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Girls Freedom, Division U13 Champs!



The Loudon Freedom Girls, U13 team, won the 2018 Fall NHSL Championship. The Championship game went into double overtime and double shootout for the win. Great job, ladies!!!

Players (Top, left to right): Olivia Martin, Nikola Longver, Kayla Smith, Ellie Andrews, Searra Andrews, Nolia LeBlanc, and Sydney Bailey. (Bottom, left to right) Taiyler Stinson, Grace Corliss, Katelyn Herrmann, Ashlyn Fortier, Katelyn Kenney, Julia Herrmann, Sierra Mercer, and Ella Mercer. Coaches: Dave Fortier and Michael Longver. ■

News You Can Use — How to Set Up E-Alerts

Since the day we launched Loudon's official Town website eighteen months ago, the number of people visiting www.Loudonnh.org has grown by leaps and bounds. There's an amazing amount of information about our Town, and dozens of tools you can use to stay informed.

One of the best ways to keep in touch is to sign up for E-Alerts. It couldn't be simpler. From your computer, tablet or smart phone, open the link to the home page at www.Loudonnh.org. Look for the section titled "Easy Access," and click on the link that says "Subscribe to E-Alerts." On that page, you'll be asked to enter and confirm your Email address. You can then select from an extensive menu of subjects.

- Under *Urgent Alert*, you can pick Fire Department, Highway Department, Police Department and Town Alerts.
- For *News or Announcement* you can select Board of Selectmen, Communications Council, Economic Development Committee, Fire Department, News & Announcements, Planning Board, Police Department, and Zoning Board of Adjustment.
- You can elect to be notified about upcoming meetings under *Meeting Agenda* for the Board of Selectmen, Economic Development Committee, Planning Board, and Zoning Board.
- You can also ask to receive notice when minutes are posted under *Meeting Minutes* for the Board of Selectmen, Eco-

mic Development Committee, Planning Board and Zoning Board of Adjustment.

Once you've decided which notices you'd like to receive by email, you'll be asked to check a box that says "I'm not a robot." You'll see a series of pictures and you'll be asked to identify which of the pictures include easily recognizable objects like street signs or school buses or boats.... The pictures change all the time, so just be sure to pay close attention to what you're asked to identify.

After you verify that you're not a robot (that's how we try to keep internet bots and trolls at bay) you simply click the button that says "Subscribe Me." Then, whenever information is posted for items for which you've requested access, you'll receive an email containing that information.

Any time you want, you can unsubscribe or you can change the items for which you want to receive notice by simply signing back onto the "Subscribe to E-Alerts" page and repeating the process.

You'll be notified if meeting dates, times or locations change. You'll be advised if there's an emergency that's been posted to the web page. You can see agendas and minutes as soon as they're posted instead of having to wait for your copy of *The Ledger* to arrive in your mailbox. This is a great way to stay informed and stay involved. If you haven't signed up yet, you should give it a try! ■

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

55 So. Village Rd., Ste. 1 • 798-4541 • selectmensoffice@loudonnh.org
Selectmen meet Tuesday evenings at 6:00 p.m. at the Town Offices.
Mon.–Thurs.: 8 a.m.–4 p.m. • Tues. evenings: 5 p.m.–9 p.m.
Robert N. Fiske (*term expires 2019*) selectmanfiske@comcast.net
Jeffrey Miller (*term expires 2020*) selectmensoffice@loudonnh.org
Stanley Prescott II (*term expires 2021*) selectmensoffice@loudonnh.org

Town Clerk

55 So. Village Rd., Ste. 2 • 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

55 So. Village Rd., Ste. 4 • 798-4540 • planning-zoning@loudonnh.org
The Planning Board Meets the third Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m. at the Town Offices. The Zoning Board meets the fourth Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in the Town Offices.
Mon. through Thurs.: 9 a.m.–1 p.m.

Tax Collector

55 So. Village Rd., Ste. 3 • 798-4543 • taxcollector@loudonnh.org
Tues.: 3 p.m.–9 p.m. • Wed.–Thurs.: 9 a.m.–4 p.m.

Police Department: Emergencies: 911

55 So. Village Rd., Ste. 6 • 798-5521 (Admin only) •
24-hour Dispatch: 228-1631
Mon.–Thur.: 8 a.m.–4:00 p.m.

Building/Code Enforcement

55 So. Village Rd., Ste. 5 • 798-5584 • 8 Cooper St., Fire Dept.
codeoffice@loudonfire.com • Monday–Friday: 8 a.m.–4 p.m.

Fire Department: Emergencies: 911

55 So. Village Rd., Ste. 5 • 798-5612 • chief@loudonfire.com
To obtain a fire permit, please stop by the Fire Station at the Safety Complex on Cooper Street. Permits are available between the hours of 6 a.m. and 6 p.m. 7 days a week, unless we are out on an emergency or other Fire Department business. Permits can also be obtained online via the link on the Town’s website: www.loudonnh.org→Fire Department→Links→Online Fire Permit.

Loudon Elementary School

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

Transfer Station

55 So. Village Rd., Ste. 7 • 783-0170 • roadagent@loudonnh.org
YEAR ROUND HOURS
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Highway Department

55 So. Village Rd., Ste. 7 • 783-4568 • roadagent@loudonnh.org
Mon.–Fri.: 7 a.m.–3:30 p.m.

Maxfield Public Library

Library Director: Jackie Heath • 798-5153 • maxlib@comcast.net
Mon.: 2–7:30 p.m. • Tues.: 10 a.m.–7:30 p.m. • Wed.: 2–7:30 p.m.
Thurs.: 10 a.m.–7:30 p.m. • Sat.: 9 a.m.–1 p.m.
The Library Trustees meet at 5 p.m. on the first Monday of the month.

John O. Cate Memorial Van

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

Loudon Food Pantry

30 Chichester Road, Unit D, Loudon
Intake by appointment only on Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday. Office hours and donations accepted Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 10 a.m.–4 p.m. Please call 724-9731 if you need to donate outside these hours. Closed Mondays. For more information or to see if you qualify for services, go to loudonfoodpantry.org or email info@loudonfoodpantry.org or call Sue at 724-9731.

Loudon Representatives
REPRESENTATIVES — U.S.

U.S. Sen. Maggie Hassan. (603) 622-2204. www.maggiehassan.com
U.S. Sen. Jeanne Shaheen. (603) 647-7500. Shaheen.senate.gov
U.S. Rep. Carol Shea-Porter. (603) 251-9653. info@shea-porter.com
U.S. Rep. Ann M. Kuster. (603) 226-1002. Kuster.house.gov

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State Sen. John Reagan. (603) 463-5945. John.reagan111@gmail.com

REPRESENTATIVES TO THE GENERAL COURT (DISTRICT 9)

State Rep. Howard M. Moffett. (603)783-4993. Howard.Moffett@leg.state.nh.us
State Rep. Michael Moffett. (603)491-0553. Michael.Moffett@leg.state.nh.us

REPRESENTATIVE TO THE GENERAL COURT (DISTRICT 26)

State Rep. Howard Pearl. (603)231-1482. hpearlpsf@aol.com

Loudon Ledger Submission Policy

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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January 2019 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 12/14 **Council Meeting:** Mon. 12/17

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March 2019 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 2/15 **Council Meeting:** Mon. 2/18

April 2019 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 3/15 **Council Meeting:** Mon. 3/18

May 2019 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 4/12 **Council Meeting:** Mon. 4/15

June 2019 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 5/17 **Council Meeting:** Mon. 5/20

July 2019 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 6/14 **Council Meeting:** Mon. 6/17

August 2019 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 7/12 **Council Meeting:** Mon. 7/15

September 2019 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 8/16 **Council Meeting:** Mon. 8/19

October 2019 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 9/13 **Council Meeting:** Mon. 9/16

November 2019 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 10/15 **Council Meeting:** Mon. 10/18

December 2019 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 11/15 **Council Meeting:** Mon. 11/18

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All editorial submissions are approved by the Council before publication.

Advertising: Alicha Kingsbury/556-1587

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Where to Worship in Loudon

Faith Community Bible Church

Joshua Owens, Lead Pastor • Patrick Testerman, Associate Pastor

334 North Village Road, Loudon, NH 03307 • 783-4045 • www.fcbcnh.org

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Sunday Worship Hours: 8 a.m. and 11 a.m. (Junior Church held at both services.) (Childcare provided.)

Sunday School for all ages at 9:30.

Youth Group for Grades 6–12 Sunday evenings at 6:00.

Bible Study: Thurs. 9:30 a.m. (3rd Thursday of the month, meets at noon)

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

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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: 2ND Saturday of every month, 4:30–6:30 p.m.

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

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

Sunday Evening Worship: 6 p.m.

Wednesday Evening Service: 7 p.m.

(Nursery provided for all services.)

Please visit our website for more information!

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Loudon Center Freewill Baptist Church

Rev. Shirley Marcroft, Interim Minister

433 Clough Hill Road. Mailing Address: P.O. Box 7008, Loudon, NH 03307

Member of the American Baptist Churches of VT/NH (Lakes Area Association)

Sunday Worship Service: 9:30 a.m.

For more information, please contact Pastor Shirley Marcroft (603) 968-7251

or Cindy Merrill, Deacon, at (603) 848-8690.

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Loudon Congregational Church

Rev. Moe Cornier

7018 Church Street, PO Box 7034, Loudon, NH 03307 • 783-9478

info@loudoncongregational.org • www.loudoncongregational.org

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

Tuesday Prayer Meeting: 6:30 p.m.

Healing Prayer Service: 3rd Sunday of the month, 9:30 a.m.

Loudon Congregational is a member church of the

Conservative Congregational Christian Conference (www.cccusa.org).

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New Beginnings Church of the Nazarene

Rev. David Shaw, Senior Pastor

Rev. Mike Matthews, Visitation Pastor

33 Staniels Rd, Loudon NH 03307 • Ph: 224-1311 • Office Hours: 9–2, Tues. & Thurs. / 9–4:30, Weds. & Fri.

office.LNBnazarene@gmail.com • www.LNBnazarene.org

Sundays: Worship: 9:30 a.m. (Childcare provided for Infants–2-year-olds.)

Jr. Kids Church (3-year-olds–Kindergarteners.) Children’s Church (Grades 1–5)

11 a.m. Discipleship Hour for All Ages.

Second Tuesdays: OASIS Potluck Luncheon (for folks 50+): 11 a.m.–1 p.m.

Wednesdays: LOGOs for Everyone — a new intergenerational discipleship

experience: 6:30–7:00 p.m. (See our website for details.)

Youth Hangout 7:30–8 p.m.

Thursdays: Community Bible Study; an independent international group, meets at New Beginnings 10 a.m.–12 Noon. Classes available for children, teens, and women through May 2019.

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

Loudon Church News

Loudon Center Freewill Baptist Church

Please join us for a Handbell Choir Concert on Saturday, December 8 at 4 p.m. The concert will be held at the Loudon Center Freewill Baptist Church, 433 Clough Hill Road. The concert features the Handbell Choir from the First Congregational Church of Pittsfield. A love offering will be taken. Desserts and coffee will be served at a reception following the concert.

For further information, please call Pastor Shirley Marcroft at 603-968-7251 or Cindy Merrill at 603-848-8690 or email LoudonCenterChurch@gmail.com. ■

Loudon Congregational Church

A Christmas Eve Service of Lessons and Carols will be held at the Loudon Congregational Church at 6 p.m. on Monday, December 24. Join us to share the story of Jesus’ coming to earth! There will be seven scripture readings, each with a corresponding Christmas Carol for all to sing. We will also have a candle lighting!

The regularly scheduled Tuesday prayer meeting will be held on Thursday, December 27 this week only.

Please note the change in our email. ■



TRANSFER STATION HOURS

Tuesday 9–5
Thursday 10–6
Saturday 8–5

NOTE: THESE ARE NOW YEAR-ROUND HOURS.
TIMES WILL NOT CHANGE IN THE SPRING.



Loudon Fire Department News

By Chief Rick Wright



Winter Holiday Safety

There is nothing quite like the smell of a freshly cut Christmas tree. Please follow these guidelines:

- Choose a tree with fresh green needles that do not fall off when touched.
- Before you bring the tree into your residence cut about 2 inches off the butt end of the tree. This fresh cut will allow the tree to take up more water after it is moved indoors and placed in a Christmas tree stand.
- Keep the tree base filled with water. A well-watered tree is safer than a tree that is dry and neglected.
- Always place your tree away from heat sources like fireplaces, wood stoves, radiators, heat vents, candles, or lights. A minimum of 3 feet is recommended.
- Make sure the tree is not blocking an exit. When the tree starts to shed its needles or feels dry it is time to remove it from your residence.
- Be careful with holiday decorations. Choose decorations that are flame resistant or flame retardant.
- Keep lit candles away from decorations and other things that can burn.
- Some lights are for indoor or outdoor use, but not both. Replace any string of lights with worn or broken cords or loose bulb connections. Read manufacturer's instructions for number of light strands that can be connected together. Use lights that have the label of a recognized testing laboratory. Use clips, not nails, to hang lights so the cords do not get damaged.
- Keep decorations away from exits like windows and doors.
- Always turn off Christmas tree lights before leaving home or going to bed.

Winter Reminder

Test all smoke alarms. Do this once a month. This way you know they are working. Change the batteries. Some smoke alarms are powered by a battery. Most smoke alarms are hard wired to the home electrical system and have a battery as a backup for when the power goes out. Sometimes the smoke alarm will beep if the battery is low. This can mean it is time to replace the battery. Call 9-1-1 if the alarm is sounding. Install smoke alarms and carbon monoxide alarms in your home if none are present now.

Protect you and your family during a Winter Storm

Winter Storms will happen and cause us many problems.

- Clear the driveway and front walk of ice and snow, as well as access to all exit doors.
- During and after the storm make sure vents for the dryer, furnace, stove, and fire-place are clear of snow build-up.
- Make sure your house number can be seen from the street. Add street numbers if your house doesn't have any now. This will help emergency personnel find your home in the event of an emergency.
- Generators should only be used outdoors. Keep them 20 feet away from windows, doors, and vents. Never run a generator inside your garage or barn, even if the door is open.

Be safe driving this Winter. Prepare for the trip by maintaining your vehicle:

- Check your battery, tire tread, windshield wipers and no-freeze fluid in the washer reservoir.
- Keep your windows and lights clear and remove all snow from your vehicle including the roof.
- Carry a flashlight, jumper cables, snow brush, ice scraper, and shovel.
- Plan your route and allow plenty of time.
- Remember stopping distances are longer on snow and ice covered roads. Slow down and increase distances between cars.
- Buckle up and use child safety seats properly.
- Get plenty of rest before a trip.
- Do not drink and drive or use drugs.

Winter Outdoor Burning

Fire permits are not required for outdoor burning as long as the ground is completely snow covered. If you are planning on burning brush or clean wood outdoors, we always appreciate it when you call and let us know. The Fire Station phone number is 798-5612. Always dial 9-1-1 if you have an emergency. ■

Do You LOVE To Garden?

- 🌸 Do you appreciate beautifully landscaped yards?
- 🌸 Do you have a green thumb?
- 🌸 Do you not have a green thumb?
- 🌸 Do you love to grow and learn about perennials, annuals, herbs, and more?
- 🌸 Do you want to talk, share, and learn with other garden-minded people?

If you answered yes to any of the above, you may want to consider joining the Loudon Gardeners Club. This recently-formed group started meeting once a month (usually on a Wednesday evening at 6:30 p.m.) at Charlie's Barn.

Follow us on our Facebook page for updated information.

*Loudon
Gardeners Club*

Spaghetti Supper & Mystery Auction

Hosted By: **NH SnoShakers Snowmobile Club**

Saturday, January 12, 2019

@ The Clubhouse

70 Clough Pond Road

Canterbury, NH

5PM

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Loudon Cub Scout Pack 247 News

At the October pack meeting, the pack was presented with the National Summertime Pack Award, which two of the dens completed. Two individual yellow ribbons were given to each den, with a blue ribbon and certificate. Eight scouts helped complete the National Summertime Pack Award: Colby T., Bode T., Trey J., Nate R., and Kash F. for bears and Jake S., Nick G., and Konnor S. for Arrows of Light.

Pack 247 had a very busy October, which included completing several Show and Sells for Popcorn. Thanks to all who donated or bought popcorn. In November, the cub scout pack spent two Saturdays Scouting for Food: one hanging reminder tags on doors and the next collecting food items. Pack/Troop 247 collected over 1,300 food donations for the 12 local food pantries and many more pieces for the Loudon Food Pantry. This is a statewide service project that Loudon 247 has been doing for 25+ years! Thanks to all who donated and assisted in this effort!

The Tigers and Wolves have now earned their Bobcat badge; this is the first step toward the Arrow of Light. The Tigers and Wolves learned and can say both the scout oath and law, can show the scout sign and handshake, and can say the scout motto: Do Your Best. After earning and awarding the Bobcat Badge, they have started to earn belt loops for their achievements as Tigers and Wolves respectively. The Bear den has been

working on Paws for Action (Duty to Country) where they learn about two famous Americans, visit a place of historical interest, and learn about the American Flag. Next, they are very excited to be starting the Bear Claws requirement, where they will learn about the three common designs of pocket knives and learn knife safety and earn their Whittling Chip!

Pack 247 Arrow of Light scouts were proud to be able to present the colors at LES on Veterans Day this year. All three earned their Duty to God in Action pins by participating in community service, faithfully communicating with God in prayer, and practicing their duty to God in their daily lives. All three are doing a great job and keeping on track for attaining their Arrow of Light badges within the next few months.

At our November pack meeting, the cub scouts learned the importance of dressing in layers as our first winter storm was approaching. The cub scouts were dressed in multiple layers and had to take turns getting dressed in appropriate gear. Our next meeting will be the Pack Christmas party 12/19/18, all are welcome — please bring your family/friends. We are accepting new scouts year round; if interested please contact Dennis Jakubowski at Pack247Cubmaster@gmail.com. ■



Learning to dress warmly.



Arrow of Light flag.



November Pack meeting.



Bobcat Badge.



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Very Happy Holiday Season!*

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Congratulations to our 2018 NHMS Track Champions from the Loudon Road Race Series, MOAT Mountain Road Course Series & the Legend & Bandolero Divisions of J&J's Yolk & Co. Oval Series!



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Good News From Loudon Elementary School



Halloween Parade

Our Annual Halloween Parade was held on the afternoon of October 31st with the usual assortment of ghosts, goblins, and ghouls in attendance. Before the parade we were treated to a dance performance by the students who participate in the Vibes of Style after school club.



Veteran's Day Assembly

On November 7th, LES hosted a Veteran's Day Assembly. Several local veterans joined us and *The National Anthem* as well as *America The Beautiful* were performed by students.

Our guest speaker, Percy Hill, shared some military traditions with students and inspired all of us to be more kind. Student Council members presented the book *America's White Table*.



Turkey Trot

Our annual Turkey Trot was held on November 9th in celebration of giving to the Loudon Food Pantry. Thank you to Ms. Staples for coordinating this special event and to the PTA for their support.



Learning About Recycling

Trash on the Lawn Day, on November 6th, was moved to the gym due to inclement weather. Students conducted a waste audit with support of the NRRA's School Recycling CLUB. We learned a LOT about recycling which we have been practicing at school and, hopefully, at home too. For more about the Recycling CLUB see article on the facing page.



Upcoming Events

- 12/1 PTA Santa's Breakfast
- 12/6 PTA Meeting at 6:30 p.m.
- 12/7 Report Cards issued
- 12/10 MVSD School Board meeting at MVHS at 7:15 p.m.
- 12/17 Dental Clinic
- 12/18 Sing Along at 9:30 a.m.
- 12/19 Dental Clinic
- 12/20 Dental Clinic

Doucette, Buffington & Ruggiero Named 2018 NHMS Track Champions

More than 50 champions from this year's Loudon Road Race Series, MOAT Mountain Road Course Series and J&J's Yolk & Co. Oval Series were recognized at the Grappone Conference Center in Concord, N.H. on Saturday, November 10.

The 2018 champions from four local racing series were honored at the annual awards banquet at the Grappone Conference Center in Concord, NH on Saturday, November 10. Three New England racers, Rick Doucette of the Loudon Road Race Series, Shaun Buffington of the MOAT Mountain Road Course Series and the Legend Division of J&J's Yolk & Co. Oval Series, and Giovanni Ruggiero of the Bandolero Division of J&J's Yolk & Co. Oval Series each took home 2018 Track Champion titles from New Hampshire Motor Speedway in their respective series.

Doucette is no stranger to winning, making this his eighth Loudon Road Race Series (LRRS) Track Championship. This win marks his second year in a row and prior to that he won the title consecutively from 2010–2015. This year, the Sandown, NH native not only is the winner of the Formula 50 Lights and GTL divisions, but is the first runner up in the Formula 40 Lights, Lightweight Grand Prix, Middleweight Grand Prix, and Ultralight Superbike divisions. He's also the second runner up in the Combined 300 Superbike, Heavyweight Superbike, and Middleweight Superbike divisions.

"What an awesome season," said Doucette. "This is the eighth time I've won the overall track championship, and most of the people I race with are like family. I'd do anything for any of them."

Buffington, who is the Track Champion in both the MOAT Mountain Road Course Series and the Legends Division of J&J's Yolk & Co. Oval Series, had a phenomenal 2018 season with 39 first place finishes (22 at NHMS), five second place finishes, and a third place finish in the Road Course World Finals. Residing in Plainfield, CT, this marks the sixth time that Buffington has won this title and captured his 100th victory in US Legend Cars International competition at NHMS.

"This season's road course was the toughest one yet, and we didn't take the lead until the very last race of the season," said Buffington. "Just like I tell my kids, I don't care if it's soccer, school, whatever — you don't just give up; you just got to believe. Congrats to Rick and thanks to the LRRS guys for letting us be a part of their weekends and banquet. They're always a lot of fun and Saturday was no different. It was good to see Giovanni win his first championship as well."

Ruggiero, from Barrington, RI, finished the year with 12 first place finishes (five at NHMS), six second place finishes (two at NHMS), four third place finishes, and two other top five finishes, making him the 2018 Track Champion in the Bandolero Division of J&J's Yolk & Co. Oval Series at only 12 years old.

"It was a great season and if you work hard you get rewarded," said Ruggiero. "The banquet was great and I would like to thank everyone at New Hampshire Motor Speedway for putting it on and doing what they do every year for the road course racing. Hopefully next year I'll be driving a legends car at NHMS."

This marks the first year that J&J's Yolk & Co. has been onboard as the entitlement sponsor for all of US Legend Car International Oval Series racing action at NHMS.

The Loudon Road Race Series, MOAT Mountain Road Course Series, and Legend and Bandolero Divisions of J&J's Yolk & Co. Oval Series will all return to New Hampshire Motor Speedway in the spring of 2019 for another season of close, side-by-side racing.

For ticket information for the upcoming Gift of Lights, Nov. 23–Dec. 31, visit the speedway website at www.NHMS.com or call Fan Relations at (603) 783-4931. ■

Loudon Elementary Students Learn Recycling Rules

The students of Loudon Elementary spent a very rainy election day (Nov. 6) learning the rules of recycling by conducting a school waste audit, known as Trash On the Lawn Day (T.O.L.D.), in their school gym. Gwen Erley, Sarah McGraw and Lindsay Dow from NRRA's School Recycling CLUB, trained 252 students how to identify and pull recyclables from a sampling of typical school trash. They were assisted by the school's Environmental Kids Club along with their special guests, the members of the Loudon Recycling Committee.

Outfitted with recyclable RightCycle® gloves, each group of students was given several bags of trash which were weighed, sorted into bins, then weighed again. When sorting was completed the students had a visual record of how much of their "trash" could have been diverted from the landfill. While there was not a lot of waste (an indicator of good recycling), the students still saw opportunities to improve their efforts. The students asked lots of questions and learned that diverting recyclables and reducing food waste saves energy, natural resources and landfill space. As many students recycle at home, the members of the Loudon Recycling Committee clarified the recycling rules at the Transfer Station which differ somewhat from the school's recycling policy.

Many thanks to Loudon Elementary Fourth Grade Teacher Brandon Raymond, who heads up the LES Environmental Kids Club and who spearheaded this event. He set up the schedule, organized the class rotations and supervised his student helpers throughout the day. Their help made the cleanup a breeze. Thanks also go out to the teachers who helped keep the students focused and for assisting with the gloves.

Special thanks to Custodian Larry Hewey, who provided invaluable assistance with logistics such as covering the gym floor, setting up tables and chairs, finding outlets and, most especially, setting up the cleanup location. This event would not have been possible without the support and assistance of Principal Catherine Masterson, who was instrumental in overseeing this all-day educational event.

Thanks to funding provided by the Loudon Recycling Committee, along with a generous grant from New Hampshire the Beautiful, this event was free to the school.

For photos of the event, see the LES News on page 8.

The School Recycling CLUB (The CLUB) is a program for all schools in New England and is supported by NRRA and NH the Beautiful. For students and teachers in grades K-12, The CLUB serves as a centralized organization to become more active in the world of recycling. The CLUB is a fun and innovative way to give kids encouragement, direction and networking possibilities for school recycling programs. For more information, visit www.schoolrecycling.net.

The Northeast Resource Recovery Association (NRRA) is a proactive, non-profit organization formed in 1981 that works with its membership to make their recycling programs strong, efficient and financially successful. For more information, visit www.nrta.net.

New Hampshire the Beautiful, Inc. (NHtB) has been a longtime supporter of NRRA's School Recycling CLUB and environmental education in NH. NHtB is a private non-profit charitable trust founded in 1983 and supported by the soft drink, malt beverage and grocery industries of New Hampshire. NHtB offers municipal recycling grants, recycling education grants (over \$2.5 million), recycling signs, anti-litter programs and technical assistance. NHtB is a unique organization that represents a voluntarily-funded alternative to expensive legislation intended to achieve the same end results. For more information, visit www.nhthebeautiful.org/.



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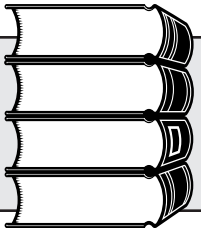
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We will have a hot chocolate bar set up for the event.

Space is limited, so please sign up in the Children's Room where you will receive your ticket to board the Polar Express.

STORY TIME

Join us on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 10:30 a.m. for stories, crafts, songs and more; the themes for December are hibernation, polar bears and Christmas.

On December 4 and 6, listen to *Polar Bear, Polar Bear, What Do You Hear?* by Bill Martin Jr., *Wild About Bears* by Jeannie Brett, and *Polar Opposites* by Erik Brooks. The children will paint an arctic scene showing a polar bear in its natural habitat.

On December 11 and 13, we'll read *Sleep, Big Bear, Sleep* by Maureen Wright, *Hibernation* by Margaret Hall, and *Hibernation Station* by Michelle Meadows. In the craft time to follow, the children will help their bear find the perfect snowy cave to sleep the winter away.

On December 18 and 20, the children will hear *Turkey Claus* by Wendi Silvano, *Deck the Hall* by Sylvia Long, and *Pete the Cat's 12 Groovy Days of Christmas* by Kimberly and James Dean. We will create a Christmas wreath to decorate our front doors. We will end the hour with a Christmas party; the library will provide juice and coffee, please bring a treat to share.

SCHOOL VACATION WEEK

On Thursday, December 27, the children's craft room will be set up with board games and Legos; drop in any time between 11 a.m. and 4 p.m. (per the MPL's child safe policy, children 10 years and under must be accompanied by an adult)

SNOW POLICY FOR CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

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.

You can check for delays or cancellations on Channel 9, the WMUR website, Maxfield Public Library's Facebook page, www.maxfieldlibrary.org, or you can call the library at 798-5153.

BOOK DISCUSSIONS

Evening Book Group

For December, we will be meeting at 6:30 on Thursday December 20th to share a pot-luck feast and talk about some of our favorite books that we have read in 2018. Do you have a favorite? Come and join us and bring something yummy to eat to share with the group as well!

Daytime Book Group

Join us on Thursday, December 13 at 3 p.m. for Maxfield Library's "Meet & Greet" for our new daytime book discussion group. Tea and refreshments will be offered and a book choice for January will be available.

ORION STARBLAST TELESCOPE

Curtiss Rude and the NH Astronomical Society have donated a beautiful telescope to the library for patrons to borrow. The telescope can be checked out for three days. The telescope comes with a manual, a night vision flashlight, and a pocket guide. We will be holding an informational session on Saturday, December 15, 2018 at 10–11:30 a.m. in the Community Meeting room. You need to be over 18 and be a library member in good standing to check the telescope out. You will also be required to fill out borrowing agreement. We are so excited to have this available!

CRAFT FAIR

A group of Loudon artisans will be offering handcrafted items for sale at the library on Saturday December 8th from 9–1. Come and do your holiday shopping and support crafters in your community. There will also be a raffle to benefit the library.

STITCH 'N CHAT

Join other hand crafters in the Children's Room on Wednesdays from 2:30–4:30 p.m. This is a good place to work on that project (projects?!!) you've been meaning to finish, while chatting with others. There is also a knitting and crochet group that meets on Tuesday evenings from 5:45 to 6:45.

HOLIDAY HOURS

The library will be closed Monday, December 24 and Tuesday, December 25 for the Christmas holiday.

The library will be open on Monday, December 31st from 9–1, closing early for New Year's Eve and closed on Tuesday, January 1 for New Year's Day.

The Library Staff wish everyone a very Happy Holiday Season! ■

Loudon PSU Senior Bartlett Wins In Cross Country

Warren Bartlett, a senior Cross Country runner at Plymouth State University, was the second place finisher at the 2018 Little East Conference Cross Country Championships October 27th in Smithfield, RI. Bartlett also competed in the Division III Regional Cross Country Championships at Bowdoin College on November 10 and placed 58th out of 400 runners as the second finisher for Plymouth. ■



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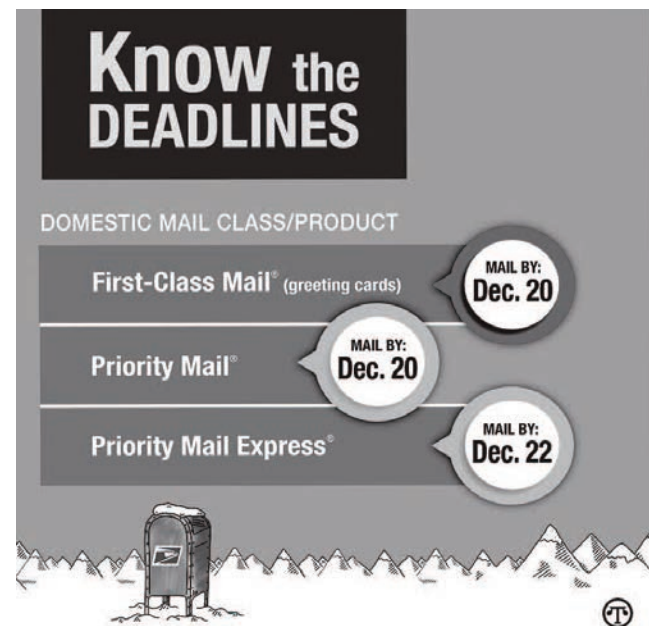
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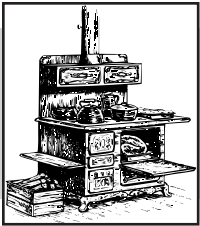
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What's Cookin'? Delicious Side Dishes

By Deb Foss

This month we're offering up some tasty side dishes that will give your family and guests something a bit different to try with their holiday dinner. Enjoy!

Cheater Homemade Beans

- 6 Slices of bacon cooked crisp
- 1 Medium onion diced
- ¼ Cup molasses
- 2 Large cans of baked beans

Cook bacon and remove to drain and crumble. Leave about 2 Tbls. bacon fat in the frying pan and add diced onion and cook until soft. Add all ingredients to a bean pot or crock pot and stir well. Heat through and pretend you made them from scratch!

Corn Pudding

- 2 16 oz. Cans creamed corn
- 1 6 oz package corn muffin mix, dry
- 2 Beaten eggs
- ½ Cup margarine, melted

Mix all ingredients and pour into a greased 2 quart casserole dish. Bake at 350 degrees for 45 minutes. Serve hot.

Honey Mustard Pork Tenderloin

- 2 1½ lb. Pork tenderloins
- ½ Cup Honey
- 2 Tsp. Yellow Mustard
- ¼ Cup Brown Sugar

Mix honey, mustard, and brown sugar. Spread over pork tenderloins and let marinate at least 2 hours in the refrigerator. Roast at 350 degrees for ¾-1 hour. Check

with meat thermometer to 145 degrees. Remove from oven and tent with foil for 15 minutes.

Souffle Potatoes

- 3 Cups mashed potatoes (hot)
- 1 Beaten egg
- 1 2.8 oz. French fried onion rings
- ½ Cup Shredded cheddar cheese

To mashed potatoes, add egg and onion rings, stir until blended. Spoon into a lightly greased 1 quart dish. Sprinkle with cheese. Bake uncovered 5 minutes at 350 degrees.

Squash Casserole

- 6 Medium yellow summer squash, sliced
- 1 Small onion, chopped
- 1 Cup Velveeta cheese, cut in ½" cubes
- 1 4 oz. Can chopped green chilies

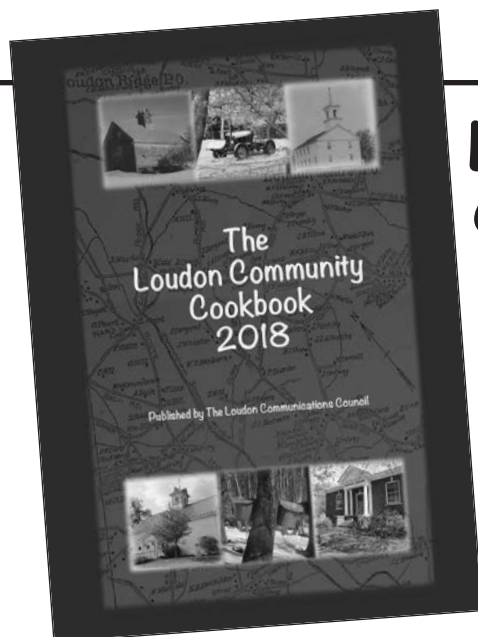
Boil squash and onion until tender. Drain well and mix with cheese and chilies. Pour into buttered baking dish. Bake 15 minutes at 375 degrees.

Yummy Green Beans

- 2 16 oz. cans or cooked fresh green beans
- 4 Slices bacon
- 1 Small onion, chopped
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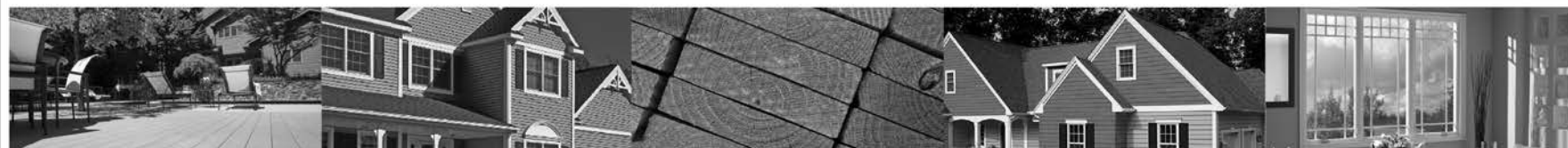
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The Gift of Lights Will Brighten “The Magic Mile” Starting Black Friday

More than two million Christmas lights will be on display on select dates from Nov. 23–Dec. 31 for the eighth annual Gift of Lights presented by Eastern Propane & Oil at New Hampshire Motor Speedway.

The holidays are right around the corner, and that means it's time for New Hampshire Motor Speedway to trade in the checkered flags for two million twinkly lights during the Gift of Lights presented by Eastern Propane and Oil. The eighth annual event kicks off fundraising for the local community spreading holiday cheer for 32 days from Friday, Nov. 23 and through Monday, Dec. 31 (be sure to check the schedule for days of operation).

The 2.5-mile drive-thru light show has become a holiday tradition for families, featuring a s'mores pit, \$5.00 pictures with Santa Claus, and visitors can even meet the speedway's mascot Milo the Moose.

“We love watching families create memories and traditions at New Hampshire Motor Speedway,” said David McGrath, executive vice president and general manager of New Hampshire Motor Speedway. “But, the real holiday magic is seeing our fans come together to not only celebrate the holiday season, but to help those in need in our community through the fundraising opportunities that benefit Speedway Children's Charities New Hampshire Chapter, the Loudon Firefighters Association and the Loudon Food Pantry during ‘The Most Wonderful Time of the Year.’”

The fundraising begins immediately at the front gate. For a \$2.00 discount, visitors can bring three or more non-perishable canned goods for donation to the Loudon Food Pantry. Since the event first started in 2011, food, and monetary donations have allowed

New Hampshire Motor Speedway to contribute over 85,000 pounds of food to the Loudon Food Pantry providing an estimated 70,000 meals during the holiday and winter months.

Additionally, a portion of all per car load admissions proceeds will benefit Speedway Children's Charities New Hampshire Chapter, the speedway's official charity which has distributed \$1.7 million locally. Yule Light Up the Night, a 1.5-mile run with Millennium Running, will give visitors a unique view of the lights on Dec. 10 and will also benefit NH SCC (Gift of Lights will have a delayed opening for the run).

The Loudon Firefighters Association will host a s'mores pit on Fridays and Saturdays with proceeds supporting the Loudon Firefighters Association. Last year, \$2,400 was raised and used to help purchase a universal terrain vehicle to help with forest fires and rescues in the town.

Visitors can also participate in special theme nights each Wednesday to get in the holiday spirit and save \$2.00 off admission at the gate. Theme nights include Pajama Night (Nov. 28), Military Night (Dec. 5), Sports Night (Dec. 12) and Ugly Sweater Nights (Dec. 19 and 20).

The Gift of Lights presented by Eastern Propane and Oil is open 4:30 – 9:00 p.m., and admission is \$20.00 per car Nov. 23–Dec. 14 and \$25 per car Dec. 15–31. Be sure to check the schedule for days of operation when planning your trip. ■



Remember When: Stories of Yesteryears

By Letty Barton

There are many things we do to prepare for and enjoy Christmas. Some of these have changed over the years, but many remain the same. We started out talking with a group of ladies about food at Christmas. The reminiscing took off from there!

Turkey was the predominant meat for the day, except in Irene H.'s home. They raised chickens on their farm so chicken was on the menu. Dottie M.'s father loved goose; thus they enjoyed goose along with turkey and roast pork. Tortiere — a meat pie made from pork, hamburger, potato, and onions — was popular with Irene J.'s family and she still makes it today.

The preferred stuffing was made with dried bread. This writer can remember chopping the onions and celery for stuffing in a wooden bowl with a single edge chopper. Always there was the caution “watch out for your fingers.” Favorite side dishes included candied yams, boiled onions (some in cream sauce), creamed spinach, and cranberry sauce. Ginny N. remembers picking cranberries by the pond in Loudon with her brother after school; they picked enough cranberries to make sauce.

What is your favorite pie? For Irene J. it is raisin pie and she could eat the caramelized sugar that made up the base by the spoonful. Ginny N. loved green tomato mincemeat pie. For Irene H. graham cracker pie hit the spot. Once, when she made it, she accidentally used Rawleigh's liniment instead of vanilla! OOPS! Barbara F. enjoys chocolate cream pie.

Other desserts (because what is Christmas without a table full of desserts?) fondly recalled included dark and light fruit cakes and an ice box cake with dates and nuts made by Dottie

M.'s mother. Sugar cookies, some decorated with crushed peppermint, seemed to be a popular item, as was steamed pudding. It was fine in my book as long as mother made the hard sauce to top it off.

Decorating for Christmas was as much fun as the cooking, with the tree often being the center piece. Choosing a tree was much the same as today. Some chose one on their farm, others walked down in the woods for one and one lady remembers walking into town and buying a tree from a retailer. Decorations for trees were much different. Ladies told of making chains from greeting cards or wall paper. Ornaments were fashioned from old Christmas cards and popcorn was strung to encircle the tree.

Mantels were adorned with green boughs and maybe some apples and oranges. White birch logs with holes drilled for candles were used as centerpieces.

On the mantle hung the usual stockings waiting for Santa to fill them. For Ginny N. it was not a fancy decorated stocking but a “funny looking cotton stocking” that hung way down. Gifts received in those stockings might be a toothbrush, an apple, orange or nuts.

As you begin your holiday preparations, take a moment to think back on what you experienced as a child. Do you continue some of your traditions from childhood? Are you passing some of them on to another generation?

As always, my sincere thanks to those who spent time sharing stories to make this article happen. If you have stories to share, please be in touch. (Your name does not have to be mentioned if you prefer.) Letty at 783-4341 or lbar-ton@myfairpoint.net. ■



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News From American Legion Post 88



The Loudon American Legion Post 88 has had a couple of busy months. The Post joined with the Loudon Lions Club on November 3 for the Post's Fall Yard Sale and the Lions' free breakfast. Folks who came to shop the Yard Sale were able to enjoy a tasty free breakfast. The Yard Sale was a success.

The Post also joined with the Lions Club and donated to the Loudon Food Pantry. The Post donated \$250 and the Lions Club donated \$100. Sue Houck of the Food Pantry was pleased and thankful for the holiday donations.

Post members voted to donate \$100 to a veteran's widow who needs firewood for the winter.

In addition to the above donations, the Post also voted to donate \$500 to the NH Veterans' Home. The Post also approved a donation of \$67.50 to assist the New Hampshire Dictionary Project. This project, facilitated by the Suncook Valley Pomona Grange, provides dictionaries for students to use through the school year. The Post's donation will provide dictionaries for students at Loudon Elementary School.

The October Commander's Fund drawing resulted in the following winners: Aimiee Zarges/\$50, Barbara Bogan/\$25, Sharon Elliot/\$10, Kathy Houghton/\$10, and Joe Bystrek won \$5.

In November, the Commander's Fund drawing winners were: Dustin Bowles/\$50, Diane Vique/\$25, Gary Tasker/\$10, Mike Moffett/\$10, and Jeremy Ryan won \$5.

Oratorical Competition

The Post will sponsor the District 5 American Legion Oratorical Competition again this year. The contest was developed by the American Legion primarily to instill a better knowledge and appreciation of the Constitution of the United States in high school and junior high/middle school students. Other objectives include the development of leadership qualities, the ability to think and speak clearly, and the preparation for acceptance of the duties, responsibilities, rights, and privileges of American citizenship.

The District 5 Junior Oratorical Competition for students in grades 6–8 will be held at Faith Community Bible Church in Loudon on January 12 at 9 a.m. Students can earn \$100 for 1st Place, \$75 for 2nd Place, \$50 for 3rd Place, and \$25 for 4th Place finishes. The first-place winner will go on to the State level of the competition at St. Anselm College on April 13, 2019. State awards in the Junior Contest will be: 1st Place — \$500, 2nd Place — \$400, 3rd Place — \$300, 4th Prize — \$200, 5th Place — \$100, Runner's Up — \$25.

The District 5 High School Oratorical Competition for students in grades 9–12 will be held at Faith Community Bible Church in Loudon on February 9 at 9 a.m. Students can earn \$200 for 1st Place, \$150 for 2nd Place, \$100 for 3rd Place, and \$75 for 4th Place finishes. First place winners go on to the State competition at St. Anselm College. The High School Oratorical Competition there will be on March 1, 2019 at 8 a.m. State awards will be 1st Place — \$1,000, 2nd Place — \$750, 3rd Place — \$500, 4th Place — \$250, 5–8th Place — \$100. The 1st Place winner at the State Competition will go on to the National level of the competition where he or she can win up to \$18,000 for first place, \$16,000 for second place, or \$14,000 for third place.

To get an entry packet for either the high school or junior levels of these competitions contact Mike Hartt at 496-2178, or Vince Giambalvo at 708-1258.

If you are a veteran and would like to join us, please contact any Post member or join us at our December 19th meeting at 7 p.m. ■



American Legion Post 88 members Ken Ward, Mike Hartt, and Vince Giambalvo (2nd from left to right) present Sue Houck of the Loudon Food Pantry with a holiday donation check for \$250 on November 15.



Lions Club members Esther Boriss, Rose Marie Giambalvo, and Barry Boriss (2nd from left to right) present a holiday donation check for \$250 to Sue Houck of the Loudon Food Pantry (far left) on November 15.



Loudon residents line up for the Loudon Lions Club Free Breakfast Fundraiser held at Loudon American Legion Post #88 on November 3rd.



Bud Durling (Navy), Mike Drotar (on left of table), and Wayne Lawrence (Loudon Marine & Vietnam Veteran visiting from Pulaski, NY), Chris Wittenberg (Wayne's sister), Howard Pearl, and John Reagan (all on right side of table) enjoy the Loudon Lion's Club Free Breakfast held at the Loudon American Legion Post 88 building on November 3.



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Richard Brown House News

The past month has seen the grounds being prepared for winter and, as I write, it is way too cold and way too snowy for mid-November! Definitely time for crock pot soups.

The Loudon Fireman's Supper was enjoyed by several residents (and staff) and gratitude as always for the immense amount of work that community meal entails.

At the end of October, residents and staff met with the new CEO of Volunteers of America Northern New England (the non-profit that operates Richard Brown House) Rich Hooks-Wayman. Rich had asked Lucie Bilodeau, our manager, if he could visit. He has a strong background in service-related work as a former lawyer and advocate. Rich was a dynamic speaker, inspiring to listen to and he took questions readily. He came with Board Member Gail Evans who also spoke of the VOA mission. A hot soup lunch was provided by Lucie and Lois for residents and our visitors who had driven south from Maine. We also had a visit from one of the VPs of VOANNE, Tyra Parker and, again, provided lunch for her on another cold day! Given that Richard Brown House is currently the only VOA housing in New Hampshire, we can feel a tad isolated, so it is very productive for us to host leadership from Maine. Rich's visit came on a really busy day in fact — Town Clerk Wendy Young was scheduled to bring Absentee Ballots and 12 residents were able to vote without the worry of getting to the polling station on what turned out to be a cold, wet Election Tuesday one week later. This was much appreciated.

Christine Griffin, Medicare specialist from Service Link, came to talk about health insurance in the coming year and offered one-on-one clinics to follow up.

Halloween night was busy! Residents prepared a huge number of candy bags and many children and families came in to show off their costumes and take home candy.

Volunteers have been in and out, offering a growing selection of activities. We are so pleased that Alyssa Lemmerman of the UNH Extension will be running a pilot "Walking With Ease," an Arthritis Foundation program in February. AnnMarie Beauchemin facilitated the Movie Club with help from residents Phyllis Laporte and Barbara Follansbee. Residents settled in for "Anna and the King." Librarian Jackie Heath returned for tea with library cards and copies of *Winter Garden*, which a few residents are reading for a Book Group to discuss at the end of the month. We also had a Girls Group come with wonderful autumn snacks, to offer a nail painting clinic and music. The group was led by Michelle Orford who was helped by other mothers from the Faith Community Bible Church. That was very therapeutic and much enjoyed by several residents.

Winter has come too early, but since it has, our minds turn to the holidays. We would welcome any music groups from town who would like to share carols or Christmas music however they are able. We hope to play holiday music in our foyer and opportunities to listen or sing with carolers or other live music are always good for spirits at this time of year.

Our programs are open to residents of Loudon, so if there are any seniors in town who would like to join in, please be in touch. Contact either manager Lucie Bilodeau or service coordinator Lois Scribner on 798 3190 or email lois.scribner@voanne.org. ■



Rich Hooks-Wyman, new CEO of VOANNE visited in October.



Town Clerk Wendy Young, seated at left, made it easy for us to vote this year!

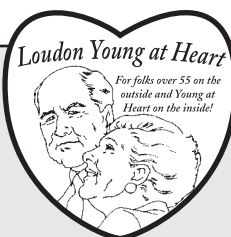


Above and below: Halloween was lots of fun for us, with many trick or treaters.



Above and below: Michelle Orford treated many of us to nail painting and music.





Loudon Young at Heart

By Maureen Prescott

On Tuesday, November 13th, members of the Loudon Young at Heart met at Charlie's Barn for their monthly meeting. Forty-five members came to hear Peter James from the Abbot-Downing Historical Society give a presentation on "Concord Coaches." The mission of the Abbot-Downing Historical Society is to educate people about the significance of the Concord Coach and its historic role in American transportation. The Abbot-Downing Historical Society was formed in 1977 by a group of Concord citizens under the name Concord Coach Society. In 2011 its name was changed to Abbott-Downing Historical Society. Anyone interested in further information regarding the Abbott-Downing Historical Society their web address is: www.concordcoach.org.

In closing, the members enjoyed a CAP lunch and visited with one another.

Note: Our next meeting is our Christmas Pot Luck and sing-along with Bill Parker.

Date: Wednesday, December 12th at Charlie's Barn, 10:00 a.m.

Callers, have your numbers to Dottie by December 7th. Bring a casserole or dessert and, if possible, a donation to the Loudon Food Pantry

Thank you and see you all there!! Until then, Peace and Joy!

Merry Christmas!



NH Historical Society Director of Collections Visits the Loudon Historical Society

By Chris Wittenberg



Members of the Loudon Historical Society attending the seminar with Mr. Balla were, from left to right, Lucy Gordon, Wes Jones, Melissa Moore, Director Balla, Liz LeBrun, and Roger Maxfield. Photo courtesy of Chris Wittenberg

Wesley Balla, Director of Collections and Exhibitions at the New Hampshire Historical Society, visited the Loudon Historical Society on November 2. Mr. Balla gave an informative seminar covering many subjects related to protecting, preserving, and inventorying the valuable artifacts housed within our Museum.

Mr. Balla discussed Past Perfect software and how it may be an inventory system that could be beneficial for use in our museum. The Society is considering different ways of inventorying our collection and Past Perfect software is one option that was discussed. Past Perfect is the world's leader in collection management software. This software is used by over 10,000 museums and is comprehensive, easy-to-use, and can be customized to suit our needs. Past Perfect software can inventory all of our items, store an image of the artifact, create a *Deed of Gift* letter, and produce a thank you letter for items being donated.

The subject of climate control was discussed in length. It is important to monitor temperature change and the effect of the change on our stored collection. Mr. Balla discussed the importance of avoiding rapid changes in temperature and humidity. Textiles, such as our historical dresses and other clothing, and our collection of photographs should be kept out of direct or intense light. The only time that these items should be out of storage is when they are on display as part of an exhibit at the museum. This process would help prevent fading and wear and tear on fabrics and paper artifacts. Copies of photographs should be considered for display rather than the original.

If you are interested in visiting the museum, attending a meeting of the Society, becoming a member or making a donation to the museum, please email loudonhistory@gmail.com or call Chris Wittenberg at 798-3556. ■



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A Glimpse Into the Historical Society

By Liz LeBrun

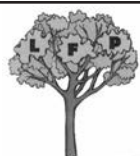
As you walk into the Historical Society, you might not notice an old school desk tucked in the back corner to your left. If you do notice the desk, you might pass it by because you have probably seen old school desks many times before. Maybe you even sat at one when you were in grammar school and you don't even think of the desk as being very old at all. What is fun and interesting about this particular desk are the books piled on top. Leaf through a copy of *Fun With Dick and Jane* from 1940 and remember the adventures with Dick, Jane, Sally, and Spot. Also on top of the desk, is a reader called *Trails to Treasure* from 1961. In the middle of the book is an illustration done by Loudon artist, Mel Bolden.

Mel Bolden moved to NH in the 1950s and in addition to being a respected artist, was also a politician. Mel Bolden died in 2000, but you can still see some examples of his work at the Historical Society. We have a 1998 reproduction of seven youth ice skating on the river at the dam in the village.

Getting back to *Trails to Treasure*, the illustration by Mr. Bolden features a couple of women and several youngsters standing on a wharf and waving goodbye to a schooner setting sail out of the port of Gloucester. The illustration would not reproduce well for this article. The stories in the reader are not particularly exciting and the book is not of great monetary value. However, Loudon Historical President Roger Maxfield, says that he is one of the youths in the picture. Roger says Mr. Bolden gathered the group by the dam in the village and took a photo. Mr. Bolden then added many details

from his own imagination as he created the scene that ultimately became the illustration for *Trails to Treasure*.

Come in to the Historical Society and take a look around or sit down and read *Trails to Treasure* on the first or third Wednesday of the month, 1–3 p.m. during the next few winter months. We will be happy to see you. Maybe you had some interesting interaction with Mel Bolden and have some stories to tell us. For questions or to arrange a tax-deductible donation, call the Historical Society at (603) 798-4541 or e-mail us at Loudonhistory@gmail.com. ■



Loudon Food Pantry News

Holiday Information

We are located in Huckleberry Business Park, 30 Chichester Rd., Unit D, Loudon NH 03307.

Extended donations times: Tuesdays 10–6, Wednesdays 10–1, Thursdays 10–4, Fridays 10–4

Service hours: By appointment only. Tuesdays 10–6, Wednesdays 10–1, Thursdays 10–4

Extended volunteer times: Tuesdays 10–6, Wednesdays 10–1, Thursdays 10–4, Fridays 10–4

Extended office times: Tuesdays 10–6, Wednesdays 10–1, Thursdays 10–4, Fridays 10–4

If these hours work, we will make them permanent February 1st. Please call Sue at 724-9731 with any questions.

Inventory Time

This year, we will be closed the week of Christmas and, because of inventory, we will not reopen until Tuesday, January 22. As usual, we will make sure those that come to the pantry for assistance will be given enough food to hold them over. We will not be at the pantry to receive donations from Saturday, December 22nd to the end of the year, so please drop off any donations before then. As always, any donation mailed by December 31st will be included in the donation letters that are issued in January. Thank you!

Thanksgiving Boxes

This year we handed out 61 Thanksgiving Boxes. Meadow Ledge Farm donated all the apples, Poultry Products Northeast donated all the squash, and many donations came in that helped us complete the boxes. Thank you for all your contributions to making this Thanksgiving a success for so many! Also, a huge thanks goes out to all the volunteers that helped make this happen smoothly!

LES Halloween Party

We had 151 kids attend the LES Halloween Party this year! Everyone was having fun: kids and parents alike! Thank you goes to the 31 volunteers that helped make this party a success! Loudon Food Pantry raised \$429 in funds and 843 food items as well. Thank you everyone!

October Meal Numbers

In October we gave out enough food to create 5,774 meals to 498 individuals. 131 of those were age 60 and older, 162 were age 18 or under and 205 were in between those ages. Our numbers were lower because our stock was low which means we had less food to give out to people in need.

LFP Challenge Cancelled, We Have a Solution

Holding the LFP Challenge over the years have given us some insight into what is needed for us financially and for donations received. What we found is that receiving large amounts of food and funds during a three-month span does not help to sustain us throughout the year. Also, it is after the holidays and volunteers are in short order so processing the food and getting it onto our shelves take longer than we like. So, the challenge is not effective for us!

The solution: Just like any household or business, we need income (donations) on a monthly basis. For us, it means fixed monthly donations coming in. This allows us to work with a consistent budget to purchase food items that are not donated but needed and to keep the pantry running so we can continue to feed those in need. So steady recurring donations is our solution.

On December 15th, we are proud to launch “The 12 Months of Giving.” It costs us \$0.50 per meal per person. So, a donation of \$20 helps to provide enough food for 40 meals. A recurring donation can be monthly, quarterly, etc. Any time frame helps us to feed those in need. As of December 15th, more information will be available at tinyurl.com/y8d96dvb. Please check it out and help if you can. No donation is too small!

Donations Received

In November we received some large food and funds donations that allowed us to restock our shelves. Thanks goes to Loudon Elementary School and their students for the Turkey Trott, the Boy Scouts for Scouting for Food, Villages of Loudon, Loudon Young at Heart, and so many more.

Donations, food or funds, in any size help us to feed those in need! We are always grateful for your support!

50-50 Holiday Fundraiser Raffle Ends December 15th

As of 11/15 we have sold a total of \$105 in tickets. The more tickets we sell we more the winner gets!

Ticket Prices: \$1 for 1 Ticket; \$2 for 3 Tickets; \$5 for 7 Tickets

Tickets can be purchased using our online order form at LoudonFoodPantry.org or at Loudon Food Pantry, Huckleberry Business Park, 30 Chichester Rd., Unit D, Loudon NH 03307.

Gift of Lights presented by Eastern Propane & Oil

The holidays are right around the corner, and that means it's time for New Hampshire Motor Speedway to trade in the checkered flags for two million twinkly LED lights for the eighth annual Gift of Lights presented by Eastern Propane and Oil, opening Friday, Nov. 23 and running through Monday, Dec. 31!

Be sure to check for days of operation when planning your trip, and please enter through the South Entrance.

The Gift of Lights has become a family tradition during the holidays. Open from 4:30–9:00 p.m., the 2.5-mile drive-thru light show will feature the Tunnel of Lights (the 130-foot-long infield entrance and exit tunnels will be brightly lit, giving a truly memorable experience that kids of all ages will need to see to believe), 400 displays, 60 different scenes, a s'mores pit, pictures with Santa Claus (every day Gift of Lights is open, Nov. 23–Dec. 23) and you can even meet Milo on Saturday evenings, Nov. 24–Dec. 22 from 5:00–8:00 p.m.

Admission is \$20.00/car or bus (up to 15 people) Nov. 23–Dec. 14 and \$25.00/car or bus (up to 15 people) Dec. 15–Dec. 31. Buses containing more than 15 people will also be charged \$2.00/person for anyone over the 15.

Additionally, anyone bringing three non-perishable food items (food is donated to the Loudon Food Pantry) will get \$2 off per car load.

For more information go to <http://www.nhms.com/events/gift-of-lights/> ■

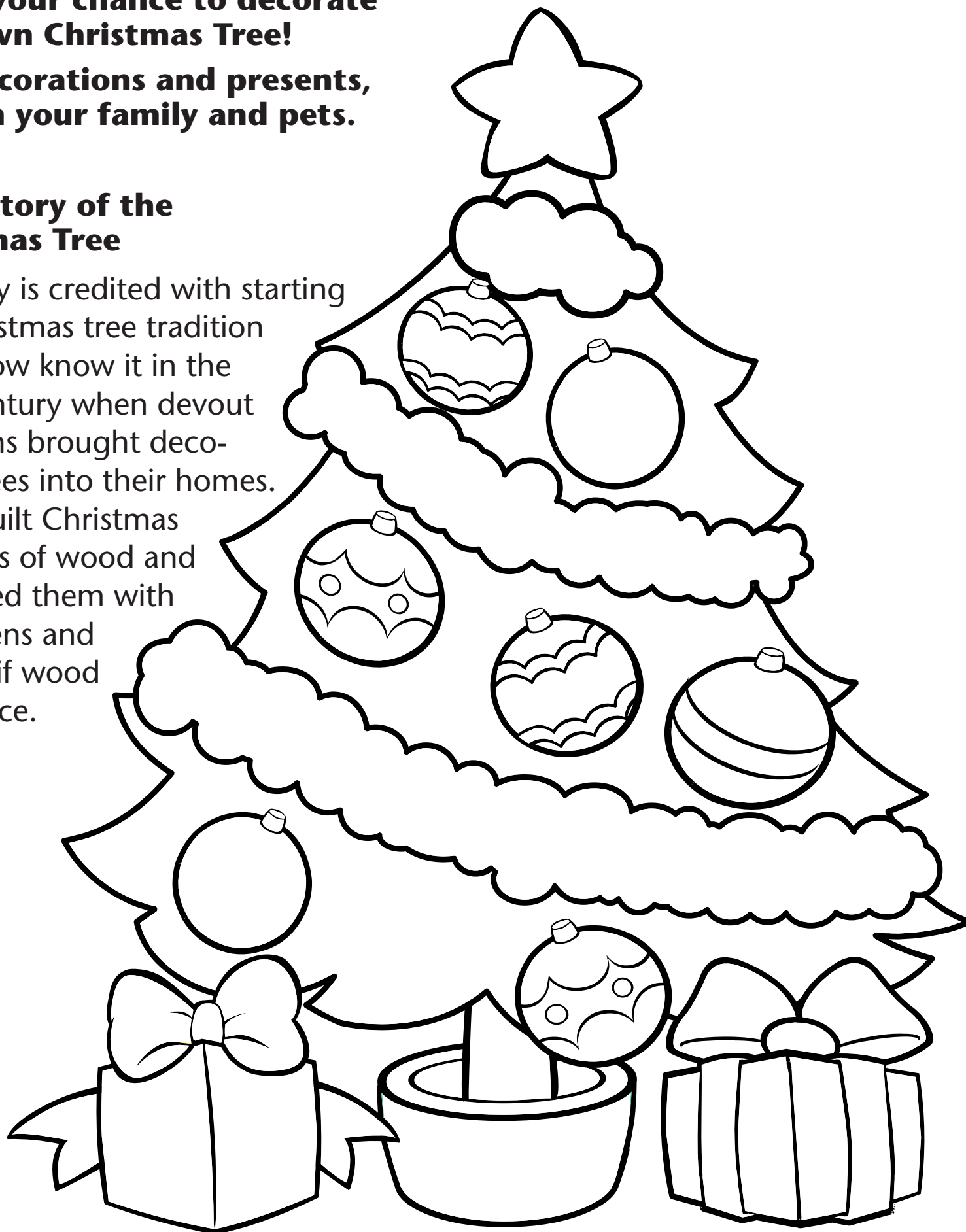
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The History of the Christmas Tree

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The Millennial Market is Finally Moving; Here's How They Are Shifting Real Estate

Jack Prendiville
Century 21 Thompson Real Estate

For years the real estate market has been patiently waiting for millennials to shift from a generation of renters into one that wanted to buy a home. It's been a long wait, but it appears that the market has finally started to shift and millennials are entering the market to buy.

Research from the PenFed Credit Union National Mortgage Survey show that 52% of millennials said they plan to purchase a home within the next two years. That's good news for sellers, but, while this will add scores of new buyers to the market, sellers shouldn't get complacent that their homes will sell. Millennials and their buying preferences are shifting the marketplace and here are ways they are doing it.

Value Turn Key.

Research from Nationwide Mortgages shows millennials are far less interested in buying a fixer upper than other generations and that they have on average less to spend on renovations. If you are looking for a fixer-upper expect less competition.

Are Tech Savvy.

Millennials use digital solutions to search for everything, including new homes. The result is better visibility for buyers of any generation.

Want to Work With a Realtor.

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LUCIEN A. JODOIN

Lucien A. "Lou" Jodoin, 79, of Loudon, passed away suddenly and peacefully at home on Sunday, November 18, 2018.

Lou was the third of six children born to Sylvio and Alice (Normand) Jodoin. He grew up in East Boston, returning to New Hampshire to attend his senior year at Manchester High School West. Upon graduation, he worked as a machinist, a career which spanned several decades.

Lou was a connoisseur of Boston's pizza and pastry offerings. He was known for his intricately detailed stories, and his generous heart. He was a hard worker and the epitome of commitment. He deeply enjoyed time spent with family and friends. The eternal joker, Lou never passed up an opportunity to make someone laugh.

Lou is survived by his beloved wife of 58 years, Doris (Martin) Jodoin; his children, Michelle Jodoin of Concord, Linda Lou Jodoin and her husband, Dan Ouimette, of Atlanta, GA, Rick Jodoin and his wife, Christine, of Lansing, MI, and Jay Jodoin and his wife, Tiffany, of Battle Ground, WA; 10 grandchildren; 7 great grandchildren; and sisters, Doris Turilli, Lorraine Foote, and Jody Westerman. In addition to his parents, Lou was predeceased by his two brothers, Sylvio and John Jodoin.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations can be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital (stjude.org). To view an online memorial or leave a message of condolence, please go to www.csnh.com. ■

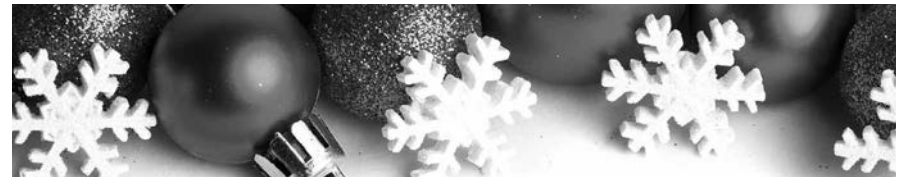


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Library Trustees Meeting Minutes — October 1, 2018

Meeting started at 5:11 p.m.

In attendance:

Alice Tuson, Carrie James, Diane Miller, Chris Wittenberg, and Jackie Heath Library Director.

Alice made a motion to accept Septembers minutes. Carrie seconded.

Reviewed new proposed policy for hours of attendance policy. Policy will be updated and emailed to trustees to be added to personnel policies.

Discussion of Collection Development Policy.

Meeting scheduled for budget review October 15, 2018.

Next meeting is November 8, 2018.

Meeting adjourned motion by Carrie, seconded by Alice, all in favor.

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Selectmen's Meeting Minutes — October 9, 2018

Present:

Chairman Fiske, Selectman Miller and Selectman Prescott.

Also present:

Fire Chief Rick Wright, Police Chief Kris Burgess, Interim Road Agent Mike Pickering, Planning Board Member Bob Cole, Zoning Board of Adjustment Chairman Ned Lizotte

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

Selectman Miller made a motion to accept the meeting minutes for October 2, 2018 as written. Seconded by Selectman Prescott. All in favor. Motion carried.

Chairman Fiske opened Board of Permit.

Chief Wright submitted a Letter of Intent from NHMS covering the period of October 13 through December 31, 2018. He pointed out that the Extreme Chunkin Festival will be held October 20-21, 2018. Chief Wright said the gates will open at 8am and events will end at 7pm each day. He said they are expecting 4000 people over the two days.

Chief Wright said the Gift of Lights will again run starting the end of November through the end of December.

Chief Wright submitted a Letter of Intent from Carolyn Carr. He explained that an open house will be held at Ledgeview Greenhouses December 8-9, 2018 from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. there will be approximately 40 vendors, and all parking will be on the property. Chief Wright said they might be doing wine/beer tasting and they are aware that they will need to get state permits. Chief Wright asked if this event needs a hawk and peddler permit. Chairman Fiske said it does because it also needs the state permits. Selectman Prescott said he is all set with this event because it is all on their property.

Chief Wright said there is a question about the auction property on Hollow Route Road. Mr. Lizotte explained that he and Mr. Prescott discussed it this afternoon; a potential buyer asked about replacing the mobile homes with another mobile home or a double-wide. Mr. Lizotte said one of the mobile homes was on the property before zoning went into effect. He explained that there is no provision that allows this in the current zoning. Mr. Lizotte said that zoning doesn't allow a nonconforming lot to become more nonconforming. He explained that his interpretation is that one mobile home has to be removed, the other can stay or be replaced in the same footprint or both can be removed and a home can be put on the lot. He said a potential buyer would have to do their due diligence. Chairman Fiske concurred with Mr. Lizotte, he said both mobile homes can not be replaced, the second one never should have been added. Chairman Fiske said he would suspect both of those mobile homes will be removed and then a double-wide can be put there on a foundation. He said a potential buyer should read the zoning book. Chairman Fiske said if a mobile home is grandfathered it can be replaced in the same footprint. Selectman Prescott said the first trailer is grandfathered so as far as he is concerned it can be replaced.

Chairman Fiske closed Board of Permit.

The Board met with Mike Pickering, Interim Road Agent.

Mr. Pickering said the tractor should be back this week; the clutch was gone.

Mr. Pickering said the loader will be in service tomorrow; they got the parts today so they will get it put back together.

Selectman Prescott showed the other members of the Board pictures he took on Pleasant Street. He said he looked at the two driveways that didn't get aprons that Mr. Pickering had discussed on Pleasant Street; he said he wouldn't do anything to them, they look good. He said he looked at the issue in front of the Huntington's. He suggested that instead of the 2-foot swale the paving should have gone to the grass. He said he doesn't feel like the job was finished, the finish coat didn't follow the binder. Selectman Miller showed the Board pictures that he took and said the pavement is definitely being undermined. Selectman Prescott said Pike should come back and do some handwork to fix the problem he said the pavement should go to the edge of the lawn. Selectman Miller said the original road was lower than the grass and now the road is higher so the water is rushing between the asphalt and the lawn. Mr. Pickering will contact Pike.

Selectman Prescott said he spoke to someone at NHDOT about Gilmanton Road who suggested that they put another rim on there, change the fin to a flat one, and run a pipe. He said if there are two rims and a car runs over them it will be safe. Selectman Prescott said a 10" pipe should be run to the ditch. Mr. Pickering said this sounds like a good idea to him.

Chairman Fiske asked Mr. Pickering to check the end of Batchelder Road where it came out onto School Street it's getting rough.

Selectman Prescott said the intersection of Lovejoy and Old Shaker is getting rough.

Mr. Pickering said he received a complaint about the lack of a yield sign at the top of the hill by J & D. Chairman Fiske said there used to be one there. Mr. Pickering will replace it.

The Board met with Police Chief Kris Burgess.

Chief Burgess submitted a copy of the bill that is going to Millennium Running for the Half Marathon. He said there were no issues.

Chief Burgess said his active shooter standard operations procedure is just about done. He'll bring it to the Selectmen for review at the next meeting he attends.

Chief Burgess submitted a copy of a letter that he received from Freedom Hill thanking the department for a good job done by one of the officers.

Chief Burgess said Officer Beck's digital forensic class was cancelled due to lack of enrollees.

Chief Burgess asked to meet with the Board in a nonpublic session.

Selectman Miller moved to go into non-public session per RSA 91-A: 3, II (a) at 6:35 PM.; seconded by Selectman Prescott. Roll call vote: Fiske – yes; Miller – yes; Prescott – yes. All in favor. Motion carries. Selectman Miller moved to come out of non-public session at 6:54 PM.; seconded by Selectman

Prescott. Roll call vote: Fiske – yes; Miller – yes; Prescott – yes. All in favor. Motion carried. Selectman Miller made a motion to seal the minutes for five years. Seconded by Selectman Prescott. Roll call vote: Fiske – yes; Miller – yes; Prescott – yes. All in favor. Motion carried. Selectman Miller said the nonpublic session was about social media and other officer information.

The Board met with Fire Chief Rick Wright.

Chief Wright said the 5th annual half marathon went well. He explained that the only issue he saw was the sharp corner at the Loudon/Concord line. Chief Wright said traffic comes around the corner fast. He suggested signage be used at that location next year.

Chief Wright said the aerial tower is out for repairs. He said they are making good progress but no return date at this point.

Chief Wright said this is Fire Prevention month. He explained that the Fire Department and Police Department personnel will be escorting first through third grade kids from the school to the fire station for tours.

Chief Wright said the Harvest Supper, which is a major fundraiser for the Fire Department Association, will be held Saturday, October 13th, there will be seating's at 5 p.m., 6 p.m., and 7 p.m.

Chief Wright asked to meet with the Board in a nonpublic session.

Selectman Miller moved to go into non-public session per RSA 91-A: 3, II (a) at 7:00 PM.; seconded by Selectman Prescott. Roll call vote: Fiske – yes; Miller – yes; Prescott – yes. All in favor. Motion carries. Selectman Miller moved to come out of non-public session at 7:43 PM.; seconded by Selectman Prescott. Roll call vote: Fiske – yes; Miller – yes; Prescott – yes. All in favor. Motion carried. Selectman Miller made a motion to seal the minutes for five years. Seconded by Selectman Prescott. Roll call vote: Fiske – yes; Miller – yes; Prescott – yes. All in favor. Motion carried. Selectman Miller said the nonpublic session was about two employees with ongoing issues, it was taken under advisement.

Selectman Prescott moved to go into non-public session per RSA 91-A: 3, II (b) at 7:46 PM.; seconded by Selectman Miller. Roll call vote: Fiske – yes; Miller – yes; Prescott – yes. All in favor. Motion carries. Selectman Miller moved to come out of non-public session at 8:04 PM.; seconded by Selectman Prescott. Roll call vote: Fiske – yes; Miller – yes; Prescott – yes. All in favor. Motion carried. Selectman Miller said this meeting was to discuss two candidates pending job offer, and the offer to one of the candidates after doing a reference check. Selectman Miller made a motion to give Russell Pearl a conditional job offer pending a background investigation as the road agent for the town of Loudon. Seconded by Chairman Fiske. All in favor. Motion carried. Selectman Miller said they will meet with Mr. Pearl next Tuesday.

The Board began their review of weekly correspondence.

The Board received a check from Chief Burgess for his service on jury duty.

The Board received proposals from DeGange Sound for assisted listening devices. The Board reviewed the two proposals. Chairman Fiske said he'd like to go with the \$2,350 quote for the listening device without the bigger system. Selectman Prescott agreed as long as it meets ADA requirements and is expandable. Selectman Prescott made a motion to accept the proposal from DeGange Sound for the listening device per the proposal for \$2,350. Seconded by Selectman Miller. The Board discussed where the money would come from and decided on the town building expense line. All in favor. Motion carried.

The Board received notice from Police Standards regarding Chief Burgess.

The Board received an On-Site Full Compliance Evaluation Report regarding ESMI.

The Board received the J.O. Cate August meeting minutes, July scheduling report and two record checks for new drivers.

The Board received an abutter notice from the Town of Hooksett regarding a proposed wireless communications facility.

Selectman Miller moved to go into non-public session per RSA 91-A: 3, II (a) at 8:27 PM.; seconded by Selectman Prescott. Chairman Fiske abstained from entering this non-public session. Roll call vote: Miller – yes; Prescott – yes. All in favor. Motion carries. Selectman Miller moved to come out of non-public session at 9:09 PM.; seconded by Selectman Prescott. Roll call vote: Miller – yes; Prescott – yes. All in favor. Motion carried. Selectman Prescott made a motion to seal the minutes for five years. Seconded by Selectman Miller. Roll call vote: Miller – yes; Prescott – yes. All in favor. Motion carried. Selectman Miller said this meeting was to discuss an ongoing civil complaint against an employee, further discussion will occur with this employee to complete the investigation.

Selectman Miller moved to adjourn at 9:11 p.m. Seconded by Selectman Prescott. All in favor. Motion carried.

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Selectmen's Meeting Minutes — October 16, 2018

Present:

Chairman Fiske, Selectman Miller and Selectman Prescott.

Also present:

Fire Chief Rick Wright, Police Chief Kris Burgess, Interim Road Agent Mike Pickering, Chairman Fiske called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Selectman Miller made a motion to accept the meeting minutes for October 9, 2018 as written. Seconded by Selectman Prescott. All in favor. Motion carried.

The Board met with Mike Pickering, Interim Road Agent.

Mr. Pickering said the tractor isn't back yet because they found a coolant leak and are fixing that; the tractor should be back this week.

Mr. Pickering said they are prepping sanders for winter.

Mr. Pickering said Pike will be back to pave the issue with Pleasant Street. Selectman Miller asked if they will be paving it so it runs off onto the grass. Mr. Pickering said they will make it right. Chairman Fiske asked about striping. Mr. Pickering said he doesn't know exactly when, but it will be done before winter.

Mr. Pickering said they are continuing to grade roads as weather permits.

The Board met with Fire Chief Rick Wright.

Chief Wright said the aerial tower is back, repairs are done and it is back in service. He explained that they set it up on the northside of the community building to see if it reaches the far side of the cupola. Chief Wright said it won't reach the north side of it. He said they can go try to nail down the shed roof at the transfer station on Friday morning. Selectman Prescott suggested he give it a try and if it doesn't work they can look into something else. Chairman Fiske said it's getting late in the season for fixing the cupola and finishing the painting of the community building.

Chief Wright said the Harvest Supper on Saturday was a success. He said 450 people including the volunteers enjoyed the meal.

The Board met with Police Chief Kris Burgess.

Chief Burgess said there is an issue with a logging operation on Piper Hill Road. The logger may be coming in to speak to the Board.

Chairman Fiske recognized Dennis and Trey Jakubowski from the audience.

Mr. Jakubowski explained that the Cub Scouts will be scouting for food in November. They would like permission to set up a drop off spot in the town office parking lot. He said it will be a good safe spot for the scouts. Mr. Jakubowski also explained that the scouts would like to camp out in the recreation field the night before. Mr. Jakubowski said he and Greg Fawcett will be attending training for the overnight camping. He said they will drop off flyers at residences on November 3rd, camp at the recreation field on November 9th and set up the drop off spot on November 10th. Chairman Fiske said he will need to speak to the Fire Chief if they want to have a fire at the campout. Chief Wright said they will need a fire permit. Selectman Miller said he has no problem with it; using the parking lot is a safer

option for the them. Selectman Prescott made a motion to allow Loudon Pack 247 to use the facility for Scouting for Food on the 9th and 10th of November as outlined on their applications and authorize the Chairman to sign on behalf of the Board. Seconded by Selectman Miller. All in favor. Motion carried.

Mr. Jakubowski thanked everyone for the Hawkers and Peddlers permit. He said they set up at the Transfer Station and made \$265. Mr. Jakubowski explained that half of the money goes to the pack and the other half goes towards dues and camping equipment for the boys that worked. He said he would like to expand the permit to include Brookside Plaza; they would like to ask the Eggshell if they can do a popcorn fundraiser on a Sunday morning. Chairman Fiske said if he gets permission from the Eggshell he is good with it; Selectmen Miller and Prescott agreed.

Selectman Miller moved to go into non-public session per RSA 91-A: 3, II (a) at 6:17 PM.; seconded by Selectman Prescott. Chairman Fiske recused from entering this non-public session. Roll call vote: Miller — yes; Prescott — yes. All in favor. Motion carries. Selectman Miller moved to come out of non-public session at 7:07 PM.; seconded by Selectman Prescott. Roll call vote: Miller — yes; Prescott — yes. All in favor. Motion carried. Selectman Miller made a motion to seal the minutes for five years. Seconded by Selectman Prescott. Roll call vote: Miller — yes; Prescott — yes. All in favor. Motion carried. Selectman Miller said this meeting was to discuss an ongoing investigation of a citizen's complaint with a police officer.

Chairman Fiske recognized John White and Doug Bruce from the audience.

Chairman Fiske explained that there is concern about a logging operation on Piper Hill Road that is using Clearview Drive. Mr. Bruce explained that he is the developer of Clearview Drive as well as a resident of the road. He explained that the problem isn't the road, it's the cutting of corners with the rear wheels of the trailers in the grass area. He said there is about a 3' drop off and an 18" culvert that could be crushed. He also explained that there was a rock there so the corners couldn't be cut that got pushed into the center and then was put back. Mr. White said the lowboy did get off the road but the regular trucks aren't as long and won't go off; the lowboy won't be back. He said they got themselves into a predicament and they did move the rock for the truck and then put it back. Mr. Bruce said the biggest issue is where the pipe is, maybe there should be more rocks. Mr. White said he can do that. Chairman Fiske suggested that Mr. Bruce, Mr. White and Mr. Pickering meet at the location and come up with a solution. They agree to meet there at 7 a.m. Friday morning.

Selectman Miller moved to go into non-public session per RSA 91-A: 3, II (c) at 7:18 PM.; seconded by Selectman Prescott. Roll call vote: Fiske — yes; Miller — yes; Prescott — yes. All in favor. Motion carries. Selectman Miller moved to come out of non-public session at 7:59 PM.; seconded by Selectman Prescott. Roll call vote: Fiske — yes; Miller —

yes; Prescott — yes. All in favor. Motion carried. Selectman Miller made a motion to seal the minutes for five years. Seconded by Selectman Prescott. Roll call vote: Fiske — yes; Miller — yes; Prescott — yes. All in favor. Motion carried. Selectman Miller said the nonpublic session was about employment of employees, possible replacement and pay increases.

Chairman Fiske recognized Matt Bouchard, Topnotch Landworks. Mr. Bouchard said the minutes for the September 18th that were approved on September 25th had the bids for taking down trees at the cemeteries. He said his problem is that in those minutes Chairman Fiske asked Mr. Pickering if he had three prices for some electrical work, the other two Selectmen agreed that they should get a couple more prices. Mr. Bouchard explained that there were only two bids for the tree cutting; he had the lower bid so his question is why didn't they take the lower bid. He said he spoke to Mr. Fiske downstairs a few days earlier and was told to put in his bid as low as he could, to take care of the town. He said he did that; his was \$2,300, the other was \$2,350. Mr. Bouchard pointed out that it says Matt Magoon Tree Services in the minutes but it should be Brian. He said that makes the minutes invalid. Mr. Bouchard asked why they would go with a higher bid. Chairman Fiske said that bid came in way before and Selectman Prescott had been chasing bids to get those cemeteries done. He explained that nobody else had responded until he heard Mr. Bouchard downstairs and suggested he give a bid. Mr. Bouchard said it says they entertain three bids each time. Chairman Fiske said they try but don't always get three bids. Mr. Bouchard said also just because they submitted their bid first doesn't mean they should get it. Selectman Miller said they aren't obligated to get any bids. Mr. Bouchard said he will be billing the town for some hours for some work he did when Lance Houle was here. He explained that he worked eight hours on a storm one day and billed for four hours he was holding onto those other hours because Mr. Houle had more work for him. He said he rode around with Mr. Houle looking at work and was scheduled to do it but Chairman Fiske said he couldn't do it. Chairman Fiske said he

spoke to Mr. Houle about that and was told that Mr. Bouchard was gracious enough to help out during the storm. Mr. Bouchard asked that the September 18th minutes be amended.

Selectman Miller moved to go into non-public session per RSA 91-A: 3, II (b) at 8:12 PM.; seconded by Selectman Prescott. Roll call vote: Fiske — yes; Miller — yes; Prescott — yes. All in favor. Motion carries. Selectman Miller moved to come out of non-public session at 8:43 PM.; seconded by Selectman Prescott. Roll call vote: Fiske — yes; Miller — yes; Prescott — yes. All in favor. Motion carried. Selectman Miller said the reason for the meeting was regarding employee hiring. Selectman Miller made a motion to hire Russ Pearl as the Road Agent at \$29.50 per hour with two-weeks' vacation as discussed starting October 22, 2018. Seconded by Selectman Prescott. All in favor. Motion carried.

The Board began their review of weekly correspondence.

The Board received a letter from A. Simonds regarding a job opening.

The Board received a letter from Michael Moffett regarding K. Bean.

The Board received the Merrimack County tax bill in the amount of \$1,647,567.

The Board received a letter from Upton & Hatfield regarding the Fairpoint case.

The Board received a letter from the Attorney General regarding the T. McCrea case.

The Board received the Maxfield Library Sept 10th meeting minutes.

The Board received an abutter notice from the Loudon ZBA regarding a special exception for J. Stylianos.

The Board received an abutter notice from Loudon ZBA regarding a variance for Riveredge Properties.

The Board received the 2017 Concord Regional Solid Waste/Resource Recovery Cooperative audit report.

Selectman Prescott moved to adjourn at 9:00 PM. Seconded by Selectman Miller. All in favor. Motion carried.

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Selectmen's Meeting Minutes — October 23, 2018

Present:

Chairman Fiske, Selectman Miller and Selectman Prescott.

Also present:

Fire Chief Rick Wright, Road Agent Russ Pearl, Assistant Road Agent Mike Pickering.

Selectman Miller called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. He explained that Chairman Fiske will be in around 6:30 p.m.

Selectman Prescott made a motion to accept the meeting minutes for October 16, 2018 as written. Seconded by Selectman Miller. All in favor. Motion carried.

The Board met with Road Agent Russ Pearl and Assistant Road Agent Mike Pickering.

Mr. Pickering said he met with the developer of Clearview Drive and the logger. He explained that they will be moving the rock in front of the pipe so the trailers can't hit it and put some crushed gravel on the shoulder.

Mr. Pickering said the salt shed roof is fixed. He thanked Chief Wright and the fire department for doing it.

Mr. Pickering said the farm tractor should be back this week.

Mr. Pickering said he has contacted Pike; they will be striping Pleasant Street this week. He said the handwork by Pleasant View will be done in a couple of weeks. Selectman Miller asked what they will be doing. Mr. Pickering said they will be paving right up to the grass.

Mr. Pickering said the exit signs at the highway garage that were required by the Joint Loss Management Committee were installed today.

Mr. Pickering asked if the highway department can have the empty storage container at the old town office for storage. Mr. Pickering said he spoke to J & D who said they will move it. Mr. Pearl said they will move it with the ramp truck. Mr. Pickering said they will store things like compactors and mowers in it for the winter. Selectmen Prescott and Miller said they are good with it being moved to the garage; they will check with Chairman Fiske when he arrives.

Mr. Pearl said he met with the highway crew yesterday to discuss what they are doing. He met with the transfer station manager this morning; he said Dustin has a list of things to talk about. Mr. Pearl said there are issues with the compactor at the transfer station that needs to be looked at. He said he'll bring Dustin in to discuss it with the board when it's time.

Mr. Pearl said they are getting prepped for winter and getting salt as it appears they'll need it sooner rather than later.

Selectman Prescott said he went over the Bennett Bridge and noticed that the potholes were filled.

Selectman Miller asked if they were caught up on grading. Mr. Pickering said they have a couple more roads that will get done as weather permits.

Mr. Pickering thanked Chief Wright for the donation of the lawnmower.

The Board began their review of weekly correspondence.

The Board received a letter from Freedom Hill Cooperative regarding Officer Beck.

Selectman Miller explained that Freedom Hill hired Officer Beck for their annual meeting. He arrived early, had a great demeanor, helped an older person across the parking lot, and conversed with children that were there. They asked that a copy of this letter be put in Officer Beck's personnel file.

(Chairman Fiske arrived)

The Board received an invoice from Harry-O. Harry-O fixed the panel at the recreation field at no charge.

The Board received an email from Mike Harris regarding the potholes on Gilmanton Road where it intersects with Loudon Ridge Road. Mr. Pearl and Mr. Pickering reviewed the picture that was included with the email; they will look into the issue.

The Board received the CNHRPC — NH Ten-Year Transportation Update. Selectman Miller said the Planning Board went over this briefly at their last meeting. He explained that they should re-submit the information for the intersection of Chichester Road and 106. He said the more often they submit it the more the state will look at it and the better chance they have of it getting moved up in the plan.

Chairman Fiske said they received a letter from Chief Wright regarding hiring Ashley Simonds for the full-time administrative assistant vacancy at the fire department.

Chairman Fiske arrived and recognized Nick Stoico from the *Concord Monitor*.

Nick explained that a couple of residents from Lesmerises Road reached out to him about the speed limit on Lesmerises Road. He asked if there is a process going on about this. Chairman Fiske said there is a process. He explained that they have had a serious problem with the speed trailer and it just got repaired today so they'll get that out. Chairman Fiske said they had Central NH Regional Planning Commission put a counter on the road; they have the traffic counts. He said in his opinion the counts are very low. Chairman Fiske said he spoke to the Police chief who has had officers go there intermittently for directed patrols and has gone there several times himself so they are working on it. Chairman Fiske said due to the shape of the road he finds it hard to believe that they are speeding. Mr. Stoico said he understands that the concern isn't with speeding it is the fact that 35 is too fast. Chairman Fiske said the road has been there for a long time and they have never had a problem. Mr. Stoico said he was sent a copy of the petition and was surprised by the number of names on it; he asked if the Board feels that there is a significant amount of people behind it. Chairman Fiske said yes which is why they are doing their due diligence with the counter, the speed trailer and the directed patrol. Mr. Stoico said he understood that the people on the road aren't concerned with people speeding over 35 they are concerned with 35 being too fast. Chairman Fiske said they can't just arbitrarily drop a speed limit. Selectman Miller said one of the issues is that when the state turned 106, now Village Road, over they dropped the speed limit to 30 but Lesmerises stayed at 35 so it's been that way for a significant amount of time. Selectman Prescott said the gas company recently fixed

the road and did a good job. He said he takes that road to the dump and has since he became a member of the Board to see what is going on. Selectman Prescott said he rarely meets anyone on the road and he goes at different times at least once a week; he doesn't see a big problem. Mr. Stoico asked when the Board expects to get back to the people on the road. Chairman Fiske said as soon as they get the information back from the speed trailer; they already have the information from the counters. Mr. Stoico asked how long they think this will take. Selectman Miller said they'll want the trailer out there for a least a couple of weeks.

The Board met with Fire Chief Rick Wright.

Chief Wright proposed that Ashley Simonds get the vacant full-time administrative assistant job at the Fire Department. He explained that she has worked there a few days and is doing a good job. She is anxious to learn, asks a lot of questions, and has a great attitude. Chief Wright said she will work part-time at the fire department and the town office until November 1st. *Selectman Miller made a motion to hire Ashley Simonds for the vacant full-time administrative assistant position at the Fire Department with a start date of November 1st, rate of pay will be \$14.75 per hour. Seconded by Selectman Prescott. Selectman Miller asked if she will be starting her probation period over since this is a new full-time position. Chief Wright said yes; the fire department probation period is one year. Selectman Miller amended his motion to include the one-year probation period starting November 1, 2018. Seconded by Selectman Prescott. All in favor. Motion carried.*

Chief Wright said that two-weeks ago they discussed a couple of pay raises; it was taken under advisement. He asked if a decision has been made. Selectman Miller said these are quality people, they deserve the increase and if it's within his budget he doesn't have a problem with it. Selectman Prescott agreed. Chairman Fiske said he has no problem with it.

Chief Wright said the Extreme Chunkin was held this past weekend at the track. He said the crowd on Saturday was quite a bit larger than last year probably because of the good weather. He said he didn't hear of any problems.

Chief Wright said the Fire Department and the Highway Department worked together to re-attach the roof on the salt shed.

Chairman Fiske explained that there was a typo in the minutes of September 18. He explained that the quote that was accepted by the Board said Magoon Tree LLC, however inadvertently it was stated in those minutes that the Board had previously received a quote from Matt Magoon. *Selectman Miller made a motion to strike the name of Matt Magoon from the September 18, 2018 minutes. Seconded by Selectman Prescott. All in favor. Motion carried.*

Selectman Miller said they discussed the storage unit at the old town office before Chairman Fiske arrived. Chairman Fiske asked what will be stored in it. Mr. Pickering said they will use it for storage of things like lawnmowers and compactors so they can get things out of the garage to make more room for the winter. The Board all agreed that they can move it.

Chairman Fiske opened a confidential envelope from Chief Burgess. There were three copies of a letter. Chairman Fiske said they will take this under advisement.

The Board met with Janice Lavalley, Pamela Jewell and Tyler Workman and signed the closing documents for 6 Hollow Route Road that they purchased at the property tax auction.

Selectman Prescott moved to adjourn at 7:14 p.m. Seconded by Selectman Miller. All in favor. Motion carried.

LOUDON BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Robert N. Fiske, Chairman
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Stanley H. Prescott II, Selectman

Selectmen's Meeting Minutes — October 30, 2018

Present:

Chairman Fiske, Selectman Miller and Selectman Prescott.

Also present:

Road Agent Russ Pearl, Assistant Road Agent Mike Pickering.

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

Selectman Miller made a motion to accept the meeting minutes for October 23, 2018 as written. Seconded by Selectman Prescott. All in favor. Motion carried.

The Board met with Road Agent Russ Pearl and Assistant Road Agent Mike Pickering.

Chairman Fiske said Flagg, Lovejoy and Old Shaker Roads look awesome.

Selectman Prescott said that Doug Cole was in to discuss the issue at the end of his driveway. Mr. Cole explained that at the end of the driveway in front of the greenhouses they have always had trouble with water and

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ice. He said about a year ago he was talking to the previous road agent about putting a dry well in to catch the water and get rid of it. Mr. Pearl said it looks like the end of the driveway is a little low. Mr. Cole said he has Dennis Moore coming in to widen the driveway. Selectman Prescott had pictures, he said there is no ditch there, maybe some kind of ditch so the water runs into the grass. Mr. Pearl said the gas line runs right through there as well. Selectman Miller asked if this is a driveway or road issue. Mr. Pearl suggested they meet at the property tomorrow morning when Mr. Moore is there and look at it. Mr. Cole agreed that they will meet and discuss the issue.

Mr. Pearl said the screener was returned on Thursday so the screening of the sand is done.

Mr. Pearl said one or two of the guys have been hauling the sand from that pile to the shed.

Mr. Pearl said they have one load of salt and he ordered three more today. He said they'll be mixing the salt with the sand.

Mr. Pearl said the sanders are all working with the exception of the one on the one-ton. He explained that it needs a new chain.

Mr. Pearl said George and Greg graded Old Shaker, Lovejoy and Flagg Roads. Tomorrow they will do Beck Road and as many other dirt roads as they can before they freeze up.

Mr. Pearl said they had a safety meeting this morning to go over working with traffic and signs.

Mr. Pearl said he and Mike did a couple of driveway permits last week. He explained that they weren't able to do two on Memory Lane because they weren't staked out.

Mr. Pearl said that Paul Johnson brought to his attention that there is a dead maple tree across from his house on Flagg Road. Mr. Pearl said it is a pretty good sized one and the branches are falling off. He confirmed that it is on the town's side of the wall. Chairman Fiske said since it is a threat Mr. Pearl should put it out for bid for removing it.

Chairman Fiske made sure Mr. Pearl is aware that driveway aprons should be put in before COs are given out. Mr. Pearl will speak to Mr. Lake.

Mr. Pickering thanked everyone; the Selectmen, the office, the Fire and the Police Departments for their support since he has been interim road agent. Chairman Fiske said Mr. Pickering has done an outstanding job stepping up to the plate and they appreciate it.

The Board met with Police Chief Kris Burgess.

Chief Burgess turned in an evaluation form for the Boards review.

Chief Burgess said there are four officers due for PT tests this year; they are working on those diligently. He said he took his last week and passed with flying colors.

Chief Burgess said firearms training was held Saturday. He said all but one officer was able to make it.

Chief Burgess said the next training which will be taser training hasn't been scheduled yet.

Chief Burgess said they received the speed trailer back Friday. He explained that there is a program that needs to be downloaded. Chief Burgess said it should be on the road tomorrow.

Chief Burgess said he had grand jury on the 25th; his last one is December 6th.

Chief Burgess asked if he can start advertising for the position that will be vacant in January. Selectman Miller said he doesn't have a problem with advertising but for budget reasons he needs to watch the start date. Chief Burgess said this will give him a couple of months to find a good candidate but not to start until Officer Posada is done. Selectman Miller said he has no problem with that. Chief Burgess said he will put it in the *Concord Monitor* and on the NHMA website. Selectman Prescott verified that the new person wouldn't be starting until the other officer is done. Chief Burgess said that's correct; that would be taken care of during the hiring process. All Selectmen agreed Chief Burgess should move ahead with the advertising.

Chairman Fiske recognized Mary Ann Steele, Kathy Pitman, Katie Ambrose and Janice Morin from the Communication Council.

Mrs. Steele said that she had a conversation with Selectman Prescott at the harvest supper (which was delicious) about web presence and facebook. She said they discussed the pros and cons of having a town facebook page. Mrs. Steele said they came in to discuss those pros and cons as well as what would be needed for policies, what the commitments would be for time and staffing. She said they also want to bring to their attention the website that they have up and running; she explained that it is much more dynamic than they had imagined. Mrs. Steele said the website has e-alerts that people can sign up for; she explained that these alerts tell someone when minutes are posted, when a meeting has been changed, when a road is closed, lots of information. Mrs. Steele said any department can put information on there and a person can sign up for whichever alerts they want to get. Ms. Ambrose explained that if the town moved forward with a facebook page they would need to keep in mind that it takes a lot of time before launching it, if there isn't a social media policy currently one would have to be developed, it would need to be decided if there will be one point person that posts for the town or multiple people, whose responsibility will be to monitor and remove offensive comments, what will happen nights and weekends will the site be monitored or not. Mrs. Pitman explained that since they went up on August 8th, 2017 through yesterday they have had 26,086 users going on 44,771 times viewing 122,426 pages; she said this website is being used. She said it's used to view things such as the *Ledger*, minutes, agendas, to visit the tax collector, town clerk, transfer station etc. Mrs. Pitman said it's very easy to sign up for the e-alerts; when someone signs up they can choose which alerts they want to get such as minutes, agenda's etc. She explained that the alerts go to a person by email and can be changed at any time. Chairman Fiske asked if things such as an amber alert could go up. Mrs. Pitman said yes; any alert like that can be posted. Chairman Fiske said the Communications Council has done a fantastic job with both the website and the *Ledger*. Selectman Prescott thanked the committee for all they've done. He thanked Mary Ann specifically because they had a good conversation which gave the Board good direction.

Mrs. Steele said the Communications Council Cookbook is now available for \$15.

Chairman Fiske recognized Phil Nedean and Joan Cross from Lesmerises Road.

Mr. Nedean said that Liberty Utilities fixed the depressions in the pavement on Lesmerises Road. He explained that because of that people are driving faster. Mr. Nedean asked Chairman Fiske if the Board has received any requests from people on other roads that their speed be reduced. Chairman Fiske said he can't think of one. Mr. Nedean invited the board members to travel the road. They said they do. Selectman Prescott said he traveled it three times today looking for the speed trailer. He said as far as speed goes he thinks the police department needs to spend some time there; if this is a speed issue the police need to be there when the traffic is the greatest. Mr. Nedean said 35 is too fast. Chairman Fiske said that Nick from the *Concord Monitor* was adamant that people on Lesmerises weren't complaining about speeding they just wanted it reduced to 25. Chairman Fiske explained that they are fact finding; the speed trailer has had issues, they've done directed patrols, they've got the traffic count from Central NH Regional Planning Commission. Chairman Fiske asked if they are concerned about speeders or if they merely want it dropped to 25. Mr. Nedean said this is about safety and speed is tied to that. Selectman Miller said there is a specific RSA that they have to follow; they are still waiting for the technical information that they need to make the decision. He explained that they have done everything they can; they are waiting for the documentation from the speed trailer. Ms. Cross explained that it is very important to her that the speed be reduced to 25, she said there are seven kids that live in the house beside her. She asked what the timeline is for this. Selectman Miller said the trailer will need to be out there for a minimum of two weeks to give them good data. Chief Burgess said he will do his best to get the trailer out tomorrow. He said it will be out for a minimum of two weeks, at different areas along the road. Chief Burgess said once he has that information he will get it to the Selectmen.

Selectman Miller moved to go into non-public session per RSA 91-A: 3, II (b) at 7:04 PM.; seconded by Selectman Prescott. Roll call vote: Fiske – yes; Miller – yes; Prescott – yes. All in favor. Motion carries. Selectman Miller moved to come out of non-public session at 7:44 PM.; seconded by Selectman Prescott. Roll call vote: Fiske – yes; Miller – yes; Prescott – yes. All in favor. Motion carried. Selectman Miller made a motion to seal the minutes for five years. Seconded by Selectman Prescott. Roll call vote: Fiske – yes; Miller – yes; Prescott – yes. All in favor. Motion carried.

Janice Morin asked for permission for the Communications Council to sell cookbooks downstairs in the lobby Tuesday, November 13th from 5–7:00 p.m. The Board agreed that they can sell on that day and time.

Selectman Miller moved to go into non-public session per RSA 91-A: 3, II (a) at 7:46

PM.; seconded by Selectman Prescott. Chairman Fiske recused himself from this session. Roll call vote: Miller – yes; Prescott – yes. All in favor. Motion carries. Selectman Prescott moved to come out of non-public session at 8:36 PM.; seconded by Selectman Miller. Roll call vote: Miller – yes; Prescott – yes. All in favor. Motion carried. Selectman Miller made a motion to seal the minutes for five years. Seconded by Selectman Prescott. Roll call vote: Miller – yes; Prescott – yes. All in favor. Motion carried.

The Board began their review of weekly correspondence.

The Board received the 2018 Equalization Documents from NH Department of Revenue for review.

The Board received the Maxfield Library Oct. 23rd Meeting Minutes.

The Board received a copy of the current expenditure report.

The Board reviewed the 2018 MS-434. Selectman Prescott made a motion to authorize Chairman Fiske to sign the MS-434 Seconded by Selectman Miller. All in favor. Motion carried.

The Board reviewed and signed the MS-535.

The Board reviewed and signed two Intent to Cuts.

Chairman Fiske explained that Alicia Grimaldi, Recreation Director, asked if they can use money from the Recreation Revolving Fund for playground equipment and if she needs approval from the town or Selectmen. Selectman Miller said it reads that they do not need town meeting approval. He suggested that the town attorney advise them regarding how it can be spent. Chairman Fiske agreed it should be run by him. Selectman Miller said it should also be clarified if playground equipment fits under the purchases under the RSA. The Board agreed that they will run it by the town attorney and ask the recreation committee to bring any proposals to the selectmen so they are kept aware of what is going on.

The Board received paperwork from CNHRPC regarding the states 10-year transportation plan. Selectman Miller said that Mike Tardiff recommended to the Planning Board that the town resubmits the request for the Chichester Road/106 intersection. Selectman Prescott said he will take it, speak to Mr. Tardiff and make sure it gets done.

Selectman Miller asked the Board if they received the police department schedule and request that it no longer needs to be supplied to the office. The Board agreed that they still want the schedule delivered to the office.

Selectman Miller moved to adjourn at 9:22PM. Seconded by Chairman Fiske. All in favor. Motion carried.

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Planning Board Minutes (Incl. Meeting With CNHRPC) — October 18, 2018

PLANNING BOARD & CNHRPC MEETING MINUTES

Meeting called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Chairman Tom Moore

Attendance:

Chairman Tom Moore, Vice Chairman Alice Tuson, Bob Cole, Ex-Officio Jeffery Miller, John Storrs, and alternate Dustin Bowles.

Master Plan

Mike Tardiff held an informational meeting with the Planning Board. Mr. Tardiff said the key to the Master Plan is the Implementation and Vision Chapter. Mr. Tardiff said at the Public Hearing they can discuss each chapter. Mr. Tardiff said also its time to start pushing the 10 year plan for Chichester Road, 106 and Village Road intersection; they are currently 7 years out. Mr. Tardiff said a letter from both the Planning Board and the Selectman would be key. Mr. Tardiff said having water and sewer on 106 was in the last master plan so keep that in the horizon. Mr. Tardiff said surrounding Towns are seeing a rise in subdivisions and Loudon should be thinking about setting a growth management in place. Mr. Tardiff said Shaker Brook and International Drive are one of the economic revitalization zones. Mr. Tardiff also touched base on seasonal farmers markets. Mr. Tardiff said the EDC and the Trails Committee are doing well. Mr. Tardiff said he still would like to visit with the PTA and Young at Heart. Mr. Tardiff said he will work on setting up something at voting to encourage residents to come. A resident in the audience questioned if the Loudon currently has a Master Plan and questioned if they have a document stating the difference between the two Master Plans. Mr. Tardiff said that would be hard to do; there are lots of changes. The resident questioned if they would hold more meetings about the Master Plan. Chairman Moore said they will hold a public hearing next month and the information in the Master Plan is available.

The Planning Board will hold a public hearing on November 15th at 6:30 p.m. in the Town Office Meeting room.

*Submitted by,
Danielle Bosco
Administrative Assistant*

PLANNING BOARD MINUTES

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

Attendance:

Chairman Tom Moore, Vice Chairman Alice Tuson, Bob Cole, Ex-Officio Jeffery Miller, John Storrs and alternate Dustin Bowles.

Julie Robinson from the Conservation Commission was present in the audience.

Chairman Moore appointed Mr. Bowles a voting member in the absence of Mr. Huntington.

Acceptance of Minutes:

September 20, 2018 Regular Meeting — Mr. Cole made a motion to approve the minutes as written; seconded by Mr. Bowles: all in favor; Approved.

Discussion:

None

Old Business:

Application #18-10 Mark Stewartson — Lot Merger, Map 2 Lot 18 & Map 2 Lot 17 — Chairman Moore stated that this application has been continued for several months and the applicant has not asked to continue this month and is not present. Mr. Bowles made a motion to deny the application, seconded by Mr. Cole; All were in favor; Application denied.

Application #18-12 Riveredge Properties LLC — Subdivision, Map 38 Lot 27, R/R District — Web Stout presented the application again this month. Mr. Stout explained to the Board that they have applied for a Variance to the ZBA to not use a cistern on the property but have provided plans for a cistern shall it not receive approval. Mr. Stout explained that the Fire Chief did look at the Cistern plan, they made the changes needed and received approval on design. Mr. Stout stated he received an email requesting topography on the abutting lot where the snowmobile be relocated. Mr. Stout explained he hasn't been able to get that done but is more than happy to. Chairman Moore explained he just wants to make sure the snowmobile trail can be relocated to this area and it's not just drawn on a map. Chairman Moore said that he spoke with Russ Pearl who has agreed to help make this trail happen and assist in the bridge. Mr. Stout stated he received an email pointing out the rule on having a Subdivision with no more than 5 lots per calendar year. Chairman Moore believes the Board has the option to grant the Subdivision for 7 lots but restrict the applicant to only 5 lots per calendar year. Mr. Berkeley said he would like to decide as he is building on which lots he will build. Chairman Moore disagreed stating they would need to know tonight which lots they would be building on. Mr. Stout stated he put a note on the plan to limit how many lots are built in a year. Mr. Miller questioned how many houses would be completed in a year. Mr. Berkeley said realistically he will only build 2 houses per year possibly 3. Mr. Stout believes this was put in the land development regulations when the building permits were limited to 5 per year. The Board discussed this and agreed with having the note; no more than 5 homes can be built in a 1 year period. Mrs. Robinson said it looked like they only had a 25 foot wetland buffer marked out on the plan. Mr. Stout explained it will be on the final plans and that first plan is only an overview. Chairman Moore pointed out the word exceeds is misspelled on one of the notes. Chairman Moore asked the Board their thoughts on requiring a guardrail or bollards in the middle of the cul de sac to protect the cistern. Mr. Berkeley said they have added insulation and an additional 1 foot of cover for the cistern. Chairman Moore said he would like to see what kind of cover on the plan. Mr. Berkeley said they will use R24 and will add it

to the plan. Mrs. Tuson questioned if this received state subdivision approval and the number needs to be on the plan. Mr. Stout said when he receives the approval it will be added. Chairman Moore read the Nobis review that asked the applicant add a note that no houses be built until the road is built. Mr. Burd said they would like to build a house while the road is being built this still will put them under the 100,000 square feet of disturbed area to avoid AOT requirements. Mr. Berkeley said if he has to hold off on the septic for the home until the road is fully built he will in order to keep the disturbed area under the 100,000 square feet. Chairman Moore wanted to make sure the applicant knew the lots would be subject to impact fees and a road bond. Mr. Berkeley questioned if they can bond half the road, build it then finish the other half. Chairman Moore said the entire road would need to be bonded. Mr. Berkeley questioned if the road should be left binder course and wait for the homes to be all be built before laying the top coat. Mr. Bowles felt that it should be done that way although the Town hasn't in the past. Mr. Merrill was present in the audience and wanted the Board to make the applicant aware that he will need to put money into escrow. The Board stated they would need to be a 5 year maintenance bond of 15%. Mr. Berkeley questioned who would decide on the asphalt. Mr. Bowles said between the Road Agent and Town Engineering they would discuss and the Planning Board could make recommendations. Chairman Moore said the surties are spelled out in the Land Development Regulations in article 24 and 25. Chairman Moore asked the applicant if they put a note about relocating the Snowmobile Trail. Mr. Stout stated he can add that as note 11. Mrs. Robinson asked if they needed to require a note about marking the wetlands on the property. Mr. Stout said he will add a note but the wetlands will be marked on trees or posts. Mr. Miller made the applicant aware that as built plans need to be provided to the Town within 45 days of the Town Engineering marking the road as complete. The Board stated when the lots are at least half built he can approach the Selectmen to take the road over. Chairman Moore closed the meeting to the public and opened it to the Board only. The Board accepted several waiver requests.

Waivers: Article 23, Section 23.1, Item 7: Mr. Bowles made a motion to grant the waiver; Seconded by Mr. Cole; All in favor. Granted.

Section 12.4, Item 12: Mr. Cole made a motion to grant the waiver; Seconded by Mr. Bowles; All in favor. Granted.

Section 12.4, Item 7 for lots 27-10 & 27-11: Mr. Cole made a motion to grant the waiver; Seconded by Mr. Storrs; All in favor. Granted.

Appendix 1: Mr. Bowles made a motion to grant the waiver; Seconded by Mr. Cole; All in favor. Granted.

Article 23, Section 23.1, Item 12: Mr. Cole made a motion to grant the waiver; Seconded by Mr. Storrs; All in favor. Granted.

Mr. Huntington made a motion to approve the application under the following conditions:

Subject to the decision of Zoning Approval with note added on plan to use Cistern if denied

Make a note of proposed snowmobile trail Subject to State Subdivision Approval and add Subdivision number

Correct the abutter at Map 38 Lot 29

Correct spelling of the word exceed on Note 9

Add note of R24 insulation

Coordinate with Fire Department for Bollard placement

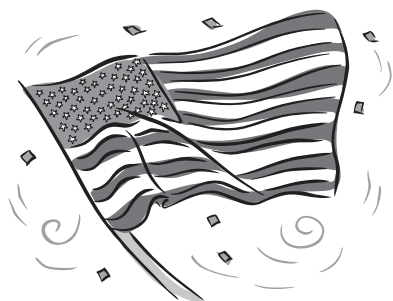
Lots are subject to Impact Fees and Bonding

Seconded by Mr. Bowles; All in favor. Approved.

New Business:

Application #18-14 John & Barbara Parent — Subdivision, Map 30 Lot 4, R/R District — Surveyor Jeffery Green presented the application to the Board. Mr. Green explained this Subdivision would create 4 lots. Mr. Green said the house and barn that is currently on the property will stay on the main lot but the garage will go to the adjacent lot. Mr. Green said placing the boundary line between the barn and garage creates a reduced setback, they are on the agenda for next week's Zoning meeting. Mr. Green said the reduced setback is 12.4 feet on either side of the proposed property line and the applicant will remove the driveway that is in the setback. Mr. Bowles said there is a concrete pad that is within the 12.4 reduced setback that Mr. Green is apply for. Mr. Green said he wasn't sure if they would consider this a structure. Mr. Bowles said it is considered a structure. Mr. Green said they could cut back the cement pad to the 12.4 feet if they get granted the special exception for the Zoning Board. Mr. Bowles said on the application the special exception isn't listed. Mr. Green said the application says granted not applied for and currently it has not been granted. Mr. Moore said creating a lot with a garage on it is not following the regulations. Mr. Green said it is currently following regulations and only doesn't once the subdivision is done so is looking for guidance. Chairman Moore asked about the septic on the current lot being state approved and well radius. Mr. Bowles questioned where it was located. Mr. Green said it is approved and showed where it is located and that meets well radius. Mr. Bowles asked where the proposed driveways would be located. Mr. Green said they aren't on the plan but will be on Village Road. Mr. Cole questioned what they would do about the garage. Mr. Bowles said they have done it in the past. Mr. Bowles questioned if the 12.4 feet is the narrowest point of setback. Mr. Green said it is. Chairman Moore asked if the Fire Department had any thoughts on this Subdivision and if it would need the cistern that is required. Chairman Moore said he would like to see some input from the Fire Department on the cistern. Mr. Bowles said a waiver for Site

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Specific Soils is needed. Mr. Green said in the regulations once the subdivision is in place they can get a building permit to build a house on the lot with the garage. Mr. Bowles said that he agrees if the setbacks can be granted with Zoning then they can work with the garage he feels. *Mr. Bowles made a motion to continue the application to the November 15th meeting. Seconded by Mr. Storrs. All were in favor; Continued.* Chairman Moore said the meeting will be November 15th at the Loudon Town Office Building and there will be no further notification.

CIP

The Board accepted the CIP for fiscal year 18/19–23/24. *Mr. Cole made a motion to approve the CIP; Seconded by Mr. Storrs; All were in favor. Approved.*

Report of the Board of Permit:

Mr. Cole said there was a schedule of events from October 13 until December 31 and also a letter of intent for an open house at Ledgerview Greenhouse December 8th and 9th. Mr. Cole said there was a question of structural issues on Hollow Route Road that Ned will be contacting Town Counsel. Mr. Miller said the property has two mobile homes on it so the question if the property has to be updated to conform to the Zoning regulations.

Board Discussion:

Chairman Moore said the CIP meeting will be November 7th at 9:00 a.m.

Danielle Bosco said the Board needs to schedule a Zoning Workshop. Julie Robinson said she wanted to submit a Zoning change to mark wetland buffers. Mr. Bowles questioned if this would go into Zoning or Planning Regulations. Mrs. Robinson said she will work on writing something up for this proposed change. Chairman Moore brought up the lot configuration box. Mr. Bowles said they could look into other Towns if they are required to build in the box. Chairman Moore also brought up shared driveways being an issue. Mr. Bowles said sometimes this shared driveway makes sense and other times it is an issue. The Board scheduled a Workshop for November 8th at 6:30 p.m.

Report of ZBA:

Z18-14 Kim Pilote — Special Exception reduced setback. Map 21 Lot 41, RR District.

Z18-15 Jennifer Stylianios — Special Exception reduced setback. Map 15 Lot 1, RR District.

Z18-16 Riveredge Properties — Variance, the use of suppression systems in new development instead of cistern or dry hydrant. Map 38 Lot 27, RR District.

Z18-17 John & Barbara Parent — Special Exception reduced setback. Map 30 Lot 4 & Map 30 Lot 4-1, RR District.

Adjournment:

Mr. Storrs made a motion to adjourn at 9:37 p.m.; seconded by Mr. Bowles. All were in favor.

*Submitted by,
Danielle Bosco
Administrative Assistant*

Zoning Board Meeting Minutes — October 25, 2018**Present:**

Chairman Ned Lizotte, Vice Chairman Howard Pearl, Earl Tuson, Roy Merrill, Charlie Aznive, and alternates Peter Pitman and Dennis Jakubowski

Minutes:

Regular Hearing August 23, 2018 — Mr. Pearl made a correction to the minutes on the last page, the motion made by Mr. Pearl was seconded by Mr. Pitman. *Mr. Pearl made a motion to approve the minutes with the corrections. Mr. Tuson seconded the motion; All in favor. APPROVED.*

Discussions:

None

Public Hearings:

Application #Z18-14 Kim Pilote — Special Exception for reduced driveway setback, Map 21 Lot 41, R/R District — Attorney Daniel Muller from Cronin, Bisson & Zalin-sky represented Kim Pilote whom was also present. Mr. Muller said the Pilote family purchased this home and the dirt driveway was already in place. Mr. Muller explained this lot has a drainage easement that goes onto the abutting property at 154 Bee Hole Road where the Little family lives. Mr. Muller said the dirt driveway had a lot of water runoff and they have mitigated the runoff by making the dirt driveway into gravel and adding a drainage system. Mr. Muller said they have talked about putting up a fence to further reduce water runoff and have created a berm. Mr. Muller said due to the topography of the lots the water naturally runs onto the Little's property. Mr. Muller said this setback on the driveway is similar to others in the neighborhood and the abutting Little property also has a reduced setback. Mr. Muller said this updated gravel driveway has now prevented from large water ponding on the abutting property. Mr. Tuson said he believes they will need a site walk on this property to better understand. Mr. Tuson asked for clarification on the map. Surveyor Jeff Green was in the audience and explained. Chairman Lizotte questioned how long the Pilote's lived at this residence. Mrs. Pilote said she has lived there for 14 years. Chairman Lizotte questioned if they had looked into side setback requirements. Mrs. Pilote said the driveway has always been there so she did not think about it. Abutter Jim Burdette did the work on the new drainage system and it has greatly eliminated issues. Mr. Burdette said this access has always been on the property since it was built. Chairman Lizotte wanted to clarify that this driveway hasn't always been there only since the house was built it's not a right of way. Mr. Aznive questioned the distance between the edge of the driveway and the abutting property line. Bill Lake said there are only inches between the edge of the driveway and the abutting property line. Mr. Lake said the applicant claims this is the only entrance into the property but there is another and this is a business entry. Mr. Lake looked into the Little's property to see if the driveway was in the 3 foot setback and it is a few feet which they are working on fixing. Mrs. Pilote said this access is not only for business use they access the basement and

always have this way. Mr. Burdette said the driveway is setback 5–7 feet from the abutting property line not inches. Mr. Muller wanted to point out the state RSA 236:13 has some conflict with the Town's Ordinance. Raymond D'Amante was present to represent the abutting property of Dave and Sigrid Little. Mr. D'Amante discussed the drainage issues on the drainage easement stating the Pilotes need to take care of the drainage issues on the Little's property and an easement doesn't mean they have no responsibilities. Mr. D'Amante provided many pictures of both properties to show drainage onto the Little's property. Mr. D'Amante said the new French drain the Pilote's put in dumps right onto the Little's property. Mr. D'Amante said the berm that has been put into place on the Pilote's property actually directs more water to the Little's property. Mr. D'Amante also stated that having the driveway now gravel and not dirt also has increased the water onto the property and only improved the Pilote's property. Mr. D'Amante said when the Pilote's purchased the property there was no drainage easement in the deed it was later put in. Mrs. Little showed two videos of how wet their property is in the spring. Mr. Burdette spoke saying the pipe that goes up to the Little's property is from the foundation drain put in when the house was built. Mr. Burdette said this property has always had a drainage easement and questioned if this was going to be a problem why would they buy the property. Mr. D'Amante stated the drainage easement was not in the deed and they only found out about it when it came from the title company. *Mr. Pearl made a motion to continue the application to the Site Walk on November 9th at 4:00 p.m. and the next meeting will be November 29th at 7:00. Mr. Aznive seconded; All were in favor.*

Mr. Aznive recused himself.

Chairman Lizotte appointed Mr. Jakubowski a voting member.

Application #Z18-15 Jennifer Stylianios — Special Exception for reduced setback, Map 15 Lot 1, R/R District — Property owner Jennifer Stylianios and realtor Chuck Braxton presented the application. Several abutters were present in the audience, Morgan McCarthy representing Millican Nurseries, Rebecca Cole and Charlie & Pearl Aznive. Mrs. Stylianios said this property has been passed down in her family since her great grandparents and she is not able to sell. Mr. Braxton said the property has only 34 feet of road frontage so it doesn't meet the setback requirements. Mr. Braxton showed where the wetlands are located on the lot. Mr. Pitman said it looked like the driveway was going through the seasonal stream. Mr. Braxton said it is not going through the wetlands. Mr. Pearl said they would be working in the wetland buffer. Mr. Merrill said the Zoning Ordinance only allows a nonconforming lot to be built on if it has at least 50 feet of road frontage. Mr. Pearl said there needs to be a Variance application for this property. Chairman Lizotte said Conservation also needs to weigh in on this application. Mr. Braxton informed the Board that the Conservation Committee signed the wetland permit from DES. Mr. Braxton said

the permit was for a forestry crossing and they would need to apply for a change of use which they have done. Chairman Lizotte said this access was for logging and is not a driveway access for a home. Chairman Lizotte said this lot has wetland issues, setback issues and the question of the frontage length. Mr. Pearl questioned if this application should be withdrawn and the applicant apply for the Variance for road frontage first. Mr. Tuson said they would need to apply for this Special Exception as well so it would be best to proceed with the application and suggested doing a Site Walk before the next meeting. *Mr. Pearl made a motion to continue the application to the Site Walk on October 30th at 4:00 p.m. and the next meeting will be November 29th at 7:00. Mr. Tuson seconded; All were in favor.*

Mr. Anive returned to the Board as a voting member.

Application #Z18-16 Riveredge Properties — Variance, the sue of suppression systems in new development instead of cistern or dry hydrant, Map 38 Lot 27, R/R District — Surveyor Web Stout and applicant Thomas Berkeley presented the application. Abutter Karen Towle was present at the meeting. Mr. Stout explained that this Subdivision was approved by the Loudon Planning Board last week under the condition that Zoning approves it not to use a cistern otherwise they would use the proposed cistern plan. Mr. Stout explained 2 of the 7 lots in the Subdivision are covered by the existing cistern leaving 5 lots that are not. Mr. Merrill asked what the hardship is for this property. Mr. Stout said there are two cisterns located within less than 4000 feet and feels a cistern would be better placed in parts of town where there is no water source. Mr. Stout said the applicant will do sprinklers on each home and has a letter from the Fire Chief that says he is alright with this. Bill Lake from Code Enforcement said he was first under the impression that the cistern would cover all but two houses then visited the property and discovered only the first two would be covered. Mr. Lake said after some discussion between the applicant and Code Enforcement officers it was stated they approved the use of in home fire sprinkler systems in replace of a cistern. Mr. Lake said at a point sprinkler systems were allowed as an option until the State made Towns remove that option from the Ordinance. Mr. Lake said sprinkler systems are a great life saving system and provide people time to get out of the house which is the most important thing although it will not extinguish the fire. Mr. Lake felt the cistern was fairly close to the property. Chairman Lizotte said he spoke with the Fire Chief today who felt a cistern would be better for this property because the current cistern on School street doesn't cover the whole Subdivision. Chairman Lizotte questioned if a fire pond would be a cheaper option for the Town to maintain. Mr. Lake said the maintenance of the fire pond is more expensive. Mr. Aznive said he has heard of issues with sprinklers in homes. Mr. Lake said the problem with having sprinklers in a single

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family home is that the home owner has no requirement to do any type of maintenance on them where as a commercial property must have them serviced regularly to make sure they are working. Mr. Lake said some residents are against sprinkler systems so they disable them. Mr. Merrill said the applicant already got a longer road approved so that creates more of an issue getting into the property. Mr. Merrill also said that if they allow a Variance to not use the cistern every other development in Town would ask not to have one and it isn't fair to all the other Subdivisions that have been allowed before. Mr. Lake said the only reason this Subdivision had any question as to if they needed a cistern was because there is one so close to the property. Mr. Tuson said the Ordinance are the rules of the Town and that is what they have to go by. Mr. Merrill said when this application was before Planning Board the applicant spoke about cutting the Subdivision back in order to not provide a cistern but the applicant has gone ahead with the seven lot subdivision. Chairman Lizotte said to approve an application the applicant needs to have a hardship. Mr. Green wanted to clarify that the law that came into place was that Towns couldn't mandate sprinklers. Mr. Tuson said the Ordinance got muddy and the Town voted to remove the word sprinklers from the Ordinance. Chairman Lizotte went through the application with the applicant. *Mr. Tuson made a motion to deny the application due to not meeting questions 1,2 and 5 on the application. Mr. Pearl seconded; A roll call vote was taken, Mr. Merrill—yes, Mr. Pearl, Mr. Lizotte—yes, Mr. Tuson—yes, Mr. Aznive—yes.* Mr. Tuson said the cistern meets the needs of the community and there is no hardship for the applicant.

Application #Z18-17 John & Barbara Parent — Special Exception reduced setback, Map 30 Lot 4 & Map 30 Lot 4-1, R/R District — Surveyor Jeff Green presented the applicant on behalf of the applicants. Mr. Green explained he is proposed a 4 lot subdivision to the Planning Board which requires a reduced setback on two of the lots of 12.4 feet. Mr. Green explained that he is proposing a boundary line that will leave the garage on a lot by itself. Mr. Green said there is a cement pad on the lot that goes up to the boundary line. Chairman Lizotte questioned if the cement would be broken up to be out of the 12.4 reduced setbacks. Mr. Aznive said he could see this being an issue in the future if this concrete pad turns into something else like a shed. Mr. Merrill questioned if he was going to provide a cistern for this Subdivision. Mr. Green said he was just recently informed about the cistern and will discuss that with the Planning Board. Mr. Merrill said questioned if this was a mute point to apply for this application because if they turn this into a three lot subdivision to avoid using a cistern they won't need the reduced setback. Mr. Green stated his reasoning for coming here tonight is because the applicant wants to build on the property that will have the garage left on it. Mr. Tuson questioned having an accessory building on a lot by itself. The Board agreed if they are building on this lot they can have the garage on the lot. Chairman Lizotte brought up a Subdivision in Concord that is very close together saying we have setbacks for a reason so the houses are not a cluster. Mr. Green said Loudon has some of the

most restricted setback requirements around and having such restrictions makes land owners not able to use a large part of their land. Mr. Pearl questioned if the applicant would reduce the cement pad to the 12.4 feet. Mr. Green said he was looking for direction from the Board if they would require that. Mr. Merrill said he believes the cement pad should have to follow the reduced setback of 12.4 feet. Mr. Pearl questioned if they allowed the cement pad to have a 4 foot setback the applicant would have to come back to zoning to build on it. Mr. Lake said if it was approved for the setback they wouldn't be required. Mr. Pearl stated they could require putting a note on the plan that no building is to be built unless the applicant appears before the Zoning Board again. The Board discussed allowing a 12 foot reduced setback for both lots and requiring the applicant to remove the cement pad and the driveway in that area. Mr. Tuson asked the Board if they could grant this reduced setback for two lots with one application. Mr. Green said at this point it is only one application. Mr. Merrill said the application is listing both proposed lots. Mr. Pitman said right now it is only one lot so one application should be fine. Mr. Pearl said they can make this approval contingent on the Subdivision approval from Planning. Mr. Green said granting this special exception will only allow them to Subdivide under these conditions. Chairman Lizotte went through the application with Mr. Green. Mr. Pearl said for question number 5 regarding traffic Mr. Green listed this special exception will not increase traffic. Mr. Pearl said the Subdivision will increase it. Mr. Green said they are granting a reduced setback not the subdivision. Mr. Pearl said by granting this special exception it allows the subdivision that will create more traffic. Mr. Green agreed and made the change to the application. Mr. Aznive questioned if the Subdivision takes place what happens if the lot with only the garage on it doesn't get built. Mr. Pearl said they would have to build on the lot. Mr. Merrill said they granted one on Kenney road that never got built on and how could they enforce the garage comes down. *Mr. Lizotte made a motion to approve the application under the following conditions: Planning Board approval of the proposed lot line presented at this ZBA meeting to grant a 12 foot side setback for both proposed future lots and to remove any structure located within the 12 foot side setback. Mr. Pearl seconded; A roll call vote was taken, Mr. Merrill—yes, Mr. Pearl, Mr. Lizotte—yes, Mr. Tuson—yes, Mr. Aznive—yes. Approved.*

Board Discussion:

Mr. Lake questioned if there was anything in Zoning not allowing two driveways on the same property. Mr. Lake said the Road Agent brought up the issue but couldn't find anything in Zoning to enforce this. Mr. Aznive said this is a usage on a lot that it may have to have multiple driveways. Mr. Tuson said a property with a stream may require another access. The Board agreed this isn't in our Zoning and shouldn't be.

Adjournment:

Mr. Pitman moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:12 p.m.; seconded by Mr. Aznive; All were in favor.

*Submitted by,
Danielle Bosco
Administrative Assistant*

December in Loudon

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1st Monday of the month

5pm•Library Trustees Meeting
6pm•Conservation Commission @ Com. Bldg.

1st Tuesday of the month

7pm•Lions Club @ Library

1st Wednesday of the month

1–3pm•Loudon Historical Society Open
7pm•Historical Society @ Museum

1st Thursday of the month

6:30•PTA @ LES
7pm•Agriculture Commission @ Com. Bldg.

2nd Monday of the month

7:15pm•MVSD School Board

2nd Wednesday of the month

6:30pm•Lion Pack @ Library

2nd Saturday of the month

4:30–6:00pm•Family Bible Church
Community Dinner

3rd Tuesday of the month

7pm•Lions Club @ Library

3rd Wednesday of the month

1–3pm•Loudon Historical Society Open
6pm•Meditation @ Library
6pm•Sit 'n Stitch @ Library
6:30–7:30pm•Scouts @ LES
7pm•Legion & Auxilliary @ Post 88

3rd Thursday of the month

7pm•Planning Board @ CB

3rd Sunday of the month

9:30am•Loudon Congregational Church
Healing Prayer Time

4th Monday of the month

7pm•LYAA @ Library

4th Tuesday of the month

4pm•Trails Sub-committee @ CB

4th Wednesday of the month

6:30pm•Recreation Committee @ Library

4th Thursday of the month

7pm•Zoning Board @ CB

Every Monday

3pm•Movies @ Library

Every Tuesday

10:30am•Story Time @ Library
5:45–6:45pm•Knit 'n Crochet @ Library
5–7:15pm•Cribbage at the Library
6pm•Selectmen @ CB
6:30pm•Prayer Mtg. @ Congregational Church

Every Wednesday

2:30–4:20•Adult Craft Time @ Library
6:30pm•Wolf Pack @ LES
Full Pack•6:30 @ LES

Every Thursday

10:30am•Story Time @ Library

EVENTS ON SPECIFIC DATES

Dec. 1•8–10am•Breakfast With Santa @ LES

Dec. 2•1–5pm•Historical Society presents “Made in Loudon Fair” and Annual Tree Lighting Event (4:30)

Dec. 3•FIRST DAY OF HANUKKAH

Dec. 7•REPORT CARDS ISSUED
“Polar Express” movie @ Library
PEARL HARBOR REMEMBRANCE DAY

Dec. 8•9–1•Craft Fair @ Library
4pm•Handbell Concert @ Loudon Center Freewill Baptist Church

Dec. 10•7:15pm•MVSD School Board @ MVHS

Dec. 11•9–Noon•VNA Health Clinic @ Richard Brown House

Dec. 12•10am•Young at Heart Christmas Pot Luck @ Com. Bldg.

Dec. 13•3pm•Daytime Book Group Meet & Greet

Dec. 14•DEADLINE FOR JANUARY ISSUE OF THE LOUDON LEDGER

Dec. 15•10–11:30am•Telescope Information Session @ Library

Dec. 17•Dental Clinic @ LES
6pm•Communications Council Meeting @ Com. Bldg.

Dec. 18•9:30am•Sing Along @ LES

Dec. 19•Dental Clinic @ LES
Pack 247 Christmas Party

Dec. 20•Dental Clinic @ LES
6:30pm•Evening Book Group Pot Luck @ Library

Dec. 21•WINTER BEGINS

6:30, 7, 7:30pm•Christmas Tree Tours @ Faith Community Bible Church

Dec. 24•5 & 7pm•Christmas Eve Services @ Faith Community Bible Church
6pm•Christmas Eve Service @ Loudon Congregational Church

Dec. 24–Jan. 1•NO SCHOOL.

Dec. 25•CHRISTMAS DAY

Dec. 27•11–4•Craft Time @ Library

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