

# The Loudon Ledger

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## Meet the Transfer Station Staff



Left to right: Lance Houle, Road Agent; Bruce Lee; Dustin Bowles, Transfer Station Manager; Steve Bennett; and Ivan Stevens.

The Loudon Transfer station has seen many changes over the years.

Lance Houle oversees the Transfer Station in addition to the Highway Department. Dustin Bowles was promoted to Manager of the Transfer Station last year. Steve Bennett, who previously wore manager's hat, stepped down to a part-time position. Ivan Steven has been with us since 1995. Bruce Lee was recently hired full time.

One of the major areas of change over the years is that recycling has become routine for many of us.

As you enter the transfer station premises, you will see the areas of recycling. You will notice the metal pile on the left as you drive in (pay attention to the new rule adopted recently). On the right, you will see areas for glass and cardboard. A

general rule to remember is that the hopper should only have household trash.

There are also other segregated areas designated for items like brush, cat litter, tires, appliances, and electronics.

Please understand there are costs associated with some items.

Additional services available are:

- A household hazardous waste day for Loudon residents only in April lasting approximately 3 hours.
- Allows town residents to take sand for personal use during the winter months.

*Transfer Station — cont. on 3*

## Liberty-Tilton Highline Gas Line Project

By Cammy Nolin

*In what has felt like a never-ending cycle of construction along the Route 106 corridor, the latest project is certainly impressive in scale. Traveling by the work zones, it has been fascinating to watch the phases of construction, variety of heavy equipment, and the lush grass grow on the rolling hills of the finished landscaping. We reached out to Liberty Utilities for details about the project, which is expected to wrap up in a few weeks.*

Liberty Utilities and its construction partner, R.H. White Construction of Bow, NH, is installing approximately 30,000 linear feet of 12" welded steel gas pipe along Route 106. Known as the "Highline Line," this project will bring additional gas capacity to Liberty's northern region.

R.H. White has four excavating crews installing pipe at a combined rate of about one mile per month with two smaller crews providing support. In addition to the excavating crews, White's subcontractor, DBU Construction, is directional drilling at seven locations throughout the project. This horizontal drilling will eliminate the disruption of typical open cut excavation across wetlands, busy roads, and difficult terrain.

The project began in August of this year and the pipeline is expected to be complete by mid-December. At the height of the project, seventy-five employees and subcontractors were

*Highline Gas Line Project — cont. on 3*

## Mission Statement...

*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.*

Town of Loudon Office Hours

Selectmen’s Office

PO Box 7837 • 798-4541 • [selectmensoffice@loudonnh.org](mailto:selectmensoffice@loudonnh.org)  
*Selectmen meet Tuesday evenings at 6:00 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 • [townclerk@loudonnh.org](mailto:townclerk@loudonnh.org)  
Mon.: 8 a.m.–2 p.m. • Tues.: 3 p.m.–8:45 p.m. • Wed.–Thur.: 9 a.m.–4 p.m.

Planning/Zoning Board

PO Box 7837 • 798-4540 • [planning-zoning@loudonnh.org](mailto:planning-zoning@loudonnh.org)  
*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.: 9 a.m.–4 p.m. • Tues. 9 a.m.–4 p.m. & 5–9 p.m.

Tax Collector

PO Box 7844 • 798-4543 • [taxcollector@loudonnh.org](mailto:taxcollector@loudonnh.org)  
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.com](http://www.loudonpolice.com)  
Mon.–Thur.: 8 a.m.–4:00 p.m.

Building/Code Enforcement

PO Box 7032 • 798-5584 • 8 Cooper St., Fire Dept.  
[codeoffice@loudonfire.com](mailto:codeoffice@loudonfire.com) • Monday–Friday: 8 a.m.–4 p.m.

Fire Department: Emergencies: 911

PO Box 7032 • 798-5612 • [chief@loudonfire.com](mailto:chief@loudonfire.com)  
*To obtain a fire permit, please stop by the Fire Station at the Safety Complex on Cooper Street. Permits are available between the hours of 6 a.m. and 6 p.m. 7 days a week, unless we are out on an emergency or other Fire Department business. Permits can also be obtained online via the link on the Town’s website: [www.loudonnh.org](http://www.loudonnh.org)→Fire Department→Links→Online Fire Permit.*

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 • [selectmensoffice@loudonnh.org](mailto:selectmensoffice@loudonnh.org)  
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

783-4568 • [selectmensoffice@loudonnh.org](mailto:selectmensoffice@loudonnh.org)  
Mon.–Fri.: 7 a.m.–3:30 p.m.

Maxfield Public Library

Library Director: Deborah Gadway-Lambert • 798-5153 • [maxlib@comcast.net](mailto:maxlib@comcast.net)  
Mon.: 2–7:30 p.m. • Tues.: 10 a.m.–7:30 p.m. • Wed.: 2–7:30 p.m.  
Thurs.: 10 a.m.–7:30 p.m. • Sat.: 9 a.m.–1 p.m.  
*The Library Trustees meet at 5 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: Tuesday–Thursday by appointment only. Office hours and donations accepted: Monday–Thursday 10 a.m.–1 p.m. and 3–6 p.m. Closed Fridays.  
For more information or to see if you qualify for services, call Sue at 724-9731 or email [info@loudonfoodpantry.org](mailto:info@loudonfoodpantry.org)

Loudon Representatives

REPRESENTATIVES — U.S.

U.S. Senator     Kelly Ayotte. (603) 622-7979. [Ayotte.senate.gov](http://Ayotte.senate.gov)  
U.S. Senator     Jeanne Shaheen. (603) 647-7500. [Shaheen.senate.gov](http://Shaheen.senate.gov)  
U.S. Representative     Frank C. Guinta. (603) 641-9536. [Guinta.house.gov](http://Guinta.house.gov)  
U.S. Representative     Ann M. Kuster. (603) 226-1002. [Kuster.house.gov](http://Kuster.house.gov)

REPRESENTATIVE STATE SENATE (DISTRICT 17)

State Senator     John Reagan. (603) 463-5945.  
[john.reagan111@gmail.com](mailto:john.reagan111@gmail.com)

REPRESENTATIVES TO THE GENERAL COURT (DISTRICT 9)

State Representative     Howard M. Moffett, (603)783-4993.  
[Howard.Moffett@leg.state.nh.us](mailto:Howard.Moffett@leg.state.nh.us)  
State Representative     George L. Saunderson. (603)783-4750. [George.Saunderson@leg.state.nh.us](mailto:George.Saunderson@leg.state.nh.us)

REPRESENTATIVE TO THE GENERAL COURT (DISTRICT 26)

State Representative     Jason R. Parent. (603)387-4626.  
[Jason.Parent@leg.state.nh.us](mailto:Jason.Parent@leg.state.nh.us)

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](mailto: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. ■

ALL ADS MUST BE CAMERA READY AND PAYMENT IS DUE WHEN PICKED UP. COLOR ADS MAY BE AVAILABLE ON A FIRST-COME, FIRST-SERVED BASIS AND ARE SUBJECT TO UP-CHARGES. ADS NOT CAMERA READY WILL BE SUBJECT TO A 10% SURCHARGE.

“The Loudon Ledger” 2017 Schedule

January 2017 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 12/16 Council Meeting: Mon. 12/19

February 2017 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 1/20 Council Meeting: Mon. 1/23

March 2017 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 2/17 Council Meeting: Mon. 2/20

April 2017 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 3/17 Council Meeting: Mon. 3/20

May 2017 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 4/14 Council Meeting: Mon. 4/17

June 2017 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 5/19 Council Meeting: Mon. 5/22

July 2017 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 6/16 Council Meeting: Mon. 6/19

August 2017 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 7/21 Council Meeting: Mon. 7/24

September 2017 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 8/18 Council Meeting: Mon. 8/21

October 2017 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 9/15 Council Meeting: Mon. 9/18

November 2017 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 10/20 Council Meeting: Mon. 10/23

December 2017 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 11/17 Council Meeting: Mon. 11/20

PLAN YOUR ADVERTISING IN ADVANCE!  
TO ADVERTISE, CONTACT: Samantha French/738-0232

DISPLAY ADVERTISING RATES:

Business Card	4⅝"W x 2"H	\$35.00/issue
1/8 Page	4⅝"W x 3"H — or — 2⅜"W x 6"H	\$50.00/issue
1/4 Page	9⅜"W x 3"H — or — 4⅝"W x 6"H	\$65.00/issue
1/2 Page	9⅜"W x 6"H — or — 4⅝"W x 11¼"H	\$115.00/issue
Full Page	9⅜"W x 11¼"H	\$230.00/issue

Purchase an advertising contract for the entire year  
and SAVE 10% plus your ad will appear on the web site!

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Web Site and Article Submissions: Kathy Pitman — [Loudonwebmaster@comcast.net](mailto:Loudonwebmaster@comcast.net)



# Where to Worship in Loudon

**Faith Community Bible Church**

*Joshua Owens, Senior Pastor • Pat Testerman, Associate Pastor*  
334 North Village Road, Loudon, NH 03307 • 783-4045 • www.fcbcnh.org  
Office Hours: Mon.–Thurs. 9 a.m.–2 p.m.  
*Sunday Worship Hours:* 8 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. (Nursery provided.)  
*Sunday School:* 9:30 a.m. for all ages  
*Youth Group for Grades 6–12:* Sundays 6:00 p.m.  
*Bible Study:* Thurs. 9:30 a.m. (3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month, meets at noon)  
FCBC also has ministries for Men, Women, and Seniors.



**Family Bible Church**

*“Where Everybody is Somebody and You Can Find Hope”*  
*Steve Ludwick, Lead Pastor*  
676 Loudon Ridge Rd., PO Box 7858, Loudon, NH, 03307 • 267-7577 or 267-8066  
www.familybiblechurchofloudon.org • Email: PastorSteve@familybiblechurchofloudon.org  
*Pre-Service Prayer Time:* Sunday 9–9:45 a.m.  
*Sunday Worship:* 10:00 a.m. A blend of hymns and contemporary songs.  
Fellowship time provided following the morning service.  
*Monday Evening:* Men’s Fellowship and Prayer Time 7–8:45 p.m.  
*Tuesday Morning:* Ladies’ Bible Study Group 9:30 a.m.  
*Home Life Groups:* *Wednesday Morning* — Senior Ladies Group  
*Other adult groups meet on Wednesday and Friday evenings:* call or email for details  
*FREE Monthly Community Dinners:* 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of every month, 4:30–6:30 p.m.



**Landmark Baptist Church**

Independent, Biblical, Caring  
*Pastor Paul J. Clow*  
103 Chichester Road, Loudon, NH 03307 • 798-3818 • www.landmarkbaptistchurchnh.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!*



**Loudon Center Freewill Baptist Church**

*Rev. Shirley Marcoft, Interim Minister*  
433 Clough Hill Road. Mailing address: P.O. Box 7852, Loudon, NH 03307  
*Member of the American Baptist Churches of VT/NH (Lakes Area Association)*  
*Sunday Worship Service:* 9:30 a.m.  
For information on upcoming events, please contact Gayle Doyle, Clerk at 603-435-0496 or email: gad022948@gmail.com. For other information, call Henry A. Welch, Head Trustee at 603-435-6510 (please leave a message if no answer).



**Loudon Congregational Church**

*Rev. Moe Cornier*  
7018 Church Street, PO Box 7034, Loudon, NH 03307 • 783-9478 • www.loudoncongregational.org  
*Sunday Worship:* 9:30 a.m. followed by Fellowship Time  
*Loudon Congregational is a member church of the*  
*Conservative Congregational Christian Conference (www.cccusa.org).*



**New Beginnings Church of the Nazarene**

*Rev. Joshua T. Johnson, Lead Pastor*  
*Rev. Dallas Tharp, Intergenerational Discipleship Pastor*  
*Rev. Mike Matthews, Visitation Pastor*  
33 Staniels Rd, Loudon NH 03307 • Ph: 224-1311 • Office Hours: 9–3, Tues.–Fri.  
office.LNBnazarene@gmail.com • www.LNBnazarene.org  
***Sundays: No Sunday School in December. Adult Bible Studies:*** 9:15 a.m.  
*Worship:* 10:30 a.m. (Childcare provided for Infants–3-year-olds.) *Jr. Kids Church* (3-year-olds–Kindergarteners.)  
*Children’s Church* (Grades 1–5)  
***Second Tuesdays:*** *OASIS Potluck Luncheon* (for folks 50+): 11 a.m.–1 p.m.  
***Wednesdays:*** *Teen Bible Quizzing Practice:* 5:30 p.m. (for monthly Quiz Meets)  
*Games, Food & Fellowship for Everyone:* 6:30–7:00 p.m.  
*Youth Groups* (Grades 6–8 and 9–12): 7–8 p.m.  
*Adult Bible Studies and Kids Time* (PreK–Grade 5). 7–8 p.m.



To have your Church’s information added to this column, please email your information to [debbie@debbiekgraphics.com](mailto:debbie@debbiekgraphics.com)

## CHURCH NEWS

### New Beginnings Church of the Nazarene

A holiday musical for the entire community will be presented by New Beginnings Church of the Nazarene, “The Christmas Window,” Saturday, December 17, 4:00 p.m. (snow/storm date: Sunday, December 18.).

There is limited seating for this free event; so, call the church office to reserve your seats: 603-224-1311.

A storefront window is bustling with activity as workers are decorating it with toys for Christmas. The toys, which come to life when people are not present, are upset because they feel the Nativity Set will spoil the beauty of their window. The toys said, “What can this dusty, old baby Jesus do?”

This is an original production by Playwright and Director Priscilla Loring. She shares: “I’ve never grown away from the charm of fantasy. So choosing fantasy to illustrate the solid truth of the birth and death of Jesus Christ was a natural for me. ‘The Christmas Window’ was originally written in 1989, but has evolved through the years, due to the varied personalities (both young and not so young) of the performers.”

The “toys” in the play have always chosen just what kind of toy they would represent. So, if you enjoy the childlike joy during the Christmas season, but hunger for the depth of its true meaning, then please come and peer into Global’s Department Store window to see what the toys do when the long-forgotten nativity set is put into their window.” After the performance, there will be cookies and drinks; plan to stay and talk with “the Toys” and other characters.

New Beginnings Church is located at 33 Staniels Road just off Route 106 (at the traffic light near Z-1 Express.) Our buildings are accessible for the mobility impaired. ■

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### Transfer Station — continued from page 1

The Transfer Station is open for town residents only. The annual cost for a sticker for your vehicle is \$4.00 (per vehicle). See the attendant for help or questions.

Phone: 783-0170

Hours: WINTER. Tues. & Thurs. 9 a.m.–5 p.m.; Saturdays 8 a.m.–5 p.m.

SUMMER. Tues. & Thurs. 11 a.m.–7 p.m.; Saturdays 8 a.m.–5 p.m.

### LANCE HOULE, ROAD AGENT

We published Lance’s biography when the Highway Department was featured in *The Loudon Ledger*.

### DUSTIN BOWLES, TRANSFER STATION MANAGER

Employed since 2009. I have lived in Loudon most of my life. I worked part-time at the Transfer Station from 2009 until 2015 and then was hired full time as the Transfer Station Manager. I enjoy working with the residents and getting to know new people as they move into town as well as the many other people as well.

### BRUCE LEE

Hired full-time 2016

### IVAN STEVENS

I retired from NH D.O.T. in June 1995. I took a few months off and then started working at the Transfer Station part-time in 1995. I am married and have a son Mark who also works for the Town of Loudon.

### STEVE BENNETT

I worked most of my life in the motorcycle business as a mechanic, parts manager, and service manager. I was hired by Greg Bowen at the Transfer Station as an attendant in 2003. I later became the “dump” manager and worked for Road Agent Dave Rice for many years until I retired from full time employment in 2015. I’m still employed part-time at the Transfer Station. ■

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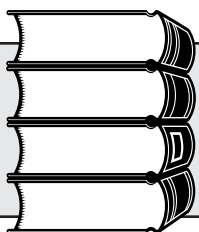
### Highline Gas Line Project — continued from page 1

working hard to meet the construction deadline while keeping traffic flowing without disruption, installing loam and seed as the project was progressing, and concentrating on the safety of all the crew members.

Here are a few statistics regarding the project:

- 75 personnel work on the site
- 15 miscellaneous pieces of equipment to support the operation
- 10 excavators working for trench excavation
- 8 welders to weld the pipe — some coming from as far away as Texas and North Dakota
- 8 dump trucks for transporting material in and out
- 5 loaders for backfilling of the trenches
- 2 directional drilling machines
- and more than 700 welds will be made, all of which will be inspected by x-ray

The new pipeline will have the capacity to transport 1.5 million SCFH (standard cubic feet per hour) of natural gas, approximately thirty times the current capacity. This increased capacity will satisfy new demand from local businesses as well as future growth in Loudon. ■



## Maxfield Public Library News



*There's always lots of fun at Craft Time after Story Time.*

### Generous Donation

The library would like to thank Gale Hall for her generous donation of children's books. The gesture was greatly appreciated and the children of Loudon will be thrilled with the new titles added to the shelves. Thank you!

### Trick or Treat

A big thank you goes out to Loudon's finest — the Loudon Police Department, the Loudon Fire Department, and the ladies at the Town Offices — for making our story time trick or treat so successful. The children love this annual event and they look forward to it every year. Thank you!

### Story Time

December 6, 7, and 8 story time will learn how animals get ready for winter by listening to *The Busy Little Squirrel* by Nancy Tafuri and *Little One* by Jo Weaver. Story timers will make a cozy den for a hibernating bear.

December 13, 14, and 15 the children might get hungry after hearing Monica Wellington's story of *Mr. Cookie Baker* and Kristin Kladstrup's *Gingerbread Pirates*. You might need to bring your apron to craft time as we will be decorating gingerbread men.

December 20 and 21 we will be celebrating Christmas! We will begin the story time hour by reading *What the Little Fir Tree Wore to the Christmas Party* by Satomi Ichikawa and *The Night Before Christmas* (a poem by Clement Moore) by Jan Brett. The children will use their imagination to make Santa ornaments from paint brushes. Story timers are invited to stay a bit longer for a holiday celebration. Please bring a goodie to share and the library will provide juice.

December 22 the children are invited to drop-in during the hours of 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. to make reindeer food and cards for Santa.

### School Vacation Week

If your children are looking for something to do during school vacation, why not bring them to the library?

Tuesday, December 27 is movie day! Join us at 11 a.m. for a PG movie; juice and popcorn provided. Call the library to see what's playing.

Wednesday, December 28 is Lego afternoon! Join us any time from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. and use your engineering skills to build a project.

Thursday, December 29 is craft day! Join us any time from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. for a drop-in craft.

*\*Please remember, children under the age of eleven may not be dropped off, a parent or guardian must accompany them at the library.*

### Snow Policy For Story Time

Story Time will follow the Merrimack Valley School District with closings and delays. If school is cancelled for the day, there will be NO story time that day. If school has a delayed opening on Tuesday or Thursday, story time will start at 11:00 a.m. A delayed opening on Wednesday, does NOT affect story time.

You can check for delays or cancellations on Channel 9, the WMUR website, or you can call the library at 798-5153.

### Yoga

The library offers yoga classes on Mondays and Thursdays at 6 p.m., and Tuesdays at 1 p.m. Low-impact chair yoga is offered Tuesdays at 9 a.m. and Thursdays at 11 a.m. The cost per session is \$5.00.

### Meditation

Fran Nash provides a meditation class on the first Wednesday of every month. Feel free to drop in December 7 at 6 p.m. for the next class. Please bring a blanket and a mat or a towel with you. The cost for the class is \$5.00.

### Tuesday Adult Matinee

Join us Tuesday, December 13 at 2:30 p.m. for a fun family film. A feisty foster kid's outrageous scheme to be reunited with her birth mother has unintended consequences, an entertaining film for the entire family (Amazon review).

### Spiritual Living Discussion Group

This group will meet Tuesday, December 13 at 6 p.m. We are still on the Law of Attraction subject and focusing on removing doubt. Remember to bring in a positive story from the news to share.



*Birds were the subject at this Story Time.*

### Restorative Yoga Class

After working so hard for everyone else over Christmas, it is time for Fran's Restorative Yoga Class on Tuesday, December 27 at 6 p.m. to refresh yourself for the New Year. The cost per session is \$5.00.

### Book Group

There is no book group in December. The next book group is Thursday, January 26 at 7 p.m. Please call the library for more information.

### Holiday Hours

The library will be closed Saturday, December 24 through Monday, December 26 for Christmas and Saturday, December 31 for New Year's Eve.

### Library Hours

Mondays and Wednesdays	2-7:30 p.m.
Tuesdays and Thursdays	10 a.m.-7:30 p.m.
Saturdays	9 a.m.-1 p.m. ■



*Liz Barbour treated everyone to Thanksgiving cooking ideas.*



# Loudon Sets A Record on Election Day!

By Sharon Drake, Town Moderator. Photos by Bobby Fiske, Selectman.



Thank you to all who came out to vote on Election Day, November 8th. We had a record number of voters totaling 3,362 (which includes absentee and military voters). The only major line of waiting was first thing in the morning when the polls opened. We had about 185 people waiting at 8 a.m. and all were through within 20 minutes! Many thanks to everyone who worked the polls — it is a long day with very few breaks — we couldn't do this day successfully without your help. Also

thanks to the Loudon Fire Department for hosting us, the Loudon Police Department for fulltime duty, and all the town crew for set up and tear down of all the booths and tables. This was truly a community event! Our last thanks to all you of our Loudon residents. We listened to the issues and made corrections to set up and flow. You all made this day easy for those of us working it! What a great town we live in! ■

## Tips to Protect Your Identity

Provided by Bank of New Hampshire

October was National Cybersecurity Awareness Month. Even though that was two months ago, the tips contained here are important at any time.

Identity theft continues to be one of the fastest growing crimes in America. According to the Bureau of Justice Statistics, an estimated 17.6 million U.S. residents were victims of identity theft in 2014, up from 16.6 million victims in 2012. Bank of New Hampshire is offering eight tips to help consumers protect their personal information from identity thieves.

"Cybercriminals are becoming more and more sophisticated and are using every tactic imaginable to carry out their offenses," said Lee Beachy, Privacy Officer for Bank of New Hampshire. "It is extremely important that individuals create barriers to their personal information by enabling passcode locks on their smartphones and activating malware protection software on their computers."

In honor of National Cybersecurity Awareness Month, Bank of New Hampshire offers the following tips to help consumers protect themselves from becoming a victim of identity theft:

- **Don't share your secrets.** Don't provide your Social Security number or account information to anyone who contacts you online or over the phone. Protect your PINs and passwords and do not share them with anyone. Use a combination of letters and numbers for your passwords and change them periodically. Do not reveal sensitive or personal information on social networking sites.
- **Shred sensitive papers.** Shred receipts, banks statements and unused credit card offers before throwing them away.
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- **Report any suspected fraud to your bank immediately.**

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*Editor's Note: During your holiday shopping, it is important to guard your information. It's easy to lose track of your credit card or to turn your back for just a moment. Scam artists are everywhere and are counting on you to get distracted in the rush. If you suspect any kind of fraud, contact your bank and credit card companies immediately. ■*



## Maxfield Public Library Passes!

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



# New Town Office Building Project Update

*By Bobby Fiske, Selectman*

The Town Office project continues to make progress! Since the report last month, the following has been accomplished:

- First floor framed with partitions
- Electric is currently being run underground to building
- Parking lot drainage is in

The following is on the schedule for the week of November 21:

- Second floor system will be started
- Roof trusses arriving

We will continue to give monthly progress reports. ■





## Cub Scout Pack 247 Exceeds Goal!

From Carol Ann Stevens

Cub Scout Pack 247 collected food for the “Scouting for Food” drive November 12th. Thank you to everyone who donated items this year. It enabled the Pack and Troop to exceed their goal of 1,500 items. The Scouts — and the food pantries in New Hampshire — appreciate everyone’s support. ■



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## Outstanding Loudon Students



### Aurora York Wins Veterans Day Essay Contest

Twelve-year-old Aurora York from Loudon won the Seventh Grade Veterans Day Essay contest and gave the speech at MVMS on November 9th.

Printed here is her speech and a picture of her with her father Daniel York, Jr. and her great grandfather Ronald Moore.

Dan started his military career right after graduating from MVHS in 2002. He started in the Air Force and then continued in the Navy Reserve, where he still serves today. Ronald was in the Korean War, and served in the Navy from 1951–1955 onboard the *USS Robert H. McCard* #822.

#### "I Understand"

By Aurora York

I can't begin to understand. Understand what these brave men and women have been through. Understand the sacrifices they have made. The things they have seen. I can listen to stories. I can listen to sad veteran's tributes. I can weep when I hear them play taps. I can and I do. I want to thank-you. I want to thank-you because I know your sacrifices are often taken for granted. Thank-you. Thank-you for your sacrifices. Your bravery. Your strength. Thank-you.

Sacrifices are not things we make often. They are special things that are meaningful beyond words. I know that millions upon millions of sacrifices have been made for this country, and that includes lives. I know that veterans have made the choice to part with so many things that I would never give away. Family. Friends. A full night's sleep. Pleasant dreams. Clean clothes. They willingly stood up when no one else did and fought in America's darkest hours. For the sake of America. Because it was the right thing to do. For their families. For their friends. For people they didn't even know existed. Some lost friends for you. Some lost arms. Some lost legs. Some laid down their lives. All for you. Just so you could live your life without worry.

Bravery. To me, bravery isn't just being courageous. It is not being hesitant or selfish. Veterans aren't hesitant to throw themselves in harm's way for you, but they would do it in a heartbeat. These selfless people had no idea if they were going to survive until tomorrow. Yet they still fought. These men and women are so brave! I am amazed, because I know I would never be able to do something as brave as they do. This is why we should honor these brave men and women who have insane amounts of courage.

My dad is my hero. He is an Air Force veteran. He continues to serve this country in the Navy, but because he has seen so many horrible things while serving, he suffers from Post Traumatic Stress Disorder, Depression, and Anxiety. My dad is the strongest person I know, because he deals with panic attacks, flashbacks, nightmares, and some days, he can't even get out of bed. He deals with this, helps me with my homework, plays soccer with me, and still lets me know every day that he loves me. Veterans are some of the strongest people you will meet, despite what you might think. I have watched my dad struggle all these years — with panic attacks and depression — and still he goes about daily activities with a smile on his face. I may never know what it feels like to have a flashback of one of the most horrible moments in my life, and still continue on anyways, but I do know I would never even want to go through that. Who would?

You and I may never fully know what these veterans have experienced. Mentally. Physically. But we can continue to thank them over and over, to let them know that they didn't fight for nothing. That their sacrifices aren't taken for granted. That we know how brave they are. How strong they are. And how we are forever thankful to them. I've said it once, and I'll say it again. Thank-you veterans. Thank-you for everything. We honor you. ■

### Warren Bartlett Finishes With Personal Best Time

On Saturday, October 29, 2016 Warren Bartlett of Loudon finished in third place, and the Plymouth State University men's cross country team captured a fourth place finish at the Little East Conference championships. Bartlett's time on the UMass-Dartmouth course was a personal best at 25:27. ■



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# Good News From Loudon Elementary School

## Upcoming Events

- 12/3 PTA Santa's Breakfast
- 12/5–12/9 Hour of Code Event
- 12/12 MVSD School Board Meeting
- 12/19 Holiday Sing-along
- 12/22 Holiday Vacation



## Making Strides Event

On Monday, October 24th, the LES community participated in this annual event organized by Ms. Staples. In preparing for this day, students and staff focused on the theme of kindness. All LES students wrote a message of kindness on a pink paper t-shirt that was used to create a bulletin board display.

Thank you to Mr. Chuck Houston for painting a pink ribbon on our soccer field for this special activity!



## Halloween Parade

LES students participated in the annual Halloween Parade on the holiday. Staff joined in the fun. Family, friends, and community members lined the parade route!



## Veterans' Day

On November 9th, we gathered as a community to honor the men and women who served in our nation's armed forces. Student Council members and their advisors, Mrs. Painchaud and Mrs. Keaton, worked to organize this moving assembly. Our guest speaker, Chaplain Clark from the NH Veterans Home, shared his experiences as a veteran with students. Fourth and Fifth graders performed patriotic songs and K-3 made and distributed cards and flowers to local veterans in attendance. Student Council members read *America's White Table* and shared the purpose of Veteran's Day.



## Annual Turkey Trot

On November 18th, friends and fowl gathered to celebrate our students' efforts to collect donations for the Loudon Food Pantry. Students chased their favorite turkey and a pesky chef down the road behind the school. This tradition is a fall highlight and is organized by Ms. Sue Staples, Physical Education teacher.

**The Deadline for the January 2017  
Loudon Ledger is Friday, Dec. 16, 2016.**

### Advertisers, Take Note:

Help our readers beat the Winter Blues! We'd like to run a page of ads devoted to Home Parties. If you sell Tupperware, Thirty-One, Mary Kay, etc. contact Janice Morin (janice.morin06@comcast.net or 798-5521) or Samantha French (738-0232) to place an ad on this page.

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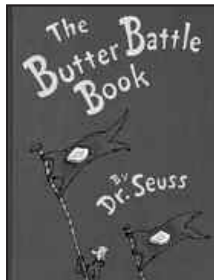
## Between the Covers: Lessons in Compassion and Empathy

By Kate Dockham

No matter which side of the political aisle you sit on, I believe we can all agree that our latest political season was contentious. While we could all use a deep breath and a step back, some of our youngest citizens might need more. A conversation to reassure, a role model to look up to, an activity to help others or perhaps a story to show them people caring for those different from themselves. The following books — long-loved treasures and new adventures to explore — all show great examples of empathy.



Dr. Seuss has been around teaching us lessons of life for a long time. *The Sneetches* and *The Butter Battle Book* teach lessons in Seuss's recognizable prose and exhilarating imagination. In *The Sneetches*, some Sneetches have stars on their bellies and some do not. When the Star-Bellied Sneetches and the Plain-Bellied Sneetches treat one another disrespectfully, it can give a great platform for teaching about the dangers

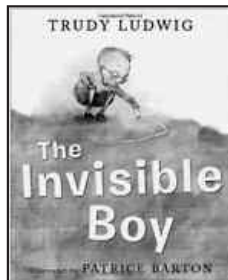


of prejudice. *The Butter Battle Book* is a cautionary tale about respecting differences. The Yooks and the Zooks share a love of buttered bread. Unfortunately, the two groups butter their bread differently and an argument ensues and grows out of control quickly. The rhyming text of both books is an ideal way to teach young children about issues of tolerance and respect.



Loren Long published his first book about lovable Otis the tractor in 2009. *Otis and the Scarecrow* introduces Scarecrow to the farm. Scarecrow is quiet and has a frown that never leaves his face. On a rainy fall day, Otis and the animals of the farm play quiet game together. In a story about acts of compassion and standing up for others, Otis can't help but watch and wonder about the lonely figure in the cornfield.

Brian feels invisible in his life. No one thinks to include him in their group, game or birthday parties. When Justin, a new boy, shows up at school some kids laugh at him, but Brian tries to make him feel welcome. The next day Justin and Brian work together on a project. With a friend and some newly-found confidence Brian finds a way to let his talents show. *The Invisible Boy* was written by Trudy Ludwig but it is the illustrations of Patrice Barton that make this book amazing! When we first meet Brian, he is drawn in black and white. Color is added to the character of Brian as his feelings of invisibility decrease until the end of the book, when he is completely visible.



There are other great picture books to help teach compassion and empathy to our youngest citizens. *Hey Little Ant* was originally a song written by Phillip and Hannah Hoose. In both the song and book a conversation occurs between the boy wanting to squish an ant and the ant he wants to squish. *A Bear Feels Sick* and *A Sick Day for Amos McGee* tells of others taking care of someone who is not feeling well.



Picture books are an easy way to show compassion, but the stories written for readers of chapter books are powerful. *Wonder* by P.J. Palacio is so powerful it was a *New York Times* best-seller, the movie adaptation is coming out in April, and the book inspired the Choose Kind movement. August "Auggie" Pullman has a deformed face. So badly deformed he has never attended a mainstream school, until now. Auggie is starting 5th grade at Beecher Prep and just wants to be a normal kid. Unfortunately, many students at Beecher cannot get past his extraordinary face. Palacio begins *Wonder* from Auggie's point of view and then masterfully switches to the perspectives of classmates, Auggie's sister, her boyfriend, and others. All of these views come together to show a community's struggle with compassion and acceptance.

*El Deafo*, the 2016 Great Stone Face Award winner, tells a similar tale. Written in a graphic novel format — for us older folks a graphic novel is a novel written in comic book form — this tells the story of author Cece Bell's childhood. In kindergarten, Cece went to school with other deaf children, but in changing schools for first grade she was the only deaf student. To help her in class, Cece wears a bulky hearing aid strapped to her chest. Just one more thing to make her different. After some ups and downs, Cece learns to harness the "superpowers" of her

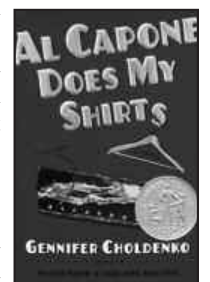


hearing aid. Using her new-found powers, Cece finds her place in the world and the true friend she always wanted.



It has been said, "Everybody is smart in different ways. But if you judge a fish by its ability to climb a tree, it will live its life believing it is stupid." That is the premise behind Lynda Mullaly Hunt's *Fish in a Tree*. Ally knows how to play the game. She is able to hide her inability to read from every new teacher she has and every new school she attends — until sixth grade, when she meets Mr. Daniels. He sees the bright, creative student underneath her disruptive distractions. Mr. Daniels helps Ally see that her dyslexia is nothing to be ashamed of. As she begins to cope with her learning challenges, she discovers there is a lot more to who she is than a label. And the same goes for those around her.

Gennifer Choldenko has written three historical novels set in 1935 on Alcatraz Island. In *Al Capone Does My Shirts*, Moose Flanagan's father takes a job as an electrician on Alcatraz Island and moves the family out there. No one is sure about living on an island with a prison filled with the most notorious criminals, but hopefully it will be the best for Natalie, Moose's sister. Natalie is autistic in a time when very few people know anything about the condition. Mr. and Mrs. Flanagan hope their new home will help to get Natalie into a special school in San Francisco. Moose and the other children who live on the island share adventures and mishaps, sometimes intertwined with the prison's most famous inmate, Al Capone. This story about family, friends, and a unique living situation, punctuated with the struggles of living with an autistic child, is told with humor and compassion.



Another story told with great skill is Sharon Draper's *Out of My Mind*. Melody has cerebral palsy. She cannot walk or talk. Melody has a photographic memory. She can remember every detail of everything she has ever experienced. At 11 years old, Melody is smarter than most of her classmates and the adults that surround her. She is seen as mentally challenged because she cannot tell people otherwise. Her family sets her up with a computer and Melody finally "talks" by tapping on a special keyboard. As the school, teachers, and students begin to see her contributions to class, she helps the group make it to the national quiz team finals. But somehow Melody misses the finals, and she is devastated by her classmates' actions that caused it. Melody is gutsy and honest. She has a compelling story that speaks volumes and reveals the quiet strength and fortitude it takes to overcome disabilities and the misconceptions that go with them.

There are a great many books for tweens and teens to help show the importance of all individuals, those we are like and those we are not like. *Rules* by Cynthia Lord is told from the point of view of teenage sibling to an autistic child; *Freak the Mighty* by NH author Rodman Philbrick is the story of two boys, a slow learner stuck in the body of a teenage giant and a tiny Einstein in leg braces, who find friendship as they pair up to create one formidable human force; Harper Lee's great novel, *To Kill a Mockingbird*, teaches of prejudice and of doing what is right no matter the cost.

These fifteen books are the tip of the iceberg when looking for something to help show our children how to be the good in our world. Make them available to your children. Read them to or with your children. Let them start a conversation. Show the next generation that there is good and compassion in the world and we can all be a part of it. Until next time...keep turning those pages. ■

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Public  
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**Notices for all Public Meetings are posted at the following sites:**

- Town Office
- Maxfield Public Library
- Beanstalk Store
- USPS
- Transfer Station
- Web Site



## The Loudon Recycling Committee Needs You!

Now is the time to join the Loudon Recycling Committee. We strive to promote the importance of recycling and composting. Contact us on our Facebook page or email [loudonrecycles@comcast.net](mailto:loudonrecycles@comcast.net)

- We meet only once a month, usually in the evening
- Dates and times are flexible for everyone's busy schedule
- We meet at either the Town Hall or the Maxfield Public Library
- We maintain a Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/Loudonrecycling-committee/>
- Publish information in the *Loudon Ledger*

### Highlights of 2016

- New Recycling T-Shirts!
- Hosted a Composting Seminar!
- Spoke to Cub Scout Pack 247 about recycling!
- Toured the recycling and trash departments at the NH Motor Speedway
- And played with kids using toys made from recycled items at Loudon's Old Home Day! ■



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# IT WAS A DARK AND STORMY NIGHT...

*Written By Cammy Nolin. Photographs by Andrea Hart.*

If you missed the signs all over town, the annual Halloween party to benefit the Loudon Food Pantry took place on Friday, October 21. The night was indeed nothing short of dark and stormy, but we welcomed nearly 150 kids who braved the downpours to support the pantry and have loads of fun. We loved all the awesome and creative costumes and invite you to check out even more pictures of the night on our Facebook page, Loudon's Annual Halloween Party. Highlights of the party this year included Houdana, who amazed the crowds with his mind-bending magic, artist and face painter Damon, many new games, a photo station, haunted house, scavenger hunt, craft table, and a spooky soundtrack perfect for doing the Monster Mash.

While the number of food items collected was lower than in years past, the option of paying a modest admission seemed popular, and those funds — along with concession and prize ticket purchases — give the Loudon Food Pantry the option of buying items they need most.

We are grateful for our community's support of the Pantry as they serve families in need. And we are especially thankful to the more than 55 volunteers who came to help set up decorations, supplies, and activities; run games; move equipment; take pictures; sell snacks; run the prize and craft tables; play music; and tear down, pack up, and move food and equipment back to the Pantry. Without the help of these teens, families, and service organizations, we couldn't have made it happen. Lastly, over 22 businesses in Loudon and Concord supported the effort by underwriting the costs of the event, helping to pay for decorations, supplies, concession items, new games, equipment rental, and candy and prizes. Thank you, all, and we hope to see you next year! ■



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Open House-Tree lighting Ceremony

When: Sunday, December 11<sup>th</sup>

Time: 3:00 PM-4:00 PM

Where: 29 South Village Road

Join us for some hot chocolate, cookies and caroling

Tree to be lit at 4:00



## Richard Brown House News

November has been a mixed month at Richard Brown House. Everyone was saddened by the passing of the eldest resident, Nellie Riel, at 101 years of age. It is always hard when bereavement comes around the holiday times. In the middle of the month we had an excellent presentation from Nicole Von Dette, of the Alzheimer's Association, NH and MA Chapter. She presented *The Basics* and also took time to discuss changes in communication and behavior that can accompany the onset of dementia and how best to respond to them. Given that 1 in 8 people over 65 and 1 in 3 over 85 years of age will develop some kind of dementia, and Alzheimer's is the most common, the talk was very relevant in an aging state. The Alzheimer's Association website is comprehensive and full of information too.

The next day several residents hosted the entire 5th grade class from Loudon Elementary School, who came to visit as part of their civics curriculum. Teachers and staff, Brandon Rayment, Becky Herrmann of the Community Service Club, and Bonnie Painchaud from the Student Council and 50 students walked with police escort down S. Village Road and then enjoyed several games of bingo with bingo snacks. Richard Brown House bingo caller Ron Corliss showed the visitors the old bingo machine that had been donated by the Legion. Some students stayed back to help clear up. It was great fun for all involved.

There will be several events during December, including a CRVNA presentation about Grief and the Holidays (Wednesday, December 7 at 10:00 a.m.) and musical treats at weekends (the Home Folks on Saturday, December 10 at 3:00 p.m. and later in the month the Bellringers from Faith Community Bible church will come). Loudon residents are welcome at any of these events. Any questions, please contact Volunteers of America manager Lucie Bilodeau or resident service coordinator Lois Scribner, 798 3190. ■



*Clockwise from top left: Fifth-graders play bingo; Ron Corliss calls the numbers for the bingo players; Nicole Von Dette, Alzheimer's Assn, presents information about dementia to residents.*



## Loudon Police Department News

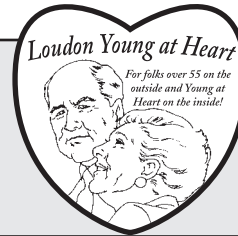
From all of the members of the Loudon Police Department, we wish you a happy, healthy, and safe holiday season!

We continue to repeat the message to plan ahead for the upcoming parties and gatherings. PLEASE use common sense when planning to host or attend these gatherings. Do not let one wrong decision to get behind the wheel after drinking destroy precious lives. Don't drink and drive. Loudon Police plans to be out with extra patrols to deter drinking and driving. Plan ahead and utilize a designated driver and PLEASE buckle up.

Inclement weather is upon us. Along with the above message, we continue to remind you to SLOW down. You must be travelling at a reasonable and prudent speed under the conditions — not necessarily the posted speed limit.

We still receive regular calls regarding scams. The prevalent ones currently in our area are from the I.R.S., computer support, and electricity suppliers. We urge you not to give out pertinent, personal information to anyone calling you or stopping at your house. When in doubt, call the company's direct number (not the phone number the caller gives you) or call LPD direct.

Again, we thank the residents for their continued support of the Loudon Police Department and from all members of the Loudon Police Department, Happy Holidays! ■



## Loudon Young at Heart

*By Maureen Prescott*

Members of the Young at Heart met on Tuesday, November 15th at Charlie's Barn for their monthly meeting. President Letty Barton began the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and acknowledged all who have served in the military.

Avid diver and history buff Hans Hug, Jr. presented a program titled "What Lies Beneath Winnepesaukee." Mr. Hug of Exeter has dived all over the lake in search of artifacts, shipwrecks, and much more. His source of information comes using old maps, photographs, historical research, and high tech side scan sonar. He is able to identify some of the causes of shipwrecks such as explosions, fires, bad weather, acts of war, and insurance fraud. He has also discovered airplanes, submarines, vehicles, and bikes. Mr. Hug's presentation was fantastic and very informative for all that attended.

The members enjoyed a CAP lunch while visiting with one another and several door prizes were handed out.

The next meeting of the Young at Heart is the Christmas party and will be held on Tuesday, December 6. This meeting will be held one week earlier than usual due to the availability of Bill Parker, "One Man Band," who will be the entertainment for the party. Those of you planning to attend come dressed in your holiday attire and ready to sing all the favorite Christmas Carols. Remember to bring either a casserole or a dessert and donations for the food pantry.

Until then, stay healthy and warm.

See you there!!

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# News From American Legion Post 88

By Commander Shawn Jones



Dear Legionnaires,

At our October meeting we had 15 members present. Gary Tasker reported he had gotten an estimate of approximately \$1,000.00 to install an exterior light on the back side of the building facing the parking lot. Members thought this was too much and want to explore other options. I reported the phone line is now working. Our number is the same as the old one: 603-798-5875. Our website is still being worked on by Gary's grandson, Alex, and we have an email address of [nhpost88@gmail.com](mailto:nhpost88@gmail.com). I have received emails at this address as word of it gets out.

The solar flagpole light was installed. I volunteered to look at our options of flag size to put on the pole, 3x5 or 5x8. Ken Ward and myself would be looking at having Ken make curtains for our windows.

Jim Timmins, via an email, requested the post look into water quality testing. Building Committee member Stan Prescott volunteered to have NH DES test our water for a fee. Stan was also going to look at refrigerator options.

The Chichester Grange sent a letter to the post and asked us if we would once again make a donation to help purchase dictionaries for Loudon Elementary School students. We voted to donate half the cost of \$122.20 with the Loudon Lions Club picking up the other half of the cost. We partnered last year with the Lions to take over buying the dictionaries since the Grange's resources are very limited.

We also voted to make a donation of \$250.00 to the Loudon Food Pantry. Historian Mike Moffett will deliver the check.

Cub Scout Pack 247 with leader Dave Zarges started meeting at our post on every other Monday. Boy Scout Pack 247 with leader John Decato will start meeting at the post every other Thursday starting in November.

Fifteen members attended the November meeting. Under old business we had the following updates. Stan reported that the water tested normal and is safe to drink. Stan and I purchased and installed a new refrigerator we bought on sale at Lowe's. Thanks to Stan for his legwork on finding us a reasonably-priced unit. Stan

also provided information on an outside LED sensor security light that he has experience with. For the cost of approximately \$109.00 we agreed I would find the light fixture at Home Depot and purchase it. Ken Ward has made some real nice curtains for our windows. He hung them on the night of our meeting. The only thing left to do is to add on the military branch patches once that order comes in. Thanks, Ken, for your time in making the great looking curtains.

After checking with the town's Zoning Board to see if there were any restrictions on flag size, I raised a 3x5 American flag up on the pole. In the past week's high wind, Stan and I observed some leaning of the new fiberglass pole so we have decided to stay with the current smaller flag size and I would look into adding a POW/MIA flag to the pole. Any larger size flags would cause the pole to flex even more.

I gave a brief update on our post rental agreement. I had found the old one we once used and will use this as a template for writing up a new one. After I have gathered some more information of outside hall rentals, I will come back with a draft proposal of what we can expect to rent the hall out for. We discussed a two-tier rental price depending on if the kitchen appliances will be used for cooking and cleaning.

Under new business, two motions were made and passed to donate another \$250.00 to the Loudon Food Pantry and \$500.00 to the NH Veteran's Home. Second Vice Commander James Small will make the check presentations in December.

We welcome new member Ron Scovil to our post, Ron has transferred from Post 200 to ours. The latest membership total from the Department of NH is 87%. Our numbers are a little higher than that since some recent renewals and transfers have not caught up to the Department yet. I will be sending out a dozen or so post cards to remind those members that we are counting on their continued support for 2017 as we try to achieve 100 percent membership by the end of December.

I let membership know about the new 100th Centennial coins and clothing that are for sale through the Department of NH. The challenge coins are \$10.00 each and feature the Old Man of the Mountain on one side and the Legion logo on the other. Anyone interested in purchasing a coin for your collection can either contact Tony Rabbia or myself. Clothing items with the Centennial logo is available on a per order basis. A portion of the proceeds go back to the Department of NH to help raise funds for the Legion's 100th Anniversary in 2019. Order forms are available at the post along with a poster of what a polo shirt looks like. You can have the logo embroidered onto baseball hats, polo shirts, light-weight jackets, and sweat shirts. Anyone who wants to see the poster and obtain an order form can contact an officer of post 88 to be let inside the post.

Our Commander's Fund Raffle winners for October were: \$50/Michael J., \$25/Kathy H., \$10/Kathy F., \$10/Jim G., and \$5/Steve B. The November winners were: \$50/Will D., \$25/Shawn J., \$10/Russell S., \$10/Roy F., and \$5/John G. Congratulations to our winners.

Have a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from your Legion family. Our next meeting will be on December 21 at 1900 hours. ■

## Loudon Agriculture Commission Has Busiest Year Yet!

This was a busy year for the Agriculture Commission. We were awarded another grant, and based on feedback from the community, we were able to provide four fun and informative workshops.

The Loudon Agriculture commission, in cooperation with Song Away Farm and Dot Perkins from the UNH Cooperative Extension, and funded in part by a grant from the NH Department of Agriculture, hosted a workshop providing hands-on training on how to process your own chickens. Poultry processing is one area that is under serviced in our state. This workshop was a great way to not only learn the process but to learn it firsthand from people who have extensive knowledge. All participants were able to process their own bird which they then were able to take home and enjoy. We thank Song Away Farm for opening their doors and donating their time. You can check out Song Away Farm at <http://www.songawayfarm.com/>.

Tessa Dyer from Lone Wolf Farm in Loudon and Karina Bertrand from Greentwist Acres in New Boston presented their workshop on raising ducks. Tessa and Karina are sisters who have combined knowledge of raising different breeds of ducks for pets, food, and eggs. They brought in live ducks for show and for sale, along with fresh duck eggs. It was a very informative workshop and well attended. You can find both Lone Wolf Farm and Greentwist Acres on Facebook.

In September, we co-hosted a Mobile Poultry Processing Unit (MPU) training class with the Small and Beginner Farmers of New Hampshire. This workshop, also provided in part with the grant from the NH Department of Agriculture, allowed people to be certified on the MPU owned by SBFNH. The cost included a membership to SBFNH and the requisite training required to rent the MPU. To learn more about the Small and Beginner Farmers of New Hampshire you can visit their web site <http://www.beginnerfarmers.org/>.

In November, we offered a solar workshop presented by VH Energy. This workshop provided information on types of solar energy systems, costs involved, and programs available to local residents. Going green has never been easier. Check out VH Energy at their website, <http://www.vh-energy.com/>.

We were very excited about the workshops this year and are already discussing possible topics for next year. Want to get involved? Have a skill you would like to share? We would love to hear from you. Our monthly meetings are the first Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. at the community building behind the town office. Feel free to contact any member or come to a meeting to learn more.

We look forward to seeing you!

Loudon Agriculture Commission Board Members:

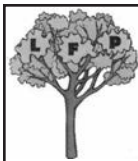
Chris Koufus, Doug Towle, Carol Soule, Bruce Dawson, Cindy Shea, Kay Doyon ■

## Loudon Volunteers Recognized by Boy Scouts of America and Daniel Webster Council

Carol Stephens of Boy Scout Pack 247 and Martha Cheney of Boy Scout Troop 30 were recently recognized by the Boy Scouts of America and Daniel Webster Council for their volunteerism with the Boy Scout Program. Carol has held the pack together when there were no volunteers, she always makes everything fun and a learning experience for the pack. She makes sure her den achieves their awards. Carol is at every event and leader meeting and volunteers for any job that needs to be done. Martha has supported the scouting program from Cub Scouts to boy Scouts through various leader positions while being active in her daughter's Girl Scouts too. Martha was instrumental in running several merit badge powwows, attending camp and outdoor events including the overnight Klondike that Loudon hosted. Martha has been a strong positive influence on the youth in support of the Ideals of Scouting. Both women were recipients of the Golden Doe award at the Women's Leadership Reception held at Camp Carpenter in Manchester. Congratulations, ladies! ■







## Loudon Food Pantry News

### Are You Food Insecure?

If you live in Belmont, Canterbury, Chichester or Loudon, NH we can help! Go to [www.loudonfoodpantry.org](http://www.loudonfoodpantry.org) or call Sue at 724-9731 to find out if you qualify. If you do, we will make an appointment for you to receive food. You can come in as often as once per week! Please do not wait until you are out of food before you call. You are not alone!

### December Happenings

#### November 1–December 12 — 50-50 Raffle Holiday Fundraiser

For an update in ticket sales please go to [LoudonFoodPantry.org](http://LoudonFoodPantry.org). The lucky winner will receive half the ticket sales — so the more tickets we sell, the more the winner takes home.

Ticket Prices: 1 Ticket for \$1; 3 Tickets for \$2; 7 Tickets for \$5. Tickets can be purchased at Loudon Food Pantry, 30 Chichester Rd., Unit D, Loudon. Our office hours are Mon.–Thur. 10 a.m.–1 p.m. then 3 p.m.–6 p.m. or through our order form at [LoudonFoodpantry.org](http://LoudonFoodpantry.org). The winner need not be present to win. Need more info? Call Sue at 724-9731. Good Luck Everyone!

#### November 25–December 13 — Gift of Lights (NHMS Winter Wonderland), 4:30–9:00 p.m. Open every day but Christmas!

Spanning over two miles, the Gift of Lights features over 60 holiday scenes and over 400 light displays. The course winds around the outside of the track's grandstands and includes a portion of the NHMS Road Course. It also includes a trip through the infield tunnel with the famous Tunnel of Lights before rolling down VIP Street.

Admission is \$20 per car at the gate. Buses are \$20 for the first 15 people and \$2 for each additional person. Any car bringing at least three non-perishable items for donation to the Loudon Food Pantry will get a \$2 discount. ■

## Loudon Food Pantry to Benefit from 6th Annual Gift of Lights

**Holiday drive-thru illumination show to open on Friday, Nov. 25; adds new amenities for 2016 season, including a train for kids and Sports Bar for adults**

The Gift of Lights began on Friday, Nov. 25 at New Hampshire Motor Speedway so the Loudon Food Pantry can once again prepare for an influx of canned goods to help make the holidays and new year a little brighter for those in the Loudon area. Over the last five years, the Gift of Lights has brought in more than 64,000 pounds of food thanks to the generous donations of patrons across the Northeast.

The three-mile long drive-thru illumination show opened on Friday, Nov. 25 and will run daily from 4:30–9:00 p.m. through New Year's Eve. Christmas Day is the only planned day for the Gift of Lights to be closed. Featuring more than 400 displays and 2 million LED lights, the Gift of Lights will once again benefit the New Hampshire chapter of Speedway Children's Charities and the Loudon Food Pantry.

"The Gift of Lights has been so important to what we are able to raise and what we are able to provide so many children in throughout New England," said Cheryl LaPrade, director of the SCC's New Hampshire chapter. "For the last half-decade, this has become an annual stop for countless families in the region and we can't wait to see so many familiar faces and first-time visitors during the holiday season."

### Theme Nights

<b>December 1</b>	Military Night
<b>December 3</b>	Loudon Firefighters Association Night
<b>December 4</b>	Pajama Night
<b>December 9</b>	Gift Wrapping Night
<b>December 10</b>	Loudon Firefighters Association Night
<b>December 11</b>	Pajama Night (Delayed Opening to 5:30 p.m.)
<b>December 14</b>	College Night
<b>December 18</b>	Pajama Night
<b>December 23</b>	Ugly Sweater Night
<b>December 27</b>	Country Night

For more details on the Gift of Lights, please stop by the ticket office, visit the speedway website at [www.nhms.com](http://www.nhms.com), or call the ticket hotline at (603) 783-4931. ■



## Home Improvement Projects to Avoid When Preparing to Sell

*Jack Prendiville  
Century 21 Thompson Real Estate*

When selling your home you want it to be in great condition in order to attract more buyers and receive high offers. Investing in repairs and improvements can go a long way toward increasing your home's value. However, some updates simply aren't worth it. The following projects may add a nice touch to your home but they typically produce a low return on investment.

- **Bathroom addition.** The bathroom is one of the most expensive rooms for home improvement projects. While buyers would probably love the addition of an extra newly spruced up bathroom in the home, the addition isn't likely worth the cost. You'll only get back about half of what you spend on the project when you sell.

- **Home office addition or remodel.** More and more people are working from home, but that doesn't mean buyers will want a full office in the house. Home offices net one of the lowest returns on investment of all home improvement projects. Dedicate your time and money on a project that'll give you better results.

- **Update appliances.** Buyers often have a specific style in mind for their future home, and they may plan to replace your appliance to fit that style. Don't splurge on new appliances that may be removed shortly after the sale.

Before you start making any repairs or improvements to your home, research the costs and consult a real estate sales associate to see how different projects influence buyers. ■

## TOWN DEPARTMENT WEB SITES

Selectmen's Office, Town Clerk, Planning/Zoning, Tax Collector, Building/Code Enforcement, Transfer Station, Highway Department, Fire Department:  
**[loudonnh.org](http://loudonnh.org)**

Loudon Elementary School/MVHS/School District:  
**<https://sites.google.com/a/mvsdpdpride.org/district/home>**

Maxfield Public Library: **[www.maxfieldlibrary.com](http://www.maxfieldlibrary.com)**

Loudon Food Pantry: **[www.loudonfoodpantry.org](http://www.loudonfoodpantry.org)**



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# OBITUARIES

## GWEN COPELAND

After a lengthy hospitalization, Gwen passed away Wednesday, Sept. 21, 2016, in Concord Hospital, Concord.

A longtime resident of Loudon, she will be missed by many. The words of her close friend and neighbor say much about her life. "She was a strong, independent, sensitive, loyal, and caring friend." Gwen was a teacher, tennis player, lover of all animals, particularly her cats and dogs, and an avid gardener. In her free time she loved following sports, news, doing crafts, crossword puzzles and visiting with her friends.

Gwen was the daughter of Thesius Dodd and Olwen Copeland. She leaves behind family in New Jersey, and many lifelong friends, particularly in Plymouth.

She was a well-loved teacher. She began her teaching career in New York City, later teaching Biology in Mountain Lakes, NJ. Later, Gwen moved to New Hampshire, where she had a long career in the NH Food and Nutrition Service. She was highly regarded by her peers, and formed a strong work-team relationship with her coworkers. Gwen was challenged by several medical issues, yet always remained positive. She always remembered birthdays and celebrations with a call and card. She was especially grateful for the love and support of Patty and Kenny Magoon, her neighbors in Loudon. Patty feels that "she lost a truly good and loyal friend."

Memorial donations in Gwen's name can be sent to your favorite local animal shelters.

Please honor Gwen by keeping her in your memory. She certainly will be missed.

## THOMAS CADRETTE

Thomas Cadrette, 54, of Loudon, peacefully passed away at Concord Hospital Thursday, Oct. 20, 2016, with his loving family by his side.

His beautiful life will be cherished in the lives of his mother, Ruth; his daughters, Jessica and Nicole; his two grandchildren, Leo and Luna; brothers and sisters, Joe, Bobby, Carol and Eileen; and many other family members and friends.

Thomas was a very motivated man who loved to keep busy whether it was playing in a band like Heartbreak City or Raven X, or starting small businesses like T Caps in the mall, also Soup in a Bread Bowl and Banana the Hut at fairs for 14 years. Along with his job of 31 years at Lincoln Financial, he loved adventure and frequented places like the White Mountains, New York City, Six Flags, and, of course, Disney. He loved going to the beach and being surrounded by water so he moved to Key West, FL and spent five years there until he moved to Orlando to be close to the Disney parks for the past year. He was a man of many accomplishments who lived life to the fullest and made a lasting impression on everyone he met. He was a kind soul who will be missed dearly.

## HAROLD "HARRY" E. ABBOTT, JR.

Harold "Harry" E. Abbott, Jr., 64, of Loudon, passed away peacefully, after a brief struggle with cancer, Wednesday, Oct. 26, 2016. He was born in Concord, the son of Harold E. and Margaret (Baker) Abbott. He was predeceased by his father.

Harry attended Concord High School and was employed by CN Brown at the time of his death. Harry enjoyed being with his family playing cards and croquet. He dearly loved his cat Minnie.

He is survived by his mother, Margaret; and his brothers and sisters, Edward Abbott and his wife, Sandy of Campton, Sandy Chalifour of Laconia, Ronnie Abbott and his wife, Deb of Peltal, MS, Ann Foss and her husband, Dave of Center Barnstead, John Abbott of Tilton, Sherry Dufield and her husband, Ray of Franklin, Gary Abbott and his wife, Deb of Gilford, Brenda DuVerger and her husband, Mark of Bradford and Mike Abbott and his wife, Melissa of Loudon; and many nieces and nephews.

Harry will be remembered for his generous, loving nature, kindness, and smile.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Harry's memory may be made to the SPCA, 94 Silk Farm Road, Concord, NH 03301 or to the charity of your choice.

## DENNIS R. MYERS

Dennis R. Myers, 67, passed peacefully surrounded by loved ones, on October 25, 2016, at Concord Hospice House, in Concord, NH. He was born on October 7, 1949 in Pittsfield, NH, the son of the late William and Theresa (Bishop) Myers. He will be greatly missed by his spouse Barbara Myers of 37 years. He is survived by his daughter and son-in-law, Denise and Allen Griffin, and their children Silas, Ione, and Vienne, of Elk Grove, CA, and Chip Marshall, of Concord, NH, who was like a son. He spent his career dedicated to security. He worked at Blue Cross for 24 years before moving on to Concord Hospital for 16 years, until retiring at the age of 63. Dennis enjoyed many hobbies which included gardening, building hobby train sets, spending time in nature, and building a koi fish pond. He loved the beach and took yearly trips with Barbara to Hampton. He had an especially close relationship with his kitty, Benjamin, who was by his side until the end.

## FRANCES MARION TRABUCCO

Frances Marion Trabucco passed away Friday, Nov. 4, 2016, at her home in Loudon that she shared with her daughter Gail and wife, Tekarra Trabucco at her side.

Frannie was born in 1924 in Saugus, MA to Francis Birks and Grace Birks (Wescott). She was raised in Brookline, MA and spent many years in Marshfield, MA.

She was predeceased by her husband, Peter F. Trabucco and six siblings. She is also survived by her son, Wayne F. Lanchester of San Francisco; and her dear friend, Shelley Greenglass of Henniker.

She loved her blended family which includes her grandchildren, Wayne Lanchester, Jeff Lanchester, Amy St. Martin of Walpole, Mass., Joshua Lewis and Brandon Crowe of Concord and their families as well as many great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

Frannie loved to crochet and made many hats that she donated to the Cancer Center. She designed many beautiful quilts that she gave to her friends and family members, it was called being "Frannied." Frances had many careers, one of which was as a heliarc welder on a submarine during World War II. She was an avid Red Sox Fan and loved to argue the merits of Big Papi. She loved all animals large and small and also had sage advice for the people in her life. Frances, Frannie, Nana, Mrs. T. — whatever she was called she was loved by all.

Contributions in her name may be made to the Pope Memorial SPCA in Concord.

## SUSAN (MELENDY) PIRNIE

Susan (Melendy) Pirnie, 64, passed away peacefully Sunday, Nov. 13, 2016, at SCRVA Hospice House after a courageous battle with Cancer.

She was born in Claremont, the daughter of the late Donald R. and Beverly J. (White) Melendy. She worked as a Registered Nurse for many years, and worked for the State of NH Department of Health and Human Services until her retirement.

She enjoyed spending time with her son, and her two grandchildren; arts and crafts and, most recently, volunteering at the Food Pantry.

Sue is survived by her son, Jared Curdie, and her two grandchildren, Dylan O. Curdie and Sage P. Curdie all of Loudon; her sister, Patricia Singer of NC; a brother, Donald W. Melendy; and her niece, Jessica Garcia. She also leaves her dear friends of many years who were with her until the end, Sharon Strout of Loudon and Barbara Adlard and her husband, Keith of Naples, ME.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made in her memory to the CRVNA Hospice Program, 30 Pillsbury Street, Concord, NH 03301.

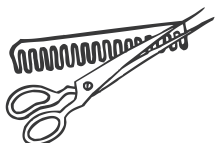
## NELLIE KATHRINE (CONTOIS) (STARKEY) RIEL

Nellie Kathrine (Contois) (Starkey) Riel, 101, resident of the Richard Brown House, Loudon, passed quietly Friday, Nov. 11, 2016, surrounded by her loving family. Nellie was born on June 15, 1915, at her grandparent's home, Addison and Nellie Mason (Richard), in Sutton, to her parents, Stephen Carl Starkey and Margioria Eden Starkey (Mason) of Newbury.

Nellie was employed by Esra Barton's Meat House of Pittsfield, the Globe Manufacturing Co., Pittsfield, and a was co-owner of Pittsfield Bottled Gas Co., Pittsfield, until its sale.

Nellie was a woman with many talents including the gift to bring cloth, paints, wood, and words to life. She could make an old rag turn into a beautiful doll, dragon or fairy with attitude. She loved horseback riding, gardening, fishing, and going to camp. She also enjoyed the outdoors, snowmobiling, swimming, and, most of all, she loved to share a joke, to laugh, and make those around her laugh. Nellie was

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## Obituaries — cont. from 16

a force, with a wit to match, never a dull moment with her in the house. She enjoyed watching the world work its magic, with all its wonders. Above all, Nellie loved being with her family, from her loving daughter, to her grandchildren, great grandchildren and great great grandchildren.

Nellie was predeceased by her first husband, Arthur W. Contois; her second husband, Albert E. Riel of 58 years; her siblings, Frank Starkey, John Starkey, Dorothy Fontaine (Starkey) and Stephen Starkey; and her son, Arthur S. Contois and his wife, Olive of Redding, CA.

Nellie is survived by her daughter, Dorothy A. Mulkhey (Contois) and husband, Melvin W. Mulkhey, of Loudon. Six grandchildren, Melvin A. Mulkhey and Debi of Loudon, Lyla A. Mulkhey and Tammy of Webster, Deirdre L. Littlefield and Thomas of Pembroke, Tina M. Bousquet and Randy of Pulaski, TN, Debra van Meter and Larry, of Redding, CA, and Kathy Harris and Al, of Redding, CA. Nellie is also survived by 15 great-grandchildren and 22 great-great-grandchildren.

In lieu of flowers donations can be made in honor of Nellie to Loudon Young at Heart 29 S. Village Road, Loudon, NH 03307 or CRVNA, 30 Pillsbury St., Concord, NH 03301. ■

**MVSD Meeting Minutes, Agendas, Meeting Dates, and Locations may be found at:**  
<https://sites.google.com/a/mvsdpride.org/district/home>

## Library Trustees' Meeting Minutes — October 3, 2016

Molly Ashland called the meeting to order at 5:08 p.m.

*In attendance:* Trustees Molly Ashland, Alice Tuson; Alternate Herb Huckins; Library Director Deborah Gadwah-Lambert; Guest Diane Miller. Carrie James was absent for this meeting. Herb Huckins filled in as a voting member. Alice Tuson will be the secretary for this meeting.

The Trustees reviewed the Director's Report, which consisted of the following:

- The NH Retirement audit is underway. Debbie does not anticipate there to be any issues.

- The entry door to the library has been repaired. It had been sticking, due to a misalignment. The mechanism inside the push bar is broken and may need to be replaced. We will get a quote for the repair. In the meantime, the door will be dogged.

- Riteway will be installing the new flooring around the circulation area on October 7th. The project will be finished on October 10th. The carpeting has been a trip hazard, and due to the 10th being a holiday, this was a good opportunity to redo the flooring.

- On September 29th, the Town issued a "Do not drink the water" notice. Until the town gives further notice, the drinking fountains will be out of service. A hot/cold water cooler will be delivered tomorrow, Oct. 4th.

- Debbie will be speaking at the Richard Brown house in January about the Library and its services and programs.

- Yoga continues to be very successful. Upcoming programs in October include Stained Glass Mosaic Project, Financial Wellness, Better Choices Better Health, and Dustin Pari from TV's *Ghost Hunters*.

- The Library will add a NH State Park Pass for residents to use next year.

- The budget is due to the Selectmen by November 10th.

- The Trustees reviewed the Director's income and expenses report.

The Trustees discussed Diane Miller's interest in becoming an Alternate. Alice will send a letter to the Selectmen, recommending that Diane be appointed as an Alternate for the Library Trustees.

The next Trustees' meeting was scheduled for November 7, 2016 at 5 p.m.

*Adjournment: Alice Tuson made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:50 p.m.; seconded by Molly Ashland. All were in favor.*

*Submitted by:*  
Molly Ashland  
Alice Tuson  
Herb Huckins

## Historical Society Meeting Minutes — October 5, 2016

*Attendance:* Ashley Simonds, Lucy Gordon, Andrew Parrella, Ron Lane, Dan York, Stan Prescott, Michele York, and Cynthia Babonis.

Michele reviewed announcements. She will be visiting the Chichester Historical Society on October 23rd at 2 p.m. If anyone wants to ride with her she will meet them at the LHS.

Michele purchased a new external hard drive that can store all of the HS video's and materials on the old laptop.

The memorial for Tristram Stevens was held on Sept 17th. Thank you to Stan Prescott for his contribution to that.

Bob Scarponi from Canterbury Historical Society will be coming to visit us in February or March 2017 to discuss how they wrote their town history book.

Michele stated that it has been approved by the Selectmen that we will resume the tradition of awarding the Boston Post Cane.

We will discuss the process of selecting the award recipient.

Lucy reviewed the minutes from the September meeting. Ashley approved and Michele seconded.

The group voted for officers of the Historical Society.

### Results:

*President:* Michele York  
*Vice President:* Stan Prescott  
*Secretary:* Lucy Gordon  
*Curator:* Ashley Simonds  
*Treasurer:* Melanie Kiley  
*Director:* Ron Lane  
*Director:* Cynthia Babonis

There was discussion about the need to establish a new e-mail account that all Directors will have addresses on.

Meeting adjourned.

*Respectfully Submitted,*  
Cynthia Babonis, LHS Secretary

## Historical Society Meeting Minutes — November 2, 2016

The Loudon Historical Society meeting was held November 2, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.

*Attendees:* Michele York, Stanley Prescott, Andrew Parrella, Ashley Simonds, Carolyn Stinson, and Lucy Gordon

The minutes from the October meeting were read. *Michele made a motion to accept the minutes as written. Stanley seconded the motion.*

Michele, Stan, and Lucy visited the Chichester Historical Society on October 23rd. The three of us came back very impressed and overflowing with ideas for our museum. The more we can get organized now the better it will be when someone writes the town history.

The Boston Cane has been approved. The approval is written up in the November issue of the *Loudon Ledger*. The recipient

will receive a plaque and not the actual Boston Cane. The guidelines and nomination forms will be available at the Town Clerks office.

Michele and Andrew have done a couple more oral histories. There are still more to do. But we are making progress!

We will be having an open house with Tree lighting ceremony on December 11th. It will be held from 3:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m. There will be cookies and hot chocolate available. This is a good time to come see the museum and get into the Christmas spirit!

The next meeting will be February 1, 2017.

*Respectfully Submitted,*  
Lucy Gordon

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## Selectmen's Meeting Minutes — October 11, 2016

*Present:* Chairman Krieger, Selectman Ives and Selectman Fiske.

Also present was Fire Chief Rick Wright and Transfer Station Manager Dustin Bowles.

Chairman Krieger called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Chairman Krieger opened Board of Permit.

Chairman Krieger explained that Donna White had asked about Letters of Intent and when they should be submitted. Selectman Fiske said he had a conversation with Donna about this. He said in his opinion they should get a letter of intent from the track for any event other than car racing because they get a list of muffled/unmuffled events that cover the cars. Chief Wright clarified that it would be for any special event. Selectman Ives suggested it would be any event that requires police or fire presence. Chairman Krieger said they will be scheduling a meeting with Mr. McGrath from the track and suggested that they discuss it with him. Chairman Krieger said the letters have an opinion of someone at the track as to whether or not they require services from the town however it is up to the Police Chief and Fire Chief whether services are required. Selectman Ives said they need to have a policy in place because as they try to increase revenue at the track they are bringing in more events. He suggested that the Letter of Intent could be based on the number of people attending or the services needed. Selectman Ives also said that they need the Letter of Intent weeks, not days in advance of the event. Chairman Krieger said they will be scheduling a meeting with Mr. McGrath from the track and said they will discuss it with him.

Chief Wright submitted an updated copy of the Letter of Intent for the Millennium Running event. He explained that the event is scheduled for Sunday, October 23 at 9:30 a.m. It starts at the front gate of NHMS and finishes in front of the State Capital in Concord, there will approximately 1200 runners. Selectman Fiske asked if NHDOT has approved the event; Chief Wright said he will check with them. Chief Wright said this is the third year of the event. Selectman Ives stated that they are supposed to get a letter to all the abutters in advance of the race. Chief Wright said he spoke to John; they are going to do it closer to the event.

Chairman Krieger said they have a Letter of Intent from the track for the Extreme Chunkin event to be held for the second year in a row. It will be held the weekend of October 15–16. Chief Wright clarified that

everything will be held on track property. He said they don't really know how many will be attending; he has heard from 2–6,000.

Chairman Krieger said they have a Letter of Intent from the track for the Gift of Lights. The lights will be on from November 25th through December 31st; open every day except Christmas Day. Chief Wright explained that new this year will be a kids train ride. Chief Wright said that ride will be inspected by the State. Chief Wright said the Loudon Fire Association will be selling Christmas Tree's and Gingerbread men like they did last year.

Chairman Krieger closed the Board of Permit meeting.

*Selectman Ives moved to approve the Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, October 4, 2016 as written. Seconded by Selectman Fiske. All in favor. Motion carried.*

Chairman Krieger explained that since they haven't heard anything from NHMA regarding the metal pile he would like to postpone that decision one week. Selectman Ives said with all due respect to those that signed the petition he agrees that they should wait until they hear about signage. Selectman Fiske agreed.

The Board began their review of weekly correspondence.

The Board received information regarding the Selectmen being present at the General Election in November.

The Board received information regarding the American Legion rent for the Community Building. Chairman Krieger explained that the American Legion paid in advance for one year of rent. They moved out of the barn and into their new space in September. The Board agreed that rent in the amount of \$112.00 for October–December will be returned.

The Board received the Merrimack Valley School District October invoice in the amount of \$712,499.64.

The Board received a letter from a scholarship recipient. The Board agreed to that the scholarship should be paid.

The Board received a new driver certification for the J.O. Cate Van. Chairman Krieger expressed his appreciation to Stanley Trocki for volunteering and to all the other volunteers of the J.O. Cate Van for all they do. Selectman Ives echoed those sentiments.

The Board received the J.O. Cate Van reports for April through August.

The Board met with Fire Chief Rick Wright.

Chief Wright said the aerial tower is going to the Eldealer in Massachusetts for various items that need to be done. He isn't sure how long it will be out of service.

Chief Wright said the students from Loudon Elementary School are walking to the fire station this month for a safety review and tour of the station. He explained that Loudon Fire and Police are escorting them so they are safe.

Chief Wright said there was another accident in front of Cascade Park today. He suggested contacting NHDOT to get the speed limit slowed down.

Selectman Ives asked Chief Wright about Saturday. Chief Wright said the annual Harvest Supper is this Saturday from 5–7:00 p.m. at the Fire Station.

Chairman Krieger explained that they received specifications for the concrete planks for the new town office. The specs are being reviewed by the engineer and will need to be signed. Selectman Ives suggested that it be signed by both a Selectman and the General Contractor after the engineer approves them. *Selectman Ives made a motion to authorize Chairman Krieger to sign the engineering report for the concrete planks on behalf of the Board once the engineer has approved it. Seconded by Selectman Fiske. All in favor. Motion carried.*

Chairman Krieger recognized Barbara Burr and Barbara Parent from the recycling committee. Ms. Burr said she wants to talk to the Board about their position regarding the glass at the transfer station. She explained that they were surprised when it stopped being recycled but now understand that it is being accepted again. Chairman Krieger asked if they know of anyone that will take it. Ms. Burr said there are two donor sites; one in Goffstown and one in New London. She said she has been speaking to NRRA and was told if they transport it they will accept it. Ms. Burr said it's \$30

per ton which is a lot less than \$67 per ton that it costs to incinerate it. Transfer Station Manager Dustin Bowles explained that they are working with New London, the cost will be about \$45 with trucking. Chairman Krieger asked what they are doing with it. Ms. Burr said she spoke to the Assistant Road Agent who told her they sell it to the state for certain projects. Ms. Burr said if the town grounds it it could be sold to the townspeople for landscaping in place of mulch. Selectman Fiske asked if permits are needed for that. Ms. Burr said none that she is aware of. Ms. Burr said they would willing to research other uses for it. Selectman Ives said they discussed Hopkinton and New London but hadn't heard about Goffstown. Ms. Burr clarified that it was Hopkinton not Goffstown. Ms. Burr asked why the road agent is opposed to mixing the glass with asphalt which has been done for many years. Chairman Krieger said they don't make asphalt, it would have to go to an asphalt plant. Ms. Burr asked when they last ground glass. Selectman Ives said he doesn't believe they ever have. Mr. Bowles agreed they have not. Selectman Ives said they got a price of approximately \$20,000 to grind the pile they have. He suggested that they start taking a few truckloads away each month. Selectman Fiske said if Ms. Burr can find a place to buy it, that would be even better. Ms. Burr said the recycling committee will continue researching options.

Selectman Ives asked that a meeting with Mr. McGrath to discuss Letters of Intent be pursued.

*Selectman Fiske moved to adjourn 6:39 p.m. Seconded by Selectman Ives. All in favor. Motion carried.*

### LOUDON BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Robert P. Krieger, Chairman

Steven R. Ives, Selectman

Robert N. Fiske, Selectman

## Selectmen's Meeting Minutes — October 18, 2016

*Present:* Chairman Krieger, Selectman Ives and Selectman Fiske.

Also present was Police Chief Kris Burgess and Fire Chief Rick Wright.

Chairman Krieger called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

*Selectman Fiske moved to approve the Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, October 11, 2016 as written. Seconded by Selectman Ives. All in favor. Motion carried.*

The Board met with Police Chief Kris Burgess.

Chief Burgess said that Officer Brian Martel is in fire arms instructor training and is expected to graduate Friday.

Chief Burgess said Officer Sean Nye will be attending the Taser instructor class next month.

Chief Burgess said he and Chief Wright had a meeting with John Kelley the project manager for R.H. White. They are intending to shut down a section of 106 on Wednesday, October 26th from 7:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m. Chief Burgess explained that they have received approval from NHDOT; he will be receiving a copy of that approval letter within the next couple of days. Chief Burgess said they will be working about a quarter of a mile north of Stanicels Road. He explained

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that a detour will be set up so traffic going north will take Staniels Road, Ricker Road, Chichester Road back to 106. He said that an officer will be at the bottom of Freedom Hill to direct that traffic to Wales Bridge, S. Village, across 106 to Chichester Road. Chief Burgess said the few houses that are in the detour area will personally be visited by someone from R.H. White to explained what is going on. Selectman Ives asked if people will be allowed to get to Dunkin Donuts. Chief Burgess said they will; barricades will be set up south of Dunkin Donuts so no one can sneak through. Selectman Ives asked if the times are definite. Chief Burgess said yes; they will have standby equipment on site so if something breaks they can continue with the work so the road will be opened by 6 a.m.

Chief Burgess said the Millennium run is scheduled for October 23rd. He explained that he had a meeting today with Gil Rogers to discuss the traffic plan; everything is about the same as last year. Chief Burgess showed the board sketches of the approved route. Selectman Ives asked how many runners are expected. Chief Burgess said approximately 1,200. Selectman Fiske asked when the cones will be picked up. Chief Burgess said they will be picked up immediately behind the last runner.

Chief Burgess submitted two manpower bills that went to NHMS.

The first is a corrected bill for the September race.

The second is for the Extreme Pumpkin Chunkin. Selectman Fiske said he didn't realize but he's hearing that there were competitions other than the one main catapult. He said he heard that there were loud explosions. Chief Burgess said he has not had any complaints. Selectman Ives said when the cannon shoots pumpkins it is very loud. Chairman Krieger said he hasn't heard anything.

Chief Burgess said an officer has been assigned to junkyard duties.

Selectman Fiske mentioned that the skateboard park and the building at the park are taking an awful hit with graffiti. Chief Burgess said he has asked the officers to make an appearance there when they are on duty especially in the afternoon.

Selectman Fiske asked if the lights made it to the auction. Chief Burgess said they did; the auction was Saturday, October 18th. He said he expects the town will receive a check shortly.

Janice Morin explained that NHMS is aware of the corrected bill for the September race; their auditor caught the error.

The Board met with Fire Chief Rick Wright.

Chief Wright said he was at the meeting with Chief Burgess regarding the 106 road closure. Selectman Ives asked if dispatch will be made aware of the closure. Chief Wright said they will be. Chief Burgess said State Police and the Sheriff's office will also be made aware. Chairman Krieger asked if Lakes Region should be contacted. Chief Wright said they will be.

Chief Wright said there were about 6,400 attendees at the Extreme Chunkin event this past weekend. He said he received no complaints and everything seemed to go well.

Chief Wright said, in regards to the Millennium Run, he spoke to John Mortimer and abutter letters were going out yesterday. Selectman Fiske said he did see them on mailboxes.

Chief Wright said he has three potential new hydrant locations that he has looked at with a contractor. He said the locations are 129/Plateau Ridge, Currier/Coaster Road and Upper City Road. He explained that he's waiting for prices; that will determine if they can do all three.

Chief Wright said he has 2017 appointments for forestry wardens, and deputy wardens. He explained that they can now appoint issuing agents so Donna White is one of the appointments.

Selectman Ives suggested that they get back on a schedule of having department heads come into the Selectmen's meetings on the second Tuesday of the month (Board of Permit) and the last Tuesday of the month (work session). He explained that would be expected and other than that the department heads would come in when then they have something to discuss with the board or the board requests that a department head come in. Selectman Fiske agreed that it was that way for years. Chief Burgess and Chief Wright agreed.

*Selectman Ives moved to go into non-public session per RSA 91-A: 3, II (a) at 6:16 p.m.; seconded by Selectman Fiske. Roll call vote: Krieger — yes; Ives — yes; Fiske — yes. All in favor. Motion carries. Selectman Ives moved to come out of non-public session at 6:33 p.m.; seconded by Selectman Fiske. Roll call vote: Krieger — yes; Ives — yes; Fiske — yes. All in favor. Motion carries.* Chairman Krieger stated that the reason for the meeting was to discuss pay increases for three fire department personnel.

Selectman Ives asked Chief Wright how the Harvest Supper went. Chief Wright said good; there were about 400 people served as well as an addition 70 volunteers.

Chairman Krieger explained that they heard from NH Municipal Association that if they put signs up at the transfer station and do some safety things they can reopen it. Selectman Ives agreed that signs saying no climbing into the dumpster is good; how-

ever, he would also add a stipulation that if someone wants something they should take it to Dustin Bowles or whoever is there and let them know what is being taken. Chairman Krieger said a sign will be posted saying for personal use only if someone is caught taking something that is not for personal use but to sell they can be told that since they didn't obey the signs they are banned from the pile. Selectman Fiske said he read the information from NHMA and agrees that it can be reopened with signs. Chip Cochran suggested that there be a sign that specifically says for personal use not for monetary gain. Chairman Krieger said he will be speaking with the road agent to see if a fence can be put up at the top of the wall so things can't be thrown over while people are on the other side picking.

The Board received a petition from residents and staff of the Richard Brown House for a sidewalk on South Village Road. Selectman Ives said that Chairman Krieger mentioned that when South Village Road is paved that it could be paved wider so they have a partial walkway. Chairman Krieger said that one of his concerns is that some of the oldest trees in Loudon are on that road and he wouldn't want to see them cut down for a sidewalk. Selectman Ives said he wouldn't take anyone's property or cut any trees for a sidewalk. Chairman Krieger said there are elementary school kids walking without a sidewalk and if sidewalks are going in he thinks from the school to the library would be a priority. Chairman

Krieger suggested that if residents want to submit a petition to include sidewalks on the warrant for town meeting they can do that.

The Board received a thank you letter from the Community Action Program for the second quarter appropriation of \$1,500.

Chairman Krieger recognized Bill Palmer, Trailmaster of the Bee Hole Beavers snowmobile club. Mr. Palmer had information regarding the bridge grant they are applying for. Selectman Fiske asked if Wiggins Road needs to be reclassified for the grant. Mr. Palmer said it does not. Chairman Krieger asked Mr. Palmer to get them a copy of the grant information for the office file. Mr. Palmer explained that the bridge is just under 6' wide. It will have gates that people and horses can step over, a bike would have to be carried over it. Selectman Fiske asked why the gates would be up. Mr. Palmer said for liability. Mr. Palmer will call the office and get on the agenda for a future meeting to discuss Wiggins Road and the grant. Selectman Ives asked Mr. Palmer to keep Mr. Kilmister informed about what's going on; he uses that area to access his back land.

*Selectman Fiske moved to adjourn 6:53 p.m. Seconded by Selectman Ives. All in favor. Motion carried.*

## LOUDON BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Robert P. Krieger, Chairman

Steven R. Ives, Selectman

Robert N. Fiske, Selectman

## Selectmen's Meeting Minutes — October 25, 2016

*Present:* Selectman Ives and Selectman Fiske.

Also present was Police Chief Kris Burgess and Fire Chief Rick Wright and Road Agent Lance Houle.

Selectman Ives called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

*Selectman Fiske moved to approve the Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, October 18, 2016 as written. Seconded by Selectman Ives. All in favor. Motion carried.*

The Board met with Road Agent Lance Houle.

Mr. Houle explained that all the cross culverts are in on Pleasant Street.

Mr. Houle said they are just about done with the fall grading.

Mr. Houle said he called about the new truck and found that they received a shipment of bad windshields so they are waiting for a new shipment. He said they are looking at about a month out at this point so they might have to hire someone if we get snow before the truck is delivered.

Mr. Houle said there is always a water problem at Terry Drive in the spring so he pulled the covers, it looks like there are drywells with no stone. He is going to add stone to see if they can get rid of some of the water.

Mr. Houle said he has a culvert falling in on Ricker Road, he already called dig safe. He hopes to have it fixed before winter comes.

Mr. Houle said they got most of the plows out and have been putting snow tires on.

Selectman Ives said he'd like to discuss the signage for the metal pile. Mr. Houle said he will be going over to the prison to order those this week. Selectman Ives said there should be signs that say: personal use only, no getting up on the dumpster, and

must see attendant. Mr. Houle added a sign that says at your own risk.

Jeff Miller asked if anyone has seen the edge of Wales Bridge road since the heavy rain; it's starting to wash off. Mr. Houle said he has seen it and will be taking care of it when he goes there to take care of an issue with someone putting rocks and stumps in a ditch line. He explained that he removes the rocks and they get put back in so now the ditch line is filled with sand and causes water to run into the road. Selectman Fiske suggested that Chief Burgess can talk to the homeowner if it continues.

The Board met with Police Chief Kris Burgess.

Chief Burgess explained that the Millennium Run was on Sunday. He said everything went well. Chief Burgess said he has heard there was between 1,200 and 1,500 runners. He submitted a copy of the bill that went to Millennium Running for traffic detail. Selectman Fiske said that he understands people billed for themselves. Chief Burgess said they had an issue finding individuals to come work the race. He explained that some of them asked about working it and billing for themselves. He called John Mortimer, who had no problem with it, John said that is what every other police department does in all the other events. Selectman Fiske said he and the other Selectmen have discussed it and they are adamant that no one is going to start billing for themselves. Selectman Fiske asked where the liability lays. Chief Burgess said some of their argument is that if they come over and utilize their officers and their cruisers; what compensation do they get. Chief Burgess explained that one reason Pittsfield is not sending their cruisers over anymore for the races is because they are not getting any compensation for them.

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Selectman Ives said they have to have a big discussion about this and the special details and get this ironed out. Selectman Ives suggested that perhaps Chief Burgess can reach out to the other departments and come up with a special duty rate that all the departments agree upon. Selectman Fiske asked Chief Burgess if he had any problem getting coverage. Chief Burgess said no other than Pittsfield cruisers.

Chief Burgess said Officer Brian Martel completed the firearm instructors course this week. He explained that he and Officer Martel are the two firearm instructors for the department. Chief Burgess said they will be holding a training on October 29.

Chief Burgess said he received the letter from NHDOT regarding the closing of Route 106 tomorrow between 7:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. He explained that the road will be completed including pavement and reopened by 6:00 a.m.

Chief Burgess explained that he has 15 Beretta's that are no longer being utilized. He said he has three quotes for them. Chief Burgess brought to the Board's attention that one of the places that gave him a quote will give them a store credit. He said that way instead receiving a check that would go into the general fund the police department could get equipment. Selectman Ives said he wouldn't want to go down that road because the budget is a useful tool to track how much is spent in each line and that would throw off what is actually spent on equipment. Chief Burgess said he understands and respects that; he just wanted to pass on the proposal. Dustin Bowles asked what the difference between what Chief Burgess is proposing and trading in a vehicle. Selectman Ives said that trading in a vehicle is a normal thing they do; trading in equipment would throw off the budget. He said if they started doing with them and then if the highway department had something then all of a sudden they would be losing track of budgets.

The Board met with Fire Chief Rick Wright.

Chief Wright submitted a list of ambulance bills sent to collection.

Chief Wright submitted an abatement request for an ambulance bill. Selectman Ives said he would like to take the abatement under advisement until next Tuesday.

Chief Wright said he received notification from NH Forest and Lands that they are approved for the \$2,000 grant that he applied for. Chief Wright explained that this is a 50/50 grant and they will purchase a forestry pump for the old highway department 1-ton truck that was converted to a forestry truck. Selectman Ives thanked Chief Wright for the good work on the grant; this will save the taxpayers a couple thousand dollars.

Chief Wright said he was asked by the contractor installing the highway department alarm to supply the fire alarm monitoring company name. He said he checked

with Capitol Alarm because they do monitoring for other buildings in town. The cost is \$312 annually with a \$150 initial connection fee. Chief Wright said he contacted the alarm supervisor at Concord Fire Alarm for suggestions. He was told he should contact Bill Bevans at Bevans Alarm in Boscawen. Chief Wright said because we are a municipality the price quoted was \$120 annually with no connection fee. He said the quotes are apples to apples; both monitor each device individually, the zones and they do a daily test. Selectman Ives said he has never heard of Bevans. Chief Wright said they are a small company in Boscawen, Concord Fire Alarm recommended them and he talked to the owner. Selectman Fiske said if Concord recommended them he is all for going with Bevans. Selectman Ives agreed.

Chief Wright said LYAA will be holding their annual pizza party Saturday at the Fire Station from 12–2:00.

Selectman Fiske said he has noticed a lot of signs popping up all over town; business, advertising, etc. Selectman Ives asked if he meant signs such as Capital Well when they do a well. Selectman Fiske said, no, he doesn't mean temporary or political signs; he's noticing quite a few unpermitted home business signs. He asked that after the election code enforcement take a look at it.

*Selectman Fiske made a motion to appoint Ashley Simonds as Loudon Deputy Town Clerk; this appointment shall expire March 10, 2018. Seconded by Selectman Ives.* Selectman Fiske said she just completed her town clerk training. *Motion carried. All in favor.*

The Board began their review of weekly correspondence.

The Board received an email and septic plan from Ronald Magoon on Clough Pond Road. Mr. Magoon is asking for a written

easement from the Selectmen to allow the septic tank and leach field to be installed in the town's right-of-way. Mr. Magoon said both the tank and leach field will be designed so they can be driven on. Selectman Fiske said he isn't ready to give him a written easement; he would like to do a site visit with the road agent. Selectman Ives agreed; he also said that the easement would be written up by the town attorney. Road Agent Houle said he doesn't know why Mr. Magoon chose to put the system on that side of the road instead of on the side where he already has an easement; maybe there isn't enough room.

The Board received information from Utility Assessor George Sansoucy regarding an Eversource Tax Appeal.

The Board received notification from the Town Clerk that Ashley Simonds is officially the Deputy Town Clerk.

The Board received a resignation letter from the current Deputy Town Clerk Helen McNeil. Selectman Ives reminded everyone that Ms. McNeil is still the Tax Collector.

The Board received the J.O. Cate Van minutes for March–May and August–September 2016.

The Board received a thank you letter written to the road agent and his team. Ms. Robbins of Lovejoy Road wanted the Board to know that Mr. Houle and his team's response to her concern was timely and the repair at the end of the driveway was great.

Selectman Fiske asked Chief Wright what the square footage is for the office that ESMI is building; he doesn't see it on the building permit. Selectman Ives said it was on the plan that went before the Planning Board. Chief Wright will get that information for Selectman Fiske.

Selectman Ives recognized Mike Harris from the audience. Mr. Harris stated that

another race season at NHMS has come to an end, he sincerely thanks a lot of people in this town that are trying to balance being fair to the track and protecting the best interests of the residents in town. Mr. Harris said that according to the covenants their activities are to end October 31. Mr. Harris said that also as part of the covenants there is supposed to be a certain number of muffled events and certain number of unmuffled events. He explained that the track is required under those agreements to provide annually to the town a list of those events. Mr. Harris said that was provided yearly until there was new management at the track. Selectman Fiske said he is 99.9% sure there is a copy of that at the town office. Mr. Harris suggested that it be printed in the *Ledger*. Selectman Fiske said it's a lengthy list; he isn't sure they would want to print it. Selectman Ives explained that the track is obligated by law to provide it to the town and if Mr. Harris would like a copy he would need to come into the office and ask for a copy.

*Selectman Fiske moved to go into non-public session per RSA 91-A: 3, II (c) at 6:41 p.m.; seconded by Selectman Ives. Roll call vote: Ives – yes; Fiske – yes. All in favor. Motion carries. Selectman Fiske moved to come out of non-public session at 6:52 p.m.; seconded by Selectman Ives. Roll call vote: Ives – yes; Fiske – yes. All in favor. Motion carries.*

*Selectman Fiske moved to adjourn 6:56 p.m. Seconded by Selectman Ives. All in favor. Motion carried.*

## LOUDON BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Robert P. Krieger, Chairman

Steven R. Ives, Selectman

Robert N. Fiske, Selectman

**Selectmen's Meeting Minutes — November 1, 2016**

*Present:* Chairman Krieger, Selectman Ives and Selectman Fiske.

Selectman Ives called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

*Selectman Ives moved to approve the Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, October 25, 2016 as written. Seconded by Selectman Fiske. All in favor. Motion carried.*

The Board discussed unfinished business.

Chairman Krieger explained that they received a hardship application for an overdue ambulance bill. The Board reviewed the application and decided to deny the application and have the bill sent to collections.

Chairman Krieger explained that Selectman Fiske and Road Agent Houle were going to do a site visit on Clough Pond Road regarding a ROW. Selectman Fiske said they did go to the site and measured it out. He explained that the septic plan has not been approved and he understands the

State won't approve it until the Town gives an easement. Selectman Fiske said it is 3 feet from the pavement to the edge of the septic on the pond side. He said he and the Road Agent don't have a problem with it as long as the easement states that the town is not responsible for any trucks or traffic that goes across it. Chairman Krieger asked if this something the town attorney would write up. Selectman Fiske said yes and he suggested it should be at Mr. Magoon's expense not the town's. Selectman Ives agreed that the expense of the agreement should be on Mr. Magoon. He also said that as far as liability, all vehicles should be exempt of responsibility if they drive on it. Selectman Fiske will contact Mr. Magoon to discuss the decision.

The Board received an invoice from NRRA. Two members of the recycling committee would like to attend the annual meeting. Chairman Krieger said that Transfer

Station Manager Dustin Bowles thinks it would be a good idea for them to go. Selectman Ives said it was mentioned that they would pay for it themselves; he said the town will pay for it, the Board agreed.

The Board received an Authorization to Pay Taxes/Redeem Tax Lien form from the Tax Collector. Selectman Ives said he doesn't have a problem with it but would like it reviewed by the Town Attorney.

Chairman Krieger explained that the Fire Department had asked about ballistic vests. Primex said there is no additional liability but they suggest that people be trained before they are deployed.

The Board began their review of weekly correspondence.

The Board received a check for the 2nd quarter Highway Block Grant in the amount of \$49,755.31.


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The Board received information and a check in the amount of \$431.65 from St. Jean Auctioneers for light bars that Chief Burgess took over to the state auction.

The Board received information from the Road Agent regarding recycling.

The Board received the ESMI Self-report for September 2016.

The Board received the current expenditure report.

The Board received information regarding the new town office.

Performance Agreement from the contractor of the new town office. The agreement was signed by the contractor and the Board of Selectmen.

Mortgage Deed.

Architect's Certificate #2.

Chairman Krieger explained that there are people not on the agenda but that would like to speak about the lights from the Greenhouse on Route 106. Douglas Bruce said he is about 3 miles, as the bird flies, from the greenhouse and literally at nighttime he can read a book in his bedroom from the light reflecting off it, especially if it is overcast. He said he called a couple of times, it interrupts his sleep. Mr. Bruce said there is also a noise issue, Saturday night it woke him up, it sounded like generators or something running. He said he called the police. Mr. Bruce said there is also power outages; two on Saturday. Dennis Jakubowski said he echoes everything that Mr. Bruce said. He said when it's overcast it's really bad. Mr. Jakubowski said maybe the greenhouses have a plan for shades. Henry Huntington thanked everyone for their patience through this; he said they are just getting it up and running. He explained that he and his family

have been in the farming/greenhouse business for forty years in Loudon and the last thing he wants to do is upset the people in town. Mr. Huntington said they are in the commercial zone and they did go through all the permitting processes. He explained that light is a key element of the growing process and growing baby greens year around they need the light to grow. He explained that they won't need as much supplemental light in the summer and will need more in the winter and on cloudy days and nights. Mr. Huntington said they do have a shade system in place but unfortunately even they are disappointed at how much light gets through because it costs them when the light goes out. He explained that they are working on mitigating the situation. Mr. Huntington explained that because they've just started production about 50% of the greenhouse is full of bright white gutters without anything growing in them; these add to the problem because the light reflects off them. He said the greenhouses should be full in about three weeks so there won't be that reflection. Mr. Huntington said they will run the lights as much as they can in the winter during the day but when they have to run them at night he asked if people would rather have them run in the evening when they're awake or later when they are asleep. Mr. Huntington said in trying to run very sustainably they have high efficiency boilers that will be taking the CO<sub>2</sub> off the boilers and onto the greenhouses to help the plants grow. He explained that they are waiting to get parts to get that operation up and running and that will help with having to use less light. Mr. Huntington said that he doesn't believe ESMI will be running 24/7 in the winter so that plume of steam that the lights reflect off won't be there. Mr. Huntington said as they progress they will be figuring out how best

to use their lights. He explained that they don't want to be bad neighbors, they are investigating all options and are consulting with their greenhouse builder. Mr. Bruce said he assumes the shade system they have in place is designed to keep out the sunlight in the summer when it gets too hot not specifically designed to keep the light in. Mr. Huntington said it is dual purposed; it's a heat protection curtain and a shade curtain. Mr. Bruce clarified that it's not designed for the purpose of keeping the light in. Mr. Huntington agreed, he said he is discussing the cost of that type of shade with the builder. Mr. Huntington explained that they are permitted to expand and when they do they will install a blackout system. He explained that he can't do it at this point because it would shut down the operation for probably six months. Mr. Huntington said he hopes that when they expand in a year or so they will install shades in the new operation, get it up and running and shut down this one to install shades. Mr. Bruce said in the meantime they have to deal with a massively invasive light that also affects animal life and all kinds of different things. He said in two years he'll be losing value because if someone looks at his place it looks like a fire in his backyard, he said two years in unacceptable. Chairman Krieger asked if Mr. Bruce and Mr. Jakubowski can stop by and see the greenhouse. Mr. Huntington said sure. Mr. Jakubowski said the shades are optional so Mr. Huntington doesn't have to do them. Mr. Huntington agreed but explained that they have been in business in Loudon for 40 years, they want to be a good neighbor, this is a good clean operation to have in town; it will bring in good tax money for the town. Mr. Bruce said that according to Eversource there has been such a draw it is causing brownouts in the area; sometimes

a couple times a day. Mr. Huntington said that is news to him; Eversource wouldn't have given them the power if they didn't have it. Selectman Fiske said with the Huntington's reputation he believes they will do what they indicated they will do, it will just take some time. Selectman Ives agreed with Selectman Fiske's remark's adding that the Huntington's have done business in town for a long time, the third generation is now in the business, and he believes that Henry will do as he said he will do. Chairman Krieger said the concerns will be passed on to the Planning Board. He asked that Mr. Huntington be given time to work on this. Mr. Bruce asked to be put on the next Selectmen's meeting. Chairman Krieger suggested that he call the office to get on the agenda for the first of December. Mr. Huntington said he would be at the greenhouses at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday and would be happy to show anyone around the operation at that time.

The Board recognized Bill Palmer, Trailmaster from the Bee Hole Beavers Snowmobile Club. He explained that they don't want to have wheeled vehicles on the Wiggins Road Bridge. He said someone put stone in the brook, they don't know who, in the past year.

The Board recognized Barbara Burr from the recycling committee. Ms. Burr showed the Board a video about glass processing.

Selectman Ives moved to adjourn 7:31 p.m. Seconded by Selectman Fiske. All in favor. Motion carried.

**LOUDON BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

*Robert P. Krieger, Chairman*

*Steven R. Ives, Selectman*

*Robert N. Fiske, Selectman*

## Planning Board Meeting Minutes — October 20, 2016

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

**Attendance:**

Chairman Tom Dow, Vice Chairman Stan Prescott, Steve Ives, Tom Moore, Bob Cole, Henry Huntington, and George Saunderson.

**Acceptance of Minutes:**

**September 14, 2016 Regular Meeting** — Mr. Ives made a motion to approve the minutes as written; seconded by Mr. Cole. All were in favor.

**September 20, 2016 ADU Meeting** — Vice Chairman Stan Prescott made a motion to approve the minutes as written; seconded by Mr. Moore. All were in favor.

**September 20, 2016 CNHRPC Meeting** — Mr. Huntington made a motion to approve the minutes as written; seconded by George Saunderson. All were in favor.

**Discussions:**

**Beth Kingsley Map 52 L5-1** — Mrs. Kingsley is hoping to purchase a piece of land on Bumfagon road from Bumfagon Development LLC that needs to be subdivided. Currently the lot is 239 acres, Mrs. Kingsley is looking to buy 50 acres of that parcel but there is only 69 feet of road frontage once subdivided in an zone that requires 400 feet of road frontage. Vice Chairman Prescott read the laws on subdividing and stated that legally they have to have 400 feet of road frontage. Mrs. Kingsley asked if they built a road into the property would this count as road frontage. Mr. Ives stated that the road would have to be built to town specs including being paved. Mrs. Kingsley asked if each side of the road counted as road frontage. Vice Chairman Prescott said yes both sides would count as frontage. Mr. Huntington suggested going to the Zoning Board to discuss getting a

variance for a driveway instead of putting in a road. Mr. Saunderson said they could come to the meeting next week to discuss this but it doesn't mean they will allow it.

**New Business:**

**Application 16-10, Best Septic, Site Plan Map 49 L124** — Mr. Moore made a motion to accept the application as complete and move forward with a public hearing. Mr. Huntington seconded motion, all were in favor. Paul and Darlene Johnson are looking to purchase property on Shaker Brook Road to run a Septic business from. Present were two abutters Carolyn Dudley and Ashley Near as well as Site developer Jennifer McCourt. Mrs. McCourt presented the site plan to the board for the 60X80 ft. building with a 4 bay garage that is 4800 sq. feet. Abutter Carolyn Dudley has concerns about traffic and smell. Mr. Johnson explained that the trucks will leave in the morning and come back in the afternoon so

traffic will not be continuous during the day. Mr. Ives had a question about storage of the septic waste. Mr. Johnson explained that when they pick up the portable toilets will be emptied before moving the toilets to this facility. The Septic trucks are emptied at the waste station but they do have storage tanks at this property that they are hoping to use as temporary storage. Mrs. McCourt also wanted to add that the storage tanks that are currently on the property were designed for gasoline which requires a dual lining that is not required for septic. Mrs. Near questioned what you could see from the road. Mrs. McCourt explained that they will be leaving up the tree buffer alongside the road. Mrs. Near had concerns about being able to see the trucks from her property and the concern for her property value. She stated that the chance there could be a spill or cap left open is there and the possibility that it could smell is there. Jeff Green was in

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the audience and spoke up on the behalf of Best Septic. Mr. Green worked on the trucks for Best Septic years ago and said that the trucks were always kept in great condition and were very clean including the garage where they were kept. Vice Chairman Prescott asked the Johnson's about the road maintenance agreement. Mr. Johnson said they are in the process of getting a road maintenance agreement. Mr. Johnson asked what the process would be to get the town accepted by the road. Mr. Ives said to come to a Selectmen's meeting to discuss that. Mr. Huntington asked what the timeline is on building this. Mr. Johnson said it will be a few years there is no rush to get the project complete. Mr. Cole asked the Johnsons if they would put up a fence that had a weave so things were hidden more. Mr. Johnson said that he would do that. Mr. Ives asked about the 2 storage tanks on property if one was for rain water and one for sewage. Mr. Johnson said that the rain collected would be used for his trucks and the other storage tank would be used only for temporary sewage storage. If the treatment plant is closed and trucks are full they may need to use it. Mr. Johnson hopes not to have to use the sewage storage tank due to the fact that it will then have to be pumped back into the truck to bring to the treatment plant. Mrs. Johnson said they have ran for 27 years without a temporary sewage storage tank but these tanks are already on the property so they are hoping to be able to use them in case they are full. Chairman Dow read the

waiver on landscaping; *Vice Chairman Prescott made a motion to accept the waiver under the condition they maintain the buffer of tree line along Shaker road, seconded by Mr. Saunderson. Chairman Dow read the waiver on lighting; Vice Chairman Prescott made a motion to accept the waiver; seconded by Mr. Cole; all were in favor.*

*Mr. Cole made a motion to approve the application under these conditions:*

*Contingent on sale of property  
Maintain buffer of trees  
Weave on fence  
Paved apron on driveway of 10 feet  
State approval of septic  
Road maintenance agreement  
Regular business hours 7 a.m.–7 p.m. 5 days per week; excluding emergencies  
DES storage approval*

*Seconded by Mr. Moore, all were in favor.*

**Application 16-11, Hayes/Kosusko, LLA Map 36 L 5&6** — Steve Kosusko presented the application to the board as surveyor as well as applicant. Present in the audience were Nancy Josselyn who owns lot 6 with Mr. Kosusko and Kathleen and Scott Hayes owners of lot 5. *Vice Chairman Prescott made a motion to accept the application as complete and move forward to a public hearing; Mr. Cole seconded the motion; all were in favor.* Chairman Dow questioned if the lot was two separate pieces as it was hard to read. Mr. Kosusko stated that it is one continuous piece, the line is .26 feet east of the lot line and is written on the map. Chairman Dow would like to see a blow up of this area to show it clearly. Mr. Moore asked what type of markers Mr.

Kosusko will use. Mr. Kosusko stated he will use 5/8 bar with ID cap and they will be set flush to the ground so that the Hayes family can hay the field. Mr. Moore said that should be added to the legend. Chairman Dow also questioned that dashed line on the map that is the previous lot line and would like to see it clearly marked that that is the previous lot line. Vice Chairman Prescott said that it would be good to add that to the legend. *Chairman Dow read the first waiver; Mr. Huntington made a motion to accept the waiver; seconded by Mr. Moore; all were in favor. Chairman Dow read the second waiver; Mr. Cole made a motion to grant the waiver; seconded by Henry Huntington; all were in favor. Chairman Dow read the third waiver; Mr. Moore made a motion to accept the waiver; seconded by Mr. Cole; all in favor. Chairman Dow read the fourth waiver; Mr. Cole made a motion to accept the waiver; seconded by Mr. Ives. Mr. Huntington asked Mrs. Bosco to read off the changes needed.*

1. Changes will be to blow up the picture of the new line

2. Add in legend that dashed line is removed

3. Add note on 5/8 bar set flush to the ground

*Mr. Huntington made a motion to approve the application with the changes. Mr. Huntington seconded motion, all were in favor.*

**Report of the ZBA:****DISCUSSIONS**

Best Septic — Septic storage  
Bill Leombruno — disc golf

**APPLICATIONS**

Racing History Preservation Group — special exception for 1,000 gallon propane tank

David Little — Reduced setback

Jason Rule — Special Exception major home Occupation

Steven Kosusko — Special Exception reduced setback

**Report of the Board of Permit:**

Events at the racetrack need to have intents in 1 week before the board of permit

**Board Discussion:**

The Board members discussed the proposed amendment for ADU's. Mr. Saunderson and Mr. Prescott came up with the proposed amendment. Mr. Saunderson thinks it would be a good idea to keep track of ADU's in town. Chairman Dow said that would be something code enforcement could do. Mr. Huntington pointed out that it currently is typed up "the door between the principal dwelling unit and accessory dwelling unit is not required to be unlocked." The law should state that it cannot be locked. Roy Merrill from the zoning board was in the audience and said wouldn't it be best to require a non-locking door. Mr. Huntington said to word it "non-locking interior door between principal dwelling unit and accessory dwelling unit."

**Adjournment:**

*Mr. Huntington made a motion to adjourn at 9:03 p.m.; seconded by Mr. Saunderson. All were in favor.*

*Submitted by,*

*Danielle Bosco, Administrative Assistant*

## Zoning Board Meeting Minutes — October 27, 2016

**Present:**

Chairman Ned Lizotte, Howard Pearl, Roy Merrill, Earl Tuson, Charlie Aznive, and alternate George Saunderson

**Minutes:**

*Mr. Tuson made a motion to accept the draft minutes from the July meeting. Mr. Pearl seconded motion, all in favor.*

**Discussions:**

**Best Septic** — Paul and Darlene Johnson approached the Zoning Board to discuss a property they are looking to purchase on the corner of Shaker Brook Road and Shaker Road. The property will be future home to their business Best Septic LLC and the site plan has been done and approved by the Planning Board. On the property there are currently 3 fuel grade tanks that the Johnsons are looking to use, 1 will be used for collecting rain water and 2 for temporary septic storage. The property currently has 2 special exceptions from 2008 that were obtained by Del Gilbert, one being bulk storage and the other is to allow a gas filling station. The Johnson's approached the Board to ask if the special exception for

bulk storage would stay with the property. Mr. Pearl stated that the bulk storage stays with the land so they do not have to submit any applications. Mr. Saunderson stated that the Planning Board approved the site plan and thought this was a good idea. Mr. Pearl said if the Planning Board approved the site plan and the special exception still stands so there should be no zoning issues. Mr. Tuson asked how big the tanks are. Mrs. Johnson said all 3 tanks will hold 29,000 gallons but 1 will be collecting rain water. Mr. Merrill said at the planning board meeting there were several abutters that had issues with septic storage. Mr. Lizotte said the bulk storage approval is fine but they would need to have a change of use application so there is clarification of the use of the property. Mr. Saunderson asked if we should collect another application fee. Mr. Merrill said it is to notify abutters so yes they would have to pay the application fee.

**Beth Kingsley** — Mrs. Kingsley approached the Zoning Board after going to the Planning Board meeting last week. The Kingsley's are looking to purchase a piece of property that needs to be subdivided but

does not have the required 400 feet of road frontage. Currently the property has 239.9 total acres, the Kingsley's are looking to purchase 50 acres with only 69 feet of road frontage. The Kingsley's asked the Planning Board last week if there is any way to go about this subdivision without the required road frontage. Once subdivided parcel 1 will have 69 feet and parcel 2 will have a little over 400 feet. The planning Board sent the Kingsley's to Zoning to check about a variance as they would require a road to be built to town specs. Mrs. Kingsley said they are hoping to not have to build a road due to cost and they would like to leave the land untouched as much as possible. Mr. Pearl asked if they had gotten quotes on how much this road will cost. Mr. Kingsley said they have not yet gotten pricing. Mr. Pearl did not think allowing them to just put in a driveway and create a non-conforming lot was a good idea. Mr. Saunderson said the planning board also talked about requiring it to not be subdivided again and only having that one house on it. Mr. Lizotte said it is only one house and would be more like a driveway and would make sense to allow a

variance instead of the road. Mr. Pearl was not in agreement to create a non-conforming lot. Mr. Tuson told the Kingsley's that variances are difficult to get and they would need to prove a hardship.

**Public Hearings:**

**Application #Z-16-15, Racing History Preservation Group — Special Exception for installation of 1000 gallon propane tank, CI District, Map 51, Lot 19-1.** Dick Berggren approached the board on behalf of the museum to discuss allowing a 1,000 gallon propane tank on the property, no abutters were present. Mr. Saunderson mentioned that the planning board has discussed allowing 1,000 gallon tanks in the upcoming zoning amendment workshops. Mr. Berggren read the application. Mr. Tuson pointed out there a page was missing with several questions that needed to be answered. Mr. Tuson read the questions to Mr. Berggren. *Mr. Pearl made a motion to approve the application on the condition Mr. Berggren provides the missing page with signature, Mr. Tuson seconded the motion. A roll call was taken. Charlie*

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Aznive-yes, Earl Tuson-yes Ned Lizotte-yes, Roy Merrill-yes, Howard Pearl-yes. *Unanimous — APPROVED.*

**Application #Z-16-16, David Little — Special Exception for reduced side setback, RR District, Map 21, Lot 64.** Mr. and Mrs. Little presented the application, no abutters were present. Mr. Little said just a corner of the driveway is not within the required 30 foot setback and they are looking for a 15 foot reduced setback. Mr. Little said the lay of the land limited where they could put the driveway and garage. Mr. Lizotte asked the questions listed on the application and Mr. Little answered. *Mr. Merrill made a motion to accept the application. Mr. Pearl seconded the motion. A roll call was taken. Charlie Aznive-yes, Earl Tuson-yes, Ned Lizotte-yes, Roy Merrill-yes, Howard Pearl-yes. Unanimous — APPROVED.*

**Application #Z-16-17, Jason Rule- Special Exception for a Major Home Occupation.** Jason Rule presented the application; Alisha Kingsbury, Jay Hall, and Clark Page, an abutter, was present. Mr. Rule is in process of purchasing a property located at 721 Loudon Ridge Road and runs a construction company that will run out of the property. There is only 1 employee, a book-keeper that will be working inside an office in the house 2 or 3 days a week and construction workers are working off site. Real-  
tor Alisha Kingsbury was also in the audience and showed pictures of the property to the Board. Jay Hall currently owns the property and they are due to close in 4 days. Mr. Lizotte asked for abutters to speak. Abutter Clark Page had not issues with this. Mr. Hall said the office is about 18 x 21. Mr. Lizotte asked if there was ample parking space for equipment. Mr. Rule said there is plenty of parking space. Mr. Lizotte asked the questions from the application and Mr. Rule answered. Mr. Pearl asked if the board should put any special conditions on the business about employees and vehicles. Mr. Tuson said in the ordinance there are restrictions and Mr. Rule should become familiar with the Zoning Ordinance and the limitations on his business. *Mr. Merrill made a motion to accept the application. Mr. Tuson seconded the motion. A roll call was taken. Charlie Aznive-yes, Earl Tuson-yes, Ned Lizotte-yes, Roy Merrill-yes, Howard Pearl-yes. Unanimous — APPROVED.*

**Application #Z16-18, Steven Kosusko- Special Exception for reduced side setback of 10 feet, AFP district, Map 36, Lot 6.** Mr. Kosusko approached the board to discuss getting a reduced setback of 10 feet to build a 18 X 24 1½ story storage barn. Mr. Kosusko was at the planning board meeting last week and got an approved lot line adjustment. The property is small, at only .44 acres. Mr. Lizotte asked the questions from the application and Mr. Kosusko answered. *Mr. Pearl made a motion to accept the application. Mr. Tuson seconded the motion. A roll call was taken. Charlie*

*Aznive-yes, Earl Tuson-yes, Ned Lizotte-yes, Roy Merrill-yes, Howard Pearl-yes. Unanimous — APPROVED.*

**Board Discussion:**

Vice Chairman Lizotte spoke about the recent passing of Chairman Powelson. *Mr. Saunderson made a nomination that Mr. Lizotte act as Chairman for the remainder to the term; seconded by Mr. Aznive; all were in favor. Mr. Merrill made a nomination for Mr. Pearl to serve as Vice Chairman for the remainder of the term; seconded by Mr. Saunderson; all were in favor. Mr. Saunderson made a motion for Mr. Aznive to move from an alternate to full member; seconded by Mr. Pearl; all were in favor.*

Mr. Lizotte brought up the discussion about the upcoming zoning amendments that Planning Board will be holding and asked the board if there are any amendments the board is interested bringing to the attention of the Planning Board. Mr. Tuson brought up the setbacks and questioned if they should be reduced. Mr. Pearl said that keeping this will give the board some authority because some of the properties will not allow a reduced setback where others can.

Mr. Merrill asked about the upcoming amendment on accessory dwelling units. Mr. Merrill asked if the board members could see this proposed amendment. Mr. Saunderson said it was drafted and sent to the lawyer and there will be workshops held. Mr. Saunderson also asked the board members to think about amendment changes and get them in writing to the Planning Board.

Mr. Merrill spoke about the Best Septic discussion. Mr. Merrill stated the septic storage isn't in the zoning ordinance. Mr. Pearl said that it passed in the planning board meeting so there should be no need to come to Zoning. Mr. Lizotte said, yes, there should be a change of use as it was fueling station and now will be septic storage. Mr. Pearl said they came in asking about bulk storage and the answer is the bulk storage is all set. Mr. Lizotte pointed out there were two special exceptions on the land prior; one was bulk storage and one was fueling station. It should be changed to septic storage. Mr. Pearl questioned who holds responsibility it is to speak about an application that was done in planning and sent to zoning. Mr. Saunderson is on both boards and is available to speak about anything concerning about a planning decision. Mr. Pearl said they need to form a clear line of communication in the case Mr. Saunderson cannot attend a meeting. Mr. Aznive said these things will come up in the future at times. The Board made a clear decision that Best Septic will need a change of use application.

**Adjournment:**

*Mr. Aznive moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:20 p.m.; seconded by Mr. Saunderson. All were in favor.*

*Submitted by,  
Danielle Bosco  
Administrative Assistant*

## December Events in Loudon

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**Dec. 1•**10:30am•Story Time @ Library  
2:30pm•Tai Chi  
6pm•Yoga@Library  
6:30•PTA @ LES  
7pm•Agriculture Commission @ CB

**Dec. 2•**"Polar Express" @ Library

**Dec. 3•**PTA Santa's Breakfast @ LES

**Dec. 5•**5pm•Library Trustees Meeting  
6pm•Conservation Commission @ CB  
6pm•Yoga @ Library  
6:45pm•Victory Workers 4H, Pittsfield  
Community Center (Oct.–May)

**Dec. 6•**9am•Chair Yoga @ Library  
9am•Young at Heart @ CB  
10:30am•Story Time @ Library  
1–2pm•Yoga @ Library  
6pm•Selectmen @ CB  
7pm•Lions Club @ Library

**Dec. 7•**Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day  
2–4pm•Open Studio — Loudon Village  
Arts @ Library  
2:30am•Story Time @ Library  
6pm•Meditation @ Library  
6pm•Sit 'n Stitch @ Library  
7pm•Historical Society @ Museum

**Dec. 8•**10:30am•Story Time @ Library  
2:30pm•Tai Chi  
6pm•Yoga@Library

**Dec. 10•**4:30–6:00pm•Family Bible Church  
Community Dinner

**Dec. 11•**2–4pm•Loudon Historical Society  
Museum Open  
3–4pm•Open House & Tree Lighting  
Ceremony @ Historical Society

**Dec. 12•**6pm•Yoga @ Library  
7:15pm•MVSD School Board (See  
website for location.)

**Dec. 13•**9am•Yoga @ Library  
10:30am•Story Time @ Library  
1–2pm•Yoga @ Library  
2:30pm•Adult Matinee  
6pm•Spiritual Living Discussion Group  
6pm•Selectmen, Board of Permit @ CB

**Dec. 14•**2–4pm•Open Studio — Loudon Village  
Arts @ Library  
2:30am•Story Time @ Library  
6pm•Sit 'n Stitch @ Library

**Dec. 15•**10:30am•Story Time @ Library  
6pm•Yoga@Library  
7pm•Planning Board @ CB

**Dec. 17•**4pm• "The Christmas Window" @ New  
Beginnings Church of the Nazarene  
5:30pm•Loudon Center Freewill Baptist  
Church Christmas Potluck Fellowship  
Supper followed by JuBellation  
Handbell Choir

**Dec. 19•**6pm•Yoga @ Library

**Dec. 20•**9am•Yoga @ Library  
10:30am•Story Time @ Library  
1–2pm•Yoga @ Library  
6pm•Selectmen @ CB  
7pm•Lions Club @ Library

**Dec. 21•**First Day of Winter  
2–4pm•Open Studio — Loudon Village  
Arts @ Library  
2:30am•Story Time @ Library  
6pm•Sit 'n Stitch @ Library  
7pm•Legion & Auxilliary @ Legion

**Dec. 22•**11am•Drop In Craft Time @ Library  
6pm•Yoga@Library  
7pm•Zoning Board @ CB  
School Vacation Begins

**Dec. 24•**Hanukkah Begins  
6:30–7:45pm•Christmas Eve Worship  
Service @ New Beginnings Church of  
the Nazarene

**Dec. 25•**Christmas  
4pm•Christmas Word & Table Worship  
Service @ New Beginnings Church of  
the Nazarene

**Dec. 26•**Kwanzaa  
LIBRARY CLOSED

**Dec. 27•**9am•Chair Yoga @ Library  
11am•Movie Time @ Library  
1–2pm•Yoga @ Library  
6pm•Selectmen @ CB  
7pm•LYAA @ Library

**Dec. 28•**2–4pm•Open Studio — Loudon Village  
Arts @ Library  
2am•LEGO Time @ Library

**Dec. 29•**11am•Drop-In Craft Day @ Library  
6pm•Yoga @ Library

**Dec. 31•**New Year's Eve

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