in Epsom, NH and their website is www.NHpopcorn.com ■



Kristy Swanson, Buffy in "Buffy and the Vampire Slayer" (the movie) and Vanessa in "Big Daddy."



Oscar Nunez, center, "Oscar in the Office."



Penny Marshall, Laverne from "Laverne & Shirley" with Michele Holbrook.



Maggie Elizabeth Jones plays the daughter in both "Identity Thief" and "We Bought the Zoo."



Tai Babilonia, 1979 World Figure Skating Champion. She skated with Randy Gardner.



Ted McGinley, Ted Darcie in "Married With Children." He also appeared on "The Love Boat."

CUB SCOUT NEWS

On a brisk Friday night in March the Cub Scouts, the Girl Scouts and their families converged on Gunstock Mountain for a night of snow tubing. More than 70 people gathered to tear it up on four snowy slopes. A fantastic time was had by all.

Thank you to everyone who purchased coffee and snacks at Town Meeting. All funds raised go toward supporting pack activities and community service projects.

Pack 247's 2013 Pinewood Derby was held on Saturday March 23rd. We'll have all the results from that race and how our pack members did at the regional competition in the May Ledger.

The boys are all looking forward to our spring events including the Nerf Gun Wars and recruiting event at Krazy Kids, the rain gutter regatta and Scout-a-Rama on the State House Lawn.

We have fourteen boys preparing for another fantastic adventure at summer camp. This year's theme is Heroes. There is still time to register, but only come to camp if you want to have an awesome time!

Pack 247 welcomes new members at anytime. For more information, please contact Josh Brien at jbprob@aol.com or 496-8139 or Juliana Brien attowheadma@comcast.net or 496-9581. ■

You're Invited to Dinner Saturday, April 13, 2013 Serving dinner 4:30–6:30 p.m.

The Family Bible Church Community Fellowship Kitchen
676 Loudon Ridge Road, Loudon, NH 03307

NO CHARGE

Bring your friends • Bring your family

ALL ARE WELCOME

**OUR MENU CHANGES EVERY MONTH
BUT THE LOVE IT IS SERVED WITH ALWAYS
REMAINS THE SAME**

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selling land, buildings or both. This was presented to the town for a vote as promised last year by Bob Krieger.

Article 8 was passed 141 to 1; this article allows the town to change the purpose of the existing Town Office Building Capital Reserve Fund to be used for the purchase, construction or renovation of a town office building.

The unanimous passing of Article 9 changes the purpose of the existing Road Grader Expendable Fund to the Highway Equipment Expendable Fund and raises \$30,000 to be placed into this fund.

Article 10 which deals with raising \$461,500 to be placed into previously established Capital Reserve Funds was easily passed.

Article 11 was passed to raise \$20,000 to be placed into the Transfer Station Expendable Trust Fund and \$10,000 to be placed into the Septage Lagoon Expendable Trust Fund.

Article 12 to see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate \$3,983,307.00 to defray town charges for the ensuing year was passed with no discussion.

Article 13 dealt with other business involving the town. Lisa ("Lee") Laughlin spoke of volunteering and the importance of volunteering. She said that there are many organizations in town that need volunteers. Barbara Parent and Steve Bennett spoke on recycling and gave an amusing 10 Tips to Recycling list. A representative of the Maxfield Public Library Trustees thanked the town for supporting them. Peter Pitman spoke of the Loudon Communications Council and their need for volunteers to write articles and be directors on the council. He also thanked Bob Krieger for keeping his word and bringing forth Article 7. Jeff Brown spoke about the Lions Club; he said they are looking for volunteers and he mentioned their annual run that is being held on May 2nd at the Merrimack Valley High School track. Steve Jakubowski



Voters contemplate their decisions at the 2013 Town Meeting.

presented a resolution to request that the Merrimack Valley School District and MV School Board publish in the MVSD Annual Report a full report and accounting of International Baccalaureate (IB) activities, and a detailed financial statement of all sources of revenue and all expenditures from those sources, and further, any expenditures for the IB program from the approved MVSD budget. This was voted on and passed by those present. Steve Jackson spoke about the Merrimack Valley School Board meeting and that only 68 Loudon residents were in attendance that evening. As compared to 620 residents who voted Tuesday (town meeting part one) and 185 residents who were at the town meeting part two on Saturday. He said that more people needed to attend the school board meetings because that is where the majority of your tax dollars are going.



Fire Chief Dick Wright accepts plaque thanking him for 47 years of service. Fire Station 2 will be named the Richard E. Wright Fire Station 2 in his honor. Congratulations, Dick!

PTA News

Thank you to everyone who ordered seeds from our High Mowing Organic Seed Company fundraiser!! It was a great success. Funds raised go to offset the costs of field trip admission fees and transportation as well as technology initiatives at LES.

The PTA held its annual Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, March 23rd and a Luau on Friday, April 5th. We'll have photos and updates in the May *Ledger*.

Have you registered for the 2013 LES PTA Golf Tournament yet?

The second annual Loudon Elementary School PTA Golf Tournament will held on Saturday, June 1, 2013 at the Loudon Country Club. If you or your company are interested in playing, please contact Becky Herrmann at becky@handcut.com or 783-4257.

Are you interested in supporting the LES PTA? A mailing has been sent to local businesses requesting sponsorship of the event, a team, a hole, or donation of a raffle prize. If you are interested in volunteering or sponsoring, please contact Becky Herrmann at becky@handcut.com or 783-4257. ■

Meet Your State Representative

Three state representatives who represent Loudon residents, Howard Moffett and Priscilla Lockwood from Merrimack County District 9 and Lorrie Carey from Merrimack County District 26, are going to be at the Maxfield Public Library on Saturday, April 13 at 10:00 a.m. They are holding this event to meet with Loudon residents to give them a chance to tell the representatives what is on their minds and present them with ideas and questions. This is a great chance to meet with them face to face and discuss what is important to you. ■

Thank You, Loudon Voters

I would like to thank the voters of Loudon for the turnout at the polls on March 12. I would also like to thank those who re-elected me for another term. I take this responsibility very seriously and will continue to work hard to serve you. Thank you. — *Dustin J. Bowles* ■

Loudon Young at Heart

Loudon Young at Heart met March 12, 2013 at Charlie's Barn. Thirty five enjoyed coffee and donuts and a morning of Bingo.

The Committee members of the Young at Heart donated the prizes for the winners of the bingo games. The gifts donated for the door prizes were a turned bowl made of cherry wood by Stanley Prescott and a quart of Barton & Bowles (B&B) maple syrup by Dustin Bowles.

The door prizes were won by: Connie Ives — turned bowl and Barbara Follansbee — maple syrup.

Eleven games of bingo were played and the winners were: Pat Shibles, Lynne Preve, Carolyn Stinson, Louis Bilodeau, Joan Castricone, Connie Raney, Letty Barton, Teresa Riel, Roger Dow, Dick Malfait, Irene Jeffers, Irene Dow, Doreen Scoville, and Barbara Hemphill.

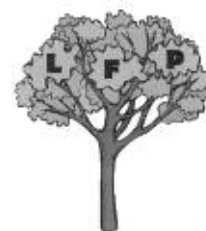
A vote was taken for this year's June trip. The majority of votes were in favor of a cruise on the Mount Washington.

Happy Birthday songs and wishes went out to Philip Mulkey and Carolyn Stinson. May you both celebrate and enjoy many more.

The next meeting will be on April 9th and a presentation will be given by Mike Morrison from the Fish and Game Dept. on bobcats. Pizza for lunch will follow for \$2.00.

Thank you to all who donated the bingo and door prizes!!
SEE YOU IN APRIL!!

Folks are asked to continue bringing canned goods and paper goods for the Loudon Food Pantry. ■



Loudon Food Pantry News

Feinstein Challenge Update

Our goal for this year for this challenge is \$6,000.00. It is now March 15th and we have collected \$2,248.45. WOW! Thank you for your help! Your continued support is needed to make our goal.

To be a part of this effort, donate food or funds between March 1st and April 30th and note that it's for the Feinstein Challenge. Without noting your donation, it cannot be included in this challenge.

How Can You Donate?

Donations can be dropped off or mailed to:

Loudon Food Pantry
30 Chichester Rd., Unit D.
Loudon NH 03307

(Please make checks out to Loudon Food Pantry)

You can also donate through the "Feinstein Challenge" button. We have listed the locations of our collection bins. Any of these collected food or funds will be automatically included in the challenge.

Business	Town	Collection Type Accepted
Loudon Post Office	Loudon	Food & Funds
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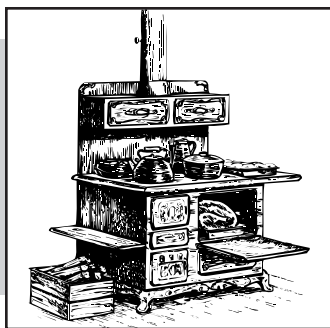
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What's Cookin'!

This month: "Egg"cellent Ideas!

Jenn Pfeifer

Spring is here and many of my Loudon friends have happy chickens that are laying the most beautiful and delicious fresh eggs. If you see a sign for fresh eggs on the side of the road, I highly encourage you to stop and buy a dozen. You will not be sorry.

National Eggs Benedict Day is April 16th and eggs with hollandaise sauce, Canadian bacon (I prefer regular bacon) and English muffins is my favorite way to enjoy eggs. Most people only eat Eggs Benedict at restaurants but, with a few simple recipes and a little patience, making it at home is a fun and delicious project for a weekend breakfast at home.

If making a hollandaise sauce scares you, there are some package sauce mixes that you can make quickly in a pinch. They can be found with the spices and gravy mixes in your grocery store and can be used to top most green veggies, fish and steak.

HOLLANDAISE SAUCE — Tyler Florence

(I like to add a 1/4 teaspoon of Worcestershire sauce to add extra zip)

- 4 egg yolks
- 1 tablespoon freshly squeezed lemon juice
- 1/2 cup unsalted butter, melted (1 stick)
- Pinch cayenne
- Pinch salt

Vigorously whisk the egg yolks and lemon juice together in a stainless steel bowl until the mixture is thickened and doubled in volume. Place the bowl over a saucepan containing barely simmering water (or use a double boiler), the water should not touch the bottom of the bowl. Continue to whisk rapidly. Be careful not to let the eggs get too hot or they will scramble. Slowly drizzle in the melted butter and continue to whisk until the sauce is thickened and doubled in volume. Remove from heat, whisk in cayenne and salt. Cover and place in a warm spot until ready to use for the Eggs Benedict. If the sauce gets too thick, whisk in a few drops of warm water before serving.

Not everyone is a fan of the slightly lemony flavor of classic hollandaise sauce, so here is a very yummy variation that can be used interchangeably with the regular version.

DOUBLE-CHEESE EGGS BENEDICT SAUCE — by mylifeofcrime

- 2 tablespoons butter
- 2½ tablespoons all-purpose flour
- 1½ cups milk
- ¼ cup shredded Cheddar cheese
- 2 tablespoons shredded Parmesan cheese
- ½ teaspoon Dijon mustard
- ⅛ teaspoon salt
- ⅛ teaspoon white pepper

In a saucepan, melt butter. Stir in flour until smooth; gradually add the milk. Bring to a boil; cook and stir for 2 minutes or until thickened. Reduce heat to medium-low. Add the cheese, mustard, salt and pepper, stirring until cheese is melted. Cover and keep warm.

For me, making the perfect poached egg can be the most challenging part of the eggs benedict process. I often just make a fried egg over easy and it is still just as delicious. Kids can sometimes shy away from a runny egg so you can even use a soft scrambled egg so they can also enjoy the deliciousness too.

The best eggs for poaching are the freshest eggs you can find. If eggs are more than a week old, the whites thin out. The white of a fresh egg will gather compactly around the yolk, making a rounder, neater shape.

PERFECT POACHED EGGS — Alton Brown

- 1 (or more) egg
- 1 teaspoon kosher salt
- 2 teaspoon white vinegar

Heat the water: Add enough water to come 1 inch up the side of a narrow, deep 2-quart saucier. Add 1 teaspoon kosher salt and 2 teaspoons white vinegar and bring to a simmer over medium heat. Meanwhile, crack 1 very fresh cold large egg into a

custard cup or small ramekin. Use the handle of a spatula or spoon to quickly stir the water in one direction until it's all smoothly spinning around.

Tip:

Use this whirlpool method when poaching a single serving (one or two eggs). For bigger batches, heat the water, salt and vinegar in a 12-inch nonstick skillet and do not stir.

Add the egg:

Carefully drop the egg into the center of the whirlpool. The swirling water will help prevent the white from "feathering," or spreading out in the pan.

Let it poach:

Turn off the heat, cover the pan and set your timer for 5 minutes. Don't peek, poke, stir or accost the egg in any way.

Lift it out:

Remove the egg with a slotted spoon and serve immediately. Alternatively, move the egg to an ice bath and refrigerate up to 8 hours. Reheat in warm water just before serving.

Here are a few tips that I found on whatscookingamerica.net. I'm going to try the plastic wrap suggestion the next time I make a poached egg.

Mason Jar Rings. Use a ring from a mason jar and place it in the pan. Drop the egg over the mason jar ring and let it settle in the ring, then turn off the heat, and cover.

Tuna Cans. Remove the top and bottom off a small washed tuna can and place it in the pan. Drop the egg over the tuna can ring and let it settle in the ring, then turn off the heat, and cover.

Plastic Wrap. Take a piece of plastic wrap and lay it over a coffee mug, pushing the plastic down into it a bit. Then crack an egg into the plastic wrap and tie/twist the ends together tightly. *NOTE:* Leave a little air in the egg packet and maybe a drop of water.

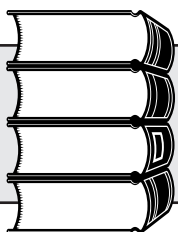
Drop the egg bag into the hot water. Let cook approximately 2 to 4 minutes depending on how hot your water is and the size of the eggs. When done, take your eggs out of the water with a pair of tongs or a slotted spoon. Cut off the plastic wrap and serve.

Are you looking to jazz up an already delicious dish? There are many different versions of this brunch staple and there are only a few of these combinations I haven't tried yet. I am looking forward to trying them all... well maybe not the one with ketchup.

According to the ever-trusty Wikipedia, variations include:

- **Eggs Blackstone** substitutes streaky bacon for the ham and adds a tomato slice.
- **Eggs Florentine** substitutes spinach for the ham.
- **Eggs Montreal** substitutes salmon for the ham.
- **Eggs Neptune or Crab Benedict** substitutes crab meat for the ham.
- **Spam Benedict** substitutes spam for the ham.
- **Eggs Sardou** substitutes artichoke bottoms and crossed anchovy fillets for the English muffin and ham, then tops the hollandaise sauce with chopped ham and a truffle slice. A more widespread version of the dish starts with a base of creamed spinach, substitutes artichoke bottoms for the English muffin, and drops the ham.
- **Artichoke Benedict** replaces the English muffin with a hollowed artichoke.
- **Country Benedict**, sometimes known as **Eggs Beauregard**, replaces the English muffin, ham and hollandaise sauce with an American biscuit, sausage patties, and country gravy. The poached eggs are replaced with eggs fried to choice.
- **Irish Benedict** replaces the ham with corned beef.
- **Eggs Pope Benedict** replaces the ham with Bratwurst and the muffin with Pumpernickel bread and was created for the coronation of Pope Benedict XVI.
- **Eggs Frederick** replaces the hollandaise sauce with tomato ketchup.

If you have any questions, comments, recommendations or suggestions please e-mail me at jtpfeifer@comcast.net. ■



Between the Covers

By Kate Dockham

Murder Mysteries!

So you may have gathered this after 9 articles, but I'm a reader. I always have been. I often have more than one book going at a time. On vacation in Texas last week I went back and forth between two books, my monthly book club book and a professional reading book. The first was *Sarah's Key*, an incredible fiction book of a journalist researching the French internment of Jewish families in Paris during World War II while searching for some truth in her own life. My second read for the week was *Brain Rules: 12 Principles for Surviving and Thriving at Work, Home and School*. This easily accessible book shares some great advice to make changes, big and small, to the way we do things to complement the way our brain works. But it wasn't until I spent the last two evenings cuddled in my blankets engrossed in a novel that I realized it was time to write about my weakness, my vice, my addiction: the murder mystery.



As an adolescent girl I swore I would never read a mystery book. It was just about the only thing my mother read, and there was no way my 12-year old self was anything like my mother! Then one lonely afternoon, with nothing left to read I wandered into my parent's bedroom. The walls had been lined with bookshelves, two complete walls of floor to ceiling bookshelves full to the brim. I looked up and down the shelves sure I would find nothing of interest. I finally picked up *Death on the Nile: A Hercule Poirot Mystery*. Still expecting little, I took the slim paperback to my room and turned to the first page. I was quickly hooked and the short, round Belgian detective is still a favorite of mine. Poirot is a character devised by Dame Agatha Christie, a behemoth in the genre of murder mysteries. He appears in 33 novels and 50 short stories all set in

London around the turn of the 20th century. Poirot has a group of people that help him through his investigations: the not so bright yet ever present Inspector Japp; the efficient Miss Lemon, his personal secretary; and his companion, Captain Hastings who acts as the narrator in many of the stories. Any Christie books, including those of Hercule Poirot, are not about the sensational. There is little blood and gore and forensics is a fairly unknown science, but if you like the challenge of a puzzle with many twists and turns, these could be the mystery for you. I also believe Hercule Poirot is a precursor for one of my favorite TV detectives. While Poirot never quite says, "just one more thing," in the fashion of Columbo, his "little gray cells" are always thinking.

So my mother is responsible for mystery reading. The late nights of page turning until my eyelids droop, just like late last night as I tried to make it to the end of *Calculated in Death* by JD Robb. Some of you may know Robb by another pen name, Nora Roberts. Under the name JD Robb, this prolific writer creates the "In Death" series which currently has produced 47 books with two more planned for fall of 2013. This series is a police procedural set in New York City mid-21st century. Detective Eve Dallas and her incredibly rich, handsome husband solve crimes with an entertaining entourage of people. These books are smartly written and a reader should start at the beginning, *Naked in Death*. While every book solves an ingenious crime and has action and a little gore, the reader comes back to watch the damaged characters of Dallas and Roarke fall in love and navigate through an imperfect world. I find Robb's books also full of imaginative ideas of what the near-distant future might look like. There are hovercars, interplanetary travel, wild ideas about communications and entertainment, but it is not so far-reaching to have aliens, making the series easy for the non-science fiction reader. Eve Dallas is one tough cookie and if I could choose who I could be in the future, I would choose Dallas.

Looking backwards in time, I might choose to be Charlotte Pitt, one of the main characters in Anne Perry's *Thomas Pitt* novels. Set in Victorian England, Charlotte is the spirited daughter in a middle class family. When their maid is strangled to death, Charlotte falls in love with the policeman, Thomas Pitt, who comes to investigate. Although the marriage is below her, Charlotte's father realizes it might be the only marriage his outspoken daughter will find. Charlotte and Thomas have a lot of adjustments in their new life together. She needs to run her household without paid help and he learns to accept Charlotte meddling in his cases. Anne Perry has written 28 Charlotte and Thomas Pitt novels and the first, *The Cater Street Hangman*, was turned into an A&E movie in 1998. In these novels Perry captures the time period perfectly. The importance of outward appearances and social class plays an integral part in each murder and often the solution to the murders. While Charlotte marries below her station in life, her sister Emily marries Lord Ashworth, a step above the family. Perry uses these opposite situations to her advantage in the books. Emily will go to tea with wives of members of the House of Lords and their innocent gossip unwittingly gives valuable information. Other times information will be gathered from the servants, as people of the time would speak freely in front of the help, forgetting they are even there. Still more often it is when Thomas allows Charlotte to use her intelligence, something Victorian women were not believed to have, that a crime is solved. Anne Perry's use of societal behavior is what makes these books so believable and captivating. On a side note, as a teenager Perry herself was convicted with a friend for killing the friend's mother.

Sue Grafton is also known for using her social observances in writing her novels. Grafton is best known for her alphabet series. She began with *A is for Alibi* in 1982 and her most recent publication is *V is for Vengeance*. Grafton's heroine Kinsey Millhone is a private investigator in the fictional city of Santa Teresa, California. After a failed marriage and a short stint with the Santa Teresa Police Department, Kinsey now happily lives alone in a small studio apartment and runs her PI company out of hole in the wall office. Kinsey dislikes nature, only venturing into it for her daily morning jog which in turn enables her to enjoy the fast-food that she loves. Kinsey is a no-nonsense kind of person with a strong sense of independence and self-sufficiency. She has an aversion to cooking, Kinsey loves peanut butter and pickles sandwiches; and a lack of interest in fashion, Kinsey has jeans, t-shirts, and one little black dress to her name. More often than not a ho-hum case that she has taken on turns nasty and someone ends up pointing a gun at Kinsey. It is the character development and the thoughtful twist and turns that make the alphabet books engaging.

Where Kinsey Millhone doesn't cook, that is exactly what Goldy Schultz does. As owner of Goldilock's Catering in Aspen Meadow Colorado, Goldy has no interest in solving murders until her ex-father-in-law dies at one of her events and she is a suspect! *Catering to Nobody* is the first book in this culinary mystery series full of crazy characters. Diane Mott Davidson writes light, witty stories that follow the caterer through the fictional town in Colorado feeding people and solving murders. There are 16 books in the Goldy series, all of the titles are a play on food and con-



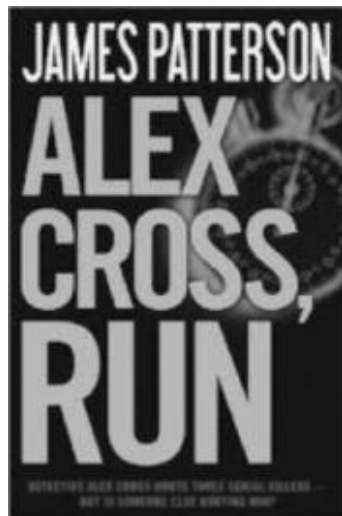
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tain a handful of delicious recipes. Crustless Jarlsberg Quiche from *Dying for Chocolate* still makes it to the table every Christmas morning at our house! For a light, fun read with a good mystery to solve, Goldy is a good way to go.

For a light entertaining read, you might also like local author Janet Evanovich and her *Stephanie Plum* series. In Trenton, New Jersey, home to wiseguys and average Joes, Stephanie Plum has a big attitude and even bigger money problems. As a last ditch attempt, Stephanie lands a gig at her sleazy cousin Vinnie's bail bonding company. She's got no experience and the madcap adventures that ensue show her talent as a bondsman is slight. In the first book of this series, *One for the Money*, and the movie of the same title, Stephanie needs to bring in Joe Morelli, a local vice cop. He is charged with murder and has recently jumped bail. To complicate matters, Morelli is the neighborhood heart throb and he and Steph have already had a few run-ins. As the series continues, Stephanie gets training from bondsman extraordinaire, Ranger. Ranger is tall, dark and extremely handsome (I still think the Rock should have played him in the movie) not to mention mysterious. A love triangle develops between Stephanie, the somewhat safe Morelli and definitely dangerous Ranger, which only makes the read more fun. Evanovich, who lives in the Hanover area, published *Notorious Nineteen* last year and the series also includes 4 *Between the Numbers* novels.



I feel as if I could go on forever discussing this genre, but since I started with a male detective I will end with one, Alex Cross. I could write a whole article on the prolific and award winning author, James Patterson. He has won awards for writing children, young adult and adult fiction. His list of best sellers is phenomenal. His *Women's Murder Club* Books with Detective Lindsay Boxer are another go to series for me. Detective Alex Cross is a masterpiece for the author. Beginning with *Along Came a Spider* in 2003 and most recently *Alex Cross, Run*, Patterson has published 18 books in this series alone. Three of these have been turned into major motion pictures and the endurance of the series is because of the character of Alex Cross himself. Cross is intelligent. He holds a Ph.D. in psychology, specializing in abnormal and forensic psychology. He has worked with the Washington,

D.C. Police department, the CIA and FBI. But it is the integrity and dignity that Nana Mama, the grandmother Cross was raised by, has instilled in him that makes you want this man to succeed. He does things not because they are easy, but because they are right and it often causes conflict between himself and his loved ones or his superiors. The cases Cross comes into contact make your skin crawl and have been known to produce nightmares. Although more gruesome than the stories of the also dignified Hercule Poirot, Patterson's twist and turns are as tight as Christie's and just as satisfying.

Perhaps as spring blossoms around us, you'll grab a mystery to entertain and challenge your mind. This list is just a surface scratch on the genre, but the rest will have to wait for another day. Until then... keep turning those pages. ■

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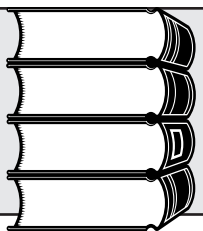
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Maxfield Public Library News

ART DISPLAY

Imaginative and varied works by National Art Honor Society student **Elizabeth Drago** light up the library walls from now through April 30. A senior at Merrimack Valley High School, Drago is in the process of choosing which art school to attend after graduation. What we see now of her work makes us look forward to her future accomplishments.

LOUDON VILLAGE ARTS

With spring going by in a flash, the LVA is hard at work planning its **Fine Art and Craft Fair** for Saturday, June 8, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. The group will meet at 7 p.m. on April 3 to discuss details and assign sub-committee tasks. All are welcome to attend.

FREE BOOKS FOR THE BABIES OF 2012 — ROTARY CLUB DONATION

As a grateful recipient of \$500 from the Rotary Club's *Books for Babies* program, the library welcomes parents of Loudon babies born during 2012 to stop by and pick up a new book. Both colorful and fun, these board books are a great introduction to all that awaits children at the library.

The mission of Rotarians is to advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace through the improvement of health, the support of education, and the alleviation of poverty. Members volunteer in communities at home and abroad to support education and job training, provide clean water, combat hunger, improve health and sanitation, and eradicate polio. We are happy to use their wonderful donation to foster a new generation of lifelong readers!

FAMILY READ-TOGETHER

Some children's books grab you by the heart and make you want to share them with everyone. *Charlotte's Web* is a sure bet for that category as well as *Because of Winn-Dixie*, *Tuck Everlasting*, and, well, that's material for another article. The latest addition to this treasured list is Newbery Award winner *The One and Only Ivan* by Katherine Applegate. Told from an artistic, captive gorilla's point of view, the

book offers characters you can root for with souls full of compassion. A moving book to read aloud to your children or to read along with them, you'll find plenty of topics to explore in a family discussion. Thanks to the Jane Merrow Fund, the library has three copies of this book available as well as a CD version.

WEEKLY YOGA

For a more flexible schedule of attendance, Fran Nash now offers yoga sessions on a drop-in basis Tuesdays, at 1:00 p.m., and Thursdays, at 6:00 p.m. The cost per session is \$5.00. The library is also considering a series of low-impact chair yoga sessions if enough people express interest. Please contact Fran at 798-5153 to discuss details.

STORY TIME

Spring arrives at story time on April 2, 3, and 4. The children will bring home paintings representing the first buds of spring after hearing *Wake Up, It's Spring!* by Lisa Campbell Ernst and *When Spring Comes* by Robert Maass.

April showers usually bring out the worms... so on April 9, 10, and 11, the story timers will listen to *Inch by Inch and More* by Leo Lionni and I.C. Springman. The craft to follow will involve more of those earthy creatures.

On April 16, 17, and 18, the theme for the week will be kites. After hearing *Little Chick* by Amy Hest and *Stuck* by Oliver Jeffers, the children will create a kite that won't get stuck in a tree.

SCHOOL VACATION WEEK

Looking for some activities for your children to do over the school vacation week? Join us Tuesday, April 23 for a parent-supervised drop-in craft time, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., and Thursday, April 25, at 2 p.m., for free popcorn and the movie *Wreck-It Ralph*. Please call the library for more information.

NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK — APRIL 14-20

Celebrate our freedom to read during **National Library Week, April 14-20**. Every visit to the library that week will earn you three FREE raffle tickets to place by the prize of your choice. The selection will be eclectic, but sure to be fun. Hope we see you then! Winners' names will be drawn at 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, April 20.

BOOK GROUPS

Fiction/Nonfiction Group

Year of Wonders by Geraldine Brooks is the book group choice for April 18, at 7:00 p.m. Set in 1666, this novel is based on true events in England during the plague years. Issues of moral challenges and the struggle to maintain one's humanity in the face of disaster combine with a riveting story line in this fascinating book.

Classic Book Group

Re-readability and timelessness are qualities we look for in a book that earns the classification of a "classic." F. Scott Fitzgerald's *The Great Gatsby* is likely to pop up on a many a reading list. Is the mysterious Jay Gatsby a tragic figure? Are there present day Daisy and Tom Buchanans? Join Classic Book Group on Tuesday, April 23, to discuss the book. A creative writing sharing will follow.

NEW BOOKS

Fiction

Benjamin, Melanie	<i>The Aviator's Wife</i>
Box, C.J.	<i>Breaking Point</i>
Coben, Harlan	<i>Six Years</i>
Fountain, Ben	<i>Billy Lynn's Long Halftime Walk</i>
Hillaren, D.	<i>Battered Earth</i>
Kibler, Julie	<i>Calling Me Home</i>
Kingsbury, Karen	<i>The Chance</i>
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Silver, Marisa	<i>Mary Coin</i>
Stabenow, Dana	<i>Bad Blood</i>
Winspear, Jacqueline	<i>Leaving Everything Most Loved</i>

Nonfiction

Allison, Jay	<i>This I Believe: The Personal Philosophies of Remarkable Men and Women</i>
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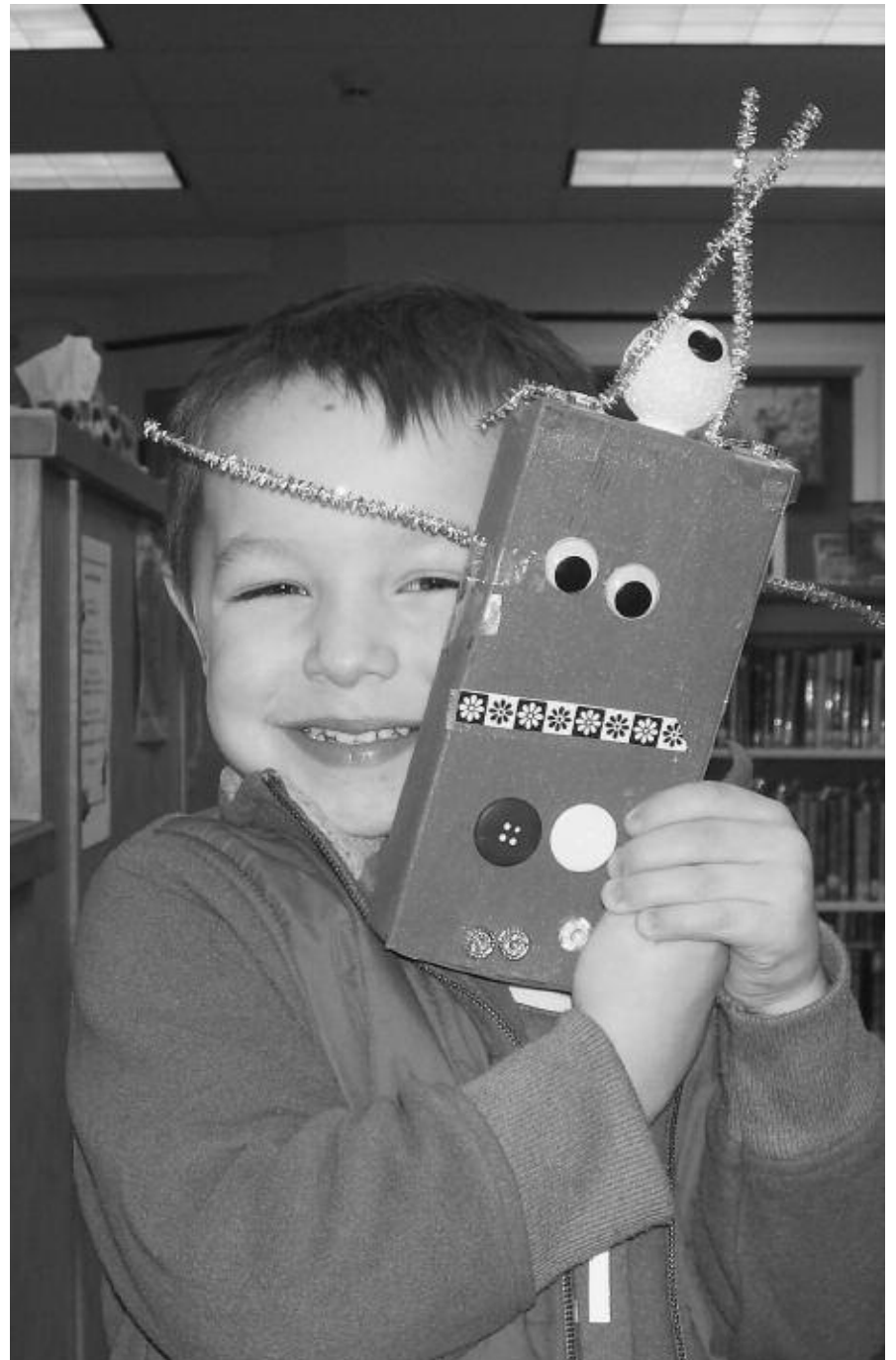
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Danny Dockham
101 Old Shaker Road
Loudon, NH 03307

For any questions

Contact Danny at dandoc4@comcast.net
or call 783-9939

Danny Dockham is a 15-year-old life-long resident of Loudon. As a sophomore at Merrimack Valley High School, Danny has been an active member of the band, works with the Destination Imagination team, and enjoys taking Project Lead the Way classes. He has many interesting hobbies. Danny regularly fences at Concord Fencing Club and participated in a regional yo-yo competition last year. He hopes to study electrical engineering in college, an interest sparked by his work as a sound technician for the MVHS Drama Department.

Danny has also been involved in Scouting here in Loudon since first grade. He has fond memories of building Pinewood Derby cars and attending summer camp. Now, a Life Scout with Troop 30, Danny has been working with Mr. Laliberte and Mr. Reagan, MVSD’s Head Groundskeeper, to plan his Eagle Project. Danny intends to create an outdoor learning environment for the students at Loudon Elementary School. The outdoor learning environment will be located on school property on the hill that overlooks the new soccer fields. It will consist of a two pathways that meet in a large clearing. There will be benches and a teacher’s podium here. This will serve as a central learning area for the children. In this non-traditional classroom, students will be able to observe plant growth over time, collect rock or soil specimens for comparison, use the sounds and sights of nature to inspire writing or art projects, and much more. The uses of this area will grow with the creativity of our teachers. There will also be other pathways leading off of the clearing to learning stations. These stations will have information on local animal science, geology, and ecology. The learning stations could use a tree stump to show how to tell a tree’s age. They will also show tree identification with leaves or how a decaying tree is useful as a home for small animals. Many of the final learning station decisions will be made after the snow melts and some discussion with LES teachers. It is Danny’s hope that this outdoor classroom will inspire the students of Loudon to embrace science and nature and perhaps even investigate scientific fields of study.

A major part of a BSA Eagle project is to take all a Scout has learned in his years of scouting and put it in to action. Danny began talking with Mr. Laliberte about this project in October last year and has spent time over the last few months planning the project. Once the snow melts, Danny will stake out the finalized pathways and the clearing area. He will then need to organize volunteers to come and clear the paths for safe and easy walking. The classroom area will also need to be cleared and the benches and podium built and put in place. Luckily it is mostly small growth in the area being used and clearing will be easy. Signage for the trails and the learning stations will need to be made and placed. While Danny will be working alongside of the volunteers, it is his leadership skills this project should be designed to develop and demonstrate.

You, too, can be a part of this project! Around the teacher’s podium, Danny plans to create a design made of engraved bricks. Perhaps you would like a child’s name or family name to be a permanent part of the outdoor classroom. Maybe you would like to remind future generations to “Think Green.” You could even show your business’s support of the school with a sponsor brick. These sponsor bricks are available for sale with all proceeds going towards the purchase of materials for the outdoor classroom. ■

Payson Center For Cancer Care’s Anticancer Lifestyle Program Presents Nationally Acclaimed Clinical Professor And Researcher

Cancer is a worldwide epidemic, however, evidence-based research now exists that links cancer and stress and demonstrates the interconnections of psychological, behavioral and biological factors in cancer. Join nationally acclaimed clinical professor and researcher Dr. Barbara L. Andersen from Ohio State University on Thursday, April 25 from 7–8:30 p.m. at the Concord City Auditorium, Concord, N.H. as she presents: “Cancer and Stress: What’s the Connection?”

Dr. Andersen will discuss stress and cancer including her own research in breast cancer patients where psychological interventions reduced the risk for recurrence and death from breast cancer. Participants will leave with an increased knowledge of the relationship between stress and cancer and what research has demonstrated in this area.

This presentation is free and does not require registration however, space is limited. For additional information contact Concord Hospital Payson Center for Cancer Care HOPE Resource Center at pccinfo@crhc.org or (603) 227-7000 ext. 6937. This presentation is sponsored by Charter Trust Company.

Learn more about Concord Hospital Payson Center for Cancer Care’s Anticancer Lifestyle Program at anticancerlifestyle.org.

Dr. Andersen joined Ohio State University (OSU) faculty in 1989 in the Department of Psychology with a joint appointment in Obstetrics and Gynecology and was promoted to Professor in 1991. Dr. Andersen is also a member of the Cancer Prevention and Control Program at the OSU Comprehensive Cancer Center. She was instrumental in the development of the Behavioral Measurement Shared Resource and served as Director from 2003 to 2005. ■



Maxfield Public Library Passes!

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Free trail admissions for 2 people per day plus 4 additional
discounted admissions of \$7 each.

WRIGHT MUSEUM

Free admission for 2 adults and 4 children (under 18 years).

Loudon Recreation Committee News

Like us on Facebook! Loudon Recreation has a Facebook page, check it out for details on upcoming events.



Winter Carnival was a success! (See page 16 for photos.) Many Loudon residents joined their friends and neighbors for a wintry fun day. We had snow sculpture building contest with first place winners of The Stinson Family — Kevin, Taiyler and Emmaleigh for their giant snowman. Second place went to Dave, Debby, Asher, Brandon, Matt, Kyle and Stephanie for the Indian and third place went to Shane, Shevy and Corey Young for their green dragon. Thank you to all those who created some fun sculptures and decorated the field. A very popular new addition this year was a snowball slingshot which was made by Dan Dockham. The slingshot winners were Corey Young, Stephanie Field and Danielle Ramsay — congratulations to those winners and a HUGE THANK YOU to Dan Dockham for building this fun addition to the day. Winners received prizes of gift certificates from Brookside Pizza, Loudon Village Country Store and Dunkin Donuts. We want to thank our youth volunteers — Jon and Aaron Cooper; Chance Grimaldi; Madeline and Gabe Jaquith; and Jack Becker we greatly appreciate all your help throughout the day! Larry Stone from Stone Boat Farm here in Loudon was there with his beautiful team of Belgian draft horses providing wagon rides in the falling snow. We also served special treats made by Jennifer Pfeifer made with ingredients from Loudon Farms! Maple pumpkin custard, baked apples and applesauce were available to those who wanted the tasty treats. Jenn used goat milk from Our Place Farm; pie pumpkins from Ramsay Farmstand; sliced apples from Meadowledge Farm; eggs from Windswept Maples; butternut squash from Red Manse Farm; and syrup from B & B Syrup and Sunnyside Maples, Inc. Thank you to Jennifer Pfeifer for taking so much time to make these treats and to all the local Loudon farms for their ingredients. Attendees also enjoyed the ability to use snowshoes, enjoy a warm fire, hot cocoa and cookies. Thank you to those who came down for fun.

Those who follow us on Facebook or who check the website know that we add stuff after the publishing of the latest *Loudon Ledger* so please check frequently!!

ZUMBA FITNESS

Zumba classes continue if you would like to participate in the next session, please contact Melissa at melissaminery@gmail.com. Zumba is on Monday nights from 7:00–8:00 p.m. at the Loudon Elementary School with Tammy Gray certified Zumba instructor. Cost is \$42 for the full 6-week session. Payment and sign up is on the first night of the session.

CHILDREN'S SUMMER THEATER CAMP!

Children's Stage Adventures will be back for the fifth year to offer theater camp for kids in kindergarten through high school. Save the date of July 29th through August 2nd for the camp and with an amazing performance on Friday night, August 2nd for all to enjoy. For more information about the Children's Stage Adventures program, visit their website at www.childrensstageadventures.org. The play this year is *Princess and the Pea*. The flyer for the camp is located on the website www.loudonnh.org

SPRING GOLF

The Loudon Recreation Department is offering Spring Golf Instruction to ages 5 and up at the Loudon Country Club. Look for exact dates on facebook or the website soon. There are five weeks of lessons. This is how it has run in the past, Adults and children ages 14 & up will meet on Mondays from 5:30–6:30 p.m. cost is \$60 per registrant. Juniors ages 8 to 13 will meet on Thursdays from 5:15–6:15 p.m. cost \$60 per registrant. Kids ages 5 to 7 will meet on Tuesdays from 5:15–6 p.m. cost \$30 per registrant (parents are requested to stay through the lesson.) If you have your own equipment you are encouraged to bring it and if you do not, clubs will be provided for you. To register, please see the flyer on the website www.loudonnh.org If you have questions; please contact Jennifer Pfeifer at 783-8986. Please remember that a fund was set up in memory of Loudon resident Ron Trott who passed away last year. Youth athletics were always very important to Mr. Trott and in particular golf. The fund is available for any Loudon resident youth who need financial assistance with the golf programs.

SUMMER FUN NIGHTS

For those who may not know, almost every Wednesday night in July and August we have Community Summer Fun Nights. From 6–7 p.m. people start coming down to the Recreation Field in the village for pickup basketball, Frisbee, tennis or other fresh air exercise and fun. Then, from 7–8 p.m. we have an event. Sometimes it is a band, other times a performer or an act of some sort — but ALWAYS FUN. We start off the Summer Fun nights with our ice cream social and field day events. These events are all free and all Loudon residents are welcome. People bring their lawn chairs or blankets and just come on down to enjoy the company of friends and neighbors or to meet new people. DOESN'T THAT SOUND NICE!! We can't wait to tell you the full schedule, but book your calendars now — each Wednesday from July 10th and running until August 21st. We are thinking of having a Loudon Farmer's market of sorts during the Wednesday evening festivities from 6–8 and are looking for feedback on that possibility — let us know what you think on facebook!

SUMMER SWIMMING LESSONS

The Loudon Recreation Committee will be offering Red Cross Swim Instruction Levels 1-6 at Clough Pond taught by Water Safety Instructors through Swim NH, LLC. There will be two, two week sessions offered; the first session will be July 15th–July 26th and the second session will be July 29th–August 9th. Classes will be held Monday through Friday rain or shine for a half hour each in the morning. All Loudon children ages 5 and up are eligible for lessons. The cost is \$25 per session per child with a family maximum of \$75. If you have any questions, please contact Juliana Brien by email at towheadmama@comcast.net.

BIKE SAFETY

Watch for info on the Bike Safety program that is usually held in May.

TENNIS LESSONS

If you would like more information, please email Kim at kimsworld5@myfairpoint.net watch for details on an info session at the courts on our Facebook page, on the website or in upcoming issues of *The Loudon Ledger*.

WE NEED YOUR HELP WITH RECREATION!!!

We are on a never ending search for more people who like to have fun and are interested in helping out in our community. Loudon Recreation Committee is a volunteer group that organizes classes, workshops, events and activities for citizens of all ages in Loudon. We are in need of other volunteers to step up and help out on this committee. This small group does quite a bit in town and we would like some fresh ideas. We meet once a month to discuss upcoming programming and ideas. If you aren't able to make a meeting but would like to share your ideas, suggestions or comments please take a moment to fill out the survey on the website www.loudonnh.org We need to hear from many of you — please take a few minutes to jot down your thoughts and ideas or even better — come to the next meeting!! Recreation Committee meetings are generally the fourth Wednesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. at Maxfield Public Library.

Remember to check the town website www.loudonnh.org or Facebook between issues for updates and watch for updates in every issue of *The Loudon Ledger*. Thank you for your continued support! ■

Loudon Recreation Committee Offering Spring Golf Instruction

The Loudon Recreation Department is offering Spring Golf Instruction to ages 7 and up at the Loudon Country Club BEGINNING May 13th-June 10th.

Adults Ages 14 and up – meet Monday from 5:30-6:30pm / 1 x a week for 5 weeks. Cost \$60

Juniors Ages 7 to 13 – meet Monday from 4:00-5:00pm / 1 x a week for 5 weeks. Cost \$60

If you are not a Loudon resident, please add an additional \$10 processing fee.

If you have your own equipment you are encouraged to bring it and if you do not, clubs will be provided for you.

To inquire & register, please send registration form & fee to Loudon Recreation Committee Member:

Jennifer Pfeifer
168 North Village Road
Loudon NH 03307
603-783-8986

CHECKS MADE PAYABLE TO THE LOUDON RECREATION COMMITTEE. REGISTRATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED NO LATER THAN MAY 9th.

Participant's Name _____ Age _____

Participant's Name _____ Age _____

Participant's Name _____ Age _____

Pertinent Medical Info _____

Emergency Contact Person _____

Address _____

Phone number(s) _____

I hereby give permission for the above named child to participate in the Loudon Recreation Golf Program at the Loudon Country Club. As an adult participant and/or parent/guardian giving permission for the above named child/ren, I agree to assume all risks incidental to participation in this program. I further agree to release from liability, Loudon Recreation Department and the Loudon Country Club.

Parent/guardian or participant signature

Thank you for your support and participation – See you on the links!



Loudon Girl Scout News

Happy 101st Birthday, Girl Scouts!

What has influenced 50 million American women so far and is still going strong after 101 years? Girl Scouting! On March 12, more than 14,500 thousand Girl Scouts from across New Hampshire and Vermont join sister Girl Scouts nationwide in celebrating the 101st birthday of the founding of Girl Scouting in the United States. For more than a century, Girl Scouts has stayed true to founder Juliette Gordon Low's vision of building girls of courage, confidence, and character, who make the world a better place.

"During Girl Scout Week, we renew our commitment to making the world a better place," said Patricia Mellor, chief executive officer of Girl Scouts of the Green and White Mountains. "We know that if a commitment to helping others is learned early in life, it leads to a commitment for all of one's life."

Girl Scout Week begins with Girl Scout Sunday on March 10, and ends with Girl Scout Sabbath on March 16, recognizing that the motivating force in Girl Scouting is a spiritual one. Girl Scouts are encouraged to participate in religious services of their choice in uniform on these days to show that Girl Scouting is a vital part of the community.

Juliette Gordon Low founded Girl Scouting on March 12, 1912 in Savannah, Georgia, with one troop of 18 girls. Since then more than 50 million girls have built leadership skills through Girl Scouting. Low believed that young women should be self-sufficient. From its inception, the movement taught girls the art of hospitality, civic and community service, kindness to animals, and also how to survive in the woods. Before women had the right to vote, Girl Scouts were earning their Aviation Badge. Now Girl Scouts have piloted the Space Shuttle!

Girl Scouts of the Green and White Mountains serves more than 14,500 girls thanks to 5,500 trained and dedicated volunteers. See www.girlscoutsgwm.org or call 888-474-9686 to join, volunteer, sign up as an alumna—or see where to buy Girl Scout Cookies, while they last.

Loudon Girl Scouts

Thank you to everyone who supported our girls by ordering cookies and purchasing cookies at our booths in Loudon and in Concord. The Girl Scout Cookie sales program is a fundraiser for the Girl Scout troops, but it is also an opportunity for girls their financial and sales skills.

The Spring registration initiative for the 2013–2014 year is underway. Girl Scouts isn't just about troop activities, there's camp, and travel and even virtual groups. For more information, please visit www.girlscoutsgwm.org.

It's Not Too Late to Sign up for Camp!

Still have a few gaps in your summer schedule? Girl Scout Camp is a fantastic way for your girl to make new friends, pursue interests or try something new, all in a safe, supervised environment AND at an affordable price. For more information about day camp and resident camps, visit www.girlscoutsgwm.org.

Do you have a special skill, or a passion you want to share? Volunteers are always welcome to share a skill or hobby with a troop. Contact Amanda Masse at jaelmasse@comcast.net at or 783-0227 to make arrangements. We also welcome new girl members at any time!



Junior Troop 10454

Debbie Latham & Cammy Nolin

Cookies, cookies, cookies! We have been all about Girl Scout cookies in February and March. Troop 10454 has been delivering their orders, and also selling at cookie booths at Walmart in Concord. We had two booths in March, where we practiced our sales skills by greeting customers, adding up orders, counting change, and thanking shoppers. In late February, we welcomed Juliana Brien of SweetBee Cookies to our meeting. Mrs. Brien talked about her business, and the girls asked many great questions such as what is her favorite cookie to decorate; how many cookies does she make in a month; does she have a special recipe; where is her shop; is she at her goal with her business; and was she a Girl Scout when she was little. She then showed us how she ices and decorates cookies (shh! it's a secret!) and the kids decorated a few of their own. We agreed it was our favorite — and most delicious — meeting this year! In March, we celebrated the 101st anniversary of Girl Scouts and designed a logo for our troop as part of our Drawing badge. We're looking forward to several field trips in the next two months, and will tell you all about them in future *Ledger* issues!

Senior Troop #12651

Advisors Amanda Masse & Marlene Martell

Busy with cookies, that is what our troop has been up to. We had a booth sale scheduled for Sam's Club in Concord on a Sunday, but the terrible weather only let us be out there for 2 hours. Since then we have been working hard selling cookies to make up for that lost day. Dunkin Donuts in Loudon was gracious enough to let us camp out on their sidewalk two days and we were very successful! Thank you again Shawn!! We are making plans to round out our Girl Scouting year. We hope to hold another computer class for the residents of The Richard Brown House and are looking forward to a fun trip of some sort.

Cadette Troop 12356

Advisors Cecile Merrill & Lysa Crouch

Many of us attended a Self Defense class in Concord recently and learned ways to keep safe and defend ourselves against would be attackers. We know for sure we'll be working on our animals badge and are making plans for our badge work for the rest of the year. We are also working on plans for our end of year fun trip. Keep reading what we are up to in the *Loudon Ledger*. ■



Luke Daniels Captures Bronze at the Junior National Ski Jumping & Nordic Combined Championships



Luke Daniels, Junior National Championships 2013

Sixteen year old, Luke Daniels, from Loudon, NH, has had some of his best national results this year. Daniels kicked off the year with two podium finishes at the 2013 New Year's competition in Lake Placid, NY. He went on to place third in Minneapolis, MN, second in Salisbury, CT and first in Brattleboro, VT. Most recently, Daniels captured the bronze medal during the Ski Jumping & Nordic Combined Junior National Championships.

The competition was held February 27–March 2 in Minneapolis, MN. In a field of 54 competitors, Daniels was one of five athletes to represent the East at the Junior Nationals. On the last day of the competition, Daniels had his best results in ski jumping and cross country skiing earning him a podium finish and a bronze medal in the two men Ski Jumping & Nordic Combined competition.

"This was a huge accomplishment, because I competed against the best junior athletes in the United States," said Luke Daniels. "As always, these competitions remind me that my hard work and training pay off. Spring is on the way, but that does not mean the training ends. I am looking forward to the warm weather, where I will continue to train for cross country on roller skis and I will ski jump on a porcelain track and plastic grass combined with water."

Daniels will continue his training throughout the year in Lake Placid, NY. For more information about ski jumping in the east go to <http://us-mg5.mail.yahoo.com/Desktop/Geek%20Squad%20Data%20Backup%2005-24-2010/My%20Documents/Junior%20Olympics/Press%20Release/www.skijumpeast.com>. ■

Jennifer Wayman Named to Dean's List

Jennifer Wayman, daughter of Sharon and Shawn Wayman of Loudon, was named to the Dean's List at Southern New Hampshire University for the Fall 2012 semester. Jennifer is a Junior majoring in Psychology. ■



Private First Class Jared M. Ingerson

Private First Class Jared M. Ingerson, 20, of Loudon, NH, graduated from the United States Marine Corps boot camp on March 8, 2013. Pfc. Ingerson successfully completed 13 weeks of intensive basic training at the Marine Corps Recruiting Depot Parris Island, South Carolina, as one of 56 recruits in Training Platoon 3020. While in basic training Pfc. Ingerson qualified at expert level for marksmanship. Following a short leave at home he will report to the School of Infantry then to the Military Occupation Specialty School. Proud parents are Kevin and Cheryl Ingerson of Loudon, NH. ■

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The Great Sheep Boom Talk A Success

The Loudon Historical Society presented Steve Taylor speaking on *The Great Sheep Boom and Its Enduring Legacy on the NH Landscape* on Wednesday, March 20. This program was co-presented by the NH Humanities Council. About 30 people came to the Community Building to learn how the sheep boom effected the state. At one time there were more than 250,000 miles of stonewalls in New England and, at its peak, the state held 66,000 sheep! The first large flock of sheep arrived from Spain in 1806 and went to the Claremont area. In 1809 they had to build a mill for process the wool.

The Historical Society's next speaker will be Robert Goodby who will present *Digging Into Native History in NH* on Wednesday, May 8 at 7 p.m.


If you'd like more information about this or any other programs presented by the Historical Society, please call Michele York at 783-4129 or Cynthia Babonis cbabonis@gmail.com. ■



Greetings From The Lions Den!

Mark your calendar for Thursday, May 2, 2013 for the annual **Angels 5k Run and Fitness Walk**. It will be held at Merrimack Valley High School and starts at 6 p.m. All proceeds will go toward scholarships for two graduating MVHS seniors. Please join us for fitness and fun while supporting our seniors as they pursue their career goals. Visit our website at www.angel5k.com to sign up or sign up the day of the race. We are also looking for sponsors and volunteers, so if you are interested you can also email caseyscheinler@yahoo.com. We can't do this without you and greatly appreciate all the help we get from our great community in Loudon. Invite your friends, too! Thank you from the Loudon Lions Club. ■





Loudon Lions Club
Loudon, New Hampshire
Meeting at the Maxfield Public Library,
1st and 3rd Tuesdays at 7 PM

8th Angels 5K Road Race & Fitness Walk
Thursday, May 2, 2013, 6:15 PM
Merrimack Valley High School

The Loudon Lions Club is coordinating the 8th Angels 5K Road Race & Fitness Walk to be held **Thursday, May 2**, at Merrimack Valley High School. The event, named in memory of loved ones, will support scholarships for MVHS seniors.

Uniting the Merrimack Valley and greater Concord communities, the Angels event will have far-reaching impact by

- ★ bringing together volunteers, walkers, runners, spectators, and sponsors of the walk and road race, and
- ★ reaching into the future by supporting MVHS seniors in their educational pursuits and benefitting the community at large for years to come.

We invite your help for this important event! We seek monetary donations and raffle donations (tickets, certificates, beauty supplies, services, etc.).

This event, the proceeds of which support Loudon Lions Club scholarships, relies on your generosity. We welcome any type of donation, and we will recognize your donation on our event t-shirt. Please see reverse for further details.

Thank you so much for considering a donation to the 8th Angels 5K Road Race & Fitness Walk! We value your support! Please contact us (see below) if you have any questions.

Sincerely,
Loudon Lions Club Event Committee

Casey Scheinler 300-0787 caseyws@comcast.net	Lee & Laura Smith 798-5838 doublets@comcast.net	Sara Wagner 496-3440 sawagner603@comcast.net
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8th Angels 5K Road Race & Fitness Walk
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Merrimack Valley High School

Thank you for considering a donation! We welcome

- ★ monetary donations
- ★ raffle donations (tickets, certificates, beauty supplies, services, etc.)

The raffle is held immediately following the race.

Donors will be recognized at the event:

\$50+ donation	\$100+ donation	\$400+ donation
NAME on event t-shirt	LOGO on event t-shirt	LARGE LOGO on event t-shirt BANNER displayed at event (when supplied)

Donors of at least \$50 (or equivalent in goods/services) will be named on the event t-shirt. Donors of at least \$100 (or equivalent in goods/services) will have small logos on the event t-shirt. Donors of \$400 or more (or equivalent in goods/services) will have large logos on the event t-shirt. (Please send a logo with your donation!)

Please make donations over to **MVHS/Angels 5K** and send donations and logos to
Merrimack Valley High School
Attn: Ms. Linda Proctor
106 Village Street
Penacook, NH 03303
(753-4311, LProctor@mv.k12.nh.us)

or call anyone from the event committee for pick up.

Casey Scheinler 300-0787 caseyws@comcast.net	Lee & Laura Smith 798-5838 doublets@comcast.net	Sara Wagner 496-3440 sawagner603@comcast.net
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★ Interested in volunteering? We are always looking for help on race day! Just email or call us. Thank you.

News from MVSD

News from Loudon Elementary School

"We can't help everyone, but everyone can help someone." — Ronald Reagan

Hands-On Learning in Fourth Grade

The fourth-grade students recently got to experiment with electrical circuits (below). Groups of children worked in teams. Each group was given supplies



to create a circuit. They had to figure out how to use the wiring, connection points, and a battery so they would create a circuit of electricity to illuminate a small light bulb. After the students were successful, they learned why some of their experiments failed to create light and what had to be in place for a successful electrical circuit.

Music, PE, Art, World Language, and Library at LES

Over the past several issues of the News from LES I have shared several instances of our students' experiences in the traditional classes of math, language arts, science, and social studies. They also receive instruction in our "specials." Each student gets to participate in physical education, music, art, world language, and library skills once a week.

These classes are very popular with the students and they get to express themselves in other ways out-



side of the core subject areas. These classes are not just fun, but they provide learning opportunities and assist in learning in the regular classroom.

In these classes, the students are required to analyze, create, and evaluate. There are opportunities for self-expression and to display their abilities that are not as commonly used with their grade-level teacher. Simply put, our specials provide every child a means to learn.

Below, left: In the top picture, students are working on an art creation. Below, the students are including motion with their singing. The picture is reminiscent of John Travolta's disco days; however, they are moving to the Beach Boys.

Give us your tired, your poor, your huddled masses

The fifth-grade students are learning about immigration. A large part of this topic is on the immigration movement that went through Ellis Island. The teachers created an Ellis Island in the gymnasium where the students took on the identity of an immigrant coming to the United States in the early 20th century. Each student had to go through the process of what the real immigrants went through.

The students will be investigating their own personal histories and enjoying an international feast that celebrates the fifth-grade students' family cultures. The students will also compare immigration of the past to the issues of today. The students will also meet a man who came from Iraq to be an American.

In the picture on the top, Mrs. Valence checks the baggage of immigrants. The other photo shows Dr. Painchaud performing health evaluations. Like the real events, some of the American Citizen hopefuls made it into the country while others did not make the cut and were sent to the deportation room.



News, Dates, and Notes

On March 6, 7, and 12 the kitchen staff celebrated National Breakfast Week with students and parents. In the three days, the staff served 209 breakfasts. They broke the meals into three mornings with K-1st, 2nd-3rd, and 4th-5th paired together.

In celebration of Dr. Seuss's birthday, the first grade had a week dedicated to the author. They experienced several educational activities throughout the week including the reading of Seuss books and an increased focus on rhyme. The students were also treated to a meal of green eggs and ham.

Future dates of importance include:

April 2: 2013-2014 Kindergarten Parent Night

April 8: School Board Meeting at Boscawen Elementary School

If parents haven't been invited yet, they will soon be requested to attend a spring parent/teacher conference. Regardless of how well the children perform, I encourage all parents to meet directly with their child's teacher. Technology is great, but there is still a great deal of value with face-to-face meetings.

By Thomas Laliberte, Principal

MVHS News

Senior Class News:

The senior class hosted the 7th Annual Pride Cup Game on Thursday, March 14th at 6:30 p.m. in the high school gym. This was a student vs. faculty basketball game. Admission was \$3 for everyone, sold at the door. The seniors have voted to take their senior trip to Six Flags New England. Information on costs will be available soon, and we need students to commit early in order to book the busses.

Robotic Club News:

Merrimack Valley High School has a new VEX Robotics Club organized by Matthew Davies of Penacook as his senior project. Along with their advisor, Chris Ginty, the club recently participated in their first competition at Pembroke Academy, placing 11th out of 37 teams. This was enough to be the 8th seed in the quarter finals and also qualified the club for the Northern New England Championships to be held on March 9th at NHTI. Congratulations to Matthew and his teammates: Seth Moulton, Josh Goodnow, Josh Williams, Kristi Perreault, Skylar Nesheim, Brittany Janis, Nick Ackerson, and John Lindonen.

National Art Honor Society News: Art Scholarship * Character * Service

The National Art Honor Society hosted the Spring Induction Ceremony on Wednesday, March 6th, 2013. Please congratulate the following students who were inducted: Nick Ackerson, Abigail Blunt, Jacob Chaplain, Lily Davis, Lizzie Drago, Kayla Goyette, Francesca Leone, Samantha Loeser, Emily Masse, and Cullen Rodrigue.

OTHER NEWS. The NAHS has had several fundraisers including a flower sale. A field trip is being planned with Mr. Bergethon's Science class, to Odiorne Point to on work on plein aire paintings and possibly a trip with Mrs. Hassapes and the French Club, to the Museum of Fine Arts in Boston, during April vacation. The members of NAHS are currently working on Memory Project portraits. Members are creating portraits for children who live in orphanages in third world countries. These paintings will then be delivered to the children. Many of these children have nothing. This portrait may become one of their only possessions. The rewards we reap from this experience prove to be priceless. There is a fee of \$15/ per portrait. Each student in NAHS is expected to contribute \$5 for the portrait. This helps cover the cost of delivering these portraits back to each child. NAHS has had some financial support in the past and has also raised funds for this project, however, if anyone is interested in contributing to this great cause, please make checks payable to MVHS — National Art Honor Society. Any extra funds will be used to help cover the cost of art materials. A BIG thank you to Mr. Durocher (Coral's dad) and Mr. Cote (Ms. Cote's

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brother) for past support of this project. More information on the Memory Project can be found at www.memoryproject.org.

Yearbook News:

Yearbooks are still on sale for \$65.00. There are a limited number of copies available and quantities may not last long! Contact Sara Rogers at srogers@mv.k12.nh.us to order a Yearbook.

National Honor Society News:

In February, the NHS recognized students who are CARING. They show empathy, compassion and respect towards the needs and feelings of others. They have a personal commitment to service, and act to make a positive difference to the lives of others and to the environment. Congratulations to the following CARING students; Sierra Dube (9th Grade), Josh Spinney (10th Grade), Andrew Peick (11th Grade), Mariah Blake (12th Grade).

Spring Sports Tryouts:

Tryouts for Spring Sports begin on Monday, March 18th. Final eligibility will take place after grades close on April 5th. Parents and Student-Athletes are reminded that unlike the other sports seasons where students have "time" to "recover" a grade, there is no such time for those wishing to play spring sports. It is important to pay attention to grades starting now!

Greetings from Guidance!

Scheduling: Any student that has not turned in course requests for next year needs to do so ASAP! We will be building a master schedule based upon students requests, and missing requests will impact our ability to meet student needs.

Grade 9 students: Remember to document any community service hours in Guidance. See sophomore info:

Sophomores: Reminder that students must complete all 24 required community service hours by June 1st to matriculate to junior status next year. Students who have not met with Ms. Peterson, are asked to please make an appointment to do so.

Juniors: ASVABS are coming up on March 19th. See Ms. Peterson to sign up by March 13th. The ASVAB (Armed Services Vocation Aptitude Battery) is a comprehensive test designed to help students gain useful insight on individual strengths and weakness. By taking the test, students will also participate in a fun-filled career

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START COMPOSTING & REDUCE HOUSEHOLD WASTE BY UP TO 25%!

LeeAnn Childress - Loudon Transfer Station and Recycling Committee

What are you doing for Earth Day 2013? How about starting a compost bin. It's easy, and beneficial. It reduces the amount of waste going to landfills and when added to your garden, helps nourish soil and plants. So get started now and turn your organic food scrapes into finished compost. You need to get the bacteria and other microscopic organisms "cooking" and to help these microbes cook - they need Food, Water, Air and Heat.



Food: A mixture of "green" material, which is relatively high in nitrogen, and "brown" material, which is relatively high in carbon. Green materials include grass clippings, manure, vegetable scraps, coffee grounds, and tea bags. Brown materials include dead, dry leaves, straw, sawdust, and shredded newspaper or cardboard. Avoid include meat, bones, fats, dairy products, dog and cat droppings, colored paper, treated lumber, and coal ash.

Water: The pile should be damp but not soaking wet.

Air: Take the time to turn your pile with a spade, fork or a really cool compost turner you can now purchase at the Loudon Transfer Station. Throw in some coarse material like sticks or straw to help keep the pile from getting compacted and it will also help add air to the process.

Heat: Place your compost pile in direct sun. As microbes do their work inside the pile, it will heat up, regardless of the outside air temperature.



The next time you're at the transfer station ask about the compost bin, compost turner, kitchen pail and rain barrel.



Send your questions and recycling ideas to the recycling committee at loudonrecycles@comcast.net

TOGETHER WE CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE.

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interest workshop soon thereafter. This is a great tool to help everyone develop career plans, and match careers and college majors to interests and skills. Any junior who still isn't sure what to do in life should consider participating!

Seniors: It's not too late to have solidified plans for next year! See Mr. Ciarametaro to get some help with developing college/career/life plan for after high school. Many colleges are still taking applications, and there are tons of other options including career training schools, apprenticeships, military, certificate programs, etc.

Also — seniors should be checking the MV web-site for scholarship opportunities! Don't let the chance to get \$\$\$ for college pass by! Many local organizations want to help pay for college, but an application needs to be filled out!!

Words of Wisdom to guide the journey through life — *"The best revenge is to be unlike him who performed the injury."* — *Marcus Aurelius*

Mikayla Godfrey Earns Internship

Mikayla Godfrey, daughter of Tom and Shalisse Godfrey of Webster, has earned a summer volunteer internship with Stellwagen Alive, a non-profit organization with a mission of driving awareness and protecting the Stellwagen Bank National Marine Sanctuary.

Stellwagen Bank is an 842-square-mile marine protected area at the mouth of Massachusetts Bay. The sanctuary boundary is somewhat rectangular, stretching from three miles southeast of Cape Ann to three miles north of Cape Cod. The sanctuary is about 25 miles east of Boston, lies totally within federal waters, and encompasses all of Stellwagen and Tillies Banks plus the southern portion of Jeffreys Ledge.

Mikayla, a junior at Merrimack Valley High School in Penacook, is their first high school intern.

She will spend 5 hours per week working with with students studying at Cornell University and the University of California at San Jacinto promoting the Stellwagen Bank National Sanctuary via social media.

She will also have the opportunity this summer and beyond to meet and work with many experts in the biology/marine biology field.

Congratulations Mikayla!

Andrew Alicea Jr., son of Andrew Sr., and grandson of Caroletta Alicea of Boscawen, was recently selected to serve as a volunteer Page for the New

Digging Into Native History in New Hampshire

The Loudon Historical Society and NH Humanities Council are proud to present: "Digging Into Native History In New Hampshire."

Abenaki history has been reduced to near-invisibility as a result of conquest, a conquering culture that placed little value on the Indian experience, and a strategy of self-preservation that required many Abenaki to go "underground," concealing their true identities for generations to avoid discrimination and persecution. Robert Goodby reveals archaeological evidence that shows their deep presence here, inches below the earth's surface.

When: Wednesday, May 8th. **Where:** Charlie's Barn, 29 South Village Road, Loudon. **Time:** 7:00 p.m. **Cost:** FREE. Light refreshments will be served. **Contact:** Michele York 783-4129 or Cynthia Babonis cbabonis@gmail.com. ■

Concord Hospital Trust Accepting Scholarship Applications

Concord Hospital Trust, the philanthropic arm of Concord Hospital, announces the Concord Hospital Trust Scholarship Fund for nursing and allied health students.

The Fund, part of the Trust's endowments, was made possible by the generosity of Concord Hospital's many benefactors, both past and present. Their vision was to inspire and enable students to pursue careers in the nursing and allied healthcare professions to enrich their lives, while ensuring the continued availability of quality health care to the Greater Concord community.

The Concord Hospital Trust Scholarship Committee, a volunteer sub-committee of the Trust's Stewardship Committee, has developed scholarship eligibility guidelines and will make decisions on Fund awards.

"Scholarships are available to deserving students pursuing nursing careers. Funds are also available on a limited basis to students pursuing careers in qualifying fields of allied health care," said Harriet Resnicoff, Scholarship Sub-Committee chair. "Awards may range from \$1,000–\$5,000 for deserving students."

Scholarships will be awarded based on financial need, academic merit, personal character, and other criteria. Students who live within Concord Hospital's primary service area, have graduated from a high school within the service area, or who have lived within the service area for one year are eligible to apply.

The application is available on Concord Hospital Trust's Web site at ch-trust.org. All applications must be received or postmarked by May 1. Award decisions will be made by mid-June.

For more information about the Scholarship Fund, the eligibility requirements or to apply, visit ch-trust.org or contact the Concord Hospital Trust Office of Philanthropy at (603) 415-6624. ■

Free Outdoor Adventure Talks At N.H. Fish And Game

Get inspired for outdoor adventures this year at a series of Wednesday evening talks taking place through May 8, 2013, at the New Hampshire Fish and Game Department, 11 Hazen Drive, Concord, N.H. No pre-registration is required. The talks start at 7 p.m. Admission is free. The series includes a range of topics on New Hampshire wildlife and outdoor recreation. In honor of the Nongame and Endangered Wildlife Program's 25th anniversary observance this year, several of the talks explore efforts to restore endangered and threatened wildlife:

April 10: SELECTING A KAYAK OR CANOE. Learn how to choose the right canoe or kayak for your next adventure. With the many choices in paddle-craft available today, suited for every kind of use, it's not always easy to know what kind of kayak or canoe is right for you. This talk will assist in narrowing the selection down to what will be best for your usage, expectations and budget.

April 17: KAYAK CAMPING. Learn how to properly pack a kayak, and what food and gear to bring along. Hear about exciting kayaking destinations close to home. This talk will cover coastal, inland and river kayak camping. Presenter Chuck Joy is the New England representative for several kayak brands, including Astral Buoyancy, Liquidlogic, Native Watercraft and Hurricane Kayaks. He grew up boating on the waters of Boston Harbor and discovered whitewater in his mid-twenties. In his free time, you'll find Chuck on the water or in the woods of New Hampshire.

April 24: BLACK RACERS AND BLANDINGS TURTLES. If turtles and snakes fascinate you, join N.H. Fish and Game Nongame biologists Mike Marchand, Brendan Clifford and Loren Valliere to learn about the amazing diversity of reptiles and amphibians in New Hampshire. This is the time of year when many reptiles and amphibians are emerging from their winter slumber and traveling to breeding grounds or simply basking in the sun. Hear about current research being done on Blanding's turtles and black racer snakes, try out equipment biologists use in the field, and learn what you can do to help biologists monitor these amazing creatures!

May 1: ROAD TO RECOVERY: NEW ENGLAND COTTONTAILS/KARNER BLUE BUTTERFLIES. Join N.H. Fish and Game Nongame biologists Heidi Holman and Brett Ferry to learn about what it takes to ensure rare species remain a part of New Hampshire's wildlife diversity. This talk is a great chance to hear firsthand from biologists involved in current efforts to restore populations of Karner blue butterflies and New England cottontails and their habitats.

May 8: MOSQUITO EATERS: BATS AND DRAGONFLIES. Did you know that New Hampshire has eight different species of bats? Learn which species are most at risk of disappearing forever from our skies because of White Nose Syndrome and what you can do to help. Also at this talk, learn about a statewide effort to document New Hampshire's diverse dragonflies. N.H. Fish and Game Nongame biologist Emily Preston Brunkhurst and NH Audubon biologist Pam Hunt team up to present a fascinating look at the bats and dazzling dragonflies many of us have right in our own backyards. ■

<p align="center">Save the Date: Saturday May 18</p>	
<p align="center">MERRIMACK VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL</p> <p align="center">MUSIC BOOSTERS (MUBO)</p> <p align="center">Second Annual</p> <p align="center">Golf Tournament</p>	
<p>Foursome - \$300 Single Player - \$75 Includes Golf and Dinner</p>	<p>Event Details: Date: Saturday May 18, 2013 Location: Loudon Country Club, Time: 9:00AM Shotgun Start Scramble format</p> <p>Contact: Leighton Terwilliger at 1-978-877-3222 Heidi Terwilliger at 603-735-6502</p>



Loudon American Legion Post 88

By Shawn Jones, Post Commander

Hello Legionnaires,

Since I last wrote an article a lot has happened with your local post. First and foremost, we completed the sale of our building and land to the Town of Loudon. We are currently meeting at Charlie's Barn on the third Wednesday of the month at 7 p.m. We will be forming a committee to explore opportunities for a new location to either rent or purchase. If you have any ideas or would like to serve on the committee, I encourage you to come out to a meeting. I would like to thank my fellow members who showed up at the former post location to help move our equipment and records out into our storage container. Bravo Zulu!

I would like to welcome some of our newest members who I've had a pleasure of meeting. They are: John E. Dowes, Jr., Mike Moffett, Roy Fancy, David Orsini, and his son David Orsini, Jr. Many of these members joined as a result of the successful District 5 Post revitalization efforts that was completed in February. Thanks to Mark Grimshaw, Department Membership Chairman, and National Membership Assistant Director Michele Stenimetz for their efforts in signing up or transferring a number of new members to our post. Mission accomplished!

At our April 17th meeting we will be swearing in our new and present Post Officer positions. Please come on out and meet your Post Officers and congratulate them. Together they will continue to lead your post, but we need your input on the direction and activities of your post. Every vote counts as we go full steam ahead. Over the holidays, members voted to donate \$1,000 to the NH Veteran's Home, \$500 to the Loudon Food Pantry, and \$48.00 to the Girl Scouts so that they could purchase two cases of cookies and send them to our deployed troops over seas.

March's Commander's raffle winners were: S. Newton — \$50, D. Smith — \$25, J. Earl — \$10, F. Osgood — \$5, and N. Greenmore — \$5.

Please do not continue to put your unserviceable American Flags into the mail box at the old post location. I do not know how much longer it will be there. In the mean time you may drop them off at the transfer station. I am working with the Town Selectman on securing a couple of containers that can be placed at the Transfer Station and Charlie's Barn. I will continue to periodically check the drop-off locations and bring them to the NH Veteran's Cemetery for proper disposal.

I guess that is all for this month. I hope see you at the next meeting. ■

Deadline for May Issue of *The Loudon Ledger* — Friday, April 19, 2013



CONCORD REGIONAL
VISITING NURSE
ASSOCIATION

April Walk-In Immunization Clinics

Concord Regional Visiting Nurse Association offers monthly Walk-In Immunization Clinics for children and adults who are uninsured, underserved, and who have no access to these needed services in order to lead a healthy lifestyle. April clinics will be held Monday, April 1, 1–3 p.m. and Tuesday, April 16, 2:30–4:30 p.m.

Immunization Clinics are at St. Paul's Episcopal Church Outreach Center, 21 Centre St. in Concord. A fee of \$10 is requested per person. Children must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. Please bring an immunization record with you. For more information, call Concord Regional VNA at (603) 224-4093 or (800) 924-8620, ext. 5815.

April Walk-In Blood Pressure Clinic

Concord Regional Visiting Nurse Association is holding a free monthly Walk-in Blood Pressure Clinic on Friday, April 5 at 9:30–11 a.m.

Blood Pressure Clinics are at the West Street Ward House, 41 West St. in Concord. Blood pressure screenings are a good way for individuals to track their blood pressure for upcoming visits to their physician. For more information, call Concord Regional VNA at (603) 224-4093 or (800) 924-8620, ext. 5815.

Concord Regional Visiting Nurse Association Offers Better Choices, Better Health™ in Loudon

Concord Regional Visiting Nurse Association is offering Better Choices, Better Health™, a six-week chronic condition self-management program that helps older adults gain the confidence needed to effectively self-manage their chronic condition. The program is on Wednesdays beginning April 3 from 1 to 3:30 p.m. at Community Building — Charlie's Barn, 29 South Village Road in Loudon. Chronic conditions include but are not limited to congestive heart failure, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, diabetes, asthma, and arthritis.

Better Choices, Better Health™ is a nationally evidence-based program for older adults who want to: Find practical ways to deal with pain, fatigue, and stress; Discover better nutrition and exercise choices; Make informed treatment decisions; Learn better ways to talk with their physician and family about their health; Obtain the support they need.

There is no fee to attend this program and space is limited. To register, call Concord Regional VNA at (603) 224-4093 or (800) 924-8620, ext. 5815.

April Senior Health Clinics

Concord Regional Visiting Nurse Association is holding a Senior Health Clinics on April 23 at The VOANNE Senior Housing from 9 a.m. until noon. Rides are available in Loudon by calling 798-5203. All Senior Health Clinic services are provided for a suggested donation of \$10, however, services are provided regardless of a person's ability to pay. Services offered include foot care, blood pressure screening, B-12 injections, medication education, and nutritional education. Call (603) 224-4093 or (800) 924-8620, ext. 5815 for an appointment. ■

ASK STEVE (AKA DUMP MAN)

My Girl Scout Junior Troop (ages 9-11) is currently working toward their "Get Moving ~ It's your planet Love It" Journey. An upcoming project is to weigh a week of waste products. They are being asked to separate and weigh all of their personal recyclables and measure how high they stack compared to non-recyclables.

I would love for the girls to have a comparison perspective of how much recycling we do as a town. Is there a committee member that can come to a meeting to speak with the girls? Are there tours available to share with the girls the process and how much recycling the town does? Any information would be helpful :-)

Thanks so much!
Lynnette LeBlanc

Committee member, Barb Parent contacted Lynnette and they determined a date when Barb can attend the troop meeting. She will organize a "recycle relay race" and speak with the girls about Earth Day and about recycling how to's, what is and is not recyclable, and what we recycle at our dump.

Lynnette and Barb expect to make a plan of when the troop will visit Steve at the station in the near and take the tour.

Send your recycling questions and ideas to the recycling committee at loudonrecycles@comcast.net



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Registration Opens For Women's Intermediate Fly-Fishing Weekend: May 3-5 In Walpole

Registration opens March 4 at www.nhbow.com for a Becoming an Outdoors-Woman (BOW) Intermediate Fly-Fishing Weekend on May 3-5, 2013, at Alyson's Orchard in Walpole, N.H. Participants should have some fly-fishing experience. Applications may only be submitted by mail.

"The goal of this course is to help attendees move towards independence as fly-anglers," said Karina Walsh, who coordinates the New Hampshire Fish and Game Department's Let's Go Fishing Program, which teams up with BOW to present the program.

The event begins with registration on the evening of Friday, May 3, and concludes at 2 p.m. on Sunday, May 5. The cost for the weekend is \$295, which includes all meals, lodging, instruction and materials.

Participants will stay in Rochambeau Lodge (two persons per room) at Alyson's Orchard in Walpole, N.H. (www.alysonorchard.com). Linens will be provided; baths are shared. Meals will be served family-style in the lodge dining room, with bag lunches provided for the two days afield.

The course will cover the finer points of casting, such as accuracy, timing and shooting the line; reading the water and then picking a proper fly and knowing how to cast it; what to do when you catch a fish — playing and releasing; and angling ethics. Participants will have the opportunity to fish both still and moving water. Attendees must supply their own rod and reel. A fishing license is not required during scheduled class time.

The Connecticut River Valley provides a scenic backdrop for this event. The river and its corridor are home to nearly 300 species of native animals. The Connecticut is a nationally recognized trout fishing river. Fish and Game helps to meet angler demand by stocking approximately 33,750 trout into the Connecticut River each year. The river is also home to perch, bass, pickerel, walleye, pike, shad and alewife.

Becoming an Outdoors-Woman programs in New Hampshire are co-sponsored by the New Hampshire Fish and Game Department and the New Hampshire Wildlife Federation. ■

OBITUARIES

MADELINE M. LOVELY

Madeline M. Lovely, 84, of 29 Pickerel Pond Road Laconia, died at her daughter, Linda Golden's, home on Loudon Ridge Road Loudon, on Saturday, February 23, 2013, ending her battle with cancer.

Madeline was born in Laconia on July 20, 1928, the daughter of the late Leo P. and Leda (Payeur) Gaudet. Madeline was a lifelong resident of Laconia and was a 1946 graduate of Laconia High School. She belonged to Catholic Daughters of America, Married Farmers, St. Vincent de Paul Society, the sewing club and American Red Cross.

Survivors include her children, Linda Golden, and her husband, Patrick, of Loudon; Matthew Lovely of Laconia and Michael Lovely of Moon, PA; nine grandchildren, Nicholas, Jared, and Ryan Champagne, Jason Boyle, Kevin and Keith Lovely, Jordan, Taylor and Madeline Lovely; ten great-grandchildren; brothers Robert, Edward, Normand, Paul, Andrew, and Raymond Gaudet; three sisters, Gertrude DeBlois, Jeannette Buckley, and Theresa Arndt. Mrs. Lovely was predeceased by her husband of 47 years, Lionel L. Lovely and by her brother J. Eugene Gaudet.

Burial will be held in the summer 2013 in the family lot in Sacred Heart Cemetery, Laconia NH.

CRAIG G. WARNER

Craig G. Warner, 56, passed away Saturday, March 2, 2013 with his family at his side after a long battle with cognitive heart disease.

Born in Northampton, Mass. to Donald and Claire Warner in 1956, Craig moved to East Concord as a child and later made his life in Loudon. He was a 1974 graduate of Concord High School and graduated from NHTI where he earned a degree in software engineering. Craig was currently employed at Gambit Communications in Nashua.

Craig was an Eagle Scout and volunteered as the Scout Master for troop 90 in East Concord. He was a motorcycle enthusiast, an avid horseshoe thrower, NASCAR fan, and played on Blaser's Tavern dart team for many years. He was the web-master for Concord's Pub Dart League, he was dedicated fan of Boston's sports teams, and he especially enjoyed camping and family gatherings.

Craig was predeceased by his mother in 1980.

He is survived by his father and step-mother Judy of Loudon; sisters Donna Warner of Nashua, Judy Blackwell of Concord, Betty Desmarais of Contoocook, Jennifer Warner of Hopkinton; his brother and sister-in-law Dale and Lori Warner of Contoocook; step-sisters Lori Wilson of Laconia, Cari Young of Boscawen and Ami Wilson of Lewiston, Maine; 10 nieces and nephews and five great-nieces and nephews.

BROOKLYN ELIZABETH BOUCHARD

Brooklyn Elizabeth Bouchard, 6 month old daughter of Mathew and Stephanie (Barton) Bouchard, died Saturday, March 9, 2013 at home, surrounded by loving family and friends.

Brooklyn was a happy, free-spirited baby girl with bright blue eyes and a smile made for the world. She loved life and, even though hers was short, she enjoyed each day smiling, laughing, and playing. She got so much love from so many people. Brooklyn will forever be missed, but never ever be forgotten.




In addition to her parents of Loudon, Brooklyn is survived by a siblings, Alexis Bouchard and Michael Bouchard; maternal grandparents, Keith Barton of Chichester, and Lynn Ann and Terry Perry of Pittsfield; paternal grandparents, Ronald and Vicki Bouchard of Concord; aunts and uncles, Christopher Bouchard and Jason Farrell of Concord, Marcy McIntyre and Michael Iannone of Revere, Mass., and Anita and Kevin Russell of Barton, Vt.; as well as many other great aunts and uncles.

Donations may be made to <http://www.giveforward.com/battleforbrooklyn> or www.fsma.org in Brooklyn's name to help toward a cure for spinal muscular atrophy.

Family and friends may sign an on-line guestbook by visiting stilloaks.com.

ATTENTION! MAKE A NOTE! MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

The Communications Council meetings will now be held on Tuesdays. A full schedule appears on page 2. If you'd like to join this group, please plan on attending a meeting.

Food Protection Certification Course and Exam



Where: Merrimack County UNHCE Office
315 Daniel Webster Hwy., Boscawen, NH

When: April 19, 2013

Time: 8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Cost: \$140 per person, includes:
ServSafe® Book, Exam & Refreshments
Lunch is on your own

For more information contact Deb Maes at 603-787-6944

ServSafe® is a national food safety certification program of the National Restaurant Association Educational Foundation and is recognized by the NH Bureau of Food Protection. This training provides the latest science-based information on food safety and best practices in the industry as it applies to every aspect of food service operation. Participants will be expected to study the ServSafe® book prior to class. The ServSafe® exam is administered at the end of the day; passing requires a grade of 75%. Certification is valid for five years.

Registration form for April 19, 2013 - Boscawen

Once payment is received we will send you an agenda, directions and the ServSafe® book to review.

Name(s): _____

Name of Business: _____

Mailing Address: _____

E-mail address: _____

Tel: _____ Fax: _____ Amount Enclosed \$ _____

If you require accommodations to participate in any Extension event please let us know at least 3 weeks in advance.

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Potential Negative Things That May Scare Buyers Off

By Jack Prendiville
Century 21 Thompson Real Estate

It is vital for sellers to make their home attractive to potential buyers. When listing your property, consult with your realtor to determine an accurate and fair price. If your local competition on has a substantially lower asking price your property will most likely remain on the market.

Curb appeal is crucial, so the façade of your home should be inviting, not alarming. Remove clutter from the yard, spruce up the landscaping and freshen up the entryway with new paint and exterior lighting. Make sure the walkway to the home is not hazardous; any cracks in the steps, pavement or concrete should be repaired. Also, proper exterior lighting is essential as some showings may be at night or at dusk.

Don't let the odor of smoke or pets deter buyers. If necessary, hire professional carpet cleaners before your first showings and employ scented candles or purifiers. Buyers will be anxious to exit rather than stay at a home that has offensive odors.

As buyers explore your home they shouldn't have to visualize the space without clutter. Excess furniture, trinkets, family pictures, toys and other items tend to detract from the existing space and totally obscure any attributes of the home. Remember, everyone appreciates a clean house. Stains, fingerprints, dust and laundry will likely send buyers to the next house on their list. ■

Loudon Farms: Buy Locally!

The Loudon Agricultural Commission has compiled this list of local farms. If you have a farm in Loudon or know someone who has a farm that is NOT included please write to cas@milessmithfarm.com.

Aznive Farm
7046 Pleasant Street. Hay, Beef. 435-7509

B&B Syrup. Barton & Bowles
227 Flag Road. 783-4341, 783-9123

D.S. Cole Growers
251 North Village Road. Propagators of quality products from world-wide sources. Retail store at 430 Loudon Road, Concord. 783-9561. www.dscolegrowers.com
www.colegardens.com

Hill Top Feeds
11 Storrs Drive. Live stock feed, shavings, hay, dog and cat food. Farm equipment and supplies. 783-4114, 491-4483

Ledgeview Greenhouses
275 Clough Hill Road. Growers of quality potted plants, annuals, perennials, and poinsettias. 783-4669.
www.ledgeview-greenhouses.com

Liliana Flower Farm
140 Beck Road. Perennials and pesticide-free vegetable plants. Wed-Sun 10-5 p.m. www.lilianaflowerfarm.com. 783-9268

Lyon Berry Farm
986 Route 129. Highbush blueberries. 435-7640

Maple Ridge Farm
416 Bumfagon Road. Fresh Vegetables, Maple Syrup. 435-8183

Meadow Ledge Farm
612 Route 129. Peaches, Corn, Apples, Country Store. 798-5860

Miles Smith Farm
56 Whitehouse Road. Locally raised hormone and antibiotic free beef, individual

cuts and sides. Tue, Th 4-7:30 p.m. W, 9-1 p.m., Sat 9-3 p.m. www.milessmithfarm.com. 783-5159

Moonshine Farm Organics
1517 Route 129. Certified organic farm: produce, herbs, and flowers. 568-4334

Mudget Hill Mumbling Maplers
255 Mudgett Hill Road. Maple products: syrup & candy. 783-4447

Our Place Farm
290 Route 129. Goat milk, eggs, naturally-raised pork, grass-fed beef, pasture-raised chicken, meat goats, natural fiber handspun yarn. Stop in afternoons or call ahead. 798-3183

Pearl and Sons
409 Loudon Ridge Road. Maple products: syrup, candies & cream. 435-6587, 435-6883

Potpourri Acres
7257 Pleasant Street. "A little bit of everything and not much of anything." Organic producer — vegetables. larrabeers@comcast.net. 435-8209

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Friday, April 19, 2013

Merrimack Valley School Board — January 14, 2013

PUBLIC SESSION

1. Roll Call and Call to Order:

The regular meeting held at Merrimack Valley High School was called to order by Chairman Mark Hutchins at 7:18 p.m.

Board Members Present: Mark Hutchins, Caroletta Alicea, Normandie Blake, Lorrie Carey, Audrey Carter, Troy Cowan, Thomas Godfrey, Jim Lavery, David Longnecker, Laura Vincent

Administrators Present: Superintendent Mike Martin; Assistant Superintendent Chris Barry; Business Administrator Robin Heins; Human Resources Manager Kathleen Boucher; Principals Mike Jette, Pat Severance, Jeff Drouin, Sandy Davis, Tom Laliberte; Assistant Principals Pam Hill, Jim Tremblay, Catherine Masterson; Administrators for Special Education Maureen Gross, Mary Paradise; Facilities Director Fred Reagan; MVLC Administrator Julie Gaudette

Others Present: Rachel Aznive, MVHS Student Representative; Thomas Foulkes, CSI Charter School Board Member

2. Minutes of Previous Meetings:

Motion by Normandie Blake, second by Lorrie Carey, to approve the December 10, 2012 meeting minutes (pages 1-4 in the packet) and the December 17, 2012 Special Board Meeting Minutes (page 5 in the

packet) as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

3. Financial Report

Robin Heins reviewed the NOTES FOR FINANCIAL STATEMENT (page 6 in the packet). Motion by Troy Cowan, second by Laura Vincent, to approve the financial report as presented (pages 6-19 in the packet). Motion passed unanimously.

4. Public Participation:

Rachel Aznive, MVHS Student Representative, reported on high school news.

Thomas Foulkes, CSI Charter School Board Member, reported on the success of the CSI-NHTI connection and thanked the Merrimack Valley Board for their support.

5. Good News:

Building administrators reported on good news items throughout the district.

6. Committee Reports:

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

Troy Cowan reported on the December 17, 2012 Finance Committee meeting (minutes on page 30 in the packet). Motion by Troy Cowan, second by Thomas Godfrey, to present the proposed budget of \$37,473,867 at the Public Hearing. Troy Cowan reported that, in response to the challenge from Salisbury Education Committee, he

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thoroughly searched the budget to find ways to cut one million dollars. Troy reported that without cutting staff and/or programs, it is not possible to cut the budget by one million dollars. After a lengthy discussion, the motion passed unanimously.

8:00 p.m.: Linda McAllister arrived.

The board discussed preparing information for the Annual Meeting.

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE:

Normandie Blake reported on the January 7, 2013 Transportation Committee meeting (minutes on page 31 in the packet).

CURRICULUM COMMITTEE:

Laura Vincent reported on the January 7, 2013 Curriculum Committee meeting (minutes on pages 32–33 in the packet). Motion by Thomas Godfrey, second by Lorrie Carey, to ask the Review Committee to consider adding 2–3 intramural sports at the middle school with a cost limit of under \$5000. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Audrey Carter, second by Normandie Blake, to approve the proposed high school SOPPADM. After a brief discussion of the SOPPADM, the motion passed unanimously.

The next Curriculum Committee Meeting is scheduled for Monday, January 28, 2013 at 6:00 p.m. at the high school.

OTHER:

Thomas Godfrey reported on tonight's Facilities Committee Meeting (minutes will

be in next month's packet). Motion by Normandie Blake, second by Caroletta Alicea, to approve the Memorandum of Understanding with the Town of Webster. Motion passed unanimously.

7. Old Business:**2013–2014 SCHOOL CALENDAR:**

Chris Barry reviewed the updated draft of the 2013–2014 School Calendar (page 34 in the packet). The board will vote on the calendar at the February board meeting.

STEERING COMMITTEE:

Chris Barry reported on the December 20, 2012 Steering Committee meeting (minutes on page 35 in the packet).

SELECTMEN'S MEETING:

Mike Martin reported on last week's meeting with the Selectmen.

David Longnecker reported on CSI Charter School's onsite authorization report from the Department of Education.

OTHER: None**8. New Business:****DRAFT WARRANT:**

Robin Heins reported that the draft will be revised and sent to board members.

SCHOOL SAFETY:

Mike Martin reported that he and Chris Barry will hear a safety report from the State at a meeting on Friday, February 1, 2013 at 3:00 p.m.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

Robin Heins reviewed the calendar of events on page 38 in the packet.

PRINCIPAL SEARCH TIMELINE:

Mike Martin reviewed the timeline for the Salisbury/Webster principal search (page 39 in the packet).

OTHER:

Mark Hutchins discussed managing turnover on the board.

David Longnecker discussed needing to manage our transitions.

9. Manifests/Journal Entries to Sign:

Motion by Troy Cowan, second by Normandie Blake, to approve the manifests and journal entries. Motion passed unanimously. Manifests and journal entries were circulated for board members to sign.

10. Board Chairman's Report: None**11. Assistant Superintendent's Report:**

Chris Barry noted that the list of recognition letters sent out is included in the packet (page 40) for board review. Chris reported on the ongoing workshops regarding the Common Core.

12. Superintendent's Report: None**13. Non-Public Session:**

Motion by Will Renauld, second by Caroletta Alicea, to go into non-public session on a Roll Call vote at 9:30 p.m. in accordance with RSA 91 A:3II to discuss personnel. Motion passed.

Roll Call: Mark Hutchins, Caroletta Alicea, Normandie Blake, Lorrie Carey, Audrey Carter, Troy Cowan, Thomas Godfrey, Jim Lavery, David Longnecker, Laura Vincent

See Non-Public Minutes.

14. Return to Public Session

Motion by Normandie Blake, second by Tom Godfrey, to go out of non public at 10:49 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

15. Action from Non-Public Session if Needed:

Motion by Normandie Blake, second by David Longnecker, to approve the nomination of Donna MacDonald, PT School Nurse, for a prorated salary of \$20,325 and Mialgros Santiago, Long Term Substitute Spanish teacher at a prorated salary of \$20,946. Motion passed.

Motion by Lorrie Carey, second by Normandie Blake, to accept the resignation of Linda McAllister with regret. Motion passed.

Motion by Audrey Carter, second by Caroletta Alicea, to ratify the agreement between the support staff association and the school board. Motion passed 9-0 with one abstention.

16. Adjournment

Motion by Tom Godfrey, second by Lorrie Carey, to recess the meeting until after the Public Hearing on January 22, 2013. Motion passed.

*Respectfully submitted,
Sally Welch
Clerk*

Merrimack Valley School Board — January 22, 2013

Board Members Present: Mark Hutchins, Caroletta Alicea, Normandie Blake, Lorrie Carey, Audrey Carter, Troy Cowan, Thomas Godfrey, Jim Lavery, David Longnecker, Will Renauld, Laura Vincent

Administrators Present: Superintendent Mike Martin; Assistant Superintendent Chris Barry; Business Administrator Robin Heins; Human Resources Manager Kathleen Boucher; Principals Mike Jette, Pat Severance, Tom Laliberte, Linda McAllister, Jeff Drouin, Sandy Davis; Administrators for Special Education Maureen Gross, Mary Paradise; Assistant Principals Catherine Masterson, Pam Hill, James Tremblay; Facilities Director Fred Reagan; MVLC Administrator Julie Gaudette; Technology Director Lee Despres; Administrator for Athletics & Activities Kevin O'Brien

Others Present: Approximately sixty people from the public were present.

Chairman Mark Hutchins opened the Public Hearing at 7:02 p.m.

Chairman Hutchins began by summarizing Articles I, II, III & IV on the draft Warrant on pages ten through eleven in the information packet.

Chairman Hutchins introduced Troy Cowan to discuss Article V. Troy began by discussing the three main areas of increase in the budget (retirement costs, health insurance costs and collective bargaining agreement costs). Troy reviewed the detailed breakdown of the budget on pages two through eight in the information packet and explained the increases from the previous budget. While reviewing the budget, Troy, along with other School Board members, Superintendent Mike Martin and other district administrators, answered questions and addressed comments and concerns from the floor.

Chairman Hutchins introduced Audrey Carter to discuss Article VI. Audrey began

by summarizing the agreement with the Merrimack Valley Support Staff Association. Audrey, along with district administrators, answered questions from the floor.

Chairman Hutchins continued by reviewing Articles VII, VIII, IX & X.

With no further questions or comments from the public, Chairman Hutchins closed the Public Hearing at 8:52 p.m.

*Respectfully submitted,
Sally Welch
Clerk*

Roll Call and Call to Order: The meeting held at Merrimack Valley High School was reconvened (from the recessed meeting of January 14, 2013) on a motion by Normandie Blake, second by Laura Vincent, at 9:02 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

Board members present: Mark Hutchins, Caroletta Alicea, Normandie Blake, Lorrie Carey, Audrey Carter, Troy Cowan, Thomas Godfrey, Jim Lavery, David Longnecker, Will Renauld, Laura Vincent

Administrators present: Superintendent Mike Martin; Assistant Superintendent Chris Barry; Business Administrator Robin Heins; Human Resources Manager Kathleen Boucher; Principals Mike Jette, Pat Severance, Tom Laliberte, Linda McAllister, Jeff Drouin, Sandy Davis; Assistant Principals Pam Hill, James Tremblay, Catherine Masterson; Administrators for Special Education Maureen Gross, Mary Paradise; Facilities Director Fred Reagan; MVLC Administrator Julie Gaudette; Technology Director Lee Despres; Administrator for Athletics & Activities Kevin O'Brien.

Others present: Roy Merrill, Loudon Resident; Marcia Murphy, Sandy Miller, Salisbury Residents

Motion by Thomas Godfrey, second by Will Renauld, to approve the budget as presented at the Public Hearing. The board dis-

cussed comments, questions and concerns from the public hearing. *Motion by Caroletta Alicea, second by Will Renauld, to move the question. Motion to move the question passed unanimously.* The board immediately voted on the motion to approve the budget as presented. *Motion passed unanimously.* The board discussed preparing for the Annual Meeting.

The board scheduled a Finance Committee meeting for Monday, January 28, 2013

at 7:00 p.m. at the high school after the six o'clock Curriculum Committee meeting.

Motion by Normandie Blake, second by Caroletta Alicea, to adjourn. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 9:45 p.m.

*Respectfully submitted,
Sally Welch
Clerk*

Library Trustees' Meeting Minutes — February 12, 2013

5:01 PM

Present: Steve Del Deo, Molly Ashland, Ken Krzewick, Alt Marilyn Sylvester, Director Nancy Hendy, Herb Huckins, Laura Vincent.

The meeting was called to order by Steve Del Deo. *The minutes were reviewed and moved accepted by Steve Del Deo, and seconded by Ken Krzewick. All in favor.*

The Trustees and Director reviewed and accepted the monthly financial statement.

The Director's report:

- Snow removal from walkways and roof near main entrance continues to be done well.
- Story time features valentine parties for each of the three sessions this week.
- A part-time employee will be out for six weeks following surgery.
- The schedule for computer replacement is delayed for a few weeks until we update our circulation software.
- Martha Butterfield will offer a program on soft pastel techniques at the March 6 Loudon Village Arts meeting.

- The library's two book groups continue to meet on third Thursdays at 7 p.m. and fourth Tuesdays at 2:30 p.m. A creative writing session follows the Tuesday meetings.
- The next book sale is scheduled for February 23rd.

The Trustees discussed the town budget meeting all had attended. The Selectmen were thorough in covering all areas of the upcoming budget, and felt comfortable in presenting it to the town in March.

Herb Huckins will be sworn in as an Alternate Trustee in March.

The next Trustee meeting will be March 4, 2013, at 5 p.m.

At 5:26. Steve Del Deo moved the meeting adjourned. Ken Krzewick seconded. All were in favor.

*Steve Del Deo
Ken Krzewick
Molly Ashland*

Selectmen's Meeting Minutes — February 12, 2013

Present: Chairman Bowles and Selectman Krieger.

Also present: Police Chief Bob Fiske, Fire Chief Dick Wright, Dave Powelson from the Zoning Board and Bob Ordway from the Planning Board.

Chairman Bowles called the Meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Selectman Krieger moved to accept the Selectmen's Non public Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, February 5, 2013 as written; seconded by Chairman Bowles. All were in favor. Motion carries.

Chairman Bowles moved to accept the Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, February 5, 2013 as written; seconded by Selectman Ives. All were in favor. Motion carries.

Selectman Krieger moved to accept the Budget Hearing Meeting Minutes of Wednesday, February 6, 2013 as written; seconded by Chairman Bowles. All were in favor. Motion carries.

Chairman Bowles opened the Board of Permit.

Chief Fiske stated that he has a hawker and peddler application from NHMS for the Fantasy Drive, Loudon Road Racing Series, Loudon Classic, July Nascar, September Nascar and Vintage Racing and Car Show. He explained that for each event he has an individual map with hawker's locations. Mr. Powelson asked if this is one application for all of the events. Chief Fiske stated that it is. Mr. Ordway asked if it is different than previous years. Chief Fiske said it is not.

Chairman Bowles closed the Board of Permit.

Chairman Bowles stated for the record that he signed nine pistol permits.

The Board met with Police Chief Bob Fiske.

Chief Fiske said he received the Wheelabrator Concord Tipping Floor Rules that probably shouldn't have gone to him. The Selectmen will see that copies go to Steve Bennett and Pete Elliott.

The Board met with Fire Chief Dick Wright.

Chief Wright said they had a house fire on Lower Ridge. It started as a chimney fire and it extended down the walls, there was moderate damage.

Chief Wright said that the job of the Fire chief search committee is done. Chairman Bowles stated that they signed letters to get out to the committee members and the job candidates.

Selectman Krieger asked how the department did with the storm. Chief Wright said they had hardly any activity; he was amazed at how few cars there were out on the road.

Chairman Bowles explained that they had hoped to appoint the new Fire Chief but they are not ready to that, they are taking it under advisement and waiting for Selectman Ives to get back.

Selectman Krieger made a motion to accept the Warrant and read the following:

LOUDON TOWN WARRANT

State of New Hampshire

THE POLLS WILL BE OPEN FROM

8:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M. TUESDAY,

MARCH 12, 2013

To the inhabitants of the Town of Loudon in the County of Merrimack in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs: You are hereby notified to meet at Loudon Town Hall on Clough Hill Road in said Loudon, NH on Tuesday, the twelfth day of March, next at eight of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

Article 1-2 will be by ballot vote on Tuesday, March 12, 2013, between the hours of 8:00 AM and 7:00 PM at the polls at Loudon Town Hall on Clough Hill Road.

Articles 3-13 will be taken up at the second session of the annual Town Meeting on

Saturday, March 16, 2013 at 9:00 AM at the Loudon Elementary School Gym on School Street.

Seconded by Chairman Bowles. All were in favor. Motion carries.

The Board began their review of correspondence.

The Board received a copy of the current Expenditure Report.

The Board received a letter and invoice from CRSW/RRC.

The Board received a letter from Mr. Bruillard regarding overdue property taxes.

The Board received a copy of the 2013 Ballot Items from Town Clerk for their review.

The Board received a legal/abutter notice from the City of Concord regarding Tower Antennas.

The Board received miscellaneous correspondence.

The Board received a reminder that Wednesday, March 6, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. is Candidate's Night.

The Board met with representatives Shawn Jones, Commander and Joe Piroso from the American Legion. They signed the paperwork to transfer the property from the American Legion to the Town of Loudon. All the paperwork was signed and notarized.

Selectman Krieger moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:17 p.m. Seconded by Chairman Bowles. All in favor. Meeting adjourned.

LOUDON BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Dustin J. Bowles, Chairman

Robert P. Krieger, Selectman

Steven R. Ives, Selectman

Selectmen's Meeting Minutes — February 19, 2013

Present: Chairman Bowles and Selectman Ives.

Also present: Road Agent Dave Rice.

Chairman Bowles called the Meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Selectman Ives moved to accept the Selectmen's Non-Public Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, February 14, 2013 as written; seconded by Chairman Bowles. All were in favor. Motion carries.

Chairman Bowles stated for the record that he signed three pistol permits.

The Board met with Road Agent Dave Rice.

Mr. Rice said that everything is going good. He said that they are keeping busy doing maintenance on trucks and roads. Mr. Rice stated that they have patched some holes and have more to do.

Selectman Ives asked if Mr. Rice is preparing for the weather tonight and for the weekend. Mr. Rice said he is. Selectman Ives asked if they have plenty of salt and sand. Mr. Rice said they are all set.

Selectman Ives asked about plowing the whole parking lot at the American Legion. Chairman Bowles explained that he asked Mr. Rice to plow the entire lot for the winter carnival this weekend and then it can just be kept open.

Chairman Bowles said there is a blocked culvert on Lovejoy Road that needs to be taken care of. Mr. Rice will get it taken care of. Chairman Bowles said there is also a tree top that needs to be taken care of.

Chairman Bowles stated that, thankfully, the Police Department captured the gentleman that was roaming around town breaking into cars and stealing.

The Board recognized Steve Jakubowski from the audience. Mr. Jakubowski stated

that he heard a rumor about people breaking into cars and wanted to know if that had been publicized. He wanted to know why the Loudon Police Department doesn't put out a police log like so many other towns do so people know what is going on. Mr. Jakubowski said that the old saying is that the public is the best tool for law enforcement. He said that last spring there was all kinds of rumors about break-ins, the worst thing you can have is rumors. Mr. Jakubowski stated that if people know what is going they would be more vigilant. He said other towns do it so why can't the police post something on a weekly basis or in the Loudon Ledger saying what is going on in town so people are aware. He said in his opinion keeping people in the dark is not good policy.

Selectman Ives said that probably on the website would be a good idea; in the *Ledger* would always be a month late.

Mr. Jakubowski said they should be able to put out safely and legally what has happened over the past week so people are aware. He said it doesn't make sense to keep people in the dark.

Mr. Jakubowski said that if people knew what was going on they would be more vigilant about locking their houses and their cars.

Mr. Jakubowski said it needs to be published on a current basis; a yearly report doesn't cut it. He said other departments do it Loudon should be able to.

Chairman Bowles and Selectman Ives said they would discuss this with the Chief.

The Board began their review of correspondence.

The Board received a memo from Chief Fiske regarding the CNHRPC 2014-2024 Road Improvement Program.

The Board received an email from Audrey Lawson regarding the American Legion Property. She stated that the transaction has been completed and the deed will be forwarded to the town.

The Board received a copy of an email from Town Council and removal specs and a newspaper notice regarding the Legion Building for their review. The Board approved the specs and the notice. They decided that the deadline for accepting proposals will be March 7 by 4:00 p.m. and they will open the bids March 13 at 5:00 p.m.

The Board received a memo from Brenda. A meeting will be set at the Elementary School with Fred Reagan, Moderator Mike Labonte and Road Agent Dave to discuss arrangements for town meeting. The Board decided that due to town elections on March 12, Board of Permit will be held March 5.

The Board received miscellaneous correspondence.

The Board received the following reminders.

Thursday, February 21st — Planning Board meeting.

Wednesday, March 6, 2013, 7:00 p.m. — Candidate's night.

Thursday, March 7, 2013 — MVSD Annual Meeting. Polls open at 6:00 p.m. for election of School Board members, 7:00 p.m. for all other articles.

Selectman Ives moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:53 p.m. Seconded by Chairman Bowles. All in favor. Meeting adjourned.

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Selectmen's Meeting Minutes — February 26, 2013

Present: Chairman Bowles, Selectman Krieger and Selectman Ives.

Also present: Road Agent Dave Rice and Police Chief Bob Fiske.

Chairman Bowles called the Meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

Selectman Krieger moved to accept the Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, February 12, 2013 as written; seconded by Chairman Bowles. All were in favor. Motion carries.

Selectman Ives moved to accept the Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, February 19, 2013 as written; seconded by Chairman Bowles. All were in favor. Motion carries.

Chairman Bowles stated for the record that he signed four pistol permits.

The Board met with Police Chief Bob Fiske.

Chairman Bowles told Chief Fiske that the Transportation Project application was submitted to Central NH Regional Planning Commission. He explained that they might be asking for information regarding traffic accidents. Chief Fiske said that information is readily available if it's needed. Chairman Bowles said along with Chief Fiske, Mr. Rice and Chief Wright also submitted letters to be included with the application.

Selectman Krieger asked when DARE Pizza night is. Chief Fiske said it is Wednesday, March 27th at the school.

Selectman Ives said that at last week's meeting someone asked if there is a way to communicate to the town, maybe on the town website, concerns if there is a lot of break-ins or something like that without compromising an investigation to squash rumors and get the facts out. Chief Fiske stated that they would have to be very careful so as to not cause panic and discontent, people tend to go overboard. Selectman Ives said that rumors get started around town and are usually worse than the truth. Selectman Ives said it doesn't have to be detailed just something like we've had a few issues, lock your doors. Chief Fiske said it gets put in the *Ledger* and in the Annual Report. He said this last issue was cars being left unlocked in driveways and cash being taken out of consoles. Steve Jakubowski stated that he thinks an aware population is much more vigilant and may be a better tool for the police than if they don't know anything is going on. He stated that if he drives by a neighbor's house and sees a strange vehicle in the yard and he doesn't know anything is going on he wouldn't think twice about it whereas if he knows things are going on he might call the police. Mr. Jakubowski said to print it in the annual report doesn't do any good because anyone with any intelligence would start their activity on April 1st and have eleven months without people knowing about it. He said that there are other cities and towns that post this information and make people aware of what's going on.

He said he understands not compromising an active investigation but making people more aware of locking doors and locking cars and becoming more vigilant can't hurt. Selectman Ives suggested that maybe Chief Fiske could put it in the *Loudon Ledger* on a regular basis. Chief Fiske said they do put it in the *Ledger*. He also highly suggests whether there are burglaries going on or not; anytime anyone sees a strange car in a yard they call because you never know, it might be the start of another burglary. Mr. Jakubowski said there is a big difference between putting in the *Loudon Ledger* "be vigilant and lock your doors" and another thing to say "here is the reason why, we're having a problem." Selectman Krieger stated that he agrees with Mr. Jakubowski to a degree and the public being informed of some things is good however with a police blotter you could have a neighbor that gets embarrassed because they got in trouble for something. Mr. Jakubowski agreed, he said that he is not talking about names, he is talking about putting something on the website or in the ledger that says something like "in the last week or month this has been happening" or "we have had this many break-ins" or whatever, not names. Selectman Krieger agreed. Selectman Ives stated that this was brought up last week so he wanted to start the conversation and see if it could be put on the website or in the *Ledger*. Mr. Jakubowski said this is no reflection on the Police Department, he thinks they do a good job.

The Board met with Road Agent Dave Rice.

Mr. Rice said they made it through the last storm with only a couple of little breakdowns.

Selectman Ives asked how the snow load is on the highway garage. Mr. Rice said it has melted.

Selectman Krieger moved to go into a nonpublic session per RSA 91-A:3, II (a) at 6:46 p.m.; seconded by Chairman Bowles. Roll call vote: Bowles — yes; Ives — yes; Krieger — yes. All in favor. Motion carries. Selectman Ives moved to come out of executive session at 7:06 p.m.; seconded by Selectman Krieger. Roll call vote: Bowles — yes; Ives — yes; Krieger — yes. All in favor. Motion carries. Selectman Ives made a motion to seal the minutes for five years because it is determined that divulgence of this information likely would affect adversely the reputation of any person other than a member of this board. Seconded by Selectman Krieger. All in favor. Roll call vote: Bowles — yes; Ives — yes; Krieger — yes. Motion carries.

The Board began their review of correspondence.

The Board received a letter from Town Council regarding the Green View Drive petition. Chairman Bowles explained that there is a petitioned warrant article to be

voted on at town meeting to accept Green View Drive as a town road. He explained that they got a response from town council as to how to handle that.

The Board received a letter from DRA regarding the Equalization ratio for 2012.

The Board received a letter from Central NH Regional Planning Commission regarding Traffic Count Requests for 2013. The Board asked that copies go to the Planning Board, Highway, Fire, and Police Departments for their input.

The Board received the Host Community Fee check from ESMI for the 4th quarter.

The Board received a check received from NH Charitable Foundation for the Veteran's War Memorial. The Board stated that they will get bids for landscape work at the Memorial this spring.

The Board received a check from NH Charitable Foundation for the Francis Tewksbury Memorial Fund.

The Board received a letter from the Dept of Resources and Economic Development regarding timber harvest and improvement to wildlife habitat at Hoit Road Marsh.

The Board received notification from NHDOT regarding a Responder Training Course. The Board asked that copies go to the Road Agent, Fire and Police Departments.

The Board received a letter from Town Council regarding Fortier litigation.

The Board received a Merrimack County Public Hearing Notice regarding 2013 Budget Appropriations for Merrimack County.

The Board received a copy of the tipping floor rules from Wheelabrator.

The Board received a UNH-Tech Transfer Center Training Calendar for 2013.

The Board received miscellaneous correspondence.

The Board received the following reminders.

Thursday, February 28, 2013, 7:00 p.m. — Zoning Board meeting.

Wednesday, March 6, 2013, 4:00 p.m. — Meeting at LES to discuss Town Meeting arrangements and set-up.

Wednesday, March 6, 2013, 7:00 p.m. — Candidate's night.

Thursday, March 7, 2013 — MVSD Annual Meeting. Polls open at 6:00 for election of School Board members, 7:00 all other articles.

Steve Jakubowski asked if the American Legion is a done deal. Chairman Bowles said it is done. Selectman Ives said at the public hearings people wanted to see the building go to bid. He explained that they

are going through that process now. Chairman Bowles said that an ad was in the paper asking for bids to purchase and remove the building. He said that he has spoken to Mr. Cabot who is still very interested in the building if they don't receive any bids.

Selectman Ives said that they went through a process looking for a new Fire Chief. He explained that they had a committee, they met for months, applications and resumes were received, the committee narrowed the applications down from around twenty to seven, the asked those seven to come interview, out of the seven, four came in for interviews. Out of the four they narrowed it down to a number one and number two selection. The Selectmen met with the number one and number two and decided as a Board that we were going to hire the number 2 selection. Selectman Ives explained that the gentlemen was from Virginia, he flew up for the interview and then again to meet with the Selectmen. They offered him the job, he was all set to take it with the condition that he approves it with his family and makes arrangements to move up here. His wife came up and they decided it was not in their best interest to take the job so he declined the offer. Selectman Ives said that in meeting with the number one selection from the committee they deemed it to not be in the best interest of the town to hire him as the Chief at this time, maybe further down the road. Selectman Ives explained that this now basically puts them back to square one as far as hiring a fire chief. He said they realize that this has taken time but they are dedicated to hiring the right person. Steve Jakubowski explained that when they put together the qualifications they had education requirements that might have discouraged/eliminated some people. He suggested that if the job is reposted they might change it to a bachelor degree or equivalent education and experience. Selectman Ives said he had that same idea and has discussed it with Chairman Bowles. Selectman Ives said they have the applications and thought they would take a look at the second tier guys. Chairman Bowles thanked the committee for their outstanding job and said the Board will continue the process. Chairman Bowles thanks Chief Wright for continuing on.

Selectman Krieger moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 PM. Seconded by Selectman Ives. All in favor. Meeting adjourned.

LOUDON BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Dustin J. Bowles, Chairman

Robert P. Krieger, Selectman

Steven R. Ives, Selectman

**Deadline for May
Loudon Ledger
Friday, April 19, 2013**



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Selectmen's Meeting Minutes — March 5, 2013

Present: Chairman Bowles, Selectman Krieger and Selectman Ives.

Also present for Board of Permit: Stanley Prescott from the Planning Board and Ned Lizotte from the Zoning Board.

Chairman Bowles called the Meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

Selectman Krieger moved to accept the Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, February 26, 2013 as written; seconded by Selectman Ives. All were in favor. Motion carries.

Chairman Bowles opened the Board of Permit.

Mr. Lizotte stated that Dave Powelson couldn't make it the meeting so he is here for him. He explained that someone came into the Zoning Board meeting last week about the lot at the corner of Routes 129 and 106 to discuss potentially building a single family residence and putting a small retail business there. He explained that they wanted to take advantage of the fact that it is commercial property but also keep it residential. Mr. Lizotte stated that the question came up about how long the property has been vacant. Selectman Ives said he read the Zoning Board minutes and the guy wants to put up a log home with a collectible/gift shop in the basement, a mixed use; residence and commercial. Mr. Lizotte said that Mr. Powelson's concern is that the place has been abandoned and there is an 18 month limit, if no one has been living there then there is no home there and that site is no longer a residence. Mr. Lizotte said the property is now a commercial property not a residential property. Mr. Lizotte said that the question is whether the place is abandoned and both he and Mr. Powelson are of the opinion that it is. Mr. Lizotte stated that because it is abandoned it is not applicable to a major home occupation. Selectman Ives said if you take a commercial lot, establish a residence and put in a major home occupation then decide to not have the home occupation you have a residence on a commercial lot. Mr. Lizotte said that no one has lived there for at least 10 years which exceeds the 18 month stipulation. Mr. Prescott asked Mr. Lizotte if he is saying that this is a non-conforming commercial lot. Mr. Lizotte said yes. Mr. Prescott explained that the people went to the Planning Board for a discussion to find out what they could do before they bought the property. He explained that they wanted to remove the trailer and cellar, move the new house further back on the property to make it more conforming and add parking. Chairman Bowles asked how big the lot is. Mr. Lizotte said 1.5 acres. Chairman Bowles said that is nonconforming for a residential lot. Mr. Lizotte said based on what they have it doesn't meet the criteria. Selectman Krieger clarified that the lot can be used commercially such as for a store just not residentially. Selectman Ives said that this person could put in a gift shop without a res-

idence and be all set. Mr. Prescott stated that if the gentleman doesn't like the decision that they have just made he can appeal it to the zoning board. Chairman Bowles asked if the gentleman was going to be back to zoning or how he was going to be informed of this decision. Mr. Lizotte will speak to Donna about what happened at this meeting. Chairman Bowles said that he then has the right to appeal this decision with the zoning board.

Chairman Bowles closed the Board of Permit.

Chairman Bowles stated for the record that he signed nine pistol permits.

A member of the audience asked who does the background checks for the pistol permits. Selectman Krieger answered that the Police Department does.

The Board met with Moderator Mike Labonte.

Chairman Bowles gave Mr. Labonte a copy of a letter that the town attorney would like presented at town meeting in response to the petitioned article regarding accepting Green View Drive as a town maintained road. Chairman Bowles stated that the town attorney wants the letter read aloud so that the people understand the legal ramifications of accepting the article.

Mr. Labonte asked if the highway guys will be setting up Town Hall for voting on Monday. Chairman Bowles said that he has spoken to them and they will be.

Selectman Ives said that they will be meeting with Fred Reagan Wednesday at the school to go over setup for town meeting.

Selectman Ives made a motion to appoint Robert Cole as the Primary Representative and Stanley Prescott the Alternate Representative to the Transportation Advisory Committee. Seconded by Selectman Krieger. Chairman Bowles thanked both for volunteering. All were in favor. Motion carries.

The Board began their review of correspondence.

The Board received a copy of the current Expenditure Report.

The Board received a copy of an email from Donna White regarding the Hazard Mitigation Committee and an email from CNHRPC also regarding the Hazard Mitigation Plan. Chairman Bowles said that Chief Burr used to be on the committee so they will need to get a committee member from the fire department. They are also asking for a Selectman to serve on the committee. The orientation meeting is at 8:30 am on March 20, 2013. Chairman Bowles will speak to the fire department about a representative. The Selectmen will discuss who will be their representative after town meeting.

The Board received a copy of a DES Wetland Routine Roadway Activities Notification regarding 178 Greenview Drive. Selectman Ives asked if this is the lot that

has been before the Planning Board. Chairman Bowles confirmed that it is.

The Board received a copy of the John O. Cate Memorial Van Association minutes for November 29, 2012. Selectman Krieger stated that they are always looking for good volunteers.

The Board received a copy of the March 18, 1982 Town Meeting Minutes for their information. Chairman Bowles said there was a request from a resident for the minutes. The article reads: to see if the Town will vote to establish an ordinance to prohibit plowing snow into and leaving it in the plowed portion of Town roads, causing obstruction, and to establish a \$25.00 penalty for each violation. This ordinance applies to individuals, companies and contractors plowing private drives. The article passed by unanimous voice vote. Selectman Krieger stated that there is also a state law regarding this.

The Board received a scholarship thank you note.

The Board received miscellaneous correspondence.

The Board received the following reminders.

Wednesday, March 6, 2013, 4:00 p.m. — the Board has a meeting at LES to discuss Town Meeting arrangements.

Wednesday, March 6, 2013, 7:00 p.m. — Candidate's night.

Thursday, March 7, 2013 — Deadline for Legion proposals.

Thursday, March 7, 2013 — MVSD Annual Meeting. Polls open at 6:00 for election of School Board members, 7:00 all other articles.

Tuesday, March 12, 2013 8:00 a.m. — 7:00 p.m. — Voting at Town Hall. No Selectmen's meeting. Town office will close at 4:00 p.m.

Wednesday, March 13, 2013 5:00 p.m. — Selectmen's Meeting. Legion proposals will be opened.

Saturday, March 16, 2013 9:00 a.m. — Town Meeting at the Loudon Elementary School.

The Board recognized Ken Ross-Raymond from the audience. Mr. Ross-Raymond asked what the Board's understanding of the schools proposed budget is. Chairman Bowles said it is quite high. Mr. Ross-Raymond said that one of our school board members put a letter in their issue of Life Lines; he explained that they have asked for an increase of just under 1 million dollars or just under 3%. Mr. Ross-Raymond said that in his opinion the number that everyone should be aware of is on page 30 of the Merrimack Valley School District Annual Report. He said that this number is never talked about but is the number that directly impacts the tax payer. That number is the District Assessment, it is the amount tax payers in the districts actually pay. He pointed out that last year that amount was 18,307,463 and this year the proposed amount is 19,876,720 he said that is an increase of 1.5 million dollars or just over 8%. Mr. Ross-Raymond said these numbers are never discussed at the meetings. Mr. Ross-Raymond said it came to his attention today that the district asked all students of voting age to go out and vote for their budget on Thursday, they are telling the students they are voting to save their teachers jobs. Mr. Ross-Raymond said that he personally has never suggested that the district save money by laying off teachers. Steve Jakubowski asked if there has been any public campaign; letters to the editor or contacting the *Monitor* correspondent to publicize this? Mr. Jakubowski suggested that that would have been a much more effective way of getting the word out rather than attending this meeting with only 10-12 people and minutes that won't be published for weeks after the meeting. Selectman Ives

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stated that in his opinion the town has school board members but those members represent the school not the town, the roles have been reversed. He said they are elected to represent the taxpayers but they aren't doing that, they are representing the school against the taxpayers. Chairman Bowles said he certainly hears Mr. Ross-Raymond loud and clear and the Selectman met with the school board and tried to explain their concerns. Mr. Ross-Raymond said this is a real impact to the taxpayer.

Selectman Krieger moved to go into a nonpublic session with Tax Collector Helen McNeil, per RSA 91-A:3, II (c) at 7:25 p.m.; seconded by Selectman Ives. Roll call vote: Bowles — yes; Ives — yes; Krieger — yes. All in favor. Motion carries. Selectman Krieger moved to come out of executive session at 7:40 p.m.; seconded by Selectman Ives. Roll call vote: Bowles — yes; Ives — yes; Krieger — yes. All in favor. Motion carries. Selectman Krieger made a motion to seal the min-

utes for five years because it is determined that divulgence of this information likely would affect adversely the reputation of any person other than a member of this board. Seconded by Selectman Ives. All in favor. Roll call vote: Bowles — yes; Ives — yes; Krieger — yes. Motion carries.

The Board discussed who would present each warrant articles at town meeting.

The Board recognized Steve Jakubowski from the audience. Mr. Jakubowski asked if the Board has received a response to the question that he asked last week regarding police activity. Selectman Krieger said they haven't gotten together as a group yet but he doesn't see why they can't put a little blurb in about things that are happening in the area. Chairman Bowles said he has spoken to the Chief but as a board they will have to push a little harder. Kathleen Ronayne from the *Concord Monitor* said that a lot of other towns will send them press releases if there is anything going on such as a string of burglaries.

The Board recognized Kathleen Ronayne from the audience.

Ms. Ronayne asked about the American Legion. Chairman Bowles explained that the town has purchased the property. He said they have asked for proposals to remove the building. Selectman Ives said they want the building dismantled and removed. Ms. Ronayne asked if there is timeline. Chairman Bowles said they are hoping to get the building gone by mid-summer and in the meantime form a committee to design a building to go on that site. Selectman Ives said that they have a start on the building because there was previously a committee and they have some plans. Ms. Ronayne asked how they are paying for the building. Chairman Bowles said that the town has an established capital reserve fund for that purpose and they have been putting \$100,000.00 into it each year. Ms. Ronayne asked why they need a new building. Chairman Bowles said safety, more room and energy efficiency. Ms. Ronayne asked who would serve on the committee. Chairman

Bowles said the last committee had the Selectmen, the office help and some residents.

Ms. Ronayne asked if the board has hired a fire chief yet. Selectman Krieger said they have not, they are going to meet with the interim Chief to discuss the process moving forward. Selectman Ives explained that they thought they had one hired but he backed out.

Chairman Bowles asked if Ms. Ronayne could correct an error she made in her last article. She said that the board was giving 1% merit raises when in fact they were giving 1% cost of living raises.

Selectman Krieger moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:56 PM. Seconded by Selectman Ives. All in favor. Meeting adjourned.

LOUDON BOARD OF SELECTMEN

*Dustin J. Bowles, Chairman
Robert P. Krieger, Selectman
Steven R. Ives, Selectman*

Planning Board Meeting Minutes — February 21, 2013

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Tom Dow.

Attendance:

Steve Jackson, Tom Moore, Chairman Tom Dow, Vice Chairman Stan Prescott, Bob Cole, Alternate Bob Ordway, Ex-Officio Dustin Bowles

Bob Ordway was appointed as a voting member in the absence of Henry Huntington.

Julie Robinson represented the Conservation Commission. John Reese represented the Fire Department.

Acceptance of Minutes:

January 17, 2013 Regular Meeting — Steve Jackson moved to accept the minutes as written; seconded by Bob Cole. All were in favor.

January 17, 2013 Zoning Amendment Public Hearing — Tom Moore made a motion to approve the minutes; seconded by Dustin Bowles. All were in favor.

Discussion:

TTD, LLC — Chairman Dow informed the public that it was brought to his attention that all abutters of this property were not properly notified. He explained that the hearing will be rescheduled but in the meantime he would give the applicant's representative ten minutes to explain the proposed subdivision. Chairman Dow stressed that this is not a public hearing and there would be no questions and answers allowed. Jeff Green represented the applicant. He explained the location of the proposed subdivision as being at the corner of Route 129 and Pittsfield Road, Map 25, Lot 5. The proposal is for a six lot subdivision of the 13.7 +/- acre parcel. He said there would be three new lots on Route 129 and three lots on Pittsfield Road, one having the existing house. Mr. Green said that test pits have been done, the wetlands have been delineated, and ledge has been indicated on the plan. He stated that there are three existing entryways on Pittsfield Road and they will have three new driveways on Route 129. Mr. Green pointed out a pond at the lower edge of the Route 129 lots. He said they would put a dry hydrant on the corner lot near the pond. He showed that there is a gradual slope from Pittsfield Road down to the pond. Chairman Dow informed the public that proper notification will be sent to all abutters of the parcel. The hearing will be

scheduled for March 21, 2013, 7:00 p.m. in the Community Building.

Paul Askew — Mr. Askew stated that he is interested in the parcel at the corner of Routes 129 and 106, Map 30, Lot 23. He said he would like to buy the property, remove the trailer, put in a log home, and operate an antique shop out of the basement as a home occupation. The Board reviewed the Zoning Ordinance for permitted uses in the C/I District and discussed the proposal to build a home there. Discussion involved whether the residential use could be continued after the property has been vacant for so long and whether a replacement home could be larger than the existing footprint. Board members agreed that this would be something that should be addressed by the Zoning Board. Mr. Askew was advised to review the criteria for a home occupation and to see the Zoning Board.

Conceptual Consultation:

Colin Cabot, Map 8, Lot 5 — Mr. Cabot explained that he has recently purchased this property which has frontage on Ring Road and the Class VI portion of Sanborn Road. He said he wants to subdivide it into two parcels, one piece of twelve acres where there is an existing foundation/cellar hole and another piece of forty-one acres. He said he would sell the smaller piece to Ben Jones and put the balance of the parcel in conservation. Mr. Cabot explained that he would leave three or four acres on the Class VI road side out of conservation for a future home. There was discussion about the frontage required in the AFP District, Section 23.4 of the Land Development Regulations regarding subdivisions on Class VI Roads, and what would be required for the upgrade of the Class VI road. It was agreed that the parcel does not have the required AFP District frontage on a town road.

Old Business:

Application #13-01, Northern Design Precast — Site Development on International Drive in the C/I District, Map 50, Lot 23. Abutter Marc Aubrey for ESMI and applicant Bradley Thompson were present. Web Stout of FWS Land Surveying represented the applicant. Mr. Stout explained that they went to the ZBA in January and were granted an equitable waiver of dimensional requirement. He handed out new plan sets as he has made a couple of changes to the plans. Mr. Stout pointed out a 10' x 10'

infiltration area and a covered outdoor wash area. Lt. Reese said that he has reviewed the building plans and everything is in order on the Fire Department's end, noting that there are no special requirements for the building.

Mr. Stout explained that they are waiting to hear back from the State on the discharge permit. He said the permit is needed because of the discharge created during the process of cleaning the finished product. He informed the Board that they had a good test pit with no seasonal high water and a good base of sand. Mr. Stout reviewed the various aspects of the process and building/site layout. Stan Prescott noted that the plans should show International Drive as a private road.

Brad Thompson handed out a couple of copies of their application to the State. He explained that the design was done by two organizations, one deals with hydrology/water out of Exeter, NH and one being the overseer of the building of the project out of Alton, NH. The building plans and the area for washing were reviewed.

Stan Prescott moved to accept the application as complete and move to public hearing; seconded by Bob Cole. All were in favor. Chairman Dow read a waiver request for Section 13.5.9 of the Land Development Regulations. *Stan Prescott moved to grant the waiver; seconded by Bob Cole. All were in favor.*

Steve Jackson made a motion to approve the application as presented, conditional upon receipt of the DES permit and a note on the plan that International Drive is a private road; seconded by Bob Cole. All were in favor.

Application #13-02, Claudette Burke — Minor Subdivision on Greenview Drive in the RR District, Map 59, Lot 48. The applicant was not present. There were no abutters present. Jeff Green represented the applicant. Chairman Dow explained that it was his understanding that this would not be back before the Planning Board until after the applicant went to the Zoning Board for a special exception. He said he was not comfortable proceeding with the hearing based on the fact that abutters were informed at the last meeting that there would be no reason to address the application until ZBA approval was received. Mr. Green stated that he had new plans to present for this application and would like the opportunity to continue the process and explain the

changes to the Board. After considerable discussion it was agreed to allow Mr. Green to proceed with the understanding that the Board would not make a decision at this meeting.

He pointed out that he has changed the location of the house so it does not impact the wetland buffer. The proposal is to divide the 8.526 acre lot into one of 3.1 acres with the existing house and one of 5.426 acres that has 2.27 acres of buildable area. Mr. Green showed the existing woods road and snowmobile trail that are on what would become the larger section. He also showed the existing house, septic, and paved driveway on what would become the smaller section. Mr. Green stated that he got confirmation of State subdivision approval on February 20, 2013.

Mr. Green explained that he can use the front of the lot for the proposed house. He said a septic design has been done and meets DES requirements. A 32' x 44' house and 24' x 26' garage would meet all setback requirements. The new plan also showed the required well radius. Mr. Green stated that the new plan avoids going through the wetland buffer. He said it meets frontage requirements, Town requirements, and State requirements, and he is not asking for any waivers. Julie Robinson asked about the location of the wetland buffer. Mr. Green pointed out the buffer line on the plan, noting that it is right against the building area. Mrs. Robinson said she would like to see the proposed well toward the back of the lot removed from the plan to avoid any confusion in the future.

Tom Moore asked about the location of the configuration box, noting that it would typically be used on the road side of a lot. Mr. Green explained that he put the box where he did because there is less detail in that area and it is easier to make out. He said the lot is 200' wide at the road and gets wider so there is no question that the configuration box would fit in the area closer to the road. Steve Jackson asked if there would be seasonal high water that would require a raised septic system. Mr. Green said they found 55" to the seasonal high water so it would be an in-ground system adjacent to the system on the existing lot.

Julie Robinson reported that the Conservation Commission went out to view the

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site. She said they are not sure if the road or the beaver dam was there first. She noted that there is a 3' elevation difference in the ponds. Mrs. Robinson said they are not sure if there ever really was a road or just a trail over a dam. Mr. Green stated that the culvert was there in 1978 as part of the woods road. He showed pictures from 1998 Google Earth that have the road going through the wetland. He said the dam is separate from the road.

Stan Prescott asked about the contiguous area. There was discussion about the definition of contiguous area as found in the Zoning Ordinance. Tom Moore asked when the wetland was delineated. Mr. Green said it was done in December. He explained that a portion of the dam has been released at the homeowner's request because the culvert was not working properly. Mr. Green said he has 2.27 acres of contiguous area but does not have the 50' width per the Zoning Ordinance. He said he does have 1.5 acres of buildable area beyond the wetland.

Earl Tuson asked what the abutters concerns had been at the last meeting. Chairman Dow stated that the major concern was the impact to the wetland by the access. Mr. Tuson said it would appear that those concerns may have been addressed with the changes. Mr. Dow said he would tend to agree.

Chairman Dow closed the hearing to the public and opened it to the Board only. Bob Ordway asked if the Board would communicate to the abutters what is being done. Tom Moore suggested that the Board could hold a special meeting in two weeks, doing a site visit before that. Stan Prescott said he feels the proposed plan goes against the intent of zoning with the house at the front of the lot and the 1.5 acres of buildable area at the back. Mr. Green said that the ordinance does not say you have to build in that area. He pointed out that the proposed lot allows for a house, septic, and well at the front. He said there is no need to use the back area. Julie Robinson said the buildable area is not accessible so she wonders how it can be considered buildable. Dustin Bowles said the spirit of the requirement was that the house would sit in the buildable area, however it often gets stretched. He said more and more lots will show up that will need this stretch.

Mr. Green explained that the beavers are being relocated; six have been moved so far. Tom Moore asked if the plan meets the town requirements for a subdivision on a private road. The group reviewed Section 23.3 of the Land Development Regulations. It was agreed that the applicant needs to meet items one and two of that section. Mr. Green stated that he agreed at the last meeting to participate at such time as an association is formed. He was advised that a written maintenance agreement is required.

Stan Prescott made a motion to continue the application to March 21, 2013 in the Community Building at 7:00 p.m. with a site visit in between now and that date; second-

ed by Steve Jackson. All were in favor. A site visit was scheduled for Thursday, March 14, 2013 at 4:00 p.m. with an inclement weather date of March 19, 2013.

New Business:

Application #13-03, Environmental Soil Management, Inc. — Site Development on International Drive in the C/I District, Map 50, Lot 1-1. Marc Aubrey was present for ESMI. Jeff Green represented the applicant. There were no abutters present. Tom Moore made a motion to accept the application as complete and move to public hearing; seconded by Steve Jackson. All were in favor.

Jeff Green gave the site location, noting that a lot line adjustment was done at this location a couple of months ago where they added to the existing area for stockpiling processed material. He pointed out the location of the processing plant which is on a separate lot. Mr. Green stated that the existing paved road on this lot will be removed. He explained that an existing retention area at the southwest corner will be relocated to the corner at the top of the slopes. Mr. Green pointed out that there will be a small swale at the bottom of the slopes. He said there is 75' of sheet drainage before the buffer area. The existing driveway will remain as the access to the lot and there is a berm along the top of the slopes.

Bob Cole asked if it would be all processed material on this lot. Marc Aubrey said that it would be. He explained that the material has to be approved after processing and then is moved to this lot. He said there will not be much stockpiling initially because the material will be used to fill and level the area. Mr. Cole asked if they plan to go in stages with the filling. Mr. Green said the first thing is to get the swale and then fill. Mr. Aubrey said the site specific plan will have all of the details. Julie Robinson asked why the berm is not all around the north side. Mr. Green and Mr. Aubrey agreed that it could be brought around.

Steve Jackson asked how long before the filling would be complete. Mr. Aubrey said they estimate four to five years. Stan Prescott asked about the wetland buffer line. Mr. Green pointed out the edge of the buffer and said the 25' section goes along the tree line. Mr. Prescott said they should be shown. He then asked about the slope from the top of the berm to the bottom. Mr. Green said it would be 2½:1. Tom Moore noted that they would be relocating the southwestern detention areas. He asked if temporary detention areas would be needed as they do the filling, with the grades changing, etc. Mr. Aubrey said the state will determine that as part of the process.

Stan Prescott asked who maintains the road. Mr. Aubrey said that Greg Fillmore takes care of the road. It was asked if the lot is in the shoreland protection area. Mr. Green said the lot is 600' from the river so is not affected.

Chairman Dow closed the hearing to the public and opened it to the Board only. The Board reviewed items to be addressed: show buffers w/explanation; Alteration of

Terrain permit; extend the berm/close up almost to lot setback. Tom Moore asked if there should be markers at the back corners. Mr. Green said he will verify them and label them on the plan. Bob Cole asked if there are gates on the lot. Mr. Aubrey said there are and they are locked; the fire department has a key in order to access the lot. Mr. Moore asked if there are lights on the lot. Mr. Aubrey stated that there are none on this lot.

Chairman Dow read a request for waiver of Section 12.4.10. Bob Cole made a motion to grant the waiver; seconded by Stan Prescott. All were in favor.

Steve Jackson made a motion to approve the application as presented conditional upon the receipt of the Alteration of Terrain permit, berm be extended to the setback, 25' and 75' wetland lines shown with explanations, and the rear corners pinned and labeled; seconded by Tom Moore. All were in favor.

Board Discussion:

Chairman Dow signed the Declaration of Revocation for the LaPadula subdivision. This will be recorded before the end of the month. The Board was reminded of the upcoming candidates' night on March 6th at 7:00 and that voting will take place on March 12th.

Tom Moore spoke about forming a sub-committee to work on the Transportation chapter of the Master Plan. Bob Cole said that he has been going to the Transportation

Advisory Committee meetings and he has found them to be a very knowledgeable, good group. Bob, Stan Prescott, and Dustin Bowles offered to work with Tom on the sub-committee. It was recommended that the fire department, police department, and highway department be involved in the update of the chapter.

There was discussion of project proposals to be submitted to CNHRPC for the State's 10-year plan. The deadline for filing the proposal form is 5:00 p.m. on Monday, February 25th. Selectman Bowles took the form and will see that it is completed and submitted.

Report of the ZBA:

There is an application for special exception to cross a wetland buffer on the agenda. Board members have reviewed the wetland buffer matter and concur with the findings of the Conservation Commission (letter and pictures in file of 59/48, #13-02).

Report of the Board of Permit:

Bob Ordway reported that there was one hawker and peddler permit signed for NHMS.

Adjournment:

Stan Prescott made a motion to adjourn at 10:05 p.m.; seconded by Tom Moore. All were in favor.

Submitted by,
Donna White
Administrative Assistant

Zoning Board of Adjustment Meeting Minutes — Feb. 28, 2013

Chairman Dave Powelson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

The following members were present: Chairman Dave Powelson, George Saunderson, and Alternates Jim Venne and Earl Tuson

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

Regular Hearing — Earl Tuson made a motion to accept the minutes of January 24, 2013 as written; seconded by Jim Venne. All were in favor.

DISCUSSION

Paul Askew — Mr. Askew said he is interested in purchasing the lot at the corner of Rtes. 129 & 106, M30, L23. He explained that he went to the building department and was referred to the planning office. He met with the Planning Board and was referred to the Zoning Board. Mr. Askew explained that he would like to remove the existing trailer from the lot and

replace it with a log home. He would like to operate an antique/craft shop out of the basement of the new home. Mr. Askew said that the current owner has kept the water, sewer, and electric operable while it has been vacant. There was discussion of the proposed use, the lot being in the C/I District, the continuation of the residential use, and possibility of having a home occupation. Jim Venne said he would not see the property as abandoned since it has been maintained. Other board members agreed. It was decided to send the matter to the Board of Permit scheduled for March 5th where it can be determined if the lot can still be used as residential and if a home occupation would work.

PUBLIC HEARING

Application #Z13-02, Claudette Burke — Special Exception for Wetland Buffer Crossing, Rural Residential District, Map

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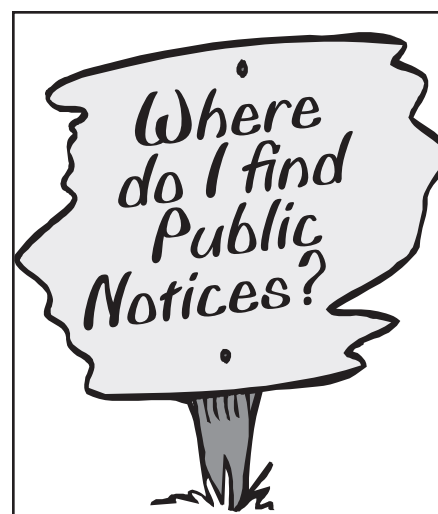
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59, Lot 48 on Greenview Drive. Abutters Alan Gray and Al Brock were present. Jeff Green of JL Green Enterprises represented the applicant.

Mr. Green explained that there is an existing woods road on the property; the road goes through the wetland buffer. He said he would like to know the Board's thoughts on if this special exception is needed since the road already exists. He stated that the Planning Board requested that it come before the ZBA. Mr. Green referred to Section 600, specifically non-conforming buildings or structures, of the Zoning Ordinance. He said he feels the road has been there prior to zoning. Mr. Green explained that the snowmobile trail and access road have been there since the '70s and he feels they meet the definition of non-conforming structure. He pointed out that there are two wetlands connected by a culvert and that this is only a buffer crossing.

Earl Tuson pointed out an area on the lot where the plan shows an angle off the end of the road, asking if that is part of the existing road or if it would be an expansion. Mr. Green stated that it is the access to the buildable area of the lot, noting that the snowmobile trail goes straight through the lot. Upon clarifying that this lot would be the result of a subdivision from the main parcel, Dave Powelson asked if the road would be graveled as part of a sub-division. Mr. Green stated that it would probably be graveled but not widened because it is an existing road, and they are not making an impact. Mr. Tuson noted that the trail is clearly marked but there is nothing noted about the road.

Chairman Powelson stated that the Board has reviewed pictures submitted by the Conservation Commission. Mr. Green showed additional pictures. He spoke about the dam being gone and the water receding, no longer breaching. He explained that there is a 2' elevation difference at this time and that the beavers are gone so the wetland should level out and maintain the lower level. He said the question is if the existing use is allowed and if the woods road would be considered a structure. Mr. Powelson said that the woods road/access to the land exists. He said he is not sure it would make a year-round driveway without seeing it. He said making a woods lot road/trail to a resi-

dential lot/driveway would require work, earth moving, shaping up, etc. George Saunderson said he would like to see the lot and asked Mr. Green if another month would be too long to wait for a decision. Mr. Green asked if that meant they are going forward with the application. Chairman Powelson spoke about the Zoning Ordinance with regard to the Wetlands Conservation District. He said he feels it is better to go through the process and have a cleaner view and response.

Earl Tuson noted that Mr. Green had brought another idea to the Planning Board. Mr. Green said that was correct but it did not go real well and there were still questions so in consideration of time he still came to the ZBA. He explained that there was concern about the contiguous buildable area since the required 1½ acres is beyond the wetland. He said the Planning Board feels he needs access to that area to consider using it toward the buildable area requirement.

Chairman Powelson stated that the Wetlands Conservation District includes the wetlands, buffer, and surface waters. Mr. Green stressed that he is not crossing wetlands; this is the buffer only. He said there is no wetland impact and no need for a wetland crossing. Mr. Powelson offered Mr. Green the option of waiting for a full five-member board for a hearing. Mr. Green said he was ready to go forward and that it was up to the ZBA. Mr. Powelson said he wants a response from the Conservation Commission specific to this application rather than their general observations as submitted to the Planning Board.

George Saunderson suggested that the Board look at the area and then discuss the application. Earl Tuson agreed. After brief discussion Chairman Powelson went through the points of the application with Mr. Green. The chairman noted that the application lists Section 301.6-1 but he feels it should be Section 301.5, special exception for a wetland buffer. Mr. Green explained that he used 301.6 because this area pertains to the buffer. He used 301.5 later in the application as it applies specifically to the request for a special exception. On point #2 Mr. Powelson asked if the grade would be raised and surface treatment might have an impact. Mr. Green explained that the only change that might be required would be to surface the road. He said there would be no width change, the elevation

would be slightly different, and whatever might be needed for material to level it out. The chairman asked if there were any questions from the Board. There were none. He asked if there were any abutters wishing to speak in favor of the application. There were none. He then asked if there were any abutters wishing to speak against the application. Alan Gray stated that he walked across the woods road this past summer and there was definitely water across the road. Al Brock said if the beaver come back in there will be the same problem. He added that if someone builds back there and the water comes back up they will have a problem. He said he is in the concrete business and he would not take his trucks out there; he was also not sure any building company would either. Mr. Brock noted that underground power is required which means creating an impact. He said the lot drops off about 9' from the road to the back area.

Dave Powelson noted that this lot is bigger than others in the area. He said he was not sure if the area is conducive to beavers. Mr. Green said beavers have definitely been there but are being removed. He said the dam has been removed by State rules and regulations in order to lower the water. Mr.

Powelson asked who owns the fire pond at the other side of the main parcel. Mr. Green explained that it goes with the road. Jim Venne said he would be concerned if the snow will go away enough to see much on a site visit. Donna informed the group that the Planning Board has a site visit scheduled for March 14th at 4:00 p.m. with an alternate date of March 19th at 4:00 p.m. It was agreed that the ZBA would plan to attend at the same time.

George Saunderson made a motion to continue the hearing to the site visit of March 14, 2013 at 4:00 p.m. and then to the meeting of March 28, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. in the Community Building; seconded by Jim Venne. All were in favor. There will be no further notification.

ADJOURNMENT

Earl Tuson made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:07 p.m.; seconded by Jim Venne. All were in favor.

*Submitted by,
Donna White
Administrative Assistant*



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	7	8 7pm•Loudon Fire Dept. 7:15pm•MVSD School Board @ Boscawen Elementary	9 10:30am•Storytime @ Library 10am•Young at Heart Meet @ Com. Bldg. 6:30pm•Selectmen's Meeting @ Com. Bldg.	10 1–3:30pm•Better Choices, Better Health™ Program @ Com. Bldg. Week 2 of 6. 2pm•Storytime @ Library 2–4pm•Art Time @ Library 6:30pm•Cub Scout Den Leaders @ Library 6:30pm•Girl Scout Volunteers @ LES 7pm•Sit 'n Stitch @ Library	11 10:30am•Storytime @ Library 6:30pm•Freedom Hill Co-op @ Library	12
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19 DEADLINE FOR THE MAY ISSUE OF THE LOUDON LEDGER	20 6pm•Potluck Supper @ Loudon Center Freewill Baptist Church followed by a concert @ 7pm	21	22 EARTH DAY	23 9–Noon•VNA Senior Health Clinic @ VOANNE 11–3•Craft Time @ Library 2:30pm•Classics Book Group and Writers Workshop @ Library 6:30pm•Selectmen's Meeting @ Com. Bldg. 6:30pm•Communications Council Annual Meeting @ LES 7pm•LYAA @ Library	24 1–3:30pm•Better Choices, Better Health™ Program @ Com. Bldg. Week 4 of 6. 2pm•Storytime @ Library 6:30pm•Recreation Com. @ Library 7pm•Sit 'n Stitch @ Library	25 2pm•Movie Time @ Library 2pm•JO Cate Van @ Van Office 7pm•Zoning Board
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