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## Wildlife Heritage Foundation of NH Welcomes New Board Member From Loudon

The Board of Directors of the Wildlife Heritage Foundation of New Hampshire is pleased to welcome its newest Board member, Wesley R. Reed of Loudon. Born and raised in New Hampshire, Reed learned the art of hunting and fishing at an early age from his father, Richard Reed, who was a NH Conservation Officer. Whether fishing for stripers off the coast, chasing grouse in the North Country, or duck hunting, he has been involved in almost every aspect of the New Hampshire outdoor scene.

Reed states, "I feel honored to have been asked to join the Wildlife Heritage Foundation of New Hampshire, and I look forward to bringing some new ideas and a fresh perspective to the Board of Directors."

Reed served with the U.S. Navy Seabees, and for the past 33 years has been with the facilities department of Concord Hospital, where he is currently Construction Coordinator for their ever-expanding campus.

For many years, Reed bred, raised and trialed beagles, and then fell in love with Labrador retrievers. He and his wife Belinda own and operate Rise and Shine Retrievers, offering quality Labrador and Chesapeake Bay retrievers. They offer obedience classes, all-breed retriever training, and handling at hunt test events.

The Wildlife Heritage Foundation of NH is the official non-profit partner of the NH Fish and Game Department, and raises funds in support of the Department's critical educational, conservation and wildlife programs important to New Hampshire's quality of outdoor life, and is dedicated to preserving these wild places and wild things in NH for generations to come. To learn more about the Foundation and how you can help preserve New Hampshire's outdoor gifts, visit www.nhwild lifeheritage.org or on Facebook at www.facebook.com/WildlifeHeritage



Wesley R. Reed of Loudon is newest Board Member at the Wildlife Heritage Foundation of New Hampshire.

## Whitney Krieger, Loudon, Named Salesperson of the Year at NHMS



Overseeing multiple race entitlement partnerships, new corporate sponsors, and the rebranding of New Hampshire Motor Speedway's iconic victory lane, Whitney Krieger has been named the speedway's Salesperson of the Year for 2014.

Krieger, a native of Loudon, NH, hit 110 percent of her annual budget and

grew her local business 68 percent over the year in her role as senior account executive. In her short time in the position, Krieger has shown tremendous passion and leadership in the handling of entitlements Camping (NASCAR Sprint Cup Series), Whelen (Modified All-Star Shootout), Sunoco (Whelen Modified Tour), F.W. Webb (Whelen Modified Tour), and Bond Auto Parts (American-Canadian Tour). Krieger was also instrumental in landing a new partnership with the University of Northwestern Ohio, the September NASCAR Camping World Truck Series race sponsor, and the rebranding of the now Sunoco Victory

"I am so proud of Whitney and her accomplishments. She is a focused, driven individual, who builds deep, lasting relationships with all of her clients," said David McGrath, the speedway's vice president of corporate sales. "She has built a reputation as a rock solid problem solver and hard worker. I'm thrilled to see Whitney's work pay off."

Krieger, 26, manages account activation and branding for more than 60 accounts in the corporate sales department, ranging from employee ticket promotions to major race sponsorships.

After starting at the speedway in 2009 as a suite host, Krieger quickly climbed the ladder, moving to a sales internship to group ticket sales by the spring of 2010. In group sales, Krieger played a significant role in turning record sales and profits, leading to her promotion to account executive with

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#### 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

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 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
The Planning Board Meets the third Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m.
in the Community Building. The Zoning Board meets the fourth Thursday
of the month at 7:00 p.m. in the Community Building.
Mon. through Thurs.: 8 a.m.-4 p.m. • Tues. 8 a.m.-7 p.m.

#### **Tax Collector**

PO Box 7844 • 798-4543 • 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 Mon.–Fri.: 8 a.m.–4:00 p.m.

#### **Code Enforcement**

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

#### Fire Department: Emergencies: 911

PO Box 7032 • 798-5612 • chief@loudonfire.com

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

#### **Loudon Elementary School**

7039 School Street • 783-4400

The School Board meets the second Monday of the month at 7:15 p.m. Call the Superintendent's Office for meeting location.

#### **Transfer Station**

783-0170 • 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**

Road Agent: David Rice • 783-4568 • selectmensoffice@loudonnh.org Mon.-Fri.: 7 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

#### **Maxfield Public Library**

Librarian: Nancy Hendy • 798-5153 • maxlib@comcast.net
Mon.: Closed • Tues.: 10 a.m.-9 p.m. • Wed.: 1-9 p.m.
Thurs.: 10 a.m.-9 p.m. • Sat.: 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

The Library Trustees meet at 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: Monday—Thursday by appointment only. Donations accepted: Monday—Thursday 10 a.m.—5 p.m. Closed Fridays. For more information, call Sue or Sarah at 724-9731 or email LoudonFoodPantry@yahoo.com

#### **Loudon Representatives**

Merrimack County — District 9

**Priscilla P. Lockwood:** PO Box 1, Canterbury, NH 03224-0001 **Howard M. Moffett:** 66 Cogswell Rd., Canterbury, NH 03224-2011

#### **Merrimack County — District 26**

Lorrie J. Carey: 151 King St., Boscawen, NH 03303-2107

Senators — District 17

John Reagan: 53 Mt. Delight Rd., Deerfield, NH 0303-1304

#### **Loudon Ledger Submission Policy**

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

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

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

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

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

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

Articles should be submitted to the Loudon Communications Council, P.O. Box 7871, Loudon, NH 03307. They may be emailed to <a href="mailto:debbie@debbiekgraphics.com">debbie@debbiekgraphics.com</a>. 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" 2015 Schedule

January 2015 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 12/19 Council Meeting: Tues. 12/23

February 2015 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 1/16 Council Meeting: Tues. 1/20

March 2015 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 2/13 Council Meeting: Tues. 2/17

April 2015 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 3/20 Council Meeting: Tues. 3/24

May 2015 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 4/17 Council Meeting: Tues. 4/21

June 2015 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 5/15 Council Meeting: Tues. 5/19

July 2015 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 6/19 Council Meeting: Tues. 6/23

August 2015 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 7/17 Council Meeting: Tues. 7/21

September 2015 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 8/21 Council Meeting: Tues. 8/25

October 2015 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 9/18 Council Meeting: Tues. 9/22

November 2015 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 10/16 Council Meeting: Tues. 10/20

December 2015 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 11/20 Council Meeting: Tues. 11/24

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Web Site and Article Submissions: Kathy Pitman — Loudonwebmaster@comcast.net

### Where to Worship in Loudon

#### **Faith Community Bible Church**

Jeffrey Owen, Senior Pastor • Joshua Owens, 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 Classes: 9:30-10:30 a.m. Children's Worship: Bible Explorers for ages 3 up to 5th Grade 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. John Young is currently serving as Pulpit Supply 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 Sam Langley, Fellowship Coordinator, at 848-3724 (days) or 796-2194 (evenings).

#### **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 Wednesday Evenings: Bible Study Loudon Congregational is a member church of the Conservative Congregational Christian Conference (www.ccccusa.org).

#### New Beginnings Church of the Nazarene

Senior Pastor Rev. Joshua T. Johnson Youth Pastor Brian Bollinger Visitation Pastor Rev. Mike Matthews 33 Staniels Rd, Loudon NH 03307 • Ph: 224-1311 • Office Hours: 9-2, Mon.-Fri. office.LNBnazarene@gmail.com • www.LNBnazarene.org

Sundays: Sunday School & Adult Bible Studies: 9:15 a.m. Worship: 10:30 a.m. (Childcare provided for Infants-3-year-olds.) Jr. Kids Church (3-year-olds-Kindergarteners.)

Children's Church (Grades 1–4) Tuesdays: Early Youth Group (Grades 5-6). 6:30-8 p.m. Brian & Jill Bollinger: 267-1744 Wednesdays: Youth Group (Grades 7-12). 6:30-8:00 p.m.

Adult Bible Study with Pastor Josh: 7–8 p.m. Kids Time (Grades 1-6). 7-8 p.m.

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

#### **LOUDON CHURCH NEWS**

#### **New Beginnings Church of the** Nazarene

Christmas Eve Service of Light, Wednesday, December 24th, 6-7 p.m.

#### **Christmas Program Planned at New Beginnings Church of the Nazarene**

Journey to Bethlehem Director, Mike Beevers, announced "Preparations are full steam ahead for this free event, with presentations on Friday, December 12, and Saturday, December 13, from 6 to 8 p.m.'

The church will be transformed into the streets of Bethlehem, as they were over 2,000 years ago. The congregation will be dressed in period attire as the innkeeper, Mary, Joseph, along with Roman soldiers, census takers, shopkeepers, and the general citizens of Bethlehem.

Guests will be guided along the streets of Bethlehem by townsfolk, departing every 10 minutes.

This is a wonderful no cost Christmas experience for the whole family.

Donations of personal care items such as toilet paper, shampoo, diapers, etc. are welcome and will go to Rise Again Outreach, helping families in the greater Con-

New Beginnings is handicapped accessible and is located at 33 Staniels Road just off Route 106 near the Loudon-Concord line and the Red Roof Inn. For more information, call 224-1311. ■



Alex Johansen, age 10, of Loudon tries on the Roman soldiers attire along with his brother, Chase, age 8.



Jennah Johansen, age 7, of Loudon practices to be an angel.

## Holiday Food Basket Pick-Up

2014 HOLIDAY FOOD BASKETS **NEED TO BE PICKED UP AT** STATION #1 BETWEEN 8:30 A.M. AND 11 A.M. ON MONDAY, DECEMBER 22, 2014.

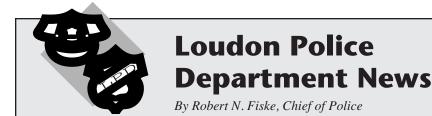
#### FREE COMMUNITY DINNER

**SATURDAY, DEC. 13, 2014** Serving dinner at 4:30-6:30 PM **The Family Bible Church** 676 Loudon Ridge Road Loudon, NH 03307

Bring your friends. • Bring your family. **Bring your appetite** 

**EVERYONE IS WELCOME** IT IS OUR PLEASURE TO SERVE YOU

Call Cindy at 393-4384 for information or directions. Leave a message.



The members of the Loudon Police Department extend their wishes for a happy and healthy holiday season.

'Tis the season for holiday parties and gatherings. PLEASE use common sense when planning to host or attend these gatherings. Don't drink and drive. We will be out with extra patrols to deter drinking and driving. Plan ahead and utilize a designated driver — and PLEASE buckle up.

As the inclement weather has arrived, we strongly urge motorists to SLOW down. You must be travelling at a reasonable and prudent speed under the conditions — not necessarily the posted speed limit. PLEASE use caution and drive at a reasonable speed — especially with inclement weather. This message is a reminder to ALL drivers, young and old alike.

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

#### Krieger — cont. from 1

the corporate sales team in the winter of 2011. As an account executive, Krieger was named the Account Executive of the Year for 2012, landing two of the speedway's largest accounts — F.W. Webb and Bond Auto Parts, which showed its commitment to the partnership by signing on as the "Official Auto Parts Supplier" of the speedway in late 2013.

"Whitney is a great example of effort equals results," said Jerry Gappens, executive vice president and general manager of the speedway. "To watch her professional development from starting as an intern to becoming one of the most successful account executives in the Speedway Motorsports family is very rewarding."

Krieger was born in Concord, NH and raised in Loudon, NH. She received her Bachelor of Science in Business Administration with an option in Marketing from the University of New Hampshire in 2010.

Along with a trophy and internal awards from the speedway, Krieger will be honored with a trip to attend the NASCAR Sprint Cup Series Awards Ceremony in Las Vegas. ■

## Concord Hospital and Its Medical Group In 3 NH Networks on the NH Health Insurance Marketplace

Concord Hospital and Concord Hospital Medical Group are pleased to announce participation with three health insurance plans being offered on the New Hampshire Health Insurance Marketplace. Assurant Health, Harvard Pilgrim Health Care and Maine Community Health Options will all offer plans for enrollment that include coverage at Concord Hospital and Concord Hospital Medical Group.

New Hampshire residents in need of affordable health insurance can enroll beginning on November 15 by visiting www.healthcare.gov. Those needing assistance can contact Concord Hospital Financial Assistance at (603) 227-7101 or e-mail financialcounseling@crhc.org. ■

#### **NOTICE FROM TOWN CLERK**

Beginning January 1, 2015 the State of NH 15-year Title Law no longer exists. This means any motor vehicle that is a year 2000 or newer will ALWAYS be required to have a title. 1999 and older motor vehicles will not requires titles.



Milo Moose is portrayed in lights at this year's Gift of Lights display at New Hampshire Motor Speedway.

## Ready, Set, Lights

### Gift of Lights prepares for fourth annual drive-thru illumination show

As the weather gets colder and warm jackets make their way out of the closet, New Hampshire Motor Speedway trades in hot summer race weekends for 37 nights of holiday cheer during the Gift of Lights holiday spectacular. With over 400 different themed light scenes to explore such as "12 Days of Christmas" and "Candy Land," kids and adults alike can take in the spirit of the holidays and giving through an awe-inspiring display of lights.

Guests will once again be able to tour the property, ending in the grand finale: the 250-foot long "Tunnel of Lights." After the adventurous display of light fixtures for all to gaze, several activities are set up such as photos with Santa, and free hot chocolate and s'mores.

This year's event will run from Nov. 21 through Jan. 3 from 4:30–9:00 p.m. daily. The entry fee is \$15 per carload on Mondays through Thursdays and \$20 Friday through Sundays. Guests will be given the opportunity to bring at least three cans of non-perishable goods and receive a discount on their entry fee. All food items are generously donated to the Loudon Food Pantry and a portion of the proceeds raised will be donated to the New Hampshire Chapter of Speedway Children's Charities (SCC).

Over 38,000 cars have made their way to NHMS to witness the Gift of Lights over the last three years, with more than 44,000 pounds of food collected for the food pantry. The Gift of Lights has successfully raised more than \$75,000, which has been distributed to children's charities across New England, including nonprofit programs within New Hampshire, such as after-school care and summer programs for underprivileged kids.

Thousands of families take in the sight of more than two million lights over the two-mile long route. One hundred percent of the lights used are LEDs, meaning each of those lights are high-efficiency and use 90 percent less energy, while creating a brighter glow than the average light bulb.

Tickets will be available online and at the door and, just like the previous years, non-perishable foods will decrease the price of admission. ■

Santa gets ready to do some Christmas shopping at NHMS — with a little help from Milo.



## Santa's Breakfast

Saturday, December 6, 2014 Loudon Elementary School Cafeteria



Kids Crafts "Christmas Around the World: 8-Noon

#### Quarter Raffle: 10 a.m.

Dozens of items to choose from — just 25¢ a chance!

#### Cookie Walk: 8-noon

Fill a bag with delicious home-baked cookies.

#### **Gingerbread House Contest!**

Deliver your house to the gym by 10 a.m. Prizes given at noon.

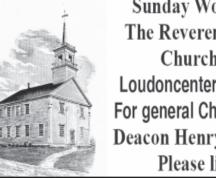
To donate a raffle item or if you have questions, call Becky Herman at 783-4400.

All proceeds to benefit the LES PTA



### LOUDON CENTER FREEWILL BAPTIST CHURCH

A Country Church Celebrating the Savior! 443 Clough Hill Road, Loudon, NH 03307



Sunday Worship Service ...9:30 am
The Reverend John M. Young, Pastor
Church Office, 603.708.1185
Loudoncenterfreewillbaptist@comcast.net
For general Church information, please call:
Deacon Henry A. Welch, at 603.435.6510
Please like us on Facebook...

## Loudon PTA Has Been Busy Making Plans for Santa's Breakfast!

Thank you as always to all the organizations and individuals that support the PTA. Also, a huge thank you to the Loudon Fire Department for hosting the wildly successful Trick or Trunk! Plans are already being made to make the event bigger and better next Halloween! Thank you to the Loudon Police Department for not only participating and decorating a cruiser but for barricading the roads! It was nice to have a safe place for kids to trick or treat.

We are very fortunate to receive tremendous support from our local businesses. Thank you to Northeast Delta Dental for donating toothpaste and floss for the Trick or Trunk! Thank you to Kristine Longver of Kreative Flowers and Gifts in Chichester for making the wreath sale such a tremendous success.

Thanks also to all the community members who donate their time or items or who support the PTA through purchases or attending events. We couldn't do it with-

#### Santa's Breakfast!

The big news this month is the annual Santa's Breakfast! Join us Saturday, December 6th for this fantastic event! Breakfast runs 8:00 to 10:00 a.m. and features pancakes with real maple syrup, sausage, fruit, juice, and coffee. The cost is \$5 per person, \$20 maximum per family. Children 2 and under free. Santa will be visiting from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. — bring your camera!

The fun doesn't end with breakfast!

- Stoneboat Farm will be giving horse drawn wagon rides from 9 to 11! (Free of
- Kids Crafts "Christmas Around the World" 8:00 to noon
- · Grab your passport and start crafting!
- Dozens of items to choose from, just 25 cents a chance!
- Cookie Walk 8:00 to noon Fill a bag with delicious home-baked cookies, \$5/large bag.
- Gingerbread House Contest! Make a house deliver to the gym by 10 a.m. Prizes (gift cards) will be given at Noon

We will also be accepting donations for the Loudon Food Pantry and "Toys for Tots." Donations can be dropped off in the gym!

If you would like to donate a raffle items please bring to Loudon Elementary School or mail to:

LES attn. PTA 7039 School Street

Loudon, NH 03307

If you have any questions please call Becky Herrmann at 783-4400.

#### Support the PTA by Visiting Charmingfare Farm

Experience the magic of Christmas when you visit Charmingfare Farm this holiday season, while helping the Loudon Elementary School PTA. The Winter Wonderland Light Show features a trip to the trip to the North Pole and along the way you'll travel through thousands of lights and holiday scenes. You'll also have a chance to visit with the Jolly Old Elf himself. To learn more about the event or order tickets, visit www.visitthefarm.com.

When ordering tickets enter the promo code "lespta2014." You will receive a \$4 discount per ticket and the LES PTA will receive a \$4 donation per ticket. Please spread the word!

#### **Upcoming Events**

**December 4th:** PTA meeting in Media Center (6:30)

December 5th: Set up for Santa's Breakfast (starting at 5 p.m.) VOLUN-

TEERS NEEDED **December 6th:** SANTA'S BREAKFAST! December 12th: Snack Cart Day

End of December: High Mowing Organic Seed fundraiser begins.

Anyone interested in volunteering at any of our events please contact the school

at 783-4400. Thank you. ■

### **NH Sno-Shakers** Snowmobile Club

The NH Sno-Shakers Snowmobile Club, founded in 1972, maintains 134 miles of snowmobile trails in the towns of Loudon and Canterbury. The trail system consists of property owned by the State of New Hampshire, the towns of Canterbury and Loudon, as well as many miles of trails which private landowners have provided permission to use for the purpose of riding snowmobiles and cross country skiing. The Sno-Shakers Snowmobile Club meets on the first Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m. at their clubhouse located on Clough Pond Road in Canterbury. The club is always looking for new members to assist in trail maintenance, trail grooming, and other functions in order to operate a successful snowmobile club. If you are interested in joining the club and cannot attend the monthly meeting please feel free to visit our website, www.snoshakers.com and download a membership application. Single memberships are only \$20.00 and Family memberships are \$25.00. Membership in a snowmobile club provides you with a discount when registering your snowmobile for use on the NH snowmobile trail system.

At the November meeting of the club several trail improvement projects were discussed and plans were finalized for the construction of one new bridge on Misery Road to improve the trail system at that location and to repair several other bridges in preparation for winter. There was a discussion about a work detail to go out and place new signage on the trails and remove any brush or trees which may have fallen across the trail during the spring and summer months.

The club is hosting a snowmobile safety course at the clubhouse on December 14th from 7 a.m. until 4 p.m. This course is an approved O.H.R.V. safety program which is approved by the NH Fish & Game Department. The course is designed for youth ages 14-18 to become familiar with the safe operation of a snowmobile and how to remain safe while enjoying the sport. Youth are encouraged to sign up for this course by contacting Dave Ingraham at 603-340-6468. Lunch is provided for participants by the club.

The club is beginning to plan their annual Spaghetti Supper and Mystery Auction, which will be held on January 10th at the clubhouse. The clubhouse will open at 5 p.m. for the spaghetti supper and the mystery auction will follow after all are served. This is our major fundraising event for the year with proceeds to benefit NH Easter Seals to assist in the operation of Camp Sno-mo. Businesses or individuals who wish to make donations to the club for the auction are encouraged to contact President Tom Dow at 603-231-7996 or Vice President Dave Potter at 603-556-0625. ■



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## News From Loudon Elementary School

#### Response to Instruction

## What is RTI? What does RTI look like at LES?

Loudon Elementary School is always looking for ways to help every student succeed. Response to Instruction (RTI) is one of the ways Loudon is working to ensure every student is getting continued practice at the specific skills they need to be lifelong readers.

Every eight weeks, classroom teachers, reading teachers, and special education teachers meet to determine what reading skills students at each grade level will study in depth to enhance their current know ledge and understanding. Students are organized into instructional groups where reading material is delivered to them at their individual level. The educators working with each of these groups teach and reinforce grade level skills. Student progress is frequently assessed. The results from those assessments are used to guide future instruction.



All students participate in RTI for 30 minutes a day, at least three days each week. If you would like more information about your student's RTI please contact their teacher.

### **Upcoming LES Events**

12/6 — PTA Santa's Breakfast 12/12 — PTA Snack Cart Day 12/16 — Annual Holiday Sing-a-long 12/22–1/2 — Holiday Break



## 20th Annual Turkey Trot

This highly anticipated LES event was a success! Students and staff exemplified the learner profile characteristic of caring with their generous donations of non-perishable items to the Loudon Food Pantry. The truck was literally overflowing with food, toiletries and other assorted home goods when it pulled away.

Crisp fall weather, a beautiful bird (thank you PTA for the new turkey cos-

tume), one pesky chef and lots of smiling faces and running feet made for a fun filled afternoon! After taking their trot, students, staff, our feathered friend and even our Superintendent enjoyed refreshments provided by the PTA and the Smoke Shack! Many parents joined in this fun filled event!

LES Physical Education teacher, Sue Staples, has organized this annual tradition for twenty years! Her dedication to enriching our student's lives by teaching them about community service and how everyone can make a difference in the lives of others deserves recognition. Thank you Ms. Staples for showing all of us how much fun giving and caring can be!

#### LES Honors Veterans

At Loudon Elementary School we promote the attitudes of appreciation, commitment, confidence, cooperation, independence,



integrity, respect and tolerance. On November 6th we gathered as a community to recognize the men and women who serve in our nation's armed forces and embody these same attitudes each day in their work. Student Council members and their advisors, Mrs. Painchaud and Mrs. Keaton organized this moving assembly! Choral students performed the National Anthem, 4th graders led a patriotic sing along, 1st graders presented their *Hero* projects and students read aloud the book, *America's White Table*. Students created a Veteran's Day tree outside the LES conference room, each leaf represents a soldier with a connection to LES!





## A Busy Month at Loudon Elementary School

Students at LES have enjoyed a busy month that has brought them a number of unique learning activities, field trips, community service events and a holiday celebration. Here are the highlights:

- Ms. Staples organized the *Walk for Life*. All students and staff participated in this event designed to raise cancer awareness and promote healthy living and positive attitudes!
- Second grade students celebrated author, Mo Willems. Students created their own version of Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus, and invited their families in to hear these.
- Fourth grade students visited our capital building and had the opportunity to see civics in action.
- Third grade students enjoyed a production at the Capital Center for the Arts.
- Randy Pierce visited with students and inspired them to chase their dreams, work hard and never give up. Randy lost his sight at a young age but never allowed that to stop him. Accompanied by his dog guide, he has run marathons and hiked mountains! Thank you for organizing this, Mrs. Herrmann!
- Thanks to the PT A students enjoyed a Mad Science assembly in October. This interactive presentation provided the opportunity for a number of risk-takers to have hands on experience.
- On Halloween the Loudon community turned out for our annual costume parade. Students and staff got into the s pirit; there were ghosts, ghouls, witches, and even an iPhone!











#### **Maxfield Public Library News**



Above: Some of Loudon's smallest trick-or-treaters pose with a fire truck at the Loudon Fire Department. The Library thanks the Fire Department, Police Department, and Town Offices for participating in its annual Halloween Costume Parade.

Below: More trick-or-treaters who participated in the Halloween Costume Parade rest on the wall by the Community Building before heading to the Fire and Police Departments.

#### **Loudon Village Arts Update**

Antique appraisers John and Tina Bruno entertained on November 9, the final day of the Loudon Village Arts Fall Show, with an array of historical background tidbits as they broke the news of whether a valued family artifact was trash or treasure. After scrutinizing what was toted in by townspeople and friends, their descriptions ranged from a kindly-stated "sentimental value only" to "Congratulations, that's worth about \$9,000!" All the objects in between were fascinating, too, brought to life by the Brunos' well-informed and humor-laced comments. A big thank you goes out to the Loudon Village Arts group for sponsoring this fun and elucidating program!

On Saturday, November 8, the winner of the silk flower arrangement door prize, created by Chichester artist Frank Curatolo, was Rachel LaRochelle. Sunday's winner, Liz Roy, is the new owner of a beautiful watercolor painting by Manchester artist Frank Moulin. Tied for Best-of-Show were artists Martha Butterfield of Loudon for her oil painting Last Light on the Pond, and Manchester artist Anthony Williams for his Covered Bridge watercolor. Let's hope these talented artists keep busy all winter with new creations. In early May the LVA plans to host a sale of miniature paintings.

#### **Art Display — Loudon Artist Betty Barton**

Love your town and New England in general? Fans of local scenes and land-marks will be delighted to see Betty Barton's lively and colorful oil paintings at the library from now through the end of December. A wide range of sizes means there's something for everyone, even those who think their walls are already too full! Original paintings make great gifts, too. Viewers will enjoy identifying well-known town spots rendered with just the right amount of artistic license.

#### **Book Groups**

#### **Fiction/Nonfiction Group**

Please contact the library for information about the group's book choice for the December 18 discussion.

#### **Classic Book Group**

Set in the mid-1700s, James Fenimore Cooper's novel The Deerslayer details early frontier life with its tensions between settlers and local tribes. Through his characters, the author ponders morality, loss of wilderness, and other philosophical themes. Please contact the library for meeting date and time. A creative writing sharing will follow.

#### **New Books**

#### **Fiction**

Childs, Laura Christie, Alix Cornwell, Patricia Cussler, Clive Finch, Charles Ford, Richard Ha, Jin Gossamer Ghost
Gutenberg's Apprentice
Flesh and Blood
Havana Storm
The Laws of Murder
Let Me Be Frank with You
A Map of Betrayal



Hart, Carolyn Ghost Wanted Johnson, Craig Wait for Signs

MaCall Smith, Alexander The Handsome Man's De Luxe Cafe

Smith, Wilbur Desert God
Thayer, Nancy An Island Christmas
Toibin, Colm Nora Webster
Webb, Betty Desert Rage

**Nonfiction** 

Adam, David The Man Who Couldn't Stop

Chast, Roz Can't We Talk about Something More Pleasant?

Cumming, Alan Not My Father's Son
Davis, William Wheat Belly Total Health

Macdonald, Helen His for Hawk

Menino, Thomas M. Mayor for a New America

Nye, Bill Undeniable

Rosen, Michael Alphabetical: How Every Letter Tells a Story

Santana, Carlos The Universal Tone
Virgin, JJ J Virgin's Sugar Impact Diet

#### **New DVDs**

Alan Partridge, And So It Goes, Begin Again, Best Night Ever, Earth to Echo, Hercules, Live Die Repeat, A Long Way Down, Maleficent, A Most Wanted Man, The Theory of Everything

#### **Trick Or Treat Thank You**

Story time would like to thank the Town Office, Loudon Police Department, and Loudon Fire Department for participating in our annual costume parade! There were lots of fairies and superheroes heading from the library to the different buildings. Thank you for making this a special event for the story timers!

#### **Polar Express Party**

Join us on Friday, December 5 for a magical trip to the North Pole on the famous Polar Express. Come dressed in your pajamas and bring your favorite blanket and pillow so you can snuggle in to watch Chris Van Allsburg's popular holiday classic.

The library will provide hot cocoa and snacks to enjoy during the movie. You may pick up your train ticket at the circulation desk. Space is limited, so please be sure to reserve your seats! The train leaves promptly at 6 p.m.

"The bell still rings for me as it does for all who truly believe...."

#### **Story Time**

Join us for story time on December 2, 3, and 4. The children will build a snowman after listening to *The Missing Mitten Mystery* by Steven Kellogg and *All You Need for a Snowman* by Alice Schertle. No mittens required for this project!



## Maxfield Public Library Passes!

Passes are available to museums and points of interest around the state for Library borrowers! We

suggest reserving in advance either by phone (798-5153) or in person. Call for details.

#### CANTERBURY SHAKER VILLAGE

Each pass entitles the bearer to 2 discounted admissions of \$6 for adults and \$3 for children under 18. Children under 6 free.

#### CHILDREN'S MUSEUM OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

Each pass entitles the bearer up to 4 discounted admissions of \$4. Children under age 1 free.

#### CURRIER MUSEUM OF ART

Each pass entitles the bearer to 2 free admissions.

#### McAuliffe-Shepard Discovery Center

Valid for admission to exhibit halls for 4 people.

#### Mount Kearsarge Indian Museum

Free admissions for 2 guests per day.

#### Museum of New Hampshire History

Unlimited free admission to the Society's museum and free use of the Society's library.

#### SQUAM LAKES NATURAL SCIENCE CENTER

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

#### WRIGHT MUSEUM

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

On December 9, 10, and 11 the children will create a winter scene to go along with Lauren Stringer's *Winter is the Warmest Season* and Nancy Van Laan's *When Winter Comes*.

We will be having our holiday celebration the week of December 16, 17, and 18. Listen to Billy Steers' *Tractor Mac Saves Christmas* and *Christmas in the Country* by Cynthia Rylant. Craft time will involve lots of sparkle and glitter as we design our Christmas trees

Story timers are invited to stay after for our Christmas party. Please bring a treat to share, the library will provide juice.

#### **Drop In Craft**

Nothing to do on December 23? Come to library during the hours of 11 a.m. and 3 p.m. for a parent-led craft. Each child can make a festive Christmas ornament for their tree.

#### **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.

#### **Book Sale**

What a busy time of year! There will be no book sale in December. See you in January.

#### **Holiday Hours**

The library will be closed Thursday, December 25 and Thursday, January 1. We wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

#### **Library Hours**

Tuesdays and Thursdays, 10 a.m.–9 p.m., Wednesdays, 1–9 p.m., and Saturdays, 9 a.m.–1 p.m. ■

#### Last Bowhunter-Only Hunter Education Course Offered

Due to popular demand, registration has opened for a final bowhunter-only Hunter Education course being offered at the Goffstown Fish and Game Association, 100 Melvin Valley Road in Weare, N.H. on Friday, December 12, from 6–9 p.m. and Saturday, December 13, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. (both sessions required).

Register soon if you are interested at www.register-ed.com/programs/newhamp-shire.

If you already have your hunting license and want to get your bowhunter certification, this is your last chance to take a Bowhunter-only Education class. After this year, all Hunter Education courses will include both Hunter and Bowhunter Education. You would still be able to get your bowhunter certification, but there will be no stand-alone classes, only the combined class.

For more information on Hunter Education in New Hampshire, visit http://www.huntnh.com/Hunting/hunter\_ed.htm or call 603-271-3214.

Hunter Education in New Hampshire is funded by Federal Aid in Wildlife Restoration, a user-pay, user-benefit program supported by an excise tax on firearms, ammunition and archery equipment. ■

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#### Between the Covers: Christmas Book Ideas

By Kate Dockham

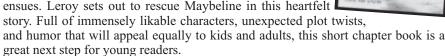
Christmas is coming and we all have packages to wrap and stockings to fill for a myriad of people. I can't review all the "Best of 2014" books out there, but I will try and give enough variety for everyone to find a book to give. Just in case I haven't listed the perfect book for your mother's cousin's third nephew, I did my research on *Publisher's Weekly*, http://best-books.publishersweekly.com/pw/best-books/2014, and *Amazon*, www.Amazon.com. I will start with some of the best in children's books and move on from there.



Last year I wrote about *The One and Only Ivan*, a novel by Katherine Applegate, an inspiring story of a silverback gorilla raised in captivity, eventually put on display at the local strip mall, and the mastermind of his own salvation. Applegate has teamed with illustrator G. Brian Karas to put this true story into picture book form. In *Ivan: The Remarkable True Story of the Shopping Mall Gorilla*, Applegate and Karas present this extraordinary tale in a powerful and evocative book. From his capture in the

Congo to his life as a tourist attraction in Tacoma, Washington to a better life at Zoo Atlanta, Applegate's sparse words compliment Karas's pencil and pastel drawings and convey Ivan's gentle personality. The end of the book has background information and photographs of Ivan.

Perhaps you're looking for a first chapter book for a young child. Newbury Award winning author Kate DiCamillo has what you're looking for! Written for 6 to 9 year olds, *Leroy Ninker Saddles Up: Tales from Deckawoo Drive, Volume One* manages something extremely difficult in an early reader series — a delicious sense of language that is playful and poetic while also staying accessible and appropriate. Leroy has a hat, lasso, and boots but no horse — until he meets Maybeline. Horse and boy find love at first sight. Unfortunately, Leroy forgets an important rule about Maybeline's care and disaster ensues. Leroy sets out to rescue Maybeline in this heartfelt



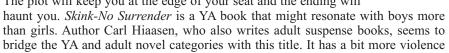
Tween readers are hard to shop for, but Jennifer L. Holm has written a novel crazy enough to be well read among middle schoolers. *The Fourteenth Goldfish* has middle school angst, strange science experiments, and a family twist you won't believe! Eleven-year-old Ellie Cruz's life

family twist you won't believe! Eleven-year-old Ellie Cruz's life changes dramatically when her mother brings a teenage boy home one night and she learns it is her estranged grandfather. Melvin is a scientist who has figured out how to reverse aging and is now 13 again. Tensions are high between Melvin and his adult daughter, Ellie's mother, but Ellie feels like she now has the opportunity to

really get to know her grandfather. Her interest in science blossoms and she is eager to help Melvin retrieve the jellyfish specimen he used in his experiments so he can publish his discovery. Fascinated, Ellie learns about the work of Jonas Salk, Robert Oppenheimer, and Marie Curie. But as she learns more, she realizes that scientific discoveries often have unforeseen consequences. Readers are carried along with Ellie as she navigates old and new friendships in her first year in middle school, with the added complication of her teenage grandfather at the same school. Short chapters keep the story moving at an engaging pace, and the interactions among the characters will easily hold readers' interest. Ellie's growing relationship with her grandfather helps her make discoveries about herself. Melvin, who begins unapologetically single-minded in his determination to continue his work, also learns from Ellie. With humor and heart, Holm has crafted a story about life, family, and finding one's passion that will appeal to readers willing to imagine the possible.

Books for teenagers, also known as Young Adult literature, have really taken off and become something of a controversy. Starting with books like *Twilight* and John

Green's *Fault in Our Stars*, Young Adult literature is being enjoyed by many adults, not all of them young. Be cautious when buying books in this category, the level of adult topics — like sex, drinking and drug usage — all vary. Know the teen you are buying for, take in to consideration the family and their level of comfort with these topics as well as your own, and do the research! Perhaps even read the book yourself before gifting. *We Were Liars* by E. Lockhart, Amazon's number one choice in this category, was almost my choice for my adult book club this year. It seems to have everything; love, money, family, class, and race issues twisted with a mysterious accident and amnesia. The plot will keep you at the edge of your seat and the ending will





and more mature subject matter than his previous YA books, yet less than found in his adult books. Richard, an independent thinker and lover of nature, is a teenage boy whose cousin has run off with an internet predator. Skink, a Vietnam Vet and former governor of Florida, is a hermit living off the grid trying to catch polluters and out-of-control-developers at their dastardly deeds. The two find each other and Skink's new mission becomes finding Richard's cousin. A madcap adventure to the rescue follows. Skink has been a behind-the-scene character in some of Hiaasen's other books and is oddly memorable and loveable. He is great in a leading role in this book.

In keeping with the joy of the holiday season, I was going to review only "happy" books. Then I read *The Short and Tragic Life of Robert Peace: A Brilliant Young Man Who Left Newark for the Ivy League*. While the end of this biography is heartbreaking, the story is important. Robert Peace grew up poor among drug dealers in Newark, New Jersey. His father was incarcerated and his single mother struggled. But he got out! This brilliant young man attended Yale University studying molecular biochemistry and biophysics. While at school, Robert lived the difficulties of two lives: the ivy columns of Yale and the impoverished streets of Newark. While tragic,

the story of Robert Peace is powerful and unforgettable. On a lighter note is the autobiography I plan to give my teenager this year. (Don't worry he's too cool to read Mom's article — it will still be a surprise!) Neil Patrick Harris has written Neil Patrick Harris: Choose Your Own Autobiography. Harris was a fan of the Choose Your own Adventure genre as a child and put it together with his great sense of humor for a lively autobiography. At each critical juncture in Harris's life, you



get to choose how to proceed. Decide if he should audition for Doogie Howser, M.D. or if he should host the Tony Awards. Choose right and there is fortune and fame. Choose wrong and Harris has included misery, heartache, and piranhas for you. Throw in some magic tricks and you have a light read by a incredible talent of our times.

For a book that is also a work of art pick up Vogue and The

Metropolitan Museum of Art Costume Institute: Parties, Exhibitions, People. This book chronicles the annual exhibition at the Costume Institute including the celebrity filled opening night

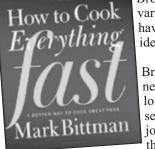
galas. The photos of the exhibit and the accompanying Vogue fashion shoots they encouraged are awe inspiring. The stories showcase the photographs of Annie Leibovitz, Mario Testino, Steven Meisel, and Craig McDean, and include party goers such as Beyonce, George Clooney and Hillary Clinton. This is a perfect book for a young fashionista and timeless beauty alike.



While a book is a favorite gist of mine, I also love to give food! As with every holiday season, cookbooks abound this year! Ina Garten is still at it after 15 years of writing cookbooks! In *Make it Ahead: A Barefoot Contessa Cookbook*, Garten shares exactly which dishes you can prep, assemble, or cook ahead of time. Whether hosting a party, trying to make dinner on a hectic weekend or expecting a crowd for Thanksgiving you will find a recipe here to help you out. Some of them, especially soups, like Zucchini Basil Soup, and gravy, Make Ahead Turkey Gravy with Onions and Sage, can be completely cooked and frozen for months. Others can only be made a few hours — or perhaps a few days — ahead of time. Ina Garten is joined by a PBS colleague in having a new cookbook out this year. Mark Bittman's *How to Cook Everything Fast: A Better Way to Cook Great Food* is as much about kitchen innovations and time management as it is about recipes. But do not be deterred, with over 2,000 recipes that are simple to make and exploding with taste this cookbook has something for every busy family. Recipes like Cheddar Waffles

with Bacon Maple Syrup and Apple Crumble Under the Broiler are interspersed with commonsense advice and variations for the finicky. In a world when no one seems to have the time, the exciting and delicious recipes make the ideal of homemade meals more of a reality.

I could continue on for pages of great gift giving ideas. Browse the web, visit a local bookstore – I do love the new Gibson's – and choose a meaningful title for your loved ones. Whatever holiday you are celebrating this season, may your family and friends be close by and the joy of the season be yours. Until next time, keep turning those pages.



## **Hike Safe Cards To Be** Available For 2015

new law authorizing the New Hampshire Fish and Game Department to sell Avoluntary "hike safe" cards for \$25 per person and \$35 per family was signed into law by Governor Maggie Hassan on July 21, 2014.

Those who obtain the cards will not be liable to repay rescue costs if they need to be rescued due to negligence on their part, regardless of whether they are hiking, boating, cross country skiing, hunting or engaging in any other outdoor activity. It is important to note that people may still be liable for response expenses if they are deemed to be reckless or to have intentionally created a situation requiring an emergency response. The card will cover the calendar year from the date and time of purchase. A family is considered the cardholder, spouse, and minor children.

Individuals who possess any valid New Hampshire hunting or fishing license, or a current registration for an off-highway recreational vehicle, snowmobile or boat, will also be exempt from repaying rescue costs due to negligence.

The law will take effect January 1, 2015. Cards will be available for purchase only through the New Hampshire Fish and Game Department's license sales website (visit www.wildnh.com and click on "Buy a license online"). There is no actual card — purchase information can be printed out by the consumer or saved as a pdf on a smart phone.

Funds raised through sale of the hike safe cards will go to Fish and Game's Search and Rescue Fund, with the exception of a \$3 transaction fee going to the automated issuing system vendor.

It is not yet clear how much revenue the voluntary card will raise for the Department, or the potential decrease in revenue that may be associated with not being allowed to pursue reimbursement for related search and rescue responses. In recent years (2011-2013), Fish and Game has conducted an average of about 180 search and rescue missions each year.

"Being voluntary, it's too soon to say how much revenue the card will generate. It will contribute some revenue to the Search and Rescue Fund going forward, however, which is an important start," said Fish and Game Executive Director Glenn

Under State Law, the Fish and Game Department can pursue reimbursement for rescue costs if the person rescued is deemed to have acted negligently. In practice, it has proven difficult to recoup costs in this way.

The Search and Rescue dedicated fund is supported by a \$1 fee collected for each boat, snowmobile, and OHRV registered in New Hampshire. That typically brings in upwards of \$180,000 a year. Over the last several years, annual Search and Rescue expenditures (\$350,000+) have exceeded revenues, causing a resulting deficit in the Fish and Game Fund.

Normandeau acknowledged that the actual cost of search and rescue far exceeds Fish and Game's outlay if all the manpower provided by volunteers is taken into consideration. That doesn't even touch on the amount each volunteer pays for his/her own training, certifications, equipment and time lost from work.

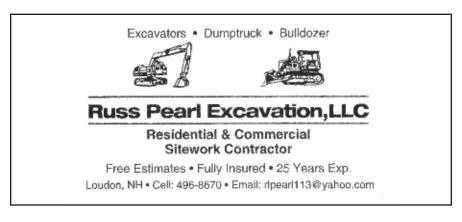
Normandeau also pointed out that, while expected to generate some revenue, the hike safe card does not alleviate the Fish and Game Department's wider funding

"The card is a step in the right direction, creating a means for the broader public that relies on Fish and Game services to help pay for those services, but it is not a cure-all. The deficit in the Search and Rescue Fund contributes to a larger funding dilemma that Fish and Game faces," explained Normandeau.

Without an additional revenue source or supplemental funding from the state in the new biennial budget, the Fish and Game Fund is expected to be depleted by the end of the current Fiscal Year," he continued. "This would seriously compromise the Department's ability to deliver essential fish, wildlife, and boating accessrelated services to the public.

Learn more about Fish and Game's funding situation at www.wildnh.com/fund-

The New Hampshire Fish and Game Department is the guardian of the state's fish, wildlife and marine resources and their habitats. Visit www.wildnh.com.



#### **Concord Regional Visiting Nurse Association Offers** "How to Live and Leave in Peace" Presentation in Loudon

Oncord Regional Visiting Nurse Association is offering a free presentation "How To Live and Leave in Peace" on Wednesday, December 17 from 10-11 a.m. at Richard Brown House, 142 South Village Road in Loudon.

There is no cure for mortality. The further in advance we plan for the end of life, the less traumatic it is likely to be, not just for ourselves, but for those we leave behind. Planning what will happen as we die can play a vital role in how we live. In this workshop, we discuss personal, spiritual, and emotional wishes to consider for the treatment you wish to receive as you near end of life.

For more information, call (603) 224-4093 or (800) 924-8620, ext. 5815.

#### **Destination Imagination Team Collecting Items For The Homeless**

My name is Rebekah Lommen and I am on a *Destination Imagination Team*, here in Loudon. As part of our challenge, we are helping Open Hands Resource Center by collecting new underwear and white socks, as well as winter coats and backpacks, for the homeless in the area.

We have two collection boxes, one at the Loudon Country Store, and one at Maxfield Library. We are hoping to set up more boxes in the area soon.

Please help us by giving what you can. When you give a little, it is a lot for the homeless!

Look for this sign on our collection boxes:

#### Please Help Those in Need Give to the Homeless: **New Underwear & White Socks**



We are a Loudon Destination Imagination Team and we are collecting for Open Hands Resource Center





## **Cub Scout News**

By Lee Laughlin

The boys of Pack 247 have had a busy fall. The boys continued their popcorn sales, contacting friends and family and staffing Show 'n Sell tables across Loudon and Concord. We were the second highest selling Pack in our district with over \$8,000 in popcorn sales. Thank you to everyone who purchased popcorn. Thank you also to all the local businesses that hosted Show 'N Sell popcorn booths: Brookside Pizza, Dunkin Donuts on Rt. 106, J&J Yolk, Loudon Country Store, Sunnyside Maples, and TD Bank in the Fox Pond Plaza.

Over Columbus Day weekend, some members of the Webelos 2 Den spent a Saturday with the Boy Scouts at the annual camporee. This year's theme was a Secret Ingredient Scavenger Hunt. The boys had to follow clues to find a secret ingredient they to include in their meal preparations. Some of the boys even stayed overnight (brrrr).

Our October Pack meeting was a Halloween party! The boys and their siblings dressed up in their costumes. They painted pumpkins and enjoyed snacks.

Thank you to everyone who made the 2014 Scouting for Food Drive such a tremendous success!

The Cub Scouts are always looking for more boys to join the fun. We can also always use more volunteers. We still have openings for committee members and volunteers. If you are interested in participating, please contact Vicky Thorpe at 224-5277. ■











#### **Upcoming Town Office Closures**

- In December, the Town Office Building will close at noon on December 24th and close at 4:00 p.m. on December 31.
- There will be no Selectmen's Meeting Tuesday, December 30th and the Selectmen's Office will close at 4:00 p.m.

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#### Don't Let Your Golf Game Suffer Because of a Little Snow! Join Us For "Virtual Golf" All Winter Long!



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## What's Cookin'! Comfort Food: Potatoes

By Jenn Pfeifer

Not much is more comforting to me than carbs and my favorite carb by far is the potato! It's a good thing for my family that we like potatoes because Alex's last science experiment was to make a potato battery. As many of you may know, conducting an experiment requires you to test your hypothesis with many different variables over and over to form an accurate conclusion. Long story short — we had TONS of potatoes when he finished with the experiment. So what is a foodie do with all those potatoes??? Well, I did some recipe research and potato experimenting of my own. I hope you enjoy the findings of my potato research.

### CRISPY SMASHED ROASTED POTATOES — by Susie Middleton from Fine Cooking

- 12–15 baby red or yellow potatoes (about 1½ oz. each; 1½–2" in diameter)
- 2<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> tsp. kosher salt
- 1/2 cup extra-virgin olive oil

Put the potatoes in a large saucepan (preferably in one layer) and cover with at least an inch of water. Add 2 tsp. kosher salt to the water. Bring the water to a boil over high heat, reduce to a simmer, and cook the potatoes until they are completely tender and can be easily pierced with a metal or wood skewer. Make sure they are cooked through but don't overcook. The total cooking time will be 30 to 35 minutes. While the potatoes are cooking, set up a double layer of clean dishtowels on your countertop. As the potatoes finish cooking, remove them individually from the water, and let them drain and sit for just a minute or two on the dishtowels.

Fold another dishtowel into quarters and, using it as a cover, gently press down on one potato with the palm of your hand to flatten it to a thickness of about 1/2 inch. Repeat with all the potatoes. Don't worry if some break apart a bit; you can still use them.

Cover a large rimmed baking sheet with aluminum foil; put a sheet of parchment on top of the foil. Transfer the flattened potatoes carefully to the baking sheet and let them cool completely at room temperature.

Heat the oven to 450°F. Sprinkle the potatoes with about 3/4 tsp. salt and pour the olive oil over them. Lift the potatoes gently to make sure some of the oil goes underneath them and that they are well coated on both sides. Roast the potatoes until they're crispy and deep brown around the edges, about 30 to 40 minutes turning over once gently with a spatula or tongs halfway through cooking. Serve hot.

#### **DELMONICO POTATOES** — By Diana Rattray

#### **White Sauce**

- 4 tablespoons butter
- 4 tablespoons flour
- 2 cups milk

salt

white or black pepper

Melt butter in a saucepan over low heat; stir in flour. Cook for 3 minutes, but do not brown. Stir in milk and continue cooking over low heat, stirring constantly, until sauce begins to thicken. Season with salt and pepper. Add a tablespoon or two of heavy cream for a richer sauce.

- 2 cups diced cooked potatoes
- cups white sauce (\*recipe above)
  salt and pepper
  shredded mild Cheddar or Swiss cheese

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buttered bread crumbs

Combine potatoes, white sauce, salt, and pepper. Pour into a greased shallow baking dish. Sprinkle shredded cheese over potatoes the top with buttered bread crumbs. Cook at 425° for about 20 minutes, or until nicely browned. Makes 4 servings.

### FULLY LOADED BAKED POTATO SOUP — Recipe courtesy of Guy Fieri

- 4 large baking potatoes (Idaho or russet)
- slices thick-cut applewood smoked bacon
- 1/2 cup all-purpose flour
- 6 cups 2 percent low-fat milk, heated
- 5 ounces sharp Cheddar, grated

- Kosher salt and freshly ground black pepper
- 4 ounces sour cream
- 3 tablespoons finely chopped fresh chives

Preheat the oven to 350 degrees F. Place the potatoes on a roasting tray and bake for 45 minutes. When done, the tip of a paring knife should go through the potatoes easily.

Slice the bacon into lardons (thin strips) and cook in a large, heavy-bottomed pot over medium heat until crisp. Remove the bacon from the pot with a slotted spoon and set aside, leaving the drippings in the pot.

Add the flour to the drippings in the pot and stir to combine. Cook, without adding color, until the flour and fat has combined, about 1 minute. Pour in the milk while you whisk to incorporate. Cook over medium heat until bubbly and thickened, stirring frequently, about 15 minutes.

Scoop out the potato pulp from the skins and add to the milk mixture. Mash with the back of a wooden spoon leaving it a little bit chunky.

Add the cooked bacon (leaving a little out for garnishing the soup), 1 cup of the cheese, and season well with salt and pepper. Stir until the cheese has melted. Remove from the heat.

Ladle the soup into bowls, drizzle with sour cream (from a squeeze bottle), sprinkle with remaining bacon bits, grated cheese and chives.

#### **SWEET POTATO BREAD** — Taste of Home

- 3 cups sugar
- eggs, lightly beaten
- 2 cups cold mashed sweet potatoes
  - teaspoon McCormick® Pure Vanilla Extract
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- 1 teaspoon baking powder
- teaspoon ground nutmeg
- 1 teaspoon ground allspice
- teaspoon ground cinnamon
- /2 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 teaspoon baking soda
- 1 cup chopped pecans, optional

In a bowl, combine sugar, eggs, sweet potatoes and vanilla; mix well. Combine flour, baking powder, nutmeg, allspice cinnamon, salt and baking soda; stir into potato mixture. Fold in nuts if desired. Pour into two greased 8-in. x 4-in. loaf pans. Bake at 350° for 1 hour or until bread tests done. Cool in pans 10 minutes before removing to a wire rack to cool completely. Yield: 2 loaves.

#### **GLUTEN-FREE MASHED POTATO LEMON DRIZZLE CAKE**

#### — By Jane Hornby

- cup butter (softened)
- 1 cup golden caster sugar
- 4 eggs
- 1-2/3 cups ground almonds
- 1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> cups mashed potatoes
- 3 lemon
- 2 teaspoons gluten-free baking powder

For the drizzle

4 tablespoons granulated sugar

lemor

Heat oven to 350 degrees. Butter and line a deep, 20cm round cake tin. Beat the sugar and butter together until light and fluffy, then gradually add the egg, beating after each addition. Fold in the almonds, cold mashed potato, lemon zest and baking powder.

Pour into the pan, level the top, then bake for 40–45 minutes or until golden and a skewer inserted into the middle of the cake comes out clean. Turn out onto a wire rack after 10 minutes. Mix the granulated sugar and the lemon juice together, then spoon over the top of the cake, letting it drip down the sides. Let the cake cool completely before slicing.

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

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## Remembering 25 Years Ago — The Loudon Transfer Station History

By former Loudon Selectman Roger Maxfield

Back in 1989 the Loudon Selectmen considered the disposal of household trash one of its high priorities, equal to that of the town offices, fire, highway, and police departments. The same holds true twenty five years later.

During the 1980's several factors existed concurrently that changed the way Loudon processed its household trash:

- 1. The state banned all trash burning at landfills.
- 2. The landfill area was ninety-five percent full and seriously running out of space to bury trash. The

Selectmen were in the process of locating alternative land for a new dumpsite.

- 3. The New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services was established. NHDES was in the process of prohibiting burying household trash at town landfills.
- 4. Wheelabrator Inc. was in the process of building a plant to burn trash, and forming a cooperative with several towns in Merrimac County.

To be proactive, the Selectmen recommended to the Loudon citizens a long-term solution to both its trash disposal and recycling. During the 1988 Town Meeting, the voters approved the following Warrant Article: "to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of (\$500,000) for the purpose of contracting and equipping a Solid Waste Transfer Station." The Town acquired the \$500,000 through the issuance of bonds under the Municipal Finance Act, which helped to keep the tax rate down. A portion of this money went toward the hydrogeological work necessary to close the existing landfill area. The monitoring wells established in 1989 are still being used today.

In 1989 a contract was awarded to Bonnette, Page, and Stone in the amount of \$298,000 to build the trans-

fer station, which included the current transfer building and compacter. The well, septic system, truck, and trailers were issued under a separate contract.

Construction of the transfer station began in June 1989 and was completed in November. The town immediately began utilizing the new facility.

In 1990, the two recycling buildings were established. The Town received a \$10,000 grant for erecting the buildings, buying a baler, and a small bobcat forklift. Thanks to the efforts of our residents, recycling has been a huge success. The cost savings of disposing household trash has been one of the substantial benefits of recycling.

The Solid Waste and Recycling Committee established during the 1980s deserve mention and credit for the professional work they accomplished during this period.

The Loudon Recycling Committee wishes to thank Mr. Maxfield for taking the time to remember and record his thoughts on the history of the Loudon Transfer Station and for serving many, many years as a Selectman for the town of Loudon!



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## **Happy Hills 4-H Club Busy With Projects**

By Stacey J. McNeil

The Happy Hills 4-H Club Bird House Project was held in October. Jonathan Leonard volunteered his time to help the kids assemble the birdhouses. The kids were provided a kit they had to assemble. There were many challenges during the assembly process but the kids had fun doing so.

The group also had a November project making Harvest Hangers with volunteer Meagan Belanger. These were a fun and quick door hanger the kids made for the upcoming season.















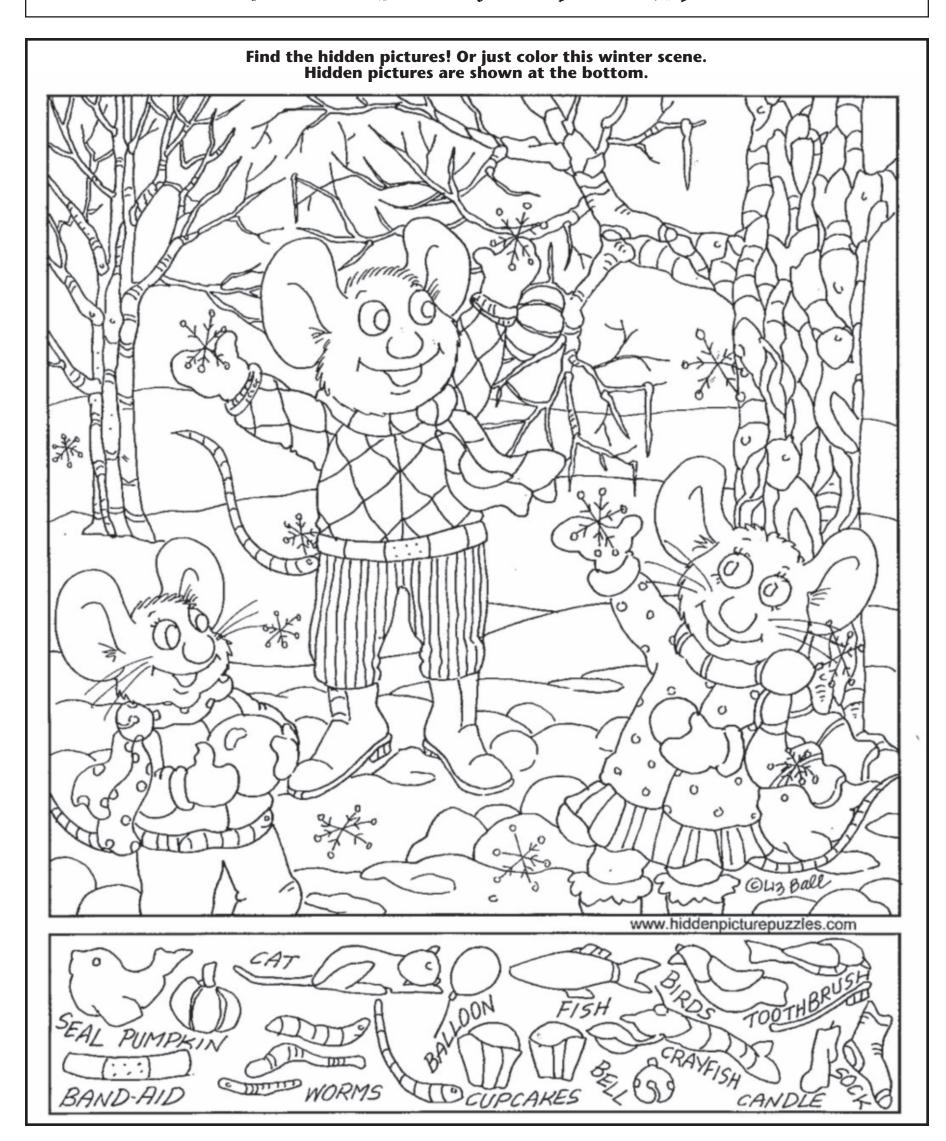












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## **Greetings to the Loudon Farming Community**



The Loudon Agricultural Commission met the first Thursday of November to discuss a variety of topics. Included in the discussion was the Farm Map, shown here. This map, with names, will cover one side and will be printed in color. The other side will include a cover page and brief description of the Agricultural Commission. There will also be space for those who wish to include a logo of their farm.

We will be finalizing the design of the map at the next meeting. Please attend and give us your ideas or to see what the map will look like in color. The information we have is what will be printed, so please ensure that your farm information is correct. If you have a farm logo you would like added, please contact us.

The board agreed we would like to host forums to help promote farming. Several ideas were presented and we are looking for additional feedback from the farming community. We are looking for people with knowledge or talents they would like to share with the community in regard to farming. Please reach out to us and let us know if you are interested.

Don't forget, we have a website, http://www.loudonag.org/. We are looking for ideas and feedback to make this a useful tool for everyone. At the moment, a Face-

book page has been tabled due to the amount of work to maintain it. If anyone is interested in taking this on, please let us know.

We would like to do a Featured Farm article for the Loudon Ledger starting in January. Would you or someone you know be interested in participating? Please contact Cindy Shea at cindy\_shea@comcast.net to be considered or to nominate a farm

Our next meeting will be held on December 4, 2014 at 7 p.m. at the Community Building behind the town office. If you would like something added to the agenda, please contact Carole Soule at cas@milessmithfarm.com. Please consider attending and give us your feedback on what you would like to see from this commission.

We try to send out email updates in between meetings where applicable. If you are not already getting these updates and would like to, please contact Cindy Shea with your email address to be added to the list.

Questions? Thoughts? Ideas? We would love to hear from you.

Cindy Shea, President Loudon Agricultural Commission Cindy\_shea@comcast.net

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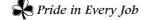


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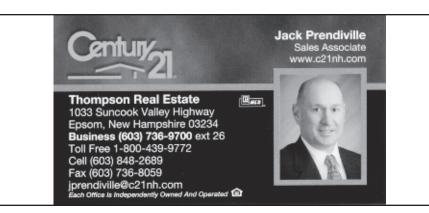
## How To Tell If You're Ready To Sell Your Home

Jack Prendiville

Century 21 Thompson Real Estate

Is it time to sell your home? You've looked at available homes online and you're starting to picture yourself living in your favorites. But how do you know if it's time to sell your home and make the move? Ask yourself these questions to see where you stand.

- 1. Do you want to be somewhere else? Why? Answer this pair of questions with the whole year in mind. You aren't alone when you dream of living on the beach during the coldest days of winter. You need to determine whether you want or need to be somewhere else year round. Moving for work or to be closer to family can be a powerful motivator. What about your children? Do you want to move to get them into a better school district? If you have a compelling reason behind your desire to move, you've on your way to being ready to sell.
- 2. Are you ready financially? Buying a home is a significant expense, so it's important to have your finances in order. Do you have money set aside for a down payment? Have you figured out how much mortgage you can afford? The larger your down payment, the smaller your mortgage will be.
- 3. Do you still like your home? Your current home has been the site of some great memories. Can you take the memories with you and leave the home behind? Selling your home means viewing your home as a product instead of your home. You may have to paint walls, upgrade appliances or alter land-scaping in order to make a sale possible. Are you ready to do these things? If not, you may not be ready.





## **Loudon Recreation Committee News**



"Like" us on Facebook! Loudon Recreation has a Facebook page, check it out for details on upcoming events. Those who follow us on Facebook or who check the website know that we add stuff after the publishing of the latest *Loudon Ledger* so please check frequently!!

#### **Line Dancing**

Beginners and all are welcome! Adults and seniors who are ready for lots of fun and laughs join a group forming on Thursday nights from 6–7 p.m. at the Richard Brown House on South Village Road. Donations accepted. Contact Janet at 961-0061 for more information.

#### **Exercise Group**

A group of Loudon residents are forming a chair and standing exercise group that will meet on Monday evenings from 6–7 p.m. at the Richard Brown House on South Village Road. The goal of this group is to get moving and have fun — more so fun. Donations are accepted. For more info, contact Janet at 961-0061.

#### **Zumba**

If you are interested in joining the next session of Zumba, email Jen at cjmercer@myfairpoint.net. The next session dates are January 5, 12, and 26 and February 2, 9, and 16. Zumba is officially described as an exhilarating, effective, easy-to-follow, Latin-inspired, calorie-burning dance fitness party! Most of all it is FUN. Zumba is on Monday nights from 7:00–8:00 p.m. at the Loudon Elementary School gymnasium. The cost is \$42 for the six-week session. Registration is at the first class. Please make checks payable to Loudon Recreation.

#### In The Works

In the works is a possible Belly Dancing for Beginners class and spring pick-up basketball for youth... STAY TUNED!!!

#### Always Looking For More Help With Recreation!!!

Loudon Recreation Committee is a volunteer group that organizes classes, workshops, events, and activities for citizens of all ages in Loudon. We NEED other volunteers to step up and help out on this committee.

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

#### **OBITUARY**

#### **WILBUR D. PHILLIPS**

Wilbur D. Phillips, 75, of 972 Route 106 North, died at his home on Tuesday, Nov. 18, 2014. Mr. Phillips was born on Oct. 20, 1939 in Colebrook, the son of the late Linwood and Mary (Mills) Phillips. He received his Associate's degree at the University of New Hampshire, Thompson School of Agriculture.

Mr. Phillips resided in Tilton for 37 years before moving to Loudon. He had been employed by the U.S.D.A. Soil Conservation in Grafton, Belknap and Merrimack counties. He formerly owned Phillips Farm Produce in Tilton and the Speedway Self-Storage in Loudon. He was also a salesman for Tractor Supply in Chichester.



Mr. Phillips was a member of the Evangelical Baptist Church, a member of the Tilton Planning Board, and a member of the Care Net Pregnancy Center of the Lakes Region.

Survivors include his wife, Norma (Corson) Phillips, of Loudon; two sons, Robert Phillips and Rodney Phillips, both of Loudon; a daughter, Robin Pugh, of Rogers, Ark.; eight grandchildren, Andrew, Nathan, Aimee, Casie, Cody and Colin Phillips and Brian and Nikole Pugh; one great grandchild; three brothers, Lester Phillips of Alstead, Richard Phillips of Georgetown, TX, Bradley Phillips of Landisville, NJ, a sister, Linda Whipple, of Sunapee; and many nieces and nephews. In addition to his parents, Mr. Phillips was predeceased by a brother, Wesley Phillips.

For those who wish, the family suggests that memorial donations be made to Camp Good News c/o CEF, 11 Brookwood Drive, Concord, NH 03301 or to Care Net Pregnancy Center of the Lakes Region, 506 Union Ave., Laconia, N.H. 03246.





#### **American Legion Post 88**

By Shawn Jones, Commander

We here at Post 88 wish everyone a Happy and Healthy Holiday Season. Since our last meeting I have been busy attending Legion training sessions and the fall conference.

First, on October 25th I attended the Department Fall Conference at Post 1 Laconia. Information from the Department was passed down concerning membership and the sad news that two Legion Posts had to turn in their charters due to lack of members. This is also occurring in the SAL (Sons of the American Legion). We are looking at various ways of trying to attract new members and retain the ones we have. We also heard from some Committee chairpersons regarding goals and current accomplishments the have laid out for the current year. In the afternoon we broke out for the various training sessions being offered by Department staff.

On November 8th I attended Leadership Education and Development (LEAD) Training at Post 34 Plaistow. The classes that National offered were: Post Operations; Finance; Writing Resolutions; Getting AC&Y programs active in our communities. This was the second year I attended LEAD training and I encourage all members to take some of these classes being offered from time to time. All members are welcomed to attend any of the Department and District 5 conferences when they are scheduled. Check out the calendar of events at http://www.legionnh.org

On November 11th I attended the Veteran's Day ceremony at the NH Veteran's Cemetery. I saw the largest crowd of attendees I have ever seen there. Mother Nature had cooperated this day giving us sunny skies and mild temperatures. I then traveled via motorcycle to



The Army's M60 Tank at its new resting place at Post 41 in Whitefield.

Whitefield for the dedication ceremony of our former M60 A Main Battle Tank at it's new location; Ingerson-Smith Post 41. Members of Post 41 did an excellent job of creating a static display area. There was a nice article published in the *Union Leader* and you can find it by typing in the following information in your web browser. www.unionleader.com/article/20141111/NEWS18/1411 19743/0/SEARCH

Did you know that Veterans can join your local Lion's Club and have your entrance fee waived up to \$30.00? Veterans are all about giving back to their communities and that's why many of you are members of the American Legion in the first place. Legionnaires help their fellow veterans out as well as other community members. What a great way to make new friends and give back a little of your time by becoming a member of the Loudon Lion's Club or any other Lion's Club in your area. To look into joining the Loudon Lions please contact me or go to www.loudonnh.org and click on the Lifestyles drop down menu and select

Loudon Lions Club. Contact: Gus Belden, President and ask him about the *Involve a U.S. Veteran Program* offering qualified entrance fee waiver.

Please keep your 2015 renewals coming in. We would like to have all members renewed by December 31st. We are currently 3rd in the district at 65.79% membership renewals.

For any new members who wish to join our post and have never been in the American Legion we will pay your first year's dues for you as our way of saying thank you for joining Post 88. Please contact a member of the post for a membership sign up card or contact me directly at uscgr1987@tds.net or 496-0204.

The American Legion is launching a national awareness campaign to raise funds to help our organization assist veterans, their families, young people and communities. The first installment of that campaign will focus on the internal health needs of veterans, particularly those who are battling the signature wounds of today's war era, PTSD and Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI).

- Suicide prevention hotline: 800-272-8255, press 1
- Texting service: 838255
- On-line chat service, www.VeteransCrisisLine.
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We meet again on December 17th at the Loudon Community building at 1900 hrs. We look forward to seeing you there. ■



First Vice Commander Gary Tasker and Bob Ordway present a check for \$250 to the Loudon Food Pantry.

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## **Sinclair Family Shines At Halloween**

Each Halloween the Sinclair family continues a 40-year tradition by putting together little treat bags for the trick-or-treaters. The number of bags grows each year. The local youngsters love it and 260 of them proved how popular they were by knocking on the door this year! This was 58 more than last year.

Carolyn Fiske told Janice Sinclair her little great granddaughter was so excited to go to the Sinclairs — she just couldn't wait! "Hurry up, Grammy. Let's get my trick-or-treat costume on so we can go get our special bags!" This year she arrived as a little purple witch. Carolyn is very appreciative of the Sinclairs' efforts and wrote a note to Janice thanking her for "…all you've done to your place and making little kids happy… you've made one little girl very happy."

The Sinclair family loves doing it and the look on the children's faces and the compliments from the parents make it all worth the work. ■









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## Halloween Party 2014 — A Night of Fun That Benefited the Loudon Food Pantry

Thanks to the generosity of the 187 kids that attended, the Halloween Party raised 1,417 pieces of food items and collected \$576 from the concession stand/donation table.

The third annual Halloween Party was another huge success. The Girl Scouts, Cub Scouts, and Boy Scouts Troop 247 and Troop 30 of Loudon joined together to host a Halloween Party for the elementary school kids at Loudon Elementary School.

The first 175 kids who entered the event were given a free ice cream coupon from McDonald's of Epsom. Upon entering, they went to a craft table where they decorated a bag and created several craft items. After the craft table, the gym was filled with over 30 games the kids could play at and earn candy. The activities ranged from face painting, Plinko, a fortune teller, donut eating contest, guessing games, toss games, acting games, and so much more. All of the activities had a prize for participating that ranged from candy, tattoos, balls, stickers, spider rings, and even a toothbrush and tooth paste thanks to Dr. Concord Pediatric Dentistry. Tickets earned through food donations or at some of the games were turned in and the kids could select from incredible prizes that ranged from 1 ticket to 30 tickets.



This is what over 1,400 pieces of food items looks like!

Thanks to Peter LaMonica of BeNetSafe.org who set up the walk-through haunted house where kids and parents could delight in seeing all kinds of ghoulish animated creatures. The second haunted house was sure to get a thrill from those who dared to go through. At the end of the night, there was a costume contest where the 10 best costumes won candy and prizes.

Sincere thanks to the more than 65 volunteers that helped out at this event. Without the help of the Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, and Cub Scouts of Loudon, as well as community volunteers who generously helped out, this event would not be possible. Everyone did an amazing job! This event was a success thanks to the many volunteers who helped!

Elizabeth West, a sophomore at MVHS and a Girl Scout of troop 12356, was the coordinator of the event for the second year. Elizabeth started last November working on this year's event, putting in well over 70 hours throughout the course of the year to plan and prepare for the party. She contacted over 60 companies seeking donations, searched for and bought candy and prizes at the lowest cost possible, created extra games, made flyers, sought out and communicated with volunteers, and got everything ready for the big night. She got so much enjoyment from seeing all of the kids having a fun time playing the games and was so grateful to see all the donated bags filled with food for the Food Pantry. She has already started to plan and work towards the 2015 Halloween party.

A sincere thank you to the many companies that donated to this event. Mrs. Masterson, the Principal of Loudon Elementary School, graciously provided the use of school. Environmental Soil Management, Northern Design Precast, Shaver Disposal, Foothills Physical Therapy, and Best Septic all generously donated cash. Coca Cola of Belmont generously donated beverages and allowed the purchase of addi-

Scouts Halloween Party — cont. on 23

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#### Scouts Halloween Party — cont. from 22

tional soda at a discounted price. Brookside Pizza generously discounted the price of the pizza sold at the concession stand. Concord Pediatric Dentistry provided toothbrushes and toothpaste so every child received a toothbrush/toothpaste for trying at the Giant Toothbrush game. McDonalds of Epsom provided 175 free ice cream coupons. New Hampshire Motor Speedway donated Loudon Pride hats, toy NHMS race cars, as well as a shirt for the silent auction. Pleasant View Gardens donated hanging plant coupons and Chucksters donated mini golf coupons that were used at the silent auction that brought in additional money for the Food Pantry. Dunkin Donuts of Loudon provided ten dozen donuts for the donut-eating contest! Confectionately Yours Sweet Shop of Loudon donated over 30 pounds of candy and sold 30 pounds of candy at a reduced price. A huge thank you goes out to all the companies that so generously donated to the event. Thanks to Mrs. Nolin's and Mrs. Latham's Girl Scout troop that donated the remainder of their troop's money to buying food for the Food Pantry. The very generous contributions from every company allowed the 187 kids who attended the event to have a wonderful memory, which in turn helped the Loudon Food Pantry to bring in over 1,400 pieces of food and \$576 dollars.

Mrs. Susan Houck, Sarah Houck, and Bill Cushing from the Loudon Food Pantry also need to be recognized for the incredible work that they do every day at the Loudon Food Pantry as well as all help they and their incredible volunteers gave to help out at the Halloween Party. They were thrilled with the food and cash donated to help the needy. Mr. Cushing was not only thrilled with the amount of food but also the variety of food! ■









#### **Loudon Food Pantry News**

#### **DECEMBER HAPPENINGS**

#### Santa's Breakfast - December 6th

We have been invited to Santa's Breakfast at LES again this year. I hear that there will be Santa's Workshop there this year. It sounds like fun! We will be selling our raffle tickets there as well, so if you haven't been able to make it to the pantry to buy your tickets, this will be a great opportunity to get them.

#### **NOVEMBER HAPPENINGS & UPDATES**

#### **Thanksgiving Boxes**

As of November 16th we had 89 households signed up for Thanksgiving boxes.

#### Holiday Box Signups started November 1st.

You must qualify for our food pantry in order to sign up for a Holiday Box. Call 724-9731 to see if you qualify. Now is the time to signup.

#### Annual 50/50 Holiday Raffle -November 1st through to December 12th

Our annual raffle is on. Half of the ticket sales will go to the winner and the other half benefits Loudon Food Pantry. Ticket prices are 50¢ each; 5 for \$2.00 or 10 for \$3.00. Tickets can be purchased at the pantry (30 Chichester Rd., Unit D, Loudon NH) or online at LoudonFoodPantry.org. An order form will be available during the dates of the raffle. The more tickets we sell, the more the winner receives. Good Luck Everyone!

#### Gift of Lights — Nov. 21, 2014–Jan. 3, 2015 from 4:30 p.m.–9:00 p.m.

Come and enjoy NHMS Winter Wonderland. 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 has the super-popular Tunnel of Lights, which measures over 250 feet in length. For more updated information, go to http://www.nhms.com/events/gift\_of\_lights/.

#### **Halloween Party**

We had a great time at the party. The Girl Scouts collected 1,417 in non-perishable goods, \$77.00 in silent auctions, \$245.75 in concession money and \$254.00 in donations.

#### **DONATIONS NEEDED**

Winter is a tough time of the year. Many of our patrons have to make the choice to pay their heating bill or to feed their family. Food donations help us stock the shelves. Monetary donations allow us to buy essential food that is not received through food donations. The more food on our shelves, the more we can feed our patrons their complete allotment of food.

#### Where to Donate

You can mail or drop off your donations to Loudon Food Pantry, 30 Chichester Rd., Unit D, Loudon, NH 03307. But if you find you're not in the neighborhood you can drop off at one of these convenient locations:

Business	Town	Collection Type
Elkins Library	Canterbury	Food
Care Pharmacy	Epsom	Funds
TD Bank	Loudon	Food
Loudon Post Office	Loudon	Food & Funds
The Hungry Buffalo	Loudon	Food & Funds
106 Beanstalk	Loudon	Funds
Red Roof Inn	Loudon	Food & Funds
Loudon Village Country Store	Loudon	Funds
Yellow Submarine	Concord	Funds
Body & Spirit Day Spa	Concord	Funds
Camping World	Chichester	Food
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## **Loudon Young** at Heart

On Tuesday, November 11, 2014, thirty-seven members of the Young at Heart gathered at Charlie's Barn for their monthly meeting. President Letty Barton opened the meeting leading the group with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Letty asked if anyone present was a Veteran and there were several who had served in the various branches of the military. Letty thanked all of the Veterans for their time served and everyone applauded them.

The theme for the meeting was Show and Tell. Several members participated: Terry O'Brien, Sharon Strout, Janet Brown, Becky Smith, Lynne Preve, Dottie Mulkhey, and Letty Barton. A variety of hobbies such as woodworking, felting, rug braiding, and handmade mittens were displayed at the meeting and stories of historical times were told.

There were several door prizes given out and the lucky winners were: Patty Mulkhey, Pauline McCarthy, Barbara Follansbee, Lucille Colby, Walter Lampron, Paul Reil, and Lynne Preve.

Tuesday, December 9th will be the Young at Heart annual Christmas party. All are invited and remember to bring either a casserole or dessert. Also, bring your appetites and voices.

See you then!! ■

## Merry Christmas!



#### **December Senior Health Clinics**

Concord Regional Visiting Nurse Association will hold a Senior Health Clinics in Loudon on December 3 from 9 a.m. until noon at the VOANNE Senior Housing/Richard Brown House. All Senior Health Clinic services are provided for a suggested donation of \$10; however, services are provided regardless of a person's ability to pay. Services offered include foot care, blood pressure screening, B-12 injections, medication education, and nutritional education. Call (603) 224-4093 or (800) 924-8620, ext. 5815 for an appointment. In Loudon, if you need a ride, please call 798-5203.

#### **December Walk-In Immunization Clinics**

The CRVNA will offer monthly Walk-In Immunization Clinics for children and adults who are uninsured, underserved, and who have no access to these needed services in order to lead a healthy lifestyle. Clinics will be held on Monday, December 1 from 1-3 p.m. and Tuesday, December 16 from 2:30-4:30 p.m.

Immunization Clinics are held at St. Paul's Episcopal Church Outreach Center, 21 Centre St. in Concord. A fee of \$10 is requested per person. Children must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. Please bring an immunization record with you. Also, specially-trained nurses will administer seasonal flu shots to people age 3 and over and answer your flu-related questions. The fee is \$30 per immunization (cash or check) or Medicare B, Medicaid, Harvard Pilgrim or Anthem is accepted. Clients with insurance ID cards at the clinics do not have to pay a fee. Clinics are dependent upon the availability of the flu vaccine and are subject to change.

For more information, call Concord Regional VNA at (603) 224-4093 or (800) 924-8620, ext. 5815.

#### **December Walk-In Blood Pressure Clinic**

CRVNA is holding a free monthly Walk-in Blood Pressure Clinic on Friday, December 5 from 9:30–11 a.m. Blood Pressure Clinics are at Concord Recreation Senior Program (formerly Dame School), 14 Canterbury Rd. in Concord. Blood pressure screenings are a good way for individuals to track their blood pressure for upcoming visits to their physician. For more information, call Concord Regional VNA at (603) 224-4093 or (800) 924-8620, ext. 5815.

#### Concord Hospital and Concord Regional Visiting Nurse Association Welcome New Medical Director of Palliative and Hospice Care

Concord Hospital and Concord Regional Visiting Nurse Association welcome Stephen Rust, MD, as the new Medical Director of Palliative and Hospice Care. He will work closely with both organizations on further developing a comprehensive Palliative Care Program and strengthening the existing Concord Regional VNA Hospice Program.

## Maxfield Public Library Trustees Minutes — October 20, 2014

Alice Tuson called the meeting to order at 5:07 p.m.

*In attendance:* Trustees Molly Ashland, Alice Tuson; Library Director Nancy Hendy

Acceptance of minutes: The Trustees reviewed the minutes from the September 8, 2014 meeting. Molly Ashland moved to accept the minutes as proposed; seconded by Alice Tuson. All were in favor.

The Library Director's Report was reviewed, which included the following:

- The main entry sidewalk and curbing work is almost complete. Loudon contractors Tasker Landscaping and Sheran Concrete, under the supervision of Milestone Engineering, would like us to continue using the side entrance through October 13.
- Bering Lock and Safe made a service call to repair a vandalized lock on the exterior door of the Children's Room.
- To streamline inventories, juvenile short chapter books, generally for children in grades 3 and 4, have been reclassified with PJ (pre-juvenile) call numbers. This will also be helpful for parents using the OPAC to generate reading lists.
- Due to space constraints, G-rated children's movies have been reclassified and moved to the Children's Room.
   Any G-rated movies primarily intended for adult audiences Fiddler on the Roof, Ben-Hur, Camelot, etc. will stay on the main floor.
- Cheryl Ingerson attended the CHILIS conference in Greenfield on October
- The SILC cooperative will meet in Canterbury on October 16. Ann Hoey from the NHSL will talk about possible LEGO donations to libraries through a special program.
- Last month's belly dancing class was at full capacity and well received.
   Attendees would like to see another similar program.
- The library has a genealogy tips night planned for November. This week's program is a picture BINGO game night on October 15.
- BPA-free slip printer paper is being used at the circulation desks. Many borrowers prefer, and are receiving, email receipts.
- The Loudon Village Arts Fine Art Show and Sale will take place on November 8 and 9. On Sunday, antique appraisers will be available for two hours.
- The next book sale will be on October

The Trustees reviewed the profit and loss statement.

It was noted that the current By-Laws of the Board of Trustees need revision. The current By-Laws state that expenditures of funds shall be made only by the Library Trustees. This constraint limits the Director's ability to supervise the daily operations of the Library. The director should not have to seek the approval of the Board in order to make expenditures that are necessary for daily operation, such as copy paper, toner, etc. The Director should also be authorized to expend for minor repairs up to a pre-arranged amount without Board approval, whereas major repairs require prior Board approval. Modifications to the By-Laws will be further discussed at the next meeting.

The updated Computer and Internet Policy was policy was signed.

The meeting room policy was discussed. Groups, whether a formal organization or not, should be allowed to use the meeting room. Therefore the word "group(s)" should replace the words "organization(s)" in the policy.

Items for the Annual Town Report will be discussed at the next meeting, as well as next year's budget proposals.

The Library is interested in re-painting the first floor of the library. The last time it was painted was in 1996, when the addition was put on. Alice will contact painters for estimates.

The Children's Librarian is interested in putting up a door to her office. Children are wandering back into her office, when they should not. There is an existing door and hardware available. Alice will contact someone to modify the door if needed to fit in the doorway and get it hung.

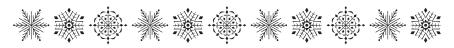
Alice will contact Alternate Herb Huckins about the status of the water test. The test should be done as soon as possible.

Alice will be attending the NHLTA Personnel Management workshop on October 29. This workshop will address relevant state laws and help trustees understand their role versus the Library Director's role.

The next Trustees' meeting was scheduled for November 3, 2014 at 5 p.m.

Adjournment: Molly Ashland made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:22 p.m; seconded by Alice Tuson. All were in favor.

Submitted by: Ken Krzewick Molly Ashland Alice Tuson



Dr. Rust is a native New Englander who received his medical training at Indiana University in Indianapolis, Ind. and completed his residency at Ball Memorial Hospital in Muncie, Ind. He received formal training in Palliative Care from the Harvard Medical School Center for Palliative Care in Cambridge, Mass.

Dr. Rust is board-certified in Internal Medicine, Geriatrics, and Hospice and Palliative Medicine. During the last six years, he has served as Director of Palliative Care at Providence Alaska Medical Center in Anchorage, AK during which time he also developed a fellowship program in Palliative Care.

Hospice is specialized care that is available to people of all ages with life-limiting illness such as cancer, congestive heart failure, advanced dementia, and stroke. Palliative care is available to patients at any time during their illness and helps reduce the physical and emotional burden of illness. Palliative care is designed to make patients feel more comfortable through symptom management, supportive counseling, and advance care planning. It does not replace primary treatment.

#### MVSD School Board Minutes — October 6, 2014

#### 1. Roll Call and Call to Order:

The regular meeting held at Webster Elementary School was called to order by Chairman Mark Hutchins at 7: 15 p.m.

Board Members Present: Caroletta Alicea, Normandie Blake, Lorrie Carey, Troy Cowan, Mark Hutchins, Jim Lavery, Seelye Longnecker, Karin Page, Laura Vin-

Administrators Present: Superintendent Mark MacLean; Assistant Superintendent Chris Barry; Business Administrator Robin Heins; Human Resources Manager Kathleen Boucher; Principals David Miller, Pat Severance, Stephanie Wheeler, Jeff Drouin; Administrator for Special Education Elaine Dodge; Facilities Director Fred Reagan

Others Present: Marcia Murphy, Louise Andrus, Sandy Miller, Salisbury Residents; Bruce Johnson, Thad Dougherty, Webster

#### 2. Pledge of Allegiance:

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chairman Mark Hutchins.

#### 3. Minutes of Previous Meetings:

Motion by Norrnandie Blake, second by Seelye Longnecker, to approve the September 8, 2014. Meeting minutes (pages 1-5 in the packet) as presented. Motion passed

#### 4. Public Comment:

Bruce Johnson, Webster resident, spoke to the board about his letter to the superintendent and the board (page 45 in the packet) requesting a warrant article.

#### 5. SAU Report on MV Business & Finance:

Business: Business Administrator Robin Heins reported on the following Citizen Correspondence (page 7 in the packet):

9/03/14 Middle School Parent. Called SAU to inquire who to complain to regarding eighth grade trip to Washington, D.C. Was upset that the district allows student to visit a city targeted for terrorism. Katie Kevser advised parent to contact Middle School Principal.

9/09/14 Louise Andrus. Request from Louise Andrus for a detailed trial balance for July and August 2014. Robin Heins provided the information that was picked up by Louise Andrus on 9/15/14 and 9/23/14.

9/10/14 Middle School Parent. Called SAU to inquire if parents would be notified when/if MVSD is forced to enroll illegal immigrants. Chris Barry explained enrollment process and confidentially laws.

9/17/14 Marcia Murphy. Email inquiring the record retention policy of the district. Robin Heins responded on 9/17114.

Finance: Robin Heins reviewed one overage in the first 2014-2015 FINAN-CIAL REPORT. Motion by Normandie Blake, second by Mark Hutchins, to approve the 2014–2015 financial report as presented (pages 7-21 in the packet). Motion passed unanimously.

#### 6. Good News:

Stephanie Wheeler, Jeff Drouin, Pat Severance, Elaine Dodge, and David Miller reported on good news items throughout the

#### 7. Committee Reports:

#### FACILITIES COMMITTEE:

Mark MacLean reported on the September 15, 2014 Facilities Committee meeting (minutes on pages 34-35 in the packet).

Motion by Jim Lavery, second by Caroletta Alicea, to award the snow plow bids to Morrill's Farm for Penacook and Boscawen, Kearsarge Concrete for Salisbury and K&M Drywall for Loudon. Fred Reagan reported on all bids received. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Caroletta Alicea, second by Laura Vincent, to approve the Purchase & Sales Agreement received today for Summer Street School for \$75,000. Motion passed with one abstention from Karin Page

The next Facilities Committee meeting is scheduled for Monday, October 20, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. at the high school.

#### TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE:

Normandie Blake reported on the September 18, 2014 Transportation Committee meeting (minutes on pages 36-37 in the packet). The next Transportation Committee meeting is scheduled for Monday, October 27, 2014 at 5:00 p.m. at the high school.

#### **SAU TRANSITION TEAM:**

Lorrie Carey reported on the September 22, 2014 SAU Transition Team meeting (minutes on page 38 in the packet).

#### POLICY COMMITTEE:

Chris Barry reported on the September 22, 2014 Policy Committee meeting (minutes on page 39 in the packet). Policy IGE, Parental Objections to Specific Course Material OR Request for Alternative Course Material, is included in the packet (pages 40-41) for a first read. Note: this is a new policy. Policy IJ, Instructional Materials, is included in the packet (page 42) for a first

#### LONG RANGE PLANNING COMMITTEE:

Seelye Longnecker reported on the September 29, 2014 Long Range Planning Committee meeting (minutes on page 43 in the packet). The next Long Range Planning Committee meeting is scheduled for Monday, October 27, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. at the high school.

#### OTHER:

Troy Cowan reported on tonight's Finance Committee meeting (minutes will be in the packet for next month's board meeting). Motion by Troy Cowan, second by Normandie Blake, to approve the swap of equipment for a mower from Mr. Matthews. Motion passed unanimously. The board scheduled a Security Committee meeting for Tuesday, October 21, 2014 at 3:30 p.m. at the SAU office.

#### 8. Old Business:

#### **UPDATED COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS:**

The Board reviewed the updated Committee Assignments for 2014-2015 included in the packet (page 44).

#### 9. New Business:

#### PRIMEX REPORT:

Mark Hutchins and the Board discussed the Primex Report recently emailed to board members for their review. Lorrie Carey discussed the need for some type of dashboard. The Board decided to schedule another retreat. Mark MacLean will work on scheduling a time to meet.

#### WARRANT ARTICLE REQUEST FROM WEBSTER SELECTMAN

The Board discussed the request for a warrant article included in the packet (page

#### DISTRICT COUNSEL RECOMMENDATION:

Mark MacLean updated the Board on the search for legal counsel for the District. Mark reported that the task force recommends Drummond Woodsum. Motion by Seelye Longnecker, second by Laura Vincent, to enter into an agreement with Drummond Woodsum. Motion passed unanimously.

#### 10. Manifests/Journal Entries to Sign:

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

#### 11. Board Chairmau's Report:

#### 12. Assistant Superintendent's Report:

Chris Barry reported on the new math specialist, recent technology activity and this month's recognition letters (page 46 in the packet).

#### 13. Superintendeut's Report:

Mark MacLean reported on technology and its collaborative impact and uses with the SAU and Building Administrative Teams, converting to Google, and the future of IB at the high school.

#### 14. Topics for Next Board Meeting:

#### 15. Public Comment:

Sandy Miller, Salisbury resident, asked questions and offered comments about:

- · down payment money on the sale of Summer Street School
- late bus to Andover
- · response to Hill School District RFP
- Rymes oil price of \$2.99/gallon. Louise Andrus, Salisbury resident, asked

questions and offered comments about: detailed trial balance being put on the

- agenda for the November meeting
- number of mandated tests and number of hours spent preparing students for
- would like to hear a discussion regarding pros/cons of establishing a budget

Thad Dougherty, Webster resident, asked questions and expressed comments about:

· IB accreditation and costs

#### 16. Non-Public Session: RSA 91-A:3II

Motion by Normandie Blake, second by Seelye Longnecker, to go into non-public session in accordance with RSA 91 A:311 (c) at 9:41 p.m. Motion passed unanimously on a Roll Call Vote.

Roll Call: Caroletta Alicea, Normandie Blake, Lorrie Carey, Troy Cowan, Mark Hutchins, Jim Lavery, Seelye Longnecker, Karin Page, Laura Vincent

A. Personnel: See Non-Public Minutes.

#### 17. Return to Public Session

Motion by Normandie Blake, second by Seelye Longnecker, to go out of non-public session at 10: 15 p.m. Motion passed unani-

Roll Call: Caroletta Alicea, Normandie Blake, Lorrie Carey, Troy Cowan, Mark Hutchins, Jim Lavery, Seelye Longnecker, Karin Page, Laura Vincent

#### 18. Action from Non-Public Session if Needed:

#### Personnel:

Motion by Laura Vincent, second by Normandie Blake. to approve a request for child rearing leave for Kim Cutter effective May 4, 2015 through the end of the 2014–15 school year. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Troy Cowan, second by Karin Page, to rescind the previously approved retirement notification of Kevin O'Brien without setting a precedent and without establishing a past practice. Motion passed with 2 abstentions.

#### 19. Adjournment

Motion by Normandie Blake, second by Caroletta Alicea, to adjourn. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 10:18

Respectfully submitted. Sally Welch, Clerk



#### Selectmen's Meeting Minutes — **October 14, 2014**

Present: Chairman Ives, Selectman Bowles, and Selectman Krieger. Also present was Road Agent David Rice and Police Chief/Code Enforcement Officer Bob Fiske.

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

Selectman Bowles moved to approve the Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, October 7, 2014 as written. Seconded by Selectman Krieger. All in favor. Motion car-

The Board met with Road Agent David

Mr. Rice advised the Board that the Highway Crew is almost finished screening sand for the winter. Chairman Ives asked if Mr. Rice was set for salt. Mr. Rice indicated that he felt obtaining salt would not be an

Mr. Rice advised the Board that he was considering a warrant article for Town

Meeting to upgrade Lovejoy Road and Stonegate Terrace. Mr. Rice said there were a few culverts that would need to be replaced on Lovejoy Road and there was a spot that would need to be dug up at the area of the sag in the road. Chairman Ives and Selectman Krieger inquired about Piper Hill Road. Mr. Rice said he would be putting more patch in the area with the issue on Piper Hill Road for the winter; next summer he would be digging up a portion of Piper Hill Road and fixing the issues. Mr. Rice indicated that the funds would come from his regular budget for the Piper Hill Road project. Chairman Ives inquired about an area on South Village Road near Plourde Sand and Gravel's property where the pavement is breaking up. Mr. Rice said he may decide to cold plane South Village Road. Selectman Krieger inquired about expandant Street.

ing the width of South Village Road around the Richard Brown House to the Country Store due to people walking to and from the store. Mr. Rice said he could look at expanding the width and putting in a fog line. Mr. Rice said Pleasant Street is another area that will need to be addressed in the future. It was discussed that there are a lot of heavy tractor-trailers traveling on Pleas-

Mr. Rice discussed the need to repair the loading dock area at the sand/salt shed located at the Transfer Station. It was stated that this project would need approximately 9 yards of concrete and could be included in the work being done at the same time as the Transfer Station building project. Chairman Ives agreed that it should be included in the Transfer Station project. It was stated that the second bid had not been received.

Mr. Rice discussed the issue with individuals plowing snow across the road and fines that can be established. The Board discussed the ordinances that other towns have as well as the State RSA referencing this issue. Selectman Bowles stated he felt that there was already an ordinance on the books and that if it is already in place, the ordinance may need to be updated. Chief Fiske inquired about possible wording and asked who would determine if there was an actual violation of the ordinance. The Board will research this issue.

The Board met with Police Chief/Code Enforcement Officer Bob Fiske.

Chief Fiske stated that he felt everything went well with the September race events at NHMS.

Chairman Ives asked about the Color Run event. Chief Fiske stated that the Color Run went really well. Chairman Ives asked if there were any complaints of noise. Chief Fiske said that there were no complaints about this event.

Chairman Ives asked if Chief had talked with Mr. Phillips regarding the noise issue that happened during the September race event. Chief Fiske stated he had and asked Mr. Phillips to contact the PD immediately next time. Mr. Phillips had indicated that he did not want to bother the PD, as he knew that they were very busy but will contact the PD directly in the future. Chief Fiske stated that the noise issues Mr. Phillips was talking about did not come from the track that morning; he felt it could have been as far away as Gilmanton.

Selectman Bowles asked if there were any issues at the Miles Smith Farm Day event. Chief Fiske said nothing detrimental happened, but it was a congested area. Selectman Bowles stated Carole Soule felt there were close calls with vehicles trying to get in and out of the event and will be contacting Chief Fiske to discuss options for next year's events.

Chief Fiske stated he has been lead to believe that there may be a warrant article to come before Town Meeting regarding farm animals being allowed in residential areas of town. There was brief discussion regarding farm animals currently being in areas of town.

Kate Miller, Attorney for the Town regarding the cable franchise contract, began discussing her interaction with Comcast and TDS. The Board addressed some parts of the discussion they had with Scott Brooks of TDS last week.

Chairman Ives opened the Public Hearing to discuss the proposed franchise contract agreement with TDS in the (798)-telephone exchange area of the Town of Loudon at 6:30 p.m.

Attorney Kate Miller explained that she had been in negotiations with TDS to pro-

vide cable options for properties in the (798)-telephone exchange area. She stated that there are three of seven town buildings that could be serviced by TDS for fiber optic cable. The Town Office Building/ Community Building, Safety Complex, and Maxfield Public Library are all in the (798)exchange area so they would receive free cable services from TDS. If the town chose to subscribe to TDS internet, there would be a cost to each subscriber but the service would be available. She stated that the Loudon Elementary School, Highway Garage, Station #2, and the Transfer Station would not be in the service area. Chairman Ives stated that the new Town Office Building will be located down the road from the current site and asked if the new building would be available to receive service from TDS still. Attorney Miller stated that it would be all set because it would still be in the (798)-exchange area. She advised the Board that she did ask for the one-year free internet service to municipal buildings but TDS said no. Mr. Colbert of TDS stated that all the other towns going through this process have asked for the free service as well, but at this time, TDS has declined. He also stated that TDS is the first company to be offering 1-gig for home internet service. Attorney Miller stated for the record that the franchise agreement name would be the Kearsarge Telephone Company and that TDS provided an affidavit providing financial information to back up the obligations of Kearsarge Telephone Company for any future issues. Attorney Miller provided the undated franchise agreement for the Board to review and Mr. Colbert of TDS amended the date on the forms to show October 14. 2014 as the date of the contract agreement on behalf of TDS. Mr. Jim Whedon of 149

Greenview Drive stated that this option does not work for him and the residents of Greenview Drive. Attorney Miller discussed cable contracts and issues between differences in the Comcast contract and the TDS agreement, and she stated that she would do some research with Comcast and find out where things stand with the negotiations. Mr. Whedon asked Mr. Colbert if there were plans for TDS to expand. Mr. Colbert said not at this time. He stated that there is stimulus money available for companies to use to get the cable and internet services out to areas that are not currently getting those services due to the location or distance from the service lines already in place. Attorney Miller stated that Comcast and Fairpoint have opted out of receiving the federal funding that other providers have chosen to participate in those programs. Chairman Ives stated that the Public Hearing was closed and the Board was back in their regular session.

Selectman Krieger moved to accept the Kearsarge Telephone Company Cable Television Franchise agreement for Loudon NH as presented. Seconded by Selectman Bowles. All in favor. Motion carried.

The Board began their review of weekly correspondence.

The Board received the Merrimack Valley School District October 15th invoice for \$727,388,64

The Board received the request from Breanne Mullen, President of LYAA, for their \$5,000.00 appropriation from the budget. Chairman Ives stated LYAA does a tremendous job with their programs. Selectman Bowles said it was nice to have so many volunteers to make this program successful.

The Board received a copy of the check from NHMS for payment for the Sylvania 300 in the amount of \$125,981.75 for both police and fire coverage.

The Board received a copy of the check from Fillmore Industries to pay for the bags of calcium chloride they purchased from Highway Department.

The Board received a ZBA abutter notification for a special exception hearing on the Inisfree Investments, LLC property on Chichester Road.

The Board received the Municipal Emergency Trouble Reporting Procedures from Comcast for review.

The Board received the message that Richard Bridgford (1 Spring Street) called on 10/09/14 to commend the Ambulance/ Fire Crew for all their help and hard work.

The Board received the following reminders:

The Town Clerk is closed Wed and Thurs the 15th & 16th, due to the annual conference.

Thursday, October 16 at 7 pm is the Planning Board meeting.

Planning Board meeting.
Thursday, October 16 at 7 pm is the Loudon Candidates Forum.

Saturday, October 18 is the state surplus property auction.

Saturday, October 18 is the LFD Harvest Supper from 5–7 p.m.

Selectman Krieger moved to adjourn at 7:55 p.m. Seconded by Selectman Bowles. All in favor. Motion carried.

LOUDON BOARD OF SELECTMEN Steven R. Ives, Chairman Dustin J. Bowles, Selectman Robert P. Krieger, Selectman

#### Selectmen's Meeting Minutes — October 21, 2014

*Present:* Chairman Ives, Selectman Bowles, and Selectman Krieger. Also present was Police Chief/Code Enforcement Officer Bob Fiske.

Chairman Ives called the meeting to order at  $6:00\ p.m.$ 

Selectman Bowles moved to approve the Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, October 14, 2014 as written. Seconded by Selectman Krieger. All in favor. Motion carried.

The Board met with Police Chief/Code Enforcement Officer Bob Fiske.

Chairman Ives stated that the Board wanted to talk about the advertisement that was placed in the newspaper for a new fulltime officer for the Police Department. He said that the Selectmen were not aware that the ad had been placed by Chief Fiske. Chairman Ives stated that he spoke with Chief Fiske to clarify the reason for the ad placement and was told by Chief Fiske that the reason for the ad was to build a file of potential candidates as there may be a vacancy in the department soon. Chief Fiske stated that currently, one of the fulltime officers is in the process of relocating to another state and that there is another officer who has military training commitments, so he was trying to be proactive in getting possible candidates ready for the interview process. Chairman Ives stated that he would appreciate a quick phone call from Chief Fiske before an ad is placed as it came as a surprise to find the ad in the newspaper. Chief Fiske said he just spoke with the officer looking to relocate at the end of last week and did not want to have an issue with a vacancy. Chairman Ives stated that the wanted to be sure that the hiring process

provides the best candidate and fit for the Town of Loudon. Chief Fiske concurred. Selectman Bowles agreed that an email or phone call to the Selectmen's Office prior to placing an ad would be appreciated.

Chairman Ives asked Chief Fiske if the new budget format was working out for him. Chief Fiske stated he felt there was not a lot of room for explanations/comments but it would suffice. Selectman Bowles advised Chief Fiske that he could attach an additional paper with the explanations/comments if needed.

Cindy and Dillon Babonis were recognized from the audience. Dillon Babonis stated that he is a member of Boy Scout Troop #30 and was attending tonight's meeting as part of the Boy Scout program to obtain his Citizenship Badge. Chairman Ives explained the process of the Selectmen's Meetings. Dillon Babonis stated part of his requirement was to listen to a meeting where there is debate back and forth and inquired if there was anything coming up in the next few weeks that he could observe.

The Board discussed varying issues that have taken place over the past few months, upcoming events, and stated that the Zoning Board Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, October 23, 2014 and there should be discussion and debate at that meeting.

The Board began their review of weekly correspondence.

The Board received a memo from Office Manager Brenda Pearl regarding Town Office hours during the upcoming election and holidays. The Town Clerk and Tax Collector's Offices will be closed Tuesday, November 4, 2014, the Selectmen's Office and Planning/Zoning Office will close at 4:00 PM, and the Selectmen's Meeting is cancelled due to the election. The Town Offices will be closed on Tuesday, November 11, 2014 due to Veteran's Day and the Board agreed that they would reschedule the Selectmen's Meeting from Tuesday, November 11, 2014 to Wednesday, November 12, 2014 at 6:00 p.m.; Board of Permit will also

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be held November 12. The Board stated that the Town Offices will be closing at Noon on December 24, 2014 and will be open normal

hours on December 31, 2014. The Board decided to cancel their Selectmen's Meeting on Tuesday, December 30, 2014.

The Board received a second memo from Brenda, this one regarding tax-deeded properties. The Board agreed to move forward with the auction, stating they will proceed with tenants being evicted by the new owners and agreed to hold the auction in one location instead of scheduling at multiple locations. The Board also agreed to start the notification process November 1, 2014 and agreed to make a correction to the

Notice of Sale Tax Deeded Properties. The Board received a copy of March 9, 1982 Town Meeting Minutes regarding Article #7: ordinance to prohibit plowing snow into and leaving it in the plowed portion of Town Roads, for review. The Board agreed that they could change the fee amount from \$25.00 for each violation and discussed their desire to have consistency in enforcement. Selectman Krieger moved to amend the fee for Article #7 of the March 9, 1982 Town Meeting, regarding the Snow Plowing Ordinance prohibiting plowing snow into and leaving it in the plowed portion of Town Roads (not State Roads), causing obstructions by individuals, companies, and contractors plowing private driveways, from \$25.00 to \$100.00 for each violation. Seconded by Selectman Bowles. All in favor. Motion carried.

The Board received Property Liability Trust Base Rate change information for FY 2016 for review.

The Board received Primex 2015 Workers' Compensation Program Renewal information

The Board received Primex 2015 Unemployment Compensation Program Renewal information

The Board received the September Property Transfers for review.

The Board received the following reminders: Thursday, October 23 from 11 a.m.–12 p.m., someone from Senator Ayotte's office will hold office hours in the town office lobby, Thursday, October 23 at 7 p.m. is the Zoning Board Meeting, and Wednesday, October 29 at 4 p.m. is a Building Committee Meeting.

Selectman Krieger moved to adjourn at 6:47 p.m. Seconded by Selectman Bowles. Selectman Krieger thanked the Babonis' for attending the meeting and wished Dillon luck in obtaining his badge. All in favor. Motion carried.

LOUDON BOARD OF SELECTMEN Steven R. Ives, Chairman Dustin J. Bowles, Selectman Robert P. Krieger, Selectman

#### Selectmen's Meeting Minutes — October 28, 2014

Present: Chairman Ives, Selectman Bowles, and Selectman Krieger. Also present was Police Chief/Code Enforcement Officer Bob Fiske, Transfer Station Manager Steve Bennett, Fire Chief Rick Wright, and Deputy Chief Bill Lake.

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

Selectman Krieger moved to approve the Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, October 21, 2014 as written. Seconded by Selectman Bowles. All in favor. Motion carried.

The Board met with Transfer Station Manager Steve Bennett.

Mr. Bennett provided the Board members with the second cost estimate he had received for the building project at the Transfer Station. Mr. Bennett stated that the two quotes received are relatively close in numbers but Hillbilly Home Development, Inc. was approximately \$500.00 lower than the quote from Jay Berwick. Selectman Krieger moved to accept the bid from Milli-Foundations in the amount of \$6,980.00 and Hillbilly Home Development, Inc. in the amount of \$17,781.61, for the construction of a lean-to building at the back of the Recycling Building at the Transfer Station. Funds to be withdrawn from the Transfer Station Maintenance Non-Capital Reserve Fund. Seconded by Chairman Ives. Selectman Krieger stated that the Town has worked with these businesses in the past and have been treated fairly by both companies. Chairman Ives agreed. Motion carried. Majority vote in favor. Motion carried. Selectman Bowles abstained from the vote as he is an employee at the Transfer Station. Mr. Bennett will contact Mr. Milligan regarding moving forward with the concrete work and will follow up with the Highway Crew regarding the site prep work to be

The Board met with Police Chief/Code Enforcement Officer Bob Fiske.

Mr. Fiske provided the Board with a letter of intent NHMS for the 2014 Gift of Lights display at the track.

Chief Fiske provided the Board with a copy of the resignation letter from Office Shawn Williams.

Mr. Fiske discussed Map 44 Lot 08 in regards to the driveway and issuance of a building permit. He stated that the property owners went to meet with the ZBA on October 23, 2014 for a reduced setback regarding the driveway and the 47½ foot deeded right-of-way. He asked the Board if they had seen the ZBA Meeting Minutes of October 23,2014. Mr. Fiske stated that he wanted to be sure that the Selectmen had no issue with the property getting a building permit. Selectman Bowles said the building

permit has to be given as years ago the ZBA allowed a variance and this variance tied the town's hands as the town was not able to require the two lots to be combined back into one lot. Mr. Fiske asked why this did not have to go through and get a special exception. Selectman Bowles said he and the ZBA felt that the property owners did not need to go through the special exception process as the frontage they have is the deeded right-of-way and that is all they have for frontage. He said there is nothing that can be required.

Mr. Fiske discussed Map 49 Lot 61 on Crab Apple Way relative to the road not being a town road and stated there is no right-of-way for this property. He advised the Board that there would be three sections of additions for the property. Selectman Bowles asked what types of additions are planned. Mr. Fiske stated living room and bedrooms, just living space. Selectman Bowles clarified that it would not be an inlaw apartment. Mr. Fiske stated in-law apartments are not allowed in Loudon.

Selectman Krieger moved to go into a nonpublic session per RSA 91-A: 3, II (c) at 6:15 p.m.; seconded by Selectman Bowles. Roll call vote: Krieger - yes; Bowles - yes; Ives - yes. All in favor. Motion carries. Selectman Bowles moved to come out of non-public session at 6:35 p.m.; seconded by Selectman Krieger. Roll call vote: Krieger - yes; Bowles - yes; Ives - yes. All in favor. Motion carries. Selectman Bowles made a motion to seal the minutes for five years because it is determined that divulgence of this information likely would affect adversely the reputation of any person other than a member of this board. Seconded by Selectman Krieger. All in favor. Roll call vote: Krieger - yes; Bowles - yes; Ives yes. Motion carries.

The Board met with Fire Chief Rick Wright.

Chief Wright advised the Board that Harvest Supper was very successful with 470 people served and 60 people volunteering. He stated he had a lot of positive feedback. Selectman Bowles said he attended the event and it was outstanding.

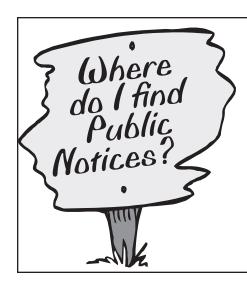
Chief Wright advised the Board that the water tank at Station #2 stopped working the Friday before Harvest Supper and he has had Eastern Propane in to service the device. Eastern Propane was able to get it running but on Monday morning it was not working again. Chief Wright stated he has gotten a quote from Eastern Propane for a 40 gal. hot water heater for \$1,034.00 and Jeff Leonard's quote for an on-demand system would be \$2,850.00 or for a 40 gal. hot water heater, it would be between \$800.00-1,000.00. The Board discussed the pros and cons between both systems. Chief Wright stated that there is approximately \$5,000.00 left in the \$10,000.00 maintenance line and he has other items to discuss that will need to be paid from this same account. Selectman Bowles suggested that Chief Wright obtain other price quotes. Chief Wright will contact Huckleberry Heating for a quote and Chairman Ives will check with someone he knows as well. The Board stated that if the maintenance line is over expended the money will come from somewhere as these issues need to be addressed. They also stated that they agreed to go with the on demand unit and advised Chief Wright that if he can find a lower cost quote, to go with it and replace the unit as quickly as possible.

Chief Wright discussed Station #2 in regards to the exterior of the building and stated that there are some areas of the building that have issues with the metal sheeting coming off and the plywood being rotted underneath. He provided photos of the damage for the Board's review. Chief Wright stated it appeared that there was no flashing and water has damaged the plywood. The Board suggested that Chief Wright contact Greg Colarusso or Robert Mallet to get price quotes for the work.

Chief Wright discussed the memo he sent the Board regarding Capital Alarm doing the inspection at the Safety Complex and Station #2 as well as testing of alarms and Harry O Electrical regarding the lights at the War Memorial at the Maxfield Public Library. The Board advised Chief Wright that there is money in a separate account specific to the War Memorial maintenance and if any of the lighting issues were relative to the Maxfield Public Library, then the funds would need to come from the library accounts for those repairs. The Board agreed with Chief Wright to move forward with Capital Alarm System to fix the strobe in the sally-port at the police station, in the amount of \$275.00; to install the 3 smoke detectors and one strobe at Station #1 for \$950.00; and fix the 1 strobe at Station #2 for \$100.00, at this time. Selectman Bowles will check the War Memorial site to determine if all the items needing repair are related to the War Memorial or if any are for the Maxfield Public Library, before any work begins with Harry O Electrical.

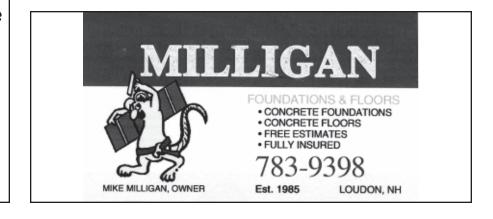
Chairman Ives asked about the new regulations for air filtration systems at fire stations with fulltime personnel. Chief Wright stated that he had been contacted by someone regarding this subject and that Deputy Chief Bill Lake had been working with someone regarding grant money for this system. Deputy Chief Lake stated that he had explained to the people working on the grant that if it is a 100% covered grant, they would move forward, but if it is a 50/50 grant, there are no funds currently available. Selectman Bowles stated that if the grant is 50/50 matching grant, money could be added in with the upcoming budget.

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

- · Town Office
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- Beanstalk Store
- USPS
- Transfer Station
- · Web Site



Chief Wright advised the Board that the live burn training event for Pleasant View Gardens at the "round house" is scheduled for November 8th.

The Board discussed the site walk for fuel tanks being installed at a property owned by Inisfree Investments, LLC, on Chichester Road. The site walk to be held on November 6th with Planning and Zoning Board members. Chairman Ives inquired if someone from the fire department would be attending. Chief Wright indicated that he planned to have someone there.

Chief Wright advised the Board that the Freedom Hill dry hydrant is in process. The trees have been taken down and the plan is to pump down the water so they can clean out any items, then muck it out.

Selectman Krieger moved to go into a nonpublic session per RSA 91-A: 3, II (c) at 7:02 p.m.; seconded by Selectman Bowles. Roll call vote: Krieger - yes; Bowles - yes; Ives - yes. All in favor. Motion carries. Selectman Bowles moved to come out of non-public session at 7:48 p.m.; seconded

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

The Board began their review of weekly correspondence.

Selectman Krieger moved to appoint Larry Stone to the Loudon Agricultural Committee, as an alternate member, with an appointment to expire March 31, 2016. Seconded by Selectman Bowles. All in favor. Motion carried.

The Board received notification from Dick Berggren stating that the Board of Directors of the North East Motor Sports Museum has chosen to build the NASCAR Race Museum in Loudon, at the property owned by NHMS and not at New England Dragway. The Board agreed this would be a nice addition to Loudon.

The Board received a memo from Fire Chief Rick Wright regarding Capitol Alarm Systems regarding the Fire Alarm Inspection and Testing report & Harry O Electrical quote for the Safety Complex and War Memorial area.

The Board received a memo from Police Chief Fiske regarding training expenses and budget line transfer.

The Board received confidential information — Fairpoint for review.

The Board received the ESMI 3rd Quarter Host Community Fee calculation for

The Board received the Maxfield Public Library Trustees draft minutes of October

The Board received the NHMA Annual Meeting information as well as notification regarding NHMA's 2015 dues not increas-

The Board received a copy of the notice of decision on ZBA application Z14-13 for Tax Map 57, Lot 14 for review.

The Board received the following reminders:

• Wednesday, October 29 at 4 p.m. is a Building Committee Meeting;

• Tuesday, November 4 is Election Day the Selectmen's Office and Planning/Zoning Offices are closing at 4:00 p.m., the Town Clerk & Tax Collector's Offices are closed, and the Selectmen's Meeting is cancelled;

• Tuesday, November 11 — the Town Offices are closed in observance of Veteran's Day

• and the Selectmen's Meeting is rescheduled to Wednesday, November 12, 2014 at 6:00 p.m.

Selectman Bowles moved to adjourn at 8:00 p.m. Seconded by Selectman Krieger. All in favor. Motion carried.

LOUDON BOARD OF SELECTMEN Steven R. Ives, Chairman Dustin J. Bowles, Selectman Robert P. Krieger, Selectman

#### Planning Board Meeting Minutes — October 16, 2014

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Acting Chairman Bob Cole.

#### Attendance:

Tom Moore, Bob Cole, Ex-Officio Dustin Bowles and Alternate Bob Ordway. Bob Ordway was appointed as a voting member in the absence of Henry Hunting-

#### Acceptance of Minutes:

September 18, 2014 Regular Meeting Bob Ordway made a motion to approve the minutes as written; seconded by Tom Moore. All were in favor.

#### Discussion:

Alice Tuson — Letter of Interest — Mr. Cole read a letter from Mrs. Tuson, expressing her interest in being a Planning Board alternate. He explained the role of an alternate member. Bob Ordway said he feels that Mrs. Tuson would be a positive addition to the Board. After brief discussion, Mr. Cole said he will take the matter to the Chairman, Vice Chairman, and balance of the Board for their review. Mrs. Tuson said she will plan to be at the next meeting to answer any questions that the Board might have for her.

#### **New Business:**

Application #14-08, Verizon Wireless Minor Site Development in the CR District, Map 61, Lot 5. Dustin Bowles stated that this should be a major site development, not minor, because the building is over 400SF. The change was noted and will be addressed during the hearing. A letter of authorization from John Zudell to present this project on NHMS property was submitted with the application.

Attorney Victor Manougian represented Verizon Wireless. He explained that they are proposing a 4,125SF building as an equipment shelter (DAS) at the raceway. Once installed it would allow everyone at the track to use their cell and data at the same time, and it takes pressure off the existing tower, becoming more available for regular usage. Mr. Manougian stated that they went to the ZBA in September and were granted a Special Exception of Section 203.3N. He spoke about legislation that was passed last year (RSA 12K), which would require only a building permit where an existing facility was involved. There are some exceptions to that, one being that a building cannot exceed 2,500SF; therefore, the size of the proposed building requires site review. Mr. Manougian noted that they have requested many waivers because of the type of project since it is only a building with no septic, water, streets, landscaping,

There were no abutters present. Tom Moore made a motion to accept the application as complete and move to public hearing; seconded by Dustin Bowles. All were in

John Stevens, an engineer with Infinigy, also represented Verizon Wireless. Mr. Stevens pointed out that the proposed building would be adjacent to the existing tower facility on the eastern side of the track. He explained that it would hold the electronics that will feed communications in the stands and track overall. Currently the system can handle 1,000 calls at a time. This project will benefit attendees and public safety as it will increase the system's capabilities. Mr.

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Stevens said the building is designed for all carriers if they want to go in later; costs would be shared at that time. He handed out a new reduced set of plans, noting that they have changed the colors of the building to match the existing bath house design and colors. The building will be charcoal splitfaced masonry stone from Gilbert Block, the same product used for the bath house.

Mr. Stevens pointed out that there will be a 500 KW generator with a 1,000 gallon belly tank. It was noted that any storage tank over 500 gallons would need review and approval of the ZBA. Mr. Stevens said he will change this to a 500 gallon tank so that the special exception is not needed. Should it be decided that a larger tank is necessary they would apply to the ZBA at that time. Dustin Bowles asked that they let the fire department know what they are doing with the tank. A set of plans was provided to the fire department prior to this hearing; a revised set will be forwarded as

Mr. Stevens stated that there are plans for sixty-one antennas to be placed around the track. Fiber optics will allow areas to be broken down to manageable chunks. Bob Cole noted that the antennas would be no different from putting up speakers. Bob Ordway asked if this would replace the existing building by the tower. Mr. Stevens said he did not believe so; they will probably re-tune the antennas to cover different areas of town. He said anyone in the area

has limited service during races as the tower's capacity is maxed out. Dustin Bowles asked if the COWs (cell on wheels) would go away. Mr. Stevens stated that it would replace the Verizon COW.

Dustin Bowles asked about the underground vault shown on the plans. Mr. Stevens explained that underground fiber optics will ring the track. Fiber and power will be in separate conduits with junction boxes along the way. He pointed out an area of new service to be brought in from Route 106. He said they will be extending the underground lines with vault boxes. There will be twenty different conduits.

Tom Moore asked when the generator would be run. Mr. Stevens said it would test for fifteen minutes once a week and otherwise operated only during emergency times. He said it is shielded; at 8' it records at 62 decibels and would be approximately 30–40 decibels at the nearest property. The system will be remotely monitored 24/7. Mr. Moore asked if there would be exterior lighting. Mr. Stevens said there would not. Pauline Touzin asked if this would be near wetlands. Mr. Stevens said the wetlands have been delineated and the building was moved a few feet to avoid any impact.

Bob Cole asked if there were any further questions. Hearing none, he closed the hearing to the public and opened it to the Board

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Dustin Bowles said the notes about the underground conduit on Sheet C4 are a little confusing. He asked how many vaults would be used. Mr. Stevens said they would be placed every 700 to 1,000 feet. He will clarify the information and add details of vault locations. Tom Moore asked if as-built plans would be done if they find anything changes from this proposed plan. Mr. Stevens said they will do an as-built of everything out there. Dustin Bowles asked if the power from Route 106 to the pole would be overhead. Mr. Stevens pointed out the area to which power would be overhead with the primary over the creek; they will try to go underground the balance of the way. Dustin Bowles noted that would change the proposed utility pole to a junction box. Tom Moore said it seems the building is an asset during races but would serve no purpose at other times of the year. Mr. Stevens said it would improve service at the track and parking lots as it is only low power. Mr. Moore asked if it would reduce the need for other towers in town and if they would potentially be serving the community. Mr. Stevens said no, there will be small antennas on the stands and light poles. He said they have a second phase design for the parking lots eventually.

Mr. Cole read requests for waivers of the following items:

- 1) 13.6.8 Tom Moore moved to approve the request; seconded by Dustin Bowles. All were in favor.
- 2) 13.6.9 Tom Moore moved to approve the request; seconded by Dustin Bowles. All were in favor.
- 3) 13.6.12 Bob Ordway moved to grant the waiver; seconded by Tom Moore. All were in favor.

- 4) 13.6.13 Tom Moore moved to approve the request; seconded by Bob Ordway. All were in favor.
- 5) 13.6.14 Tom Moore moved to approve the request; seconded by Bob Ordway. All were in favor.
- 6) 13.6.16 Bob Ordway moved to grant the waiver; seconded by Dustin Bowles. All were in favor.
- 7) 13.6.17 Tom Moore moved to approve the request. There was discussion about the amount of impervious area proposed and the overall size of the parcel. Bob Ordway seconded the motion. All were in favor:
- 8) 13.6.18 Tom Moore moved to approve the request; seconded by Dustin Bowles. All were in favor.
- 9) 13.6.19 Bob Ordway moved to grant the waiver; seconded by Tom Moore. All were in favor.
- 10) 13.6.21 Tom Moore moved to approve the request; seconded by Bob Ordway. All were in favor.
- 11) 13.6.22 Dustin Bowles made a motion to grant the waiver; seconded by Tom Moore. All were in favor.

12) 13.6.25 — Bob Ordway moved to grant the waiver; seconded by Tom Moore. All were in favor.

13) 13.6.27 — Bowles made a motion to grant the waiver; seconded by Tom Moore. All were in favor.

14) 13.6.28 — Request withdrawn; John Stevens will submit a utilities plan.

Dustin Bowles pointed out that the map on the front cover is incorrect; Mr. Stevens will correct the map. Mr. Bowles asked when they are proposing to start the work. Mr. Stevens said it would be this fall.

Bob Ordway moved to approve the application subject to the following conditions: 1) Change 1,000 gallon tank to 500 gallon tank; 2) Include detail of vault location/clarify notes on utilities; 3) As-built plan to be submitted upon completion of project; 4) Utility plan to be submitted with final plans; 5) Vicinity map on cover to be corrected; 6) Additional disturbed area fee of \$100 to be remitted due to the change from minor to major site development. Motion seconded by Tom Moore. All were in favor.

#### **Board Discussion:**

**Zoning Amendment Workshop** — A workshop to discuss possible amendments was scheduled for November 20th at 6:00 p.m., prior to the Board's regular monthly meeting. Cisterns, animals, antennas, and subdividing residential/commercial lots were mentioned.

#### Report of the ZBA:

This month's agenda includes a special exception for a reduced setback on Old Shaker Road and a special exception for fuel storage tanks on Chichester Road.

#### Report of the Board of Permit:

Dustin Bowles reported that there was no meeting this month.

#### Adjournment:

Dustin Bowles made a motion to adjourn at 8:12 p.m.; seconded by Tom Moore. All were in favor:

Submitted by, Donna White Administrative Assistant

#### **Zoning Board Meeting Minutes — October 23, 2014**

Vice Chairman Ned Lizotte called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

#### ROLL CALL

The following members were present: Howard Pearl, Roy Merrill, Ned Lizotte, Earl Tuson, and alternates George Saunderson and Charlie Aznive.

Alternate Charlie Aznive was appointed as a voting member in the absence of Dave Powelson.

Lieutenant John Reese represented the Fire Department.

#### ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

**Regular Hearing** – Roy Merrill made a motion to approve the minutes of September 25, 2014 as written; seconded by Earl Tuson. All were in favor.

#### NOVEMBER MEETING DATE

Because Thanksgiving Day falls on the usual meeting date, it was agreed to hold the next meeting on Monday, November 24th.

#### DISCUSSION

Kim Stevenson & Richard Eamons — Ms. Stevenson explained that they are here to talk with the Board about a driveway permit that was issued for a parcel they recently purchased from Joanne Sanborn. She said having a driveway permit in place was a contingency of the purchase. Upon speaking with Building Inspector Bob Fiske she was told that the driveway permit did not go with the land. Mr. Eamons said they purchased the parcel at 102 Kenney Road on September 18th. At that time they were of the understanding that there was a valid driveway permit for the property. Donna informed the Board of her conversation with Mr. Fiske. The access/frontage is only 47.7' as agreed to with an equitable waiver of dimensional requirements a few years

ago. In her conversation with Mr. Fiske, Donna said he felt the new owners would have to apply for a special exception for a reduced setback for the driveway. The Board discussed the situation. It was stated that the Sanborns had used this same driveway/access to their house when they first built years ago, probably even before the Ordinance said that driveways could not be in the side setback without a special exception. They later gained access to their house through an easement across the Epp property, no longer using the driveway in question. Because this driveway was in existence long before the sale of the vacant parcel and because it is the only access to the vacant parcel, the Board agreed that there was no need for Ms. Stevenson and Mr. Eamons to have to apply for a special exception.

#### PUBLIC HEARING

Application #Z14-13, Ben Cucci — Special Exception for a reduced side setback, RR District, Map 57, Lot 14. There were no abutters present. Mr. Cucci explained that he wants to put a lean-to on the side of his garage. It would be open from the side and would have a gravel floor. The edge of the roof would be 23' from the boundary line of the abutting property. He

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said the abutting lot is a five acre wooded lot that is quite wet.

Vice Chairman Lizotte went through the points of the application with Mr. Cucci. On point #6 Mr. Cucci added that there is an inground drainage system already in place so any runoff would go to that and stay on his property. The Board reviewed several pictures of the proposed location and proximity to the property line. All were satisfied with the photos and diagrams that Mr. Cucci submitted: it was agreed that a site walk was not necessary for this matter. Hearing no further questions from the Board, Mr. Lizotte closed the hearing. Howard Pearl made a motion to approve the request to reduce the 30' side setback to 23' as presented; seconded by Roy Merrill. All were in favor, PASSED

Application #14-14, Inisfree Investments, LLC — Special Exception for bulk storage tanks, RR District, Map 11, Lot 12. Abutters Robert Young, Ed Dempsey, and Kenny-Lynn Dempsey were present. Jeff Green represented the applicants.

Mr. Green presented a revised set of plans to the Board. He explained that they are asking for bulk storage tanks on the property. He pointed out the existing scale house on the property, noting that the proposed tanks would be beyond that. Mr. Green stated that there would be six 6,000 gallon tanks and one 15,000 gallon tank. He said they would be encased in a concrete containment system, as would the loading area. Mr. Green explained that the access road crosses one lot owned by the applicant to get to another lot owned by the applicant where the tanks would be installed. He said the tanks would be 157.6' from the closest property toward the road and 153.5' from the side boundary. Those measurements are to the corners of the containment area. Traffic flow would be one-way in around the tanks and back out.

Mr. Green said there are currently two trucks for fueling. There would be up to two tractor trailer loads coming in to fill the tanks. Howard Pearl asked what the intent would be for having that much fuel onsite. He asked if they would be selling heating oil to the public. Mr. Green said they are using a company now to deliver to them and buying bulk would be cheaper. They are proposing a total of 51,000 gallons of storage with 110% containment area. He said the current trucks come in to fill the company's equipment. Earl Tuson asked what they are currently putting the fuel in. Mr. Green said they have a 2,800 gallon truck that goes into equipment. Ned Lizotte asked to clarify that they put the fuel into the equipment and then leave. Mr. Green said that was correct. Howard Pearl asked if this is only for their use. Roy Merrill said it is too much for their own use. Mr. Green said again that there would be a tractor trailer or two weekly instead of the two delivery trucks coming in. They would load some into equipment and some would be going out for delivery to homes.

Earl Tuson asked where a fuel distribution facility is permitted in the Ordinance. Mr. Green said he did not find that they are permitted anywhere in town. The discussion continued on who would be running the depot, who would be delivering, what the traffic increase might be, and the amount of storage being requested. Mr. Green said he was told that the applicant would run the depot and who they buy from would probably do the deliveries. Charlie Aznive asked if this would be a case of leasing storage for some other company. Mr. Green said it could be. He said the matter came about because of the trucks coming in every day. He said bulk storage would be easier and would allow them to distribute some to make it worthwhile.

Howard Pearl asked if there would be multiple products. Mr. Green said there will be on-road and off-road diesel and heating fuel. Ned Lizotte asked if there would be gas or propane. Mr. Green said there would not. Mr. Lizotte asked if this would be considered a distribution center. Mr. Green said he believed it could be considered that. Howard Pearl said it sounds like they want to have the option of going to the pier, buying bulk, and sell the excess not used. He asked how much fuel would be used onsite. Mr. Green said they currently have a 500 gallon tank for off-road diesel and 2,800 for on-road diesel. He said they need bulk storage. Charlie Aznive asked if they are actually retailing out of the location. Mr. Green said they are not; they are just bringing it in for onsite use. George Saunderson asked if the applicants want to retail out of there. Mr. Green said that was correct.

Ed Dempsey informed the Board that the tanks are already down there, waiting to be used. He said there is already a lot of activity in the pit and they are the closest abutter. Kenny-Lynn Dempsey asked why the tanks had to be placed right there instead of back some since it is a huge sand pit. Roy Merrill said he was going to ask the same thing. Charlie Aznive asked if this is the same space used by Brown and Beaton years ago. Mr. Green said it is not. Roy Merrill stated that area was near the scale house. Robert Young said he is not opposed to the request but is wondering if they are putting a footprint down for a future business. He asked that they call it what it is. Mr. Dempsey stated that the applicants logged the area a couple of years ago, and he was told at that time that they would not be using this road anymore. Jeff Green stated that berms have been discussed for protection if necessary. Mr. Young asked if anyone has addressed if there is an aquifer out there. Mr. Green said they know there is groundwater but he is not sure that it has been declared as an aquifer.

Ed Dempsey asked if the tanks would be in-ground or aboveground. Mr. Green said they would be both because they have to have concrete containment. He said the six vertical tanks would be down in the ground. They are 16' long and about 10' would be out of the ground. The horizontal tank would probably be kept level with the tops of the vertical tanks. Earl Tuson asked what

NH DES has to say on bulk storage. Mr. Green said the applicants have not spent the money to do that yet. Robert Young asked to clarify that they have purchased the tanks but do not have any approvals yet. Mr. Green said the empty tanks are on the ground, not hooked up or in use, and they will not go forward until they get approvals here. Mr. Young said having the tanks and a plan gives the illusion that this will all mesh. Mr. Green said the applicant had the opportunity to get the tanks and is just storing them there for now. Mr. Young did some calculations of the number of trucks coming in, the number of pieces of equipment the applicant might have, and the gallons per day that might be used. He said a distribution site is a whole different ballgame; he asked that they step up and be straight with abutters and the town. He said he is not overly concerned because they still have to get through the state. Roy Merrill said he feels 100% the same as Mr. Young, and he feels this is very clearly a distribution center. Mr. Young said it is too much fuel for use in that business alone. Several board members agreed.

Vice Chairman Lizotte asked if there were any questions from the Board; hearing none he asked Mr. Green to go through the points of the application. On point #2 Charlie Aznive said it would seem to change if a distribution center. Mr. Green said there would be a tractor trailer coming in and there are currently one to two trucks in and out so it will add some traffic. He said the entryway is designed for trucks. On point #3 Howard Pearl said there is nothing in the Zoning Ordinance that allows for distribution from this site. George Saunderson said it would be different if it was in the commercial zone. Roy Merrill said the parcel is kind of grandfathered commercial. Earl Tuson pointed out that sand and gravel excavation is permitted in the RR District. He said there were some non-conforming uses on the property that have been abandoned. Mr. Merrill said it is taxed as commercial. Howard Pearl said the ZBA can approve the tanks but he wondered if it will get through the Planning Board. Jeff Green said they will have to figure that out once they know the tanks are approved. He said part of the plan is to take it step by step. Roy

Merrill said they could do a site walk and decide if they approve the tanks. On point #4 John Reese stated that there is a huge increase in potential demand on municipal services as compared to what is there now. He said the department would get fire marshal review of the proposal. Mr. Reese said HazMat, DES, etc. would devise a plan whether it is distribution or storage. He told Mr. Green that the applicants will have to meet with the fire department directly.

Mrs. Dempsey asked if this use will affect their property values. It was suggested that she speak with a realtor for that information. George Saunderson said it would not seem that a site walk would hold up the process since they are just in the beginning stages. Mr. Green said he has suggested to the owners that they try for a conditional approval tonight or maybe continue this and do a joint site visit with the Planning Board as they will be applying to them as well. A site visit was scheduled for November 6, 2014 at 4:00 p.m. Earl Tuson made a motion to continue the hearing to the site walk on November 6th at 4:00 p.m. and then to the next meeting on November 24th at 7:00 p.m. at the Community Building; seconded by Howard Pearl. All were in favor. There will be no further notification.

Robert Young said as an abutter the concept of storage is okay but the owners need to be conscientious. He noted that they have been building more residences on the frontage and he feels there will be more. He would like them to put their cards on the table, be forthcoming, and do the right thing.

#### BOARD DISCUSSION

Board members were informed that zoning amendments will be discussed at a workshop on Thursday, November 20th at 6:00 p.m. Any suggested amendments should be submitted to the office prior to that date.

#### ADJOURNMENT

Roy Merrill made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:17 p.m.; seconded by Howard Pearl. All were in favor.

Submitted by, Donna White Administrative Assistant

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