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Mission Statement...

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

Proposed Warrant Articles 2012

The following Warrant Articles are preliminary. Wording and order of appearance are subject to change. Tuesday, February 7 is the closing date for petitioned warrant articles. The second and final budget hearing will be held at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, February 8, 2012 at the Community Building. Additional warrant articles will be presented that night as well as any changes to the budget. The budget hearing is an excellent opportunity to question the selectmen about budget details.

Articles 1 and 2 provide for elections and Zoning Amendments/Changes and will be voted on by ballot on Tuesday, March 13, 2012 at the Town Hall on Clough Hill Road.

ARTICLE 3: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$420,000.00 for the purchase of a fire engine and equipment with funds to be withdrawn from the Fire Department Capital Reserve Fund and further to appoint the Board of Selectmen as agents to carry said purpose into effect. *The Selectmen recommend this article.*

ARTICLE 4: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$21,700.00 for the purpose of purchasing a stainless steel truck body for truck T-3. *The Selectmen recommend this article.*

ARTICLE 5: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$231,500.00 for the purpose of shimming and paving 4200 feet of Loudon Ridge Road from NH Route 106 up and 3800 feet of Bee Hole Road from NH Route 129. \$190,000.00 to be withdrawn from the Roadway Improvement Capital Reserve Fund and \$41,500.00 to be raised by taxes and further to appoint the Selectmen as agents to carry said purpose into effect. *The Selectmen recommend this article.*

ARTICLE 6: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$45,000.00 for the purpose of the reconstruction of two tennis courts and basketball court. \$15,000.00 to be withdrawn from the Recreation Maintenance Fund and \$30,000.00 to be raised by taxes. *The Selectmen recommend this article.*

ARTICLE 7: To see if the Town will vote to adopt the provisions of RSA 41:14-a to give the Board of Selectmen authority to acquire or sell land, buildings, or both; provided, however, they shall first submit any such proposed acquisition or sale to the Planning Board and to the Conservation Commission for review and rec-

ommendation by those bodies. If adopted, the provisions shall remain in effect until specifically rescinded by the Town at any duly warned meeting. *The Selectmen recommend this article.*

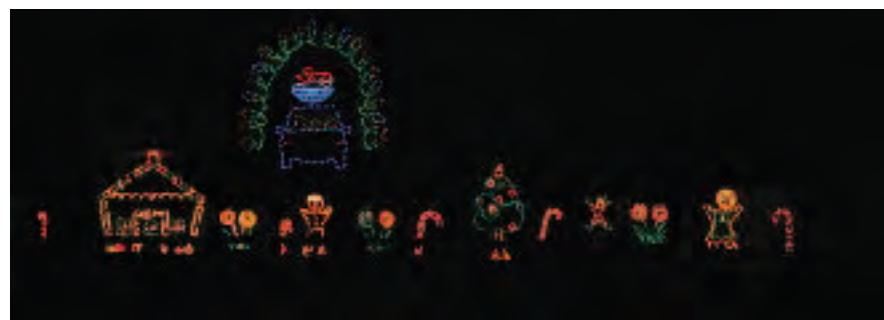
ARTICLE 8: To see if the Town will vote to change the purpose of the existing Town Office Building Capital Reserve Fund, established by the March 2004 Town Meeting and to allow the appropriations deposited in said fund to be used for land acquisition, and/or the purchase, future construction, or renovation of a Town Office Building and to further name the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend from this fund. This article is contingent on passing of the previous warrant article. *The Selectmen recommend this article. (2/3 vote required.)*

ARTICLE 9: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$451,500 to be placed in previously established Capital Reserve Funds:

- Fire Department Apparatus Capital Reserve Fund \$100,000
- Highway Department Capital Reserve Fund \$50,000
- Bridge Capital Reserve Fund \$20,000
- Recreational Facility Maintenance Trust Capital Reserve Fund \$2,000
- Library Collection Maintenance Capital Reserve Fund \$7,000
- Roadway Improvements Capital Reserve Fund \$100,000

Warrant Articles — cont. on 3

Thousands of Cars, Food and Donations Help Make Gift of Lights a Huge Success



Thanks to the wonderful fans of New Hampshire Motor Speedway, the first ever Gift of Lights celebration was a huge success, bringing in thousands of donations and dollars for those in need throughout New England.

More than 14,000 cars drove through the electric wonderland of light displays, raising close to \$30,000 for the N.H. Chapter of Speedway Children's Charities. All of the money will benefit child-related programs throughout the six-state region.

Fans were also encouraged to bring three non-perishable food items for \$2 off admission to the show, resulting in over 22,000 pounds of food being collected for the Loudon, N.H. Food Pantry. That's equal to the weight of six NASCAR Sprint Cup Series cars racing around "The Magic Mile." All of the food that was collected serviced residents in Belmont, Canterbury, Chichester, Epsom and Loudon.

"The New Hampshire Chapter of Speedway Children's Charities is overwhelmed and humbled at the outpouring of support for the 2011 Gift of Lights event at NHMS," said Cheryl LaPrade, director of the N.H. Chapter of SCC. "Because of the generosity of the incredible people that came to the event, dinner tables will not be empty and help will be there for children in need across New England. We thank you from the bottom of our hearts and wish you and your families a wonderful 2012!"

This newly created tradition will return to the 1.058-mile oval in 2012, but first it's time to go racing. To purchase tickets for the LENOX Industrial Tools 301 on July 15 or the SYLVANIA 300 on Sept. 23, call the NHMS ticket hotline at (603) 783-4931 or by visiting www.nhms.com. See you trackside! ■

Town of Loudon Office Hours

Selectmen’s Office

PO Box 7837 • 798-4541

Selectmen meet Tuesday evenings at 6:30 p.m. in the Community Building.
Mon.–Thurs.: 8 a.m.–4 p.m. • Tues. evenings: 6 p.m.–9 p.m.

Town Clerk

PO Box 7837 • 798-4542

Mon.: 8 a.m.–2 p.m. • Tues.: 3 p.m.–9 p.m. • Wed.–Thur.: 9 a.m.–4 p.m.

Planning/Zoning Board

PO Box 7837 • 798-4540

The Planning Board Meets the third Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in the Community Building. The Zoning Board meets the fourth Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in the Community Building.

Mon. through Thurs.: 8 a.m.–4 p.m. • Tues. evenings open until 7 p.m.

Tax Collector

PO Box 7844 • 798-4543

Tues.: 3 p.m.–9 p.m. • Wed.–Thurs.: 9 a.m.–4 p.m.

Police Department: Emergencies: 911

PO Box 7059 • 798-5521

Mon.–Fri.: 8 a.m.–4:00 p.m.

Code Enforcement

PO Box 7059 • 798-5584

Monday–Thursday: 8 a.m.–4:00 p.m.

Fire Department: Emergencies: 911

PO Box 7032 • 798-5612

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

Loudon Elementary School

7039 School Street • 783-4400

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

Transfer Station

783-0170 • Tues. & Thurs.: 9 a.m.–5 p.m. (Winter)

Tues.: 9 a.m.–5 p.m. • Thurs.: 11 a.m.–7 p.m. (Summer) • Sat.: 8 a.m.–5 p.m. Loudon residents can purchase facility stickers at the transfer station for \$4.00. See the attendant.

Highway Department

Road Agent: David Rice • 783-4568

Mon.–Fri.: 7 a.m.–3:30 p.m.

Maxfield Public Library

Librarian: Nancy Hendy • 798-5153

Mon.: Closed • Tues.: 10 a.m.–9 p.m. • Wed.: 1–9 p.m. Thurs.: 10 a.m.–9 p.m. • Sat.: 9 a.m.–1 p.m.

The Library Trustees meet at 5 p.m. on the first Tuesday of the month.

John O. Cate Memorial Van

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

Loudon Food Pantry

30 Chichester Road, Unit D, Loudon

Intake Hours: Monday–Thursday by appointment only.

Donations accepted: Monday–Thursday 10 a.m.–5 p.m. Closed Fridays.

For more information, call Sue or Sarah at 724-9731 or email

LoudonFoodPantry@yahoo.com

Loudon Representatives

Merrimack County — District 6

Jennifer R Coffey: 748 Raccoon Hill Rd., Andover, NH 03216-4040

Seth Cohn: 58 Clough Pond Rd., Canterbury, NH 03224-2404

Gregory Hill: 1 Knowles Farm Road, Northfield, NH 03276-4517

Kenneth Kreis: 607 Shaker Road, Canterbury, NH 03224-2733

Priscilla P. Lockwood: PO Box 1, Canterbury, NH 03224-0001

Senators — District 07

Andy Sanborn: Legislative Office Building, 33 North State St., Room 5, Concord, NH 03301

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. ■

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

“The Loudon Ledger” 2012 Schedule

January 2012 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 12/16 Council Meeting: Mon. 12/19

February 2012 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 1/13 Council Meeting: Mon. 1/16

March 2012 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 2/17 Council Meeting: Mon. 2/20

April 2012 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 3/16 Council Meeting: Mon. 3/19

May 2012 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 4/13 Council Meeting: Mon. 4/16

June 2012 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 5/18 Council Meeting: Mon. 5/21

July 2012 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 6/15 Council Meeting: Mon. 6/18

August 2012 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 7/13 Council Meeting: Mon. 7/16

September 2012 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 8/17 Council Meeting: Mon. 8/20

October 2012 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 9/14 Council Meeting: Mon. 9/17

November 2012 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 10/19 Council Meeting: Mon. 10/22

December 2012 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 11/16 Council Meeting: Mon. 11/19

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All editorial submissions are approved by the Council before publication.

Advertising: Samantha French — 783-4601 / harvestmooner@aol.com

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

Where to Worship in Loudon

Family Bible Church

“Where everybody is somebody, and Jesus is Lord!”
Pastor Steve Ludwick

676 Loudon Ridge Rd., PO Box 7858, Loudon, NH, 03307 • 267-7577
www.myfamilybiblechurch.org • Email: sludwick@hughes.net
Coffee & Prayer Time: Sunday 8–9:10 a.m.

Sunday Worship: 9:30 a.m. A blend of hymns & contemporary songs.
Fellowship time following service is provided. Sunday School for ages 4 years–5th grade during worship service. Nursery also Available.

Sunday Evening: Youth Group — For Grades 6–11: 6–7:45 p.m.

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

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

Ongoing Evening Adult Bible Studies: call for details

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Faith Community Bible Church — Evangelical Free Church of America

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

Sunday Worship Hours:

8:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. (Nursery provided.) • Sunday School Classes 9:30 a.m.–10:30 a.m.
Children’s Church (God’s Garage) for ages 3–grade 3

Ministries:

Youth Group for Grades 6–12: Sunday Evening 6:30 p.m.

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

Men’s Ministry/Men of Faith: 2nd and 4th Saturday 7:00 a.m.

Women’s Ministry/LIFT: 2nd Friday at 6:30 p.m. • Senior Ministry/SAGES: 3rd Monday

Small Group Ministry/BRIDGES: Various locations during the week

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Landmark Baptist Church

Fundamental, Independent, Biblical, Caring

Pastor Paul J. Clow

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

Sunday School: 9:30 a.m. (Nursery Provided) (New Beginnings Class:
for those interested in the Christian Faith and in Landmark Baptist Church. This is a time for questions and answers about what it means to be a Christian and what we believe here at Landmark!)

Sunday Morning Worship: 10:30 a.m. (Nursery and Children’s Church Provided)

Sunday Evening: 6 p.m. • Master Club: Weds. 6:30–8 p.m. (ages 5–6th grade)

Wednesday Evening Bible Study: 7 p.m. (Nursery Provided. We are studying
verse by verse through various books of the Bible.)

Saturday Street Witnessing: 9:30 a.m. • Saturday Youth Group: 7–9 p.m. (Grades 7–12)

We never cancel services for any reason!

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Loudon Center Freewill Baptist Church

Rev. Henry Frost

Clough Hill Road. Mailing address: P.O. Box 7852, Loudon, NH 03307 • 783-4540

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

Sunday Worship: 10:00 a.m.

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Loudon Congregational Church

Rev. David D. Randlett, III

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

Sunday Worship: 9:30 a.m. (Staffed nursery for infants–pre-K)

Sunday School (all ages): 11:15 a.m. (Sept.–June)

Tuesday and Wednesday Evenings: Regional PrayerWatch Groups and Christian Study Groups
(call for details) 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

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

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

Worship: 10:30 a.m. (Childcare provided for Infants.) Jr. Kids Church (2-year-olds–Kindergarteners.)
Kidsville (Grades 1–4)

Early Evening: House Churches. (Call the church or visit our website for a location near you.)

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

Wednesdays: Youth Group (Grades 7–12). 6:30–8:00 p.m. (Brian Bollinger)

Prayer Gathering: 6 p.m. • Adult Bible Studies: 6:30 p.m.

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

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

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SonLight Christian Fellowship

Pastor Thomas Friedrich

Currently meeting at the Loudon American Legion Hall, So. Village Rd.

Mailing address: 55 Wiggins Road, Loudon, NH 03307 • 798-3112 • pastor@sonlightchristian.org

Sunday Worship: 10:30 a.m. First Sunday of Every Month: Communion Service followed by
potluck luncheon. Third Sunday of Every Month: Men’s and Women’s Ministry
Luncheon following services.

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

Warrant Articles — cont. from 1

- J.O. Cate Memorial Van Capital Reserve Fund \$2,500
- Ambulance/Rescue Equipment Capital Reserve Fund \$40,000
- Conservation Commission Land Capital Reserve Fund \$30,000
- Town Office Building Capital Reserve Fund \$100,000

(Majority vote required) The Selectmen recommend this article.

ARTICLE 10: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100,000 to be placed in the previously established Expendable Trust Funds:

- Transfer Station Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund \$30,000
- Septage Lagoon Expendable Trust Fund \$10,000
- Highway Road Grader Expendable Trust Fund \$60,000

(Majority vote required) The Selectmen recommend this article.

ARTICLE 11: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$87,500 for the purpose of purchasing the development rights to conserve valuable farmland and forestland and authorize the withdrawal from the Loudon Conservation Commission Land Fund Expendable Trust established for this purpose at the 2002 Annual Meeting. (Majority vote required) The Selectmen recommend this article.

ARTICLE 12: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$_____ to defray Town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations to the same. This article does not include any of the previous warrant articles.

The blank line in Article 12 will hold the bottom-line budget figure once it has been determined.

Town Meeting is Saturday, March 17 this year at 9 a.m. at the Elementary School. ■

ATTENTION ADVERTISERS!

Please check your ad carefully. If there is a problem with your ad, you must contact the Communications Council prior to the next deadline. If there is an error solely attributable to the Council, your corrected ad will be run in the next issue for free.



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Email scot@sslandscapingnh.com or visit us online at:

www.sslandscapingnh.com/ledger.html

NH Certified Landscape Professional



Loudon Food Pantry News

50/50 Raffle Results

The lucky winner of our 50 / 50 Raffle is Bill F. He won \$110.75! Hopefully this will make his holiday a little happier.

Gift of Lights

As we mentioned in last month's article, the New Hampshire Food Bank was kind enough to allow the food from this event to be given to Loudon Food Pantry. The last day for this event was on January 1st and our grand total is 22,373.98 pounds of food. This food will keep our shelves stocked for some time. Thanks again to Gift of Lights and New Hampshire Food Bank!

Financial Donations Badly Needed

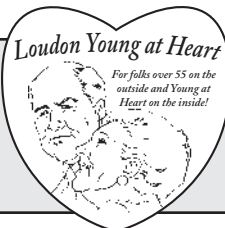
We are still in need of financial donations to buy food that was not donated (like cereal, juices, etc.), pay for supplies, equipment, and operating expenses. Please donate what you can afford today so that we can continue helping those in need.

Drop off or mail your donations to Loudon Food Pantry, 30 Chichester Rd., Unit D., Loudon NH 03307. You can also go to LoudonFoodPantry.org and donate as well. As always, if you have any questions, call us at 724-9731.

Need Help?

Are you having a hard time feeding your household? If you live in Belmont, Canterbury, Chichester, Epsom or Loudon and meet the requirements, we can help you. Call us at 724-9731 and make an appointment. All food is given out by appointment only. Call today and get your household fed!

Thank you volunteers and donors for all your help! ■



Loudon Young at Heart

"The Glass is Half Full: Positive Thinking for a Positive You" was the topic at the January 10, 2012 meeting of Loudon Young at Heart. Keliene Totten, Community Benefit Director of the Concord Regional Visiting Nurse Association addressed the 32 seniors gathered at Charlie's barn. Keliene cited potential health benefits from thinking positive as reduction in stress, improved relationships, better physical and emotional health, and improved cardiovascular health. She mentioned that some hindering behaviors are unrealistic expectations, jumping to conclusions and taking it personal.

To work toward a positive attitude and life style, the speaker suggested that one change their mental filter, set realistic goals, and avoid magnifying a problem. Surrounding yourself with positive people, practicing positive self talk, and laughing a little — or a lot — will also aid in finding the positive.

During the business part of the morning, sign-up was done for the February 14 meeting, which is a luncheon trip to the Food for Thought Cafe in Belmont. Folks should meet at the Charlie's Barn at 11:30 a.m. to car pool to the luncheon.

Suggestions were taken for future programs and are always welcome.

Door prizes were gift bags from Confectionately Yours Sweet Shop, Steve Jackson's new candy store at the Brookside Mall. They were won by Carolyn Bilodeau and Philip Mulkhey.

Stay well and stay warm!! ■



Kenneth Chaput Named to Dean's List

Kenneth Chaput has been named to the Dean's List for the Fall 2011 semester at NH Technical Institute in Concord. Kenneth is in the Animation and Graphic Game Programming program. Congratulations, Kenneth! ■

Annual Report From the Loudon Communications Council

When the Communications Council conducted its first meeting in 1998, our primary goal and highest aspiration was to create a means of communicating information about Loudon to the residents of Loudon in a positive, unbiased way. Now, much more than a decade later, the *Loudon Ledger* and its companion, the Council's website at www.Loudonnh.org have proven themselves to be valuable resources for our citizens, local businesses, town offices and local organizations. Copies of the *Ledger* are delivered monthly to every household in Loudon, with additional copies placed at local businesses and town offices to make information available to visitors as well.

At the website, visitors will find archived PDF copies of past issues of the *Ledger*, along with easily accessible information such as calendars of Town events, meeting agendas, meeting minutes, policy documents and regulations, downloadable applications for permits and services, town-wide property tax information, and useful links to other State and federal government websites. The website at www.Loudonnh.org has proven itself to be an inexpensive venue for local businesses to advertise and reach an even wider audience.

Volunteers from Loudon organizations and committees — Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Young at Heart, Loudon Churches, Recreation, LYAA, Old Home Day, the School District (high school, middle school and elementary school), Recycling, American Legion, Richard Brown House and Loudon Lions Club — contribute articles and photographs for publication. The *Ledger* includes minutes of the Agricultural Commission's meetings and information about special events, products and services at local farms. We also feature news from our business community. The Board of Selectmen, Planning Board, Zoning Board of Adjustment, Police Department/Code Enforcement, Fire Department, Library Trustees, Conservation Commission, and Historical Society provide minutes for publication, and every spring the *Ledger* and www.Loudonnh.org provide Town Meeting updates, including warrant articles and budget information. When space is available, the Council also publishes information from the Community Action Program, Visiting Nurse Association, Fish and Game Department and Department of Safety.

Members of the Council are all volunteers, including our secretary, treasurer and webmistress. We count on town employees and volunteers from other local organizations to provide content for each monthly installment of the *Ledger*, and we rely on volunteers who serve as our "delivery team" that picks up bundles of the *Ledger* from the printer, delivers them to the mailing service, and returns to collect the "extras" that don't get mailed so that they can be delivered to various distribution points throughout town. The Council extends its thanks to all those organizations, our regular contributors, volunteer authors and feature-writers. We also want to acknowledge our appreciation for the dedication and professionalism of paid staff including our Communications Coordinator and Ad Salesperson.

The Council continues to fund a substantial portion of its operating expenses — ad sales, layout, printing, mailing — through advertising revenues; however, to maintain tax-exempt status as a publicly supported organization described in the Internal Revenue Code section 501(c)(3), at least one-third of the Council's total support must come from governmental units and from contributions made directly or indirectly by the general public. We are grateful for the Town's continuing support.

The Loudon Communications Council's meeting schedule, mission statement and submission guidelines can all be found in *The Loudon Ledger* and at www.loudonnh.org. If you have a suggestion, an article you'd like to submit, a regular feature you might volunteer to write, or if you would like to participate in Council meetings, we would love to hear from you. ■

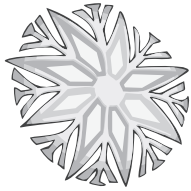
Personal Assistant

Personal Assistant needed in the Loudon/Concord area to help an 11 year old boy experiencing a disability 2 days a week from 4 p.m.-7 p.m., and occasional Saturdays. Provide assistance and supervision with personal needs, personal safety, social skills and opportunities to access the community. Clean criminal & driving records a must! Please submit resume to hr@communitybridgesnh.org or fax to 603 565-1092. Jobcode: IHS-L.

**The Deadline for the
March 2012
issue of
The Loudon Ledger is:
Friday, February 17, 2011**

Loudon Recreation Committee News

WEEKEND OF WINTRY FUN IN LOUDON



The annual **Winter Carnival** event is scheduled for **Saturday, February 25th** with a bad weather or no snow date of March 3rd. Join your friends and neighbors of Loudon for some winter fun at the Loudon Recreation Field in the village. There will be snowman toss game, horse drawn wagon rides, snowman building competition (with prizes), snowshoeing, and a bonfire to keep warm. Be sure to come on down for winter fun!!! To continue on with the weekend of winter fun on **Sunday, February 26th** will be **Fishing Derby**. (the bad weather date is March 4th). The derby will be held at Sanborn Pond on Sanborn Road in Loudon. A beginners fishing clinic will be from 9-10 am. The official start to the derby will be at 10:00 a.m. and run until 2:00 p.m. There will be a safety clinic, food, prizes and concessions sold by Boy Scout troops 247 and 30. Registrants must have a 2012 Fishing license for entrants 16 years of age or older. Registration fee is \$5 if you register in advance and \$10 if you register on the day of the event. If you are interested in attending or helping please contact Alicia at 435-5193 or email affirmhealth@yahoo.com. See the full flyers in this issue of *The Loudon Ledger* or on the website www.loudonnh.org.

AMERICAN RED CROSS BABYSITTING COURSE

Saturday, March 24th at The Loudon Community Building from 9:00 a.m.–3:30 p.m. This course is recommended for students ages 11-15. The cost is \$40 per student. Please see the full flyer with details on how to register on the website at www.loudonnh.org and sign up right away as there are limited spots!!



CHILDREN'S SUMMER THEATER CAMP

We have had four years of successful camp and already scheduled Children's Stage Adventures for another week long session of theater camp fun for kids in kindergarten through high school. Save the date of July 9th–13th with an amazing performance on Friday night, July 13th. For more information about the Children's Stage Adventures program, visit their website at www.childrenstageadventures.org. The play this year is *The Sword Called Excalibur*. You won't want to miss this week of fun! Camp price for the week, times and other info will be publicized in the Spring. Save the date for a week of theatrical fun!



MANCHESTER MONARCHS

Two games – Sunday, February 26th at 3:00 p.m. Monarchs vs. Providence and Sunday, March 11th 3:00 p.m. which is Max's birthday and bound to be fun! Tickets are \$13.75 for adults and \$11 for youth. There is also a \$5 drink, slice of pizza and chuck-a-puck voucher available. To purchase tickets, see the flyer at www.loudonnh.org in this issue of *The Loudon Ledger* or contact Alicia Grimaldi at 435-5193 or email affirmhealth@yahoo.com.

MUSICIANS LIST IS GROWING!!!!



If you play an instrument and want to join the fun we are still looking to grow the name and contact info list of talented musicians who want to form a concert band. Let's get together to play — don't be shy, call or email and add your name to the list!! We are looking for musicians of all ages — exceptional middle school musicians through adults to join in the fun. Even if you haven't played in a while, dust off that instrument and tune it up to play. If you are interested please contact Tom Stevens at tomandjenn2002@gmail.com.

ZUMBA

...is in full swing. If you want to join the next class, contact Melissa to have your name placed on a list 219-4255.



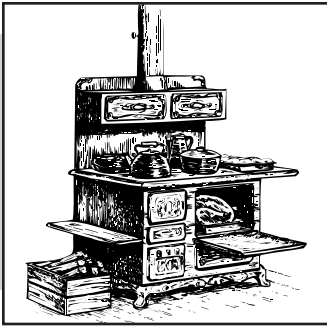
In the works....

PLEASE NOTE: Unfortunately The American Red Cross is no longer offering the Safe on My Own class so we will not be able to offer that. Please be sure to talk to your children about safety when going or being home alone. Make sure your family has safety plans in place.

We are working on putting together a pottery class for kids during April vacation and even working on the schedule for summer swim lessons at Clough Pond. Stay tuned.

Please watch future issues of *The Loudon Ledger* and as always you should check the website www.loudonnh.org for more details on these and other upcoming events and to make sure you aren't missing anything!! Thank you for your continued support!

If you have ideas, suggestions or comments about recreation programming here in Loudon or would like to be placed on our email contact list please contact Alicia at 435-5193 or by email at affirmhealth@yahoo.com. Recreation meetings are generally the last Wednesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. at Maxfield Public Library — but sometimes our busy schedules force us to change meeting dates — we don't want to miss you, so please let us know if you want to be on the contact list. We hope to see you!! ■



What's Cookin'!

This month: A Few of My Favorite Recipes

Alex Pfeiffer

I've been such a busy girl lately that my super cool, 9-year-old son Alex offered to write the article for the Ledger this month. At the last school book fair he bought the cookbook "Taste Of Home 'Almost Homemade,'" 374 easy home-style favorites. He spent a lot of time choosing the perfect recipes for everyone to make and enjoy.

First of all I would like to say Happy Valentine's Day to everyone and that I chose every recipe for a reason. ~Alex

WINTER WARMER

I chose the winter warmer because, even though it's Valentine's Day, it's still very cold outside.

- 2 envelopes (1 ounce each) instant hot cocoa mix or 1/2 cup instant hot cocoa mix
- 3 cups hot brewed coffee
- 1/4 cup half-and-half cream
- 3/4 teaspoon rum extract
- 1/4 cup whipped topping
- Ground cinnamon, optional

In a small saucepan, whisk together the cocoa mix, coffee, cream and rum extract until heated through and cocoa is dissolved. Pour into mugs. Garnish with whipped topping; sprinkle with cinnamon if desired

TROPICAL DIP

I chose the tropical dip because I felt that even though it is cold outside, you can still feel tropical inside.

- 1 can (8 ounces) crushed pineapple, undrained
- 1 package (3.4 ounces) instant vanilla pudding mix
- 3/4 cup cold 2% milk
- 1/2 cup flaked coconut
- 1/2 sour cream
- Toasted coconut
- Assorted fresh fruit

In a blender, combine the pineapple, pudding mix, milk, coconut and sour cream; cover and process for 30 seconds. Transfer to a serving bowl; cover and refrigerate for 30 minutes. Garnish with toasted coconut. Serve with fruit.

ORANGE PECAN WAFFLES

I chose orange pecan waffles because on the weekend mornings I know that I can never wake up so, a fruity waffle will really wake you up!

- 1 cup biscuit/baking mix (Bisquick)
- 1 egg, slightly beaten
- 3 tablespoons canola oil
- 1 tablespoon sugar
- 1/2 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1/4 teaspoon grated orange peel
- 1/2 cup club soda
- 3 tablespoons finely chopped pecans, toasted
- Maple syrup, optional

In a small bowl, combine the biscuit mix, egg, oil, sugar, vanilla and orange peel. Stir in club soda until smooth. Gently fold in pecans. Bake in a preheated 7-inch waffle iron according to manufacturer's directions until golden brown. Serve with syrup if desired.

PEACH-FILLED PASTRIES

I chose the peach-filled pastries because it is also fruity.

- 1 sheet frozen puff pastry, thawed
- 1 egg white
- 1 tablespoon of water
- 1-1/2 teaspoons sugar
- 1 can (21 ounces) peach or cherry pie filling
- 1/4 teaspoon almond extract
- 2 cups whipped topping

On a lightly floured surface, unfold pastry and roll to 3/8-in. thickness. Cut along fold seams into three pieces. Cut each piece in half width-wise; place on an ungreased baking sheet. Beat egg white and water; brush over pastry. Sprinkle with sugar. Bake at 400 degrees for 9–11 minutes or until golden brown. Cool on a wire rack. Split each pastry in half horizontally. Combine pie filling and extract; spoon over bottom halves of pastries. Top with whipped topping and pastry tops.

RASPBERRY ANGEL CAKE

Even though the raspberry angel cake is fruity that is not why I chose it, I chose it because if you need something for a party it is big but simple.

- 1 package (16 ounces) angel food cake mix
- 1/2 teaspoon almond extract
- 1/2 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1 package (.3 ounce) sugar-free raspberry gelatin
- 1 package (12 ounces) frozen unsweetened raspberries, thawed
- 1 tablespoon sugar

Prepare cake batter according to package directions. Fold in extracts. Spoon two-thirds of the batter into an ungreased 10-inch tube pan. Add gelatin powder to remaining batter; drop by tablespoonfuls over batter in pan. Cut through with a knife to swirl. Bake according to package directions. Immediately invert pan onto a wire rack; cool completely, about 1 hour. Carefully run a knife around sides of pan to remove cake. Cut into slices. Combine raspberries and sugar; serve over cake.


RASPBERRY SWIRL CUPCAKES

Finally, I chose the raspberry swirl cupcakes because they are so small and easy to make.

- 1 package (18-1/4 ounces) white cake mix
- 1/4 cup raspberry pie filling
- 1/2 cup shortening
- 1/3 cup 2% milk
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 3 cups confectioners' sugar
- Fresh raspberries and coarse sugar, optional

Prepare and bake cake mix according to package directions. Fill paper-lined muffin cups two-thirds full. Drop 1/2 teaspoon of pie filling in the center of each; cut through batter to swirl. Bake at 350 degrees for 20–25 minutes or until a toothpick inserted comes out clean. Cool for 10 minutes before removing from pans to wire racks to cool completely. In a large bowl, beat shortening until fluffy. Add the milk, vanilla, salt and confectioners sugar; beat until smooth. Frost cupcakes. Garnish with raspberries and coarse sugar if desired.

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



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TO YOUR HEALTH

By Tricia Jackson, MPH

A Personal Story

Congenital Heart Defects Awareness Week

February 7–14, 2012

Congenital Heart Defects (CHDs) are a lethal constellation of birth defects of the heart that affect millions of newborn infants and children worldwide; a killer that claims thousands of lives every year. Eight of every 1000 children born alive (0.8%) will have some form of congenital heart defect.

As you may have noticed, every February I write on this subject in my quest to increase awareness. The fact is, congenital heart defects are the number one birth defect and the leading cause of birth defect related deaths worldwide.

Despite much research, in the majority of cases, CHDs occur without any known cause. That is the case with my daughter, Casey Ingraham. She is 9 1/2 years old and has been a Loudon resident for 9 years. Casey has Transposition of the Great Arteries (TGA). This type of defect is one of the less common ones; only 5% of all CHDs are TGA. It's interesting as I looked at my last article on CHD awareness from February 2011; I mentioned that surgery is in her future. I had no idea; it would only be 8 months after I wrote that. In November 2011, She had open-heart surgery to repair her valves.

Normally my article would consist of facts, statistics, and health promotion messages. Yet, given the circumstances of a recent surgery, I wanted to write a personal perspective. Not mine, but the perspective of one brave little girl who went through it. If you are interested in my perspective, well picture your worst parental nightmare and that sums it up. So, I asked Casey if she would like to write some thoughts about her experience. She was reluctant at first, she was actually afraid of being embarrassed. I explained to her how people should understand that these things do happen to children; brave, wonderful children, even children living right in our town. She agreed to write some of her experience and feelings.

Casey's Perspective

It was a tough thing to go through. I said a lot of times, "I'm not going to make it," but I tried a lot and made it through. I went to a hotel (*Yawkey Family Inn — Patient Family Housing*) to stay for one night the day before my surgery. The next day I got my surgery, I was scared.

I couldn't eat a couple days after my surgery, because my stomach didn't feel right. When I first tried to walk I didn't want to do it, but the nurses made me. I would be able to walk to the elevator, the computer room and I would walk around with my favorite nurse and try to find candy. There were cords attached to my heart, it hurt to get the cords pulled out.

I would think to myself a lot; What are my friends doing right now? Are they worried about me? Are they happy for me? I wish I could know. I wasn't able to call my friends or anyone, because the hospital was in Boston, Massachusetts, far away from Loudon. I did have my sister, Sidney, visit me every once in a while. I had a friend come visit me, Rebekah and we played games for a couple hours and then she left, I had a lot of fun.

What I did hurt me a lot and helped me a lot.

— I think that last statement says it all. It was scary and painful for her, but it needed to be done. The doctors are not sure what medical issues are in Casey's future, but I have learned to just take it one day at a time — and everyday is blessed with my spunky little redhead.

Source: CHDinfo.com

Do you have a health topic that you would like to see featured? Please send ideas to: tricia0101@comcast.net. ■



American Legion Post 88 News

I missed the deadline this past month, so we hope you all had a great holiday season and are looking forward to a great New Year.

We are doing very well with our membership — we are among the top of District 5 on membership. Let's stay there. We are staying the same on dues, even though National and State have gone up. If you know anyone who would like to join or transfer to Post 88, please sign them up.

This past December, we donated a \$750.00 to the Loudon Food Pantry and \$1,000.00 to the Veterans Home in Tilton. During the year, we donate to other deserving causes but the Food Pantry and Veterans Home are our big charities.

We are still renting the hall and still have hospital equipment for loan to any one who has a need.

Well, short and not much to report this month so enjoy the snow and cold — be warm and stay safe. ■

The Legion Family



From left Jim Dymont, past Commander; Joe Piroso, Commander; Barry Conway, Commandant at Veterans Home in Tilton; and Fred Osgood, Chaplin, members of The American Legion Post 88 Loudon, N.H.

Tree Fruit Class

Wednesday, March 7, 2012
4:00 – 8:00 PM

Epsom Fire Station
1714 Dover Road (Route 4)
Epsom, NH

Pre-registration by March 1 is strongly recommended. The registration fee is \$10. You may pay at the door. To RSVP, please contact Mary West at 795-2151 or marywest@unh.edu.

This workshop is designed for people who want to start a small orchard business, farmers who want to diversify, and serious home orchardists. It will be taught by Amy Ouellette, Merrimack County Agriculture Educator and Bill Lord, Fruit Specialist, Extension.

Topics:

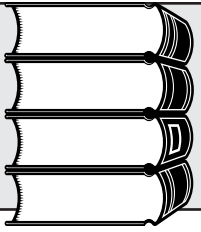
- Site selection
- Soil preparation
- Fruit varieties and rootstocks
- Trellising and pruning to establish good tree structure
- Fertilization
- Pest management

Refreshments will be served.

Directions: The Epsom Fire Station is located on route 4, only 4 1/2 mile east of the Epsom Traffic Circle (intersection of routes 398, 302, 4, and 9). It is a large building on the left, heading east.

If you require accommodations in order to participate, please contact the Merrimack County UNH Cooperative Extension office by March 5.

UNH Cooperative Extension grants and political considerations. Federal and State funds are responsible for the dissemination of information regarding agricultural, rural, and urban development, education, or research.



Maxfield Public Library News

Downloadable Books

Have you taken a look yet at nh.lib.overdrive.com to see what books are available for free downloads through the library's subscription? Stop by for a print-out of step-by-step instructions that cover use by many different devices. Helpful screen shots are included.

Spring Fever Arts And Crafts Fair

For now, table space is still available at the library's **Spring Fever Arts and Crafts Fair**. The date has been finalized for the first weekend in May. Hours will be Saturday, May 5, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., and Sunday, May 6, from 1 to 4 p.m. The jury asks that photos of the work be submitted in a digital format. By appointment, you may also bring the work to the library for the jury to review. Once accepted, registration is required along with a \$20 fee. Please call Nancy Hendy at 798-5153 to make arrangements or for further details.

Creative Wednesdays

Art workshops continue on Wednesday afternoons from 2–4 p.m. At 7 p.m., the Sit 'n' Stitch group meets in the most comfortable part of the Children's Room to work on needlework projects and share ideas and techniques. All are welcome to join in for either session.

Story Time

Even though the snow has just begun to fall in Loudon, all eyes anxiously look toward the prediction of Punxsutawney Phil. Join us January 31 and February 1 and 2 as we read *Groundhog Gets a Say* by Pamela Curtis Swallow. The craft to follow might help us find out when spring will arrive.

February 8, 9, and 14 the story timers will celebrate Valentine's Day. After listening to *Happy Valentine's Day, Dolores* by Barbara Samuels, and making a valentine craft, the children are invited to stay for a valentine's party.

On the 15th and 16th of February, we will focus on President's Day. Don't be surprised if you see President Lincoln visiting the library!

Story time will investigate sharks February 21 through 23 by reading Catherine Ipcizade and Marcus Pfister's books, *Big Predators* and *Rainbow Fish to the Rescue*. Join us as we make a shark out of paper cups.

New Books

Fiction

Crais, Robert
George, Elizabeth
Hoag, Tami
Hunter, Nicole
Kellerman, Faye
King, Stephen
Koontz, Dean
Patterson, James
Unsworth, Barry

Taken
Believing the Lie
Down the Darkest Road
Waiting for the World to End
Gun Games
11/22/63
77 Shadow Street
Kill Alex Cross
The Quality of Mercy

Nonfiction

Barry, John M.

Roger Williams and the Creation of the American Soul
Back to Work
Health Care Reform
Jerusalem : The Biography
Hedy's Folly
Through My Eyes
Weight Watchers One Pot Cookbook

Clinton, Bill
Gruber, Jonathan
Montefiore, Simon Sebag
Rhodes, Richard
Tebow, Tim
Weight Watchers

New DVDs

Apollo 18, Aquamarine, Bliss, Contagion, Dolphin Tale, Happy Tears, Kill the Irishman, Margin Call, Mr. Popper's Penguins, Midnight in Paris, Moneyball, Shrink, The Stoning of Soraya M.

Book And Girl Scout Cookie Sale

Mark your calendar for February 25 to stock up on books and cookies from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. For advance notice of sales by phone or email, please call Fran at 798-5153.

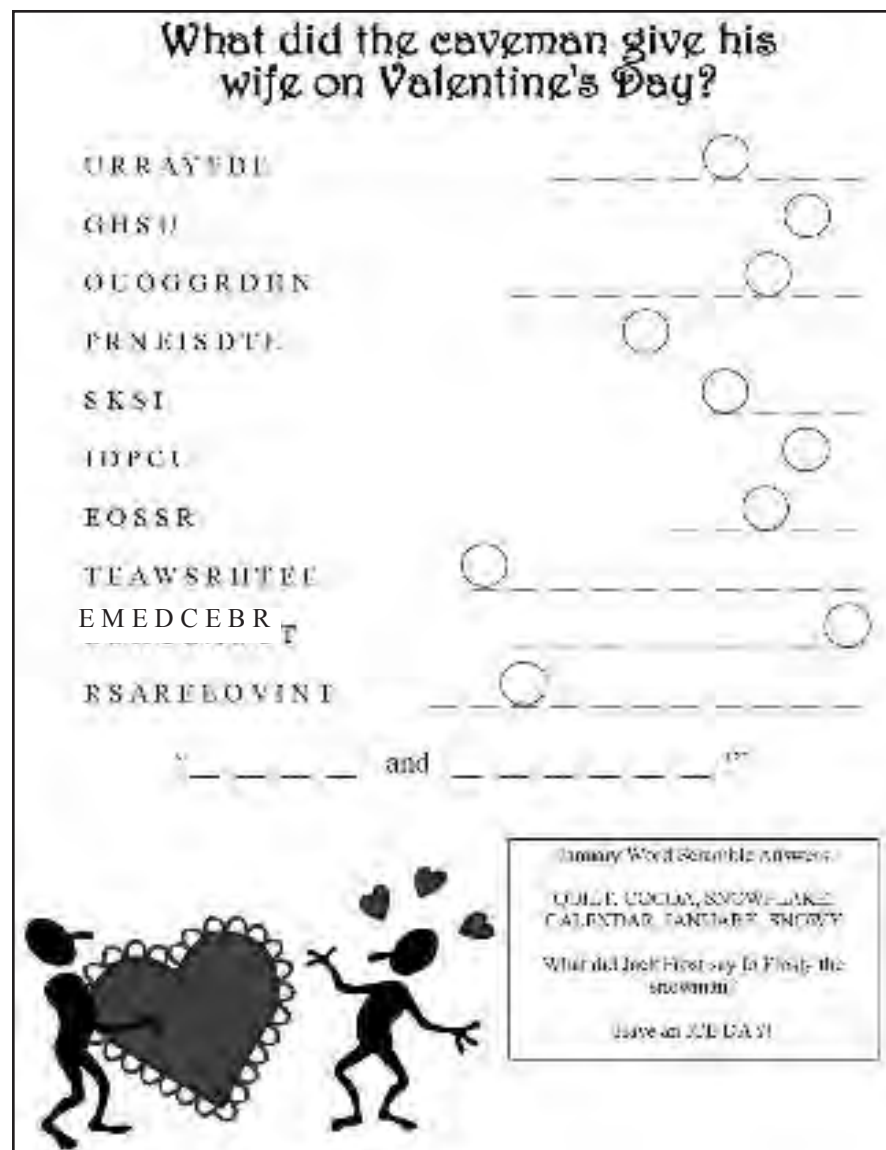
Book Groups

The F/NF (fiction/nonfiction) book group will meet at 7 p.m. on February 23 to discuss *Cathedral by the Sea* by Idelfonso Falcones. This novel of 14th Barcelona combines elements of romance, plague, feudal social strata, and the Spanish Inquisition set against the creation of a soaring cathedral.

Classic book group will meet on February 28, at 2:30 p.m., to discuss whether the novel *Babbitt*, written by Sinclair Lewis in 1922, still has relevance for Americans ninety years down the road. A creative writing session will follow. Newcomers are welcome.

Library Hours

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



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Ice Fishing Derby Part of Winter Carnival in Loudon!

**ICE FISHING DERBY — Sunday, February 26th.
10 am at Sanborn Pond on Sanborn Road.
(Bad weather dates of Saturday, March 3rd
for Winter Carnival and
Sunday, March 4th for Ice Fishing Derby)**

In addition to all of the Winter Carnival Fun on Saturday, February 25, the Recreation Committee is having an Ice Fishing Derby at Sanborn Pond on Sunday, February 26 from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. There will be a beginners fishing clinic from 9 to 10 a.m. and a safety clinic at 11 a.m.

The fee is \$5 per adult in advance or \$10 the day of the derby. Kids 12 and under are free. All participants must register and sign a waiver. Prizes will be awarded for the heaviest fish!

Sanborn Pond is an 87-acre pond. *Please be advised there is some walking to do to get to the pond.* Registrants must present a 2012 NH fishing license for entrants 16 years of age or older. Participants must bring all their own supplies (equipment will be provided for those registered for the beginner's clinic). No holes will be drilled before 9:45 a.m.

All NH Fish and Game Rules must be followed and children must be accompanied by an adult.

Concessions will be sold by Boy Scout Troop 247 and Troop 30 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Directions to entrances:

Parking and walking trail from the Main Entrance at Sanborn Mills Farm, 7097 Sanborn Road. There is an alternate entrance off Rte 129, northbound, on the right just before Loudon Ridge Road. It is an off road tractor trail, suitable for trucks and ATV's. Snowmobiles allowed on Snowshaker trail routes and pond — please note that NO snowmobiles are permitted on Sanborn Mills Farm property.

If you have any questions please contact Alicia Grimaldi at 435-5193 or email affirmhealth@yahoo.com.

Ice Fishing Derby Registration

Return form with payment by Feb. 20th

\$5 per adult (\$10 day of event) • Kids 12 and under FREE
Checks payable to: Town of Loudon — Recreation

Participant Name: _____

Attending Beginner's Clinic: ☐ Yes or ☐ No

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

(will be used if there is inclement weather)

Please mail this form to: Alicia Grimaldi

7001 Sanborn Road Loudon, NH 03307

Loudon Recreation Department Liability Waiver I, the undersigned (as per my signature below) by registering, myself and/or my child, or my ward in the named program on this registration form, understand the nature and risk associated with participation in this activity. I hereby grant my child, or my ward permission to participate. I am aware that the activity, equipment, and facilities may pose significant risk of injury. I am also aware that each participant is responsible for their own safety. I hereby grant for myself, my heirs executors, or administrators; waive and release any and all claims of damage we ever had, or now have, against the Town of Loudon, its successors and assigns, employees, agents and representatives for any and all kinds of injury, including but not limited to personal and/ or property damage suffered by my child, or myself, while participating in the activity. In the event of a medical emergency, I consent to the participant's treatment by a medical doctor and I agree to pay all costs associated with said treatment, including transportation to a medical facility.

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Date: _____

Merrimack Valley High School's Drama Club is proud to present... Cole Porter's "Anything Goes"

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Loudon Girl Scout News

Mmmm, smooth chocolate outside, crunchy, minty inside. Can't you just taste it? Well you won't have to wait long until you really can taste the goodness that is Girl Scout Cookies. Cookies arrive mid to late February. Thank you to those who placed orders in advance. Haven't ordered yours? No worries, Loudon troops will be out and about selling cookies in Concord (Sam's Club Sunday February 19th 11:30 to 5pm) and in Loudon at various dates and times at the TD Bank North in the Fox Pond Plaza at 106 and 129. Thank you to those businesses for supporting the girls as they improve their financial literacy skills and raise money for future activities and community service projects.

The girls are looking forward to presenting their countries and learning about other countries at World Thinking Day later this month. Watch for pictures and a summary in the March *Ledger*.

Dr. Seuss Camp February Vacation Week

Looking for a fun, safe, affordable activity for your young girl over February break? How about a week of fun with a Dr. Seuss theme, Sneezeball, help Horton find a who, songs, and crafts all while making new friends! What's not to love? This camp runs February 27, through March 2, 2012 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. (optional before and after care are available for an additional cost). Camp will be held at the West Congregational Church in Concord. The camp is open to all girls in grades kindergarten through three. The cost is \$100 per girl (\$12 registration fee for girls who are not currently registered Girl Scouts). For additional information and availability, please call or text Deb Kaitz at 603-848-3280 or djsirrianna@comcast.net.

It's Not Too Early to be Thinking About Summer

It's cold now and we're all hunkered down in fleece and worried about snow days, but before we know it, it will be time for shorts and flip flops and the kids will be out of school and looking for things to do. Girl Scout Camp is a fantastic way for your girl to make new friends, pursue interests or try something new, all in a safe, supervised environment AND at an affordable price. For more information about day camp and resident camps, visit www.girlscoutsgwm.org.

Do you have a special skill, or a passion you want to share? Volunteers are always welcome to share a skill or hobby with a troop. Contact Cecile Merrill at cmerrill01@comcast.net or 798-3876 to make arrangements. We also welcome new girl members at any time!

Brownie Troop 10955

Sarah Earle, Lynnette LeBlanc and Tammy Bourque

Our troop has been learning about Switzerland, our country for World Thinking Day. We talked about the Swiss Girl Guides and what they do, and studied their promise and law. The girls had some homework this month, digging up facts about Switzerland, and then we came together to share them and put them on our display board for the event. We learned a funny dance, talked about ways the Swiss people are trying to help their environment (which is the theme for this year's World Thinking Day), and of course prepared some Swiss food. We're excited to be receiving our badges for Safety First, Girl Scout Ways and Around the World, and are partway through working on our Pets badge. The girls have, of course, been busy selling cookies, and we've been brainstorming about what to do with the money we earn.

Troop 12641

Leader: Kathy Fisher, Co-Leader: Jenn Maguire

We ended the year with 11 Juniors plus family members roller skating at Skate Escape in Laconia. A great time was had by all...and no major injuries. Congrats to those 1st timers — you did awesome and what courage & strength to persevere! Big Thanks to Mrs. Earle, Mrs. Cheney & Mrs. Lowell who joined us. We can't wait to go back and groove to more tunes! On our "Amuse" journey the girls have imagined their life as a movie and got to try their hand at being a casting director. They learned to observe people closely by keeping a casting call log filled with women they encounter, the roles they play & the values of the GS law they express. Excitement is building for our World Thinking Day event where we'll enjoy learning about girl guiding in other countries. We're busy taking cookie orders and will be at booth sales around town & in Concord—come by to see us! Thanks to all you supporters!

Cadette Troop #12356

The Cadette troop continues to work on the Breathe Journey. We continue to learn all about air, the properties of it, how it makes us feel, why it is so important and what we can do to ensure it's quality. Ed Cherian from Iberdrola Renewables came to teach us all about the power of wind as a renewable energy source. The girls and adults asked some great questions and everyone became more informed about wind power. We thank him for coming to speak. We are busy selling Girl Scout cookies and will be having a booth sale in Concord at Sam's Club on February 19th. Also we hope to sell cookies at town meeting —



so look for us there! We have so many activities and projects we want to fit in, we just hope to get it all done! We are finalizing our plans for the New York City trip and our other exciting adventures! Stay tuned for more from us. ■



Enjoy The Winter Outdoors, But "Hike Safe"

With snow and ice finally arriving in New Hampshire and a holiday weekend ahead, outdoor authorities are advising the Granite State's backcountry visitors to "hikeSafe."

"New Hampshire is a great place for winter recreation, whether you're hiking, snowshoeing, backcountry skiing or ice-climbing," said New Hampshire Fish and Game Conservation Officer Lieutenant James Goss. "But the winter environment can be a dangerous place. Cold temperatures, deep snow cover and fierce winds — especially above treeline — mean that hikers and others need to take special precautions."

Recent incidents have included the death of a hiker who fell 800 feet while descending Mount Washington after dark, and several skiers who had to be rescued by Forest Service Snow Rangers after triggering avalanches in unstable snow on the mountain.

To help stay safe, winter outdoor enthusiasts should visit www.hikesafe.com and review the principles of "hikeSafe," a joint initiative of N.H. Fish and Game and the White Mountain National Forest to promote safe and responsible hiking.

There are six basic tenets of the code. You are responsible for yourself, so be prepared:

- 1) With the appropriate knowledge and gear;
- 2) Leave your plans with someone else;
- 3) Hiking groups should stick together, and not let themselves become separated;
- 4) Hikers should always be ready to turn back if circumstances, such as changing weather, dictate;
- 5) Hikers should be ready for emergencies, and, ideally, be set to effect "self rescue"; and
- 6) Those who know the code should share its lessons with others.

Goss notes that the Hiker Responsibility Code applies year-round, but there are special considerations for winter hiking. "Winter weather can be extreme, especially on the highest summits of the White Mountains, so anyone venturing to those areas absolutely must be prepared for bitter cold, strong winds and poor visibility — and must be ready to turn back if conditions become too difficult."

All backcountry visitors should be aware of avalanches and the special training and equipment needed for anyone who is traveling in potential avalanche terrain. For safety alerts and more information on the White Mountain National Forest, visit www.fs.fed.us/r9/forests/white_mountain.

The New Hampshire Outdoor Council is a major supporter of hikeSafe and search and rescue efforts throughout the state.

The New Hampshire Fish and Game Department works to conserve the state's fish, wildlife and marine resources and their habitats. Visit www.wildnh.com. ■



News from the Lions Den

Our 2012 planning is well underway and your Loudon Lions Club will be busy. Our events this year will include:

- Spring Pancake Breakfast
- Chili Cookoff
- Easter Raffle Basket
- Tree Plantings/Dedications
- Blood Drive
- Ice cream social
- And much more!!

Two of our most significant events are the Angels 5K Race/Walk, on May 3, 2012, and Senior Scholarship awards at MVHS — the amounts of which will be determined from the proceeds of the race.

There are lots of opportunities to help out, especially at the Angels 5K. We have had so many wonderful volunteers over the years, and if you are also interested in volunteering please contact any of the race committee members: Sara at sawagner603@comcast.net; Lee or Laura at doublels@comcast.net or Casey at caseyscheinler@yahoo.com. We welcome your support and can't do it without you!

Keep an eye out for:

- Scholarship forms through the MVHS Guidance Office — don't miss out!
- Our brand new website — everything you ever wanted to know about the Lions Club and more...

As always you are welcome to join any of our meetings. We meet at the Maxfield Public Library on the first and third Tuesday at 7PM. Come visit us... you know you want to!

Submitted by Casey Scheinler

Become a "Loudon Ledger" Volunteer!

The *Loudon Ledger* is beginning its 14th year! It's hard to believe that this unique and informative publication has been around for fourteen years, but it's true!

Through that time, the *Ledger* has been guided by the volunteer members of the Loudon Communications Council. Several of the current Council members have been members since day one. All Council members believe strongly in the mission of the Council and, through the years, have supported it.

And through the years, the membership in the Council has dwindled. It's a smaller group that produces the publication now than a few years ago. The group understands everyone is busy, but we hope a few more people would like to join us. There are so many wonderful topics to write about — and you certainly don't need to be a professional writer. Loudon is a busy town and has a rich and interesting history that someone could write about each month.

The Council meets one evening a month and those meetings only last about a half hour. If you'd like to join us, please mark your calendar for Monday, February 20. The Council will meet at 6:30 p.m. in the Community Building. We'd love for you to join us. ■

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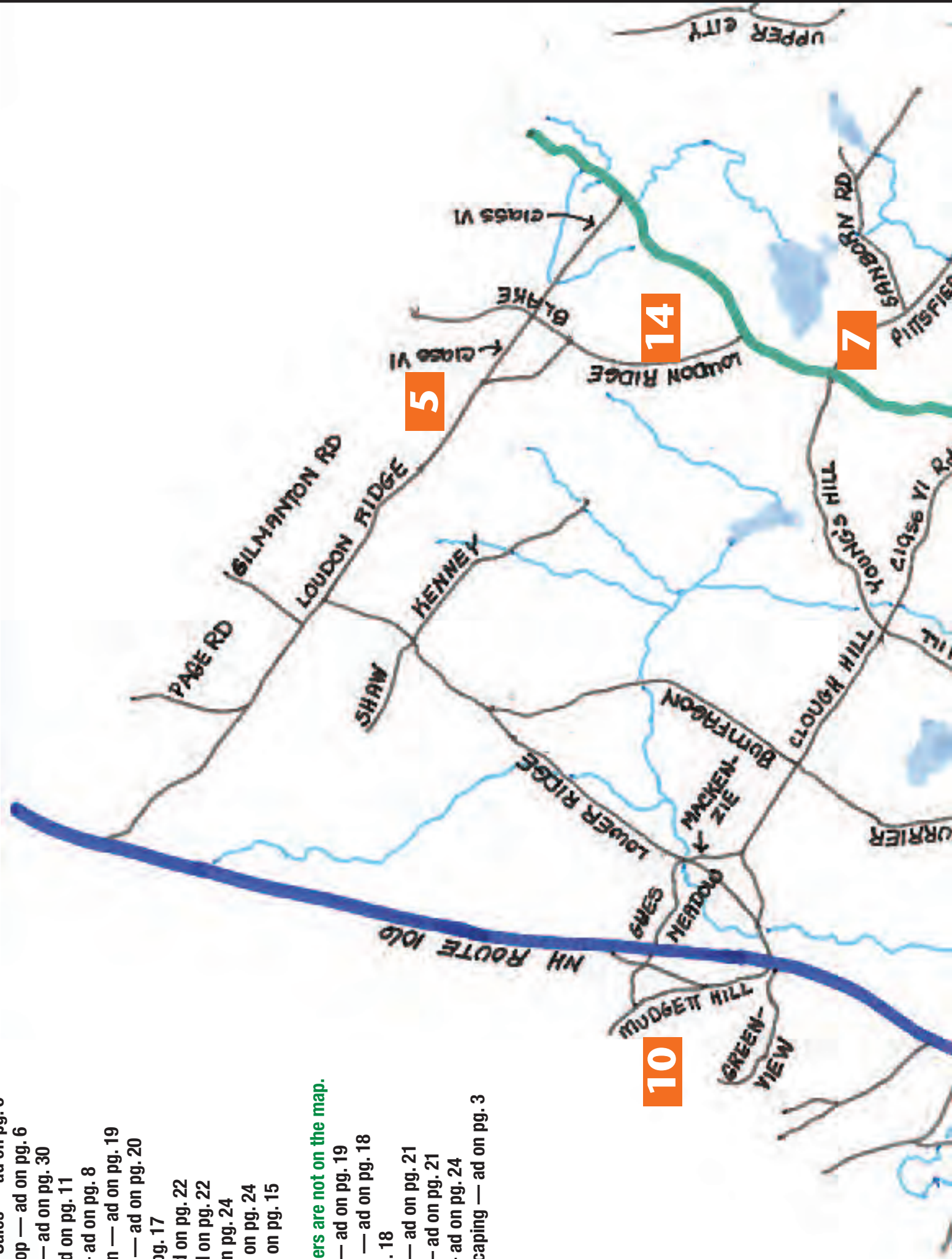
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LOUDON, NEW HAMPSHIRE

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Concord-Area Communities Receiving Lifesaving Equipment



Rick Bilodeau, Judy DeFelice (lead donor), Dillon d'Auteuil, Dina Waldron, Joyce Booker-Janvrin, Christine Frost and George Calligandes.

First responders in Concord and surrounding communities received special gifts this holiday season — gifts that will help them save lives.

As part of its unique “Get the Beat” fundraising partnership with area communities, Concord Hospital Trust is delivering automatic chest compression devices to fire departments and rescue squads.

The LUCAS 2 and AutoPulse devices perform CPR at the push of a button, helping save many cardiac arrest patients who previously would have died. The portable devices overcome one of the main difficulties rescuers face when trying to revive patients whose hearts have stopped beating: performing CPR correctly and consistently, sometimes for extended periods.

Proper chest compressions keep blood circulating, carrying oxygen to the brain. But studies show that even experienced rescuers cannot maintain consistent chest compressions for more than a few minutes because of fatigue, interruptions or the location of the patient.

In a first-of-its-kind program in New Hampshire, Concord Hospital Trust established a matching gift fund through its annual golf tournament to help the communities it serves acquire the systems for their ambulances.

The Trust offers guidance to help communities raise \$6,500, roughly half of the cost, then contributes the balance.

The Tri-Town Volunteer Ambulance Service, which covers Pembroke, Allentown and Suncook, received two LUCAS 2 devices thanks to a gift from the siblings of Pembroke resident Barry Haggett Lombard, who died of cardiac arrest this past August. His sister, Judy DeFelice, and brothers, Brian and Warren Lombard, said as soon as they learned of the “Get the Beat” program, they knew it was the perfect way to honor their brother’s generous and compassionate spirit.

“Barry’s desire to help people grew as he grew and he spent 30 years working at New Hampshire Hospital, helping the residents and employees there,” they said in a statement when the LUCAS 2 devices were presented. “Barry would always lend a hand where needed and often went out of his way to provide help to a family member, friend or co-worker.”

Bow received two LUCAS 2 devices from funds raised in memory of a Bow Fire Department member who passed away and through anonymous donations delivered to the fire station and directly to the Hospital Trust.

“It’s perfect timing,” said Fire Chief Dana Abbot. “We are just starting to go to the paramedic level, so, hopefully, this will make a big difference in the ability of our paramedics and EMTs to save lives in town.”

Abbott said the LUCAS 2 device’s ability to do the work of one rescuer during CPR will be a big boost to Bow’s department, which has two full-time members on duty 24/7.

“This, in effect, will be a third person, when needed,” said Chief Abbot.

Concord received one LUCAS 2 device through a gift from Leah Gray, who taught school in Concord for 30 years and wanted to express her gratitude to the city.

“It just comes back to Concord Hospital being so necessary in the spectrum of Concord itself,” she said. “In my many contacts with Hospital staff, they have been professional, yet kind and personal — it meant so much. My gift allows me to say thank you in a way that benefits others.”

Concord is raising funds to buy two more LUCAS 2 devices.

Other area communities that have received LUCAS 2 devices or will receive them soon include:

- Pittsfield, one device, with a gift from Globe Manufacturing Co.
- Loudon, two devices, one with a gift from Forrest McKerley, the other with a gift from the fans of New Hampshire Motor Speedway.



February Senior Health Clinics

Concord Regional VNA will hold a Senior Health Clinics at the VOANNE Senior Housing on February 28 from 9 a.m. until noon. All Senior Health Clinic services are provided for a suggested donation of \$10; however, services are provided regardless of a person’s ability to pay. Call (603) 224-4093 or (800) 924-8620, ext. 5815 for an appointment. Call 798-5203 if you need a ride.

February Walk-In Immunization Clinics

Concord Regional VNA is holding the following affordable monthly Walk-in Immunization Clinics for all ages: Monday, February 6, 1–3 p.m. and Tuesday, February 21, 2:30–4:30 p.m.

Immunization Clinics are at St. Paul’s Episcopal Church Outreach Center, 21 Centre St. in Concord. A fee of \$5 is requested per child (under 18). Adult vaccinations vary by the cost of the individual vaccine. Children must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. Please bring an immunization record with you. For more information, call Concord Regional VNA at (603) 224-4093 or (800) 924-8620, ext. 5815.

February Walk-In Blood Pressure Clinic

Concord Regional VNA is holding a free monthly Walk-in Blood Pressure Clinic on Friday, February 3, 9:30 - 11 a.m.

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

Adult Grief Support Groups

Concord Regional Visiting Nurse Association is offering two eight-week support groups beginning in February and March. Trained grief facilitators provide an opportunity for grief support and education to participants who have suffered a recent loss.

- Wednesdays, February 1–March 21, 6–7:30 p.m. at Heritage Heights, 149 East Side Drive, Concord.
- Thursdays, March 15–May 3, 10:30 a.m.–Noon, Bow Mills United Methodist Church, 505 South Street, Bow.

The group size is limited to 12 participants and sessions are free. For more information and to register, call (603) 224-4093, ext. 2828 or e-mail Sarah.Gilman@crvna.org.

Senior Wellness Programs

Concord Regional Visiting Nurse Association is offering the following Senior Wellness Programs at Concord Hospital Center for Health Promotion in February and April:

• Creating a Legacy...

Everything in your life is a powerful unique story waiting to be told. Sharing your story opens a window to the past events that helped shape your life. Discover the many ways you can create a legacy for your family and future generations to enjoy. *MEETS*: Tuesday, February 7, 2–3 p.m. *BY*: Sarah Gilman, MSW, Bereavement Services Coordinator at Concord Regional VNA

• Spring Rejuvenation

Spring is here and it is time for renewal. After a long winter, this presentation could not come at a better time. Learn simple strategies to renew your spirit by using sight, smell, sound, touch, and taste to rejuvenate. *MEETS*: Tuesday, April 17, 2–3 p.m. *BY*: Jennifer Brechtel, Community Health Educator at Concord Regional VNA

To register contact Concord Hospital Center for Health Promotion at (603) 230-7300 or on-line at www.concordhospital.org. ■

- Penacook/Boscawen, one, with a gift from Forrest McKerley. The Penacook Rescue Squad, which also covers Canterbury, is raising money for a second device.
- Hillsboro, one. The town Fire Department is raising money for a second.
- Epsom, two, with a donation from the Epsom Fire Association.

Thanks to community fundraising, Henniker will receive two AutoPulse devices and Barnstead, one device thanks to a gift from Globe Manufacturing.

Communities continuing to raise funds include: Chichester, Northwood, Weare, Washington, Webster, and Hopkinton, whose ambulance also serves Warner. Other communities eligible for the program include Salisbury and Dunbarton.

Bow’s, Chief Abbot said contributions to local fire departments and rescue squads to help purchase cardiac assist devices will make a big difference.

“It is going to be a real lifesaving piece of equipment,” he said. ■

Boscawen Agriculture Commission 2012 Workshop Series Presented By UNH Cooperative Extension

Boscawen Agriculture Commission, in conjunction with the UNH Cooperative Extension, will present a series of workshops at the Municipal Complex, 116 Main St., 4th Floor, Boscawen. All workshops begin at 6:30 p.m. unless otherwise noted and are free and open to the public.

February 6, 2012 Basic Gardening

A Master Gardener will discuss all aspects of gardening from picking the perfect spot, soil prep, planting zones, how to plant, seeds & transplants, temperature, setting plants out, watering methods, weed control measures and mulches.

March 5, 2012 Raising Backyard Chickens

Dot Perkins, of Merrimack County Cooperative Extension, will discuss different housing options for your chickens, what to feed them, how to care for them, and how to prevent problems. She will discuss both layers and broilers. This talk is for anyone interested in raising chickens for eggs or meat.

March 31, 2012 Fruit Workshop & Pruning at Pustizzi Fruit Farm

Amy Ouellette, of Merrimack County Cooperative Extension, will be at the

Pustizzi Fruit Farm, 148 Corn Hill Road, Boscawen, from 10 a.m.–noon on this Saturday in March to discuss small fruit, tree fruit and pruning. To register, call Mary at UNH Cooperative Extension at 796-2151 or email: mary.west@unh.edu.

April 2, 2012 Companion Planting

A Master Gardener will discuss the benefits and disadvantages of companion planting, planning the companion garden and the most common plant combinations. Companion planting is the planting of different crops in proximity on the theory that they assist each other in nutrient uptake, pest control, pollination, and other factors necessary to increasing crop productivity.

May 7, 2012 How to Grow Perennials

A Master Gardener will discuss what a perennial is, temperature zones, plant selection, How to plant perennials, maintenance and care of perennials, dividing perennials, and Integrated Pest Management.

May 19, 2012 Tree Identification (place yet to be determined)

Tim Fleury, Forest Resources Educator of Merrimack County Cooperative Extension, will be outdoors on a woodlot in Boscawen (to be deter-

mined). Learn how to identify the types of trees on your property. This talk will be on a Saturday from 9:00–11:00 a.m.

June 4, 2012 Building Healthy Soils

A Master Gardener will discuss how to build healthy soils: what components make up soil, different types of soil, improving soil structure, cover crops and green manures, testing your soil, and adding amendments.

All talks are free and open to the public. To register for talks, please call the Boscawen Agriculture Commission by calling 753-9188 or email: agriculture03303@gmail.com (unless noted otherwise).

Directions: From I-93, take Exit 17 and bear right off the ramp. Follow Rte. 4 to the traffic circle and take the second ramp in the circle to Harris Hill Road for 0.2 miles, turn right onto Tremont Street for 0.2 miles, turn left onto Jackson Street for 0.4 miles and arrive at the Boscawen Municipal Complex on the right. **From Rtes. 3 and 4 southbound through Boscawen:** Turn right at the traffic light onto N. Main Street (Route 3 South). Shortly after Alan's Restaurant (on right), the Boscawen Municipal Complex is on the left. Turn left onto Jackson Street and left into the parking lot. Meetings are held on the 4th floor in the Community Room. (GPS or computer map location is 5 Jackson Street).

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MVSD School Board Meeting Dates and Locations — 2012

MEETINGS START AT 7:15 PM

February 13, 2012
MVHS

March 12, 2012
Penacook Elementary School

Loudon Farms: Buy Locally!

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Maple Ridge Farm
268 Loudon Ridge Road. Fresh Vegetables, Maple Syrup. 435-8183

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

Miles Smith Farm
56 Whitehouse Road. Locally raised hormone and antibiotic free beef, individual cuts and sides. Tue, Th 4–7:30 p.m. W, 9–1 p.m., Sat 9–3 p.m. www.milesmithfarm.com. 783-5159

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

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

Our Place Farm
290 Route 129. Goat milk, meat goats, eggs, freezer pigs, handspun yarn, sheep fleeces. 798-3183

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

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

Ramsay's Farm Stand
783 Loudon Ridge Road. Vegetables and Cut Flowers, Small Fruits in Season. 8 a.m.–7 p.m. Daily. 267-6522

Red Manse Farm
Corner Route 129 & Pittsfield Road. Certified Organic Produce, CSA and Farm Patron Program. Thurs.–Sun. 10 a.m.–6 p.m. www.redmansefarm.com. 435-9943

Sanborn Mills Farm
7097 Sanborn Road. Traditional working farm providing workshops. www.sanborn-mills.org. 435-7314

Windswept Maples
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11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

(Bad weather or no-snow date of March 3rd)

Join your friends and neighbors of Loudon for some winter fun at the Recreation Field in the village. Snowman toss game, horse drawn wagon rides with the Belgian draft horses from Stone Boat Farm in Loudon. Snowman building competition – with prizes for the top three most creative, snowshoeing with snowshoes available or bring your own, new this year – ultimate snowball slingshot! A bonfire to keep warm and tons of winter fun for all!

Free hot cocoa & cookies!

Also available for purchase: drink,
hot dog, & chip combos.

Proceeds to benefit Loudon Food Pantry

Presented by
The Loudon Recreation Committee



Historical Society Announces NO Winners of Puzzle...

...Because no one sent in their memories! Please fill out the form at right and preserve your memories. Future generations will thank you. Your memories are unique and quite possibly haven't been written down *anywhere*. And they will be lost when you are gone. Just think: Your children and grandchildren may not know your parents' names or occupation, your favorite pets, where you went to school — all things that are part of your family history.

Please participate in this important survey. Your memories will be saved for the future and will help document Loudon history as well as your family's history. ■

Ivory Rose LLC Wins BloomNet® Award for Top Quality



Ivory Rose LLC located at 563 Route 106 North Loudon NH, has received an Award of Quality Achievement from BloomNet®, one of the floral industry's leading wire service providers. The award, which is part of BloomNet's Florist Quality Care Program, recognizes Ivory Rose LLC for superior quality floral products and excellence in customer service.

"We are honored to be named by BloomNet as a florist that is totally committed to quality in everything we do," said Kristine Longver, owner of Ivory Rose LLC. "Providing the freshest and most beautiful hand designed floral arrangements...and making sure each and every customer is 100% satisfied...is our passion. Being recognized with this prestigious award underscores that passion."

The BloomNet Florist Quality Care Program was developed with extensive input from florists throughout the country as well as through the expertise of a Quality Care Board consisting of highly successful florists representing more than 200 years of experience in the floral industry. The Program is monitored by florists and it includes stringent quality and performance standards that must be continually maintained in order to be considered for Award recognition.

Among the Program's criteria are: using only the highest quality fresh flowers in all orders; employing well-trained and skilled design and sales personnel; providing the highest levels of service and responsiveness to customers; and always striving to assure that outgoing and incoming floral wire orders are fulfilled to the complete satisfaction of each customer and recipient.

"Perhaps nothing else can convey the kind of emotion and caring personal feelings that flowers can," continued Kristine Longver. "Everyone at Ivory Rose LLC considers it a privilege to serve our customers, to satisfy their floral needs with the finest arrangements, and work closely with them to help touch the hearts of special people in their lives. To be recognized by BloomNet as a local florist who does all of that exceptionally well is very rewarding." ■

Historical Society Looking For Your Memories

The Loudon Historical Society reminds you that your memories aren't always going to be clear and sharp — and more importantly, they aren't always going to be around. The Society would like to put your memories on their computer, in its own folder with your name on it. Your children, grandchildren — and even great, great, great grandchildren will be able to read your memories! What a gift for the future.

Please fill out the form below and mail it to the Historical Society at PO Box 7838, Loudon, NH 03307.

My Loudon History

My full name: _____

Date and place of birth: _____

Parents' names and place of birth: _____

Their occupation: _____

Siblings' names and place of birth: _____

When did your family move to Loudon? _____

Where was your childhood home? _____

Where do you live now? _____

What Schools did you attend? _____

Who were your childhood friends? _____

Unusual pets: _____

Dances or Social activities? _____

What organizations were you involved in? _____

Religion: _____

Who was the law? _____

Biggest problem the law had? _____

Name of your spouse and year you were married: _____

Your children: _____

First house you and your family lived in: _____

Did you know of any haunted houses? _____

What food did you raise? _____

What was your main source for travel: _____

First airplane seen? _____

How did you get the news? _____

Who delivered your mail? _____

Do you remember party lines on phones? _____

What store did you go to? _____

Where did you buy your clothes? _____

Did you have any peddlers? _____

Best Loudon Memory? _____

Anything else you would like to add: _____

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Be Fire Safe In Your Home This Winter

By Jack Prendiville
Century 21 Thompson Real Estate

Residential fires occur most in winter. Several factors contribute to the rise, including an increase in cooking and heating. Here are nine fire prevention tips:

1. Maintain carbon monoxide and smoke detectors on a regular basis and test the batteries.
2. Skip the candles and opt for battery operated candles instead.
3. Remove flammable materials from around cooking area and never leave the area unattended.
4. Keep a live tree watered and when it dries out remove it from your home.
5. Have your chimney, fireplace, wood/coal stove furnace and any other alternative heat sources checked by a pro. Space heaters should not be left on or in proximity to flammable items.
6. Invest in LED lights and only use the recommended amount.
7. Read and follow the directions and safety precautions of portable heaters.
8. Don't overload outlets and power strips.
9. Look for any exposed wires, frayed appliance cords or loose connections.

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LINDA A. HOAGLAND

Linda A. Hoagland, 51, passed away Monday, January 9, 2012 peacefully with her family by her side at her home in Loudon.

Born in Concord, April 26, 1960 she was the daughter of Isabelle (Vachon) Guimond and the late Ralph A. Guimond. She was the wife of Jon Hoagland.

She worked as a hair stylist for many years and finished her working career at Community Bridges where she found a new friend in Wayne, who she sponsored while working there. She found hidden artistic talents in both herself and Wayne after she enrolled in art classes. She enjoyed coaching soccer in the 80s, watching her sons play football, and race motorcycles. She loved Teddy Bruschi and seeing her beloved Patriots win Super Bowls. She loved sailing under a full moon on Lake Winnepesaukee with friends and family and most of all her Siberian husky, Turbo.

She was predeceased by her son Jeremy Jon in 1981 and her father Ralph Guimond in 2011.

In addition to her mother Isabelle of Port Charlotte, FL, survivors include her husband of 32 years Jon of Loudon; her sons Joshua of Manchester and Jesse of Loudon; her sister and brother-in-law Joanne and Dennis Duggan of Merrimack; her brother and sister-in-law Captain Michael and Patty Guimond of Port Charlotte, FL; her mother-in-law Ann Hoagland of Concord; her sister-in-law Ann Hoagland of Concord; her sister-in-law and her husband Heidi and Jerry Little of Weare; five nieces; one nephew; and three grand nieces.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the CRVNA or CRVNA Hospice House, 30 Pillsbury St., Concord, NH 03301. ■

**The 2012 Annual Meeting of
The Loudon Communications
Council will be held on Monday,
February 20, 2012 at 6:30 p.m.
at the Community Building.**

**All are welcome and
encouraged to attend.**

MVSD School Board Meeting Minutes — December 12, 2011

Roll Call and Call to Order:

The regular meeting held at Merrimack Valley High School was called to order by Chairman Mark Hutchins at 7:15 p.m. Chairman Hutchins welcomed everyone to the December board meeting.

Board Members Present:

Mark Hutchins, Caroletta Alicea, Normandie Blake, Lorrie Carey, Audrey Carter, Troy Cowan, Jim Lavery, David Longnecker, Will Renauld, Laura Vincent

Administrators Present:

Superintendent Mike Martin; Assistant Superintendent Chris Barry; Business Administrator Robin Heins; Human Resources Manager Kathleen Boucher;

Principals Mike Jette, Pat Severance, Tom Laliberte, Jeff Drouin, Sandy Davis, Linda McAllister; Assistant Principals Pam Hill, James Tremblay, Catherine Masterson, Assistant Principals for Special Education Maureen Gross, Mary Paradise; Facilities Director Fred Reagan; MVLC Administrator Susan Pleau

Others Present:

Emily Reagan, MVHS Student Representative; Roy Merrill, Loudon Resident

Minutes of Previous Meetings:

Motion by Normandie Blake, second by Caroletta Alicea, to approve the November 14, 2011 Board Meeting minutes (pages 1-5

in the packet) as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Financial Note:

Robin Heins reviewed the Financial Report (page 6 in the packet) which includes the four accounts we are keeping an eye on and reported that everything is going well. Robin commented that Maureen Gross and Mary Paradise do a great job managing the costs for Special Education. Motion by Normandie Blake, second by Will Renauld, to accept the financial report as presented (pages 7-20 in the packet). Motion passed unanimously.

Public Participation

Emily Reagan, MVHS Student Representative, reported on high school news.

Good News:

Building principals reported on good news items throughout the district. Mary Paradise reported on good news in Special Education.

Committee Reports:

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

Troy Cowan reported on the November 14, 2011, November 21, 2011 and December 5, 2011 Finance Committee meetings (minutes on pages 31-34 in the packet).

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The Finance Committee will meet again on Monday, January 9, 2012 at 6:00 p.m. at the high school.

POLICY COMMITTEE:

Chris Barry reported on the November 28, 2011 Policy Committee meeting (minutes on page 35 in the packet).

Included in the packet for a second read is Policy JJIB, INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETICS (page 36) and Policy Appendix IJOC-R, VOLUNTEER COACHES EDUCATION (page 37). *Motion by Laura Vincent, second by Normandie Blake, to approve Policy JJIB and Policy Appendix IJOC-R as presented. Motion passed unanimously.*

Included in the packet for a first read is Policy GBEED, EMPLOYEE USE OF SOCIAL NETWORKING WEBSITES (pages 38–39). *Motion by Caroletta Alicea, second by Laura Vincent, to waive the first reading of the policy. Motion passed unanimously. Motion by David Longnecker, second by Caroletta Alicea, to approve Policy GBEED as presented. Motion passed unanimously.*

OTHER:

None

Old Business:**SALE OF SUMMER STREET SCHOOL:**

Mike Martin reported on the data he has collected to date regarding selling Summer Street School. *Motion by Will Renauld, sec-*

ond by Normandie Blake, to continue working on preparing to sell this property. The board discussed preparing a draft warrant article and fact sheet for the Annual Meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

LONG RANGE PLAN:

Mike Martin discussed the plan to re-adopt the Long Range Plan at the 2012 Annual Meeting.

OTHER:

None

New Business:**DRAFT 2012–2013 SCHOOL CALENDAR:**

Chris Barry reported that a draft of the 2012–2013 School Calendar is included in the packet (page 49) for the board to review and provide feedback.

HEALTH INSURANCE RATES:

Robin Heins reviewed the School Care Medical Rates for 2012–2013 included in the packet (page 50) and discussed the financial impact on the district and employees.

NHSBA DELEGATE ASSEMBLY:

Mike Martin reported that information received from NHSBA regarding the 2012 Delegate Assembly is included in the packet (pages 51–53). Will Renauld volunteered to attend.

DRAFT COMMUNITY PRIDE LINK:

Chris Barry reported that the first draft of the January/February edition of the *Community Pride Link* is included in the packet (pages 54–55) for the board to review and provide feedback. Chris noted that this edi-

tion was put together by Maureen Gross and Mary Paradise. Chris asked board members to contact her with any feedback.

SALISBURY/WEBSTER COMMUNITY STUDY COMMITTEE:

Chris Barry reviewed the Salisbury/Webster Community Study Committee Summary Report included in the packet (pages 56–107).

OTHER:

None

Manifests/Journal Entries to Sign:

Troy Cowan reported that the Finance Committee met before tonight's board meeting and voted to recommend that the board approve the manifests and journal entries. *Motion by Troy Cowan, second by Normandie Blake, to approve the manifests and journal entries. Motion passed unanimously.* Manifests and journal entries were circulated for board member signatures.

Board Chairman's Report:

Chairman Mark Hutchins noted that two Merrimack Valley students were recently featured in a special section on student athletes in the Union Leader.

Assistant Superintendent's Report:

Chris Barry and Pat Severance recently attended a conference at the International Baccalaureate America's Global Center in Bethesda, Maryland. Chris Barry reported on the trip.

Chris noted that the list of recognition letters sent out so far in December 2011 is included in the packet (page 108).

Superintendent's Report:

None

Break at 8:34 p.m.

Motion by Troy Cowan, second by Will Renauld, to go into non-public session in accordance with RSA 91 A:3II to discuss personnel at 8:45 p.m. Motion passed.

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

See Non-Public Session Minutes.**Return to Public Session:**

Motion by Caroletta Alicea, second by Will Renauld, to go out of non-public session at 9:55 p.m. Motion passed.

Action from Non-Public Session:

Motion by Laura Vincent, second by Troy Cowan, to accept with regret the retirement of Michelle Demers, ESOL Teacher. Motion passed.

Motion by Caroletta Alicea, second by Troy Cowan, to accept the resignation of Rocklin Cavender, MVMS Teacher. Motion passed.

Motion by Caroletta Alicea, second by Will Renauld, to adjourn. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 9:57 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sally Welch

Clerk

Selectmen's Meeting Minutes — December 13, 2011

Present: Chairman Ives, Selectman Bowles, and Selectman Krieger.

Also present were Fire Chief Dick Wright, Stanley Prescott from the Planning Board, Dave Powelson from the Zoning Board, and Police Chief Bob Fiske.

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

Selectman Bowles moved to accept the Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, December 6, 2011 as written; seconded by Selectman Krieger. All were in favor. Motion carries.

Chairman Ives opened the Board of Permit.

Chief Fiske discussed the Residential Rehabilitation Group Home at 45 Hemlock. Chief Fiske stated that he could not see anything in zoning that would prohibit it. Dave Powelson explained that the zoning ordinance allows single family dwellings and that the definition for family in the zoning ordinance allows for not more than four not related people living together in a group and sharing the same living quarters. Mr. Powelson said that is how he is looking at this situation. Stan Prescott stated that the definition also says that all such persons

constituting such a group are normally living together and he doesn't feel this is a normal circumstance. Mr. Prescott thinks it doesn't apply it's a business and doesn't belong there. Chairman Ives stated that he would feel more comfortable if someone from the corporation came in and gave an overview about what they are actually all about and what they do. Chairman Ives said he thinks it needs to be a minor or major home occupation then there would be a hearing and the neighbors would be able to come in and voice their concerns. Selectman Bowles said that the Fire Department has inspected the home. It was agreed that abutters would be notified of a joint meeting between the Planning and Zoning Board to discuss this further.

Chairman Ives closed the Board of Permit and resumed the Selectmen's meeting.

Chairman Ives stated for the record that he signed two pistol permits.

The Board met with Chief Fiske.

Chief Fiske submitted a copy of a thank you letter he received from Colonel Quinn on behalf of the Major Crime Unit for the cooperation and assistance provided by Chief Fiske and his department in a recent

shooting investigation that occurred in town.

Chairman Ives asked about the traffic at NHMS this past weekend. Chief Fiske said it was backed up onto 106. Chief Fiske said that a plan has been made to route the traffic through the 5-lane and through the parking lots to the start so the traffic will stay off 106.

Chairman Ives stated that the Board accepted the resignation of Fire Chief Jeff Burr, effective Friday, December 9, 2011. The Board has accepted former Chief Wright's offer to be the interim fire chief. A committee will be formed to find a new fire chief.

The Board met with Moderator Mike Labonte. Mr. Labonte reminded the Board of the election on January 10, 2011. Selectman Bowles stated that they would have the highway guys get the voting booths together.

The Board began their review of weekly correspondence.

The Board received correspondence from Town Counsel. Chairman Ives read the first paragraph for the record. "Enclosed please find the decision of the Supreme

court with regard to the above-referenced matter. I am pleased to advise you that the Supreme Court has affirmed your decision and that of the trial court, by ruling that Green View Drive is a private road and it is up to residents to determine how they will go about maintaining it. You may consider this matter closed."

The Board received a copy of the letter from the Merrimack Valley School District with revised assessment figures.

The Board received information from Office Assistant Bonnie Theriault for review.

The Board received a letter from Recreation Committee Chairperson, Alicia Grimaldi regarding a proposed fishing derby.

The Board received correspondence from Public Service regarding the "October Nor'easter".

The Board received copies of fire department personnel paperwork.

The Board reviewed miscellaneous Correspondence

The Board met with Representatives Greg Hill and Seth Cohen. Mr. Hill

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explained that they wanted to keep the lines of communication open. Mr. Cohen discussed the fact that Representative Sean Cox recently passed away and there is the potential for a special election. The District will need to decide if they want to go through the expense of a special election. The Representatives discussed the county budget and how they are trying to reduce

that budget. Mr. Hill discussed the school districts international baccalaureate program, how expensive it is and suggested that town residents get familiar with it and its cost. Mr. Cohen mentioned there may be redistricting with districts broken down into smaller ones. Mr. Hill spoke about a bill that would modify the current school choice situation in NH. They are trying to create a tax credit program that would allow businesses to donate to a not for profit company, get a tax credit for the donation and that organiza-

tion would give out scholarships to students that go from public school to another option. Selectman Krieger asked about the retirement system. Mr. Hill spoke about pension reform, eliminating spiking, employee contributions going up, employee's contributions going down, paying off existing debt and the fact that they are working on reform for new hires. There was discussion about the widening of Route 106, the need for work to be done on other roads in town and in the state. Gambling and the

Northern Pass were also briefly discussed. The Board thanked the representatives for attending the meeting.

Selectman Bowles moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:13 p.m.; seconded by Selectman Krieger. All were in favor. Meeting adjourned.

LOUDON BOARD OF SELECTMEN

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

Selectmen's Meeting Minutes — December 20, 2011

Present: Chairman Ives, Selectman Bowles, and Selectman Krieger.

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

Selectman Krieger moved to accept the Selectmen's Budget Work Session Meeting Minutes of Friday, December 9, 2011 as written; seconded by Selectman Bowles. All were in favor. Motion carries.

Selectman Bowles moved to accept the Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, December 13, 2011 as written; seconded by Selectman Krieger. All were in favor. Motion carries.

Chairman Ives stated for the record that he signed one pistol permit.

The Board began their review of weekly correspondence.

The Board received The Summary Appraisal Report of the Utility Property from George Sansoucy who is contracted by the town to appraise utilities.

The Board received correspondence from Town Counsel regarding the Green View Drive bond. The Board agreed the bond should be returned.

The Board received a memo regarding Restoration of Involuntarily Merged Lots.

The Board received correspondence from the Natural Resources Conservation Service.

The Board received information about the Northeast Recycling Conference & Expo.

The Board received legislative Bulletin # 01.

The Board received Primex Bulletin: Winter Risk Management Tips.

The Board received the NHDES Municipal EcoLink Newsletter.

The Board received the Timberman Triathlon application for August 19...

The Board received miscellaneous correspondence

The Board announced that there will not be a meeting next Tuesday, December 27, 2011.

The Board reminded the public that there is a Merrimack Valley School District Finance Committee meeting on January 9, 2012 at 6:00 pm in the high school library.

The Selectmen wished everyone a happy and healthy Holiday.

Selectman Bowles moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:42 p.m.; seconded by Selectman Krieger. All were in favor. Meeting adjourned.

LOUDON BOARD OF SELECTMEN

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

Selectmen's Meeting Minutes — January 3, 2012

Present: Chairman Ives, Selectman Bowles, and Selectman Krieger.

Also present: Tax Collector Helen McNeil, Road Agent Dave Rice and Fire Chief Dick Wright.

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

Selectman Bowles moved to accept the Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, December 20, 2011 as written; seconded by Selectman Krieger. All were in favor. Motion carries.

Selectman Krieger moved to accept the Selectmen's Budget Work Session Meeting Minutes of Friday, December 16, 2011 as written; seconded by Selectman Bowles. All were in favor. Motion carries.

The Board met with Tax Collector Helen McNeil.

Mrs. McNeil explained that she would like the Selectmen to sign a one year contract for a woman to do her liens, deeds and mortgage searches. She explained that she hasn't been happy with the man she's been using and this woman comes well recommended. *Selectman Bowles made a motion to sign a one-year contract with Independent Contractor, Jane Sanders Searches from Durham, NH to do the liens, deeds and mortgage searches, paid per search. Seconded by Selectman Krieger. All were in favor. Motion carries.*

The Board met with Fire Chief Dick Wright.

Chief Wright said that he has met with most of the members of the department, few more to go to discuss any concerns they might have.

Chief Wright stated that he hasn't made any Officer appointments yet but would be working on it.

Chief Wright stated that the pump repairs to engine 1 have been made and the truck was back in service Friday, December 30th.

He explained that there have been minor repairs to the ambulances.

Chief Wright discussed the amount of paperwork that is being sent to the town office. He asked the Selectmen for guidance as to what they want copies of. Chairman Ives stated that anything that is personnel related such as new hires, new certifications, reprimands and injuries. They decided it is not necessary to send over copies of things such as a certificate that someone attended a class as those are kept in the files at the Fire Department.

Chief Wright stated that he is still reviewing the operating budget and feels comfortable with it. He has concerns with apparatus replacement and going to town meeting and asking for a large amount of money at this time. Chief Wright stated that he would like to sit down with the Selectmen and discuss apparatus replacement and long range planning. The Board will meet with Chief Wright at the fire station on Tuesday, January 10, 2012 at 4:00 p.m.

Chief Wright stated that Concord Hospital got the town two CPR machines. The hospital raised some of the cost through donors. The hospital needs to come and give a class on the operation of the device. They also want to make a public presentation to the Fire Department and Board of Selectmen and include the donors. Chief Wright will let the Selectmen know when he has a date for the presentation.

Chief Wright said that the State Forest Ranger stopped by to see him and asked who the Forest Fire Warden for the Town

will be. The Selectmen agreed that it will be Chief Wright.

Selectmen Bowles reminded Chief Wright that the Annual Town Report Article is coming due. Chief Wright will contact Jean Lee about it.

The Board met with Road Agent Dave Rice.

Mr. Rice stated that he has a truck down, it needs a new radiator.

Mr. Rice said that he figured out the footage for the roads that they have been talking about as far as warrant articles. The first is Loudon Ridge Road from 106 to the top of the hill approximately 4800' to be resurfaced. The second is Bee Hole Road. The first 250' can be resurfaced, and then approximately 2500' to be reconstructed and then another approximately 3850' to be resurfaced. Chairman Ives said that Bee Hole may have to be done in stages. Selectman Bowles said that there is impact fee money available for improvements.

Mr. Rice will get together the numbers for the warrant articles.

The Board began their review of weekly correspondence.

The Board received copies of the 2012-2013 Budget Report Revision #2.

The Board received copies of the Proposed 2012 Warrant Articles.

The Board received a copy of a memo regarding the Town Hall internet.

The Board received a copy of the memo, instructions and application form regarding Involuntarily Merged Lots. *Selectman Krieger made a motion to adopt the instructions and application for the Restoration of Involuntarily Merged Lots pursuant to RSA 674:39-aa. Seconded by Selectman Bowles. All in favor. Motion carries.*

The Board received a copy of an email from Town Counsel regarding the bond held for Green View Drive.

The Board received a copy of the memo regarding department submissions for the Annual Report.




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Planning Board Minutes — December 15, 2011

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

Attendance:

Steve Jackson, Henry Huntington, Tom Moore, Chairman Tom Dow, Vice Chairman Stan Prescott, Bob Cole, Alternates Jeff Green and Bob Ordway, Ex-Officio Dustin Bowles

Bill Gabler represented the Conservation Commission.

John Reese represented the Fire Department.

Acceptance of Minutes:

November 17, 2011 Meeting – Henry Huntington moved to accept the minutes as written; seconded by Dustin Bowles. All were in favor.

November 10, 2011 Zoning Workshop – Steve Jackson asked if a builder can volunteer to install sprinkler systems in houses under the new sprinkler legislation. John Reese said they can but Local Government Center recommends that towns not go that way as the builder could agree to do it and then not install the system, leaving the Town with no recourse. He explained that if the Town did not have an ordinance addressing sprinkler systems prior to July 1, 2011 they cannot be required. Steve Jackson

made a motion to accept the minutes as written; seconded by Bob Cole. All were in favor.

November 17, 2011 Capital Improvements Program public hearing – Henry Huntington moved to accept the minutes as written; seconded by Stan Prescott. All were in favor.

November 17, 2011 CNHRPC/Master Plan update – Bob Cole made a motion to accept the minutes as presented; seconded by Henry Huntington. All were in favor.

December 8, 2011 Zoning Workshop – Steve Jackson made a motion to accept the minutes as written; seconded by Henry Huntington. All were in favor.

Old Business:

#11-14, Loudon-Penguin Real Estate Holdings – Minor Site Development, in the C/I District, Map 49, Lot 115. Chairman Dow read a letter submitted by the applicant's agent requesting to table until the January meeting. Stan Prescott made a motion to continue the application to the meeting of January 19, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. in the Community Building; seconded by Dustin Bowles. All were in favor. There will be no further notification.

Board Discussion:

Eric Woodman – It was reported at the last PB meeting that a deed was recently received by the Selectmen's office. The deed reverses parts of a lot line adjustment that was done by Mr. Woodman and other parties on Chichester Road. Jeff Green stated that the parties are working on getting a release from the bank so the situation can be corrected.

Frank Merrill/Alden Moore – Donna reported that the construction estimate for the access road behind Z-1 and Red Roof Inn has been reviewed by the Town's engineer. Copies of Mr. Puntin's comments were given to each board member for review and discussion. The construction estimate was submitted as \$63,536; per Section 24.1 of the Land Development Regulations the Board agreed to request a surety totaling up to one hundred and ten percent of the estimated project cost. Tom Moore made a motion to set the bond amount at \$70,000; seconded by Bob Cole. All were in favor.

Master Plan survey – Copies of various sample surveys, two of which were done through Survey Monkey which is recommended by CNHRPC, were handed out to the board members. There was a brief discussion on ways to inform the community

of the survey (*Ledger*, Town's website, available at the Town Office and Library). Donna was asked to put something into the next edition of the *Ledger* about the upcoming survey. This will also be posted at local posting sites. Board members will review the surveys and come to the next meeting with recommendations for the Town's survey.

Report of the ZBA:

There are two special exceptions (reduced setbacks and fuel tank over 500 gallons) and a variance (amount of impermeable coverage) for the Beanstalk Store and a variance for reduced acreage for David Osborne on the agenda this month.

Report of the Board of Permit:

Stan Prescott reported that the Hemlock Hill facility was the only item on the agenda.

Adjournment:

A motion to adjourn at 7:42 p.m. was made by Dustin Bowles; seconded by Stan Prescott. All were in favor.

Submitted by,
Donna White
Administrative Assistant

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The Board received an email from Greg Kraft concerning Hemlock Hill. Mr. Kraft will be made aware of the joint meeting on January 19, 2012.

The Board received the 2012 Moderators Workshops pamphlet.

The Board received a copy of a check from the State of NH for meals and rooms tax.

The Board received past due ambulance bills for review. Selectman Krieger made a motion to send the following ambulance bills to collection: account #49213 in the amount of \$494.40 and account #42359 in the amount of \$390.00; seconded by Selectman Bowles. All in favor. Motion carried.

The Board received a copy of the Volunteers of America pilot agreement check.

The Board received the November Ground Monitoring report from Nobis Engineering for review.

The Board received copies of the Zoning Board of Adjustment Minutes of December 22, 2011.

The Board received an email from NHDOT regarding Safe Bicycling & Walking to school.

The Board received copies of miscellaneous Fire Department personnel paperwork.

The Board received a copy of an email from Rich Wyatt.

The Board received a copy of a letter sent to the abutters of 45 Hemlock Hill regarding the joint meeting on January 19th.

The Board received a scholarship thank you card.

The Board received miscellaneous correspondence.

The Board discussed ambulance intercept billing.

The Board discussed whether the cemetery maintenance needs to go out to bid again and decided they would put them out to bid.

The Board rescheduled the regular scheduled January 10, 2012 Board of Permit meeting to January 17, 2012 at 6:00 p.m.

The Board opened and reviewed the bids for the printing of the Annual Town Report. Selectman Bowles moved to accept the bid from Evans Printing for 1500 copies of the Annual Town Report in the amount of \$3,010.37; seconded by Selectman Krieger. All were in favor. Motion carries. Selectman Krieger moved to accept the bid from Deb K Graphics for the layout/design/correct/prep to print work for the Annual Town Report in the amount of \$900.00; seconded by Selectman Bowles. All were in favor. Motion carries.

Selectman Bowles moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:16 p.m.; seconded by Selectman Krieger. All were in favor. Meeting adjourned.

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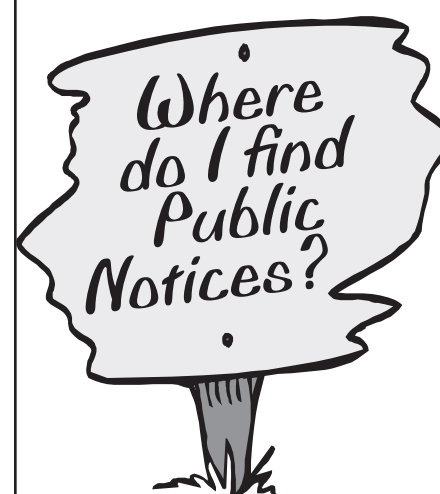
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Please note that both Planning and Zoning Minutes are DRAFT minutes, i.e., they have not been approved yet. For a copy of the approved minutes, please contact the Planning/Zoning Office after their monthly meetings (798-4540).

Planning Board meets the third Thursday of the month at 7 p.m.

Zoning Board meets the fourth Thursday of the month at 7 p.m.

Both Boards meet at the Community Building. All meetings are open to the public.



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Zoning Board Minutes — December 22, 2011

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

ROLL CALL

The following members were present: Chairman Dave Powelson, Howard Pearl, Roy Merrill and Alternates Jim Venne, Earl Tuson, and Jonathan Huntington. Jim Venne was appointed as a voting member in the absence of George Saunderson. Earl Tuson was appointed as a voting member in the absence of Ned Lizotte. Jonathan Huntington was appointed as a voting member in place of Roy Merrill because Mr. Merrill was not in attendance at the last meeting or site visit regarding an item on this evening's agenda.

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

Regular Hearing — Jonathan Huntington made a motion to approve the minutes of November 28, 2011 as presented; seconded by Howard Pearl. All were in favor.

Site Visit — Jim Venne made a motion to accept the minutes of the Beanstalk site visit on December 2, 2011; seconded by Howard Pearl. All were in favor.

PUBLIC HEARING

Z11-10, Z11-11, and Z11-12, Loudon-Penguin Real Estate Holdings — Special Exception for Reduced Front & Side Setbacks, Variance for Impermeable Coverage, and Special Exception for Storage Tank over 500 Gallons, C/I District, Map 49, Lot 115 on Route 106. Matt Moore of Matthew Moore Civil Engineering, PLLC represented the applicants. Also present was applicant Walid Kairouz. There were no abutters present.

Mr. Moore explained that they have met with the Conservation Commission to discuss the project and the Commission's concerns. He pointed out that the drive-through window has been relocated to the back of the building so that traffic will not pass between the buildings as originally planned. Mr. Moore stated that the concrete pad of the new fuel island is considered as tanks and the Conservation Commission was concerned about the edge of the pad being in the 75' wetland buffer. He pointed out that the island has been slid over so it is out of the buffer. Mr. Moore said that there was discussion at the Commission's meeting about the amount of gravel area and paved area. He noted that he has done gravel parking spaces at the back edge of the lot. Mr. Moore said that Mr. Kairouz would like to see brick pavers used in that area. He spoke about putting a swale at the edge of the lot and about runoff. Handouts on Snout Structures were given to Board members for review. These are used inside catch basins to prevent the exit of floating debris and oil. Mr. Moore explained changes he has made since meeting with the Conservation Commission.

Dave Powelson asked if the changes affect the percentage of impermeable sur-

face. Mr. Moore said the changes reduce the impermeable coverage from 56.9% to 51.6%. He submitted an amended application to address that change. Mr. Moore showed the flow of traffic and the chart he did to show the turning radius of the lot. Roy Merrill asked why traffic cannot travel right behind Rhoads Motorsports. Mr. Moore explained that a State map showed a right-of-way in that area but Jeff Green has researched the area and there is no right-of-way. Jeff Green stated that he spoke with Mr. Rhoads about going around the building but it is not an option. The property to the west of Rhoads is owned by someone else and they are not interested in having traffic using that route.

Matt Moore spoke about drainage to capture water coming off the roof. Dave Powelson asked if the proposed changes affect the setbacks requested on the original application. Mr. Moore said the front and side setback request remain the same. He said the new location of the fuel farm does affect the rear setback and would require a reduced setback to 6.7'. A corrected application was submitted.

Chairman Powelson asked if there were any questions from the Board. Howard Pearl stated that the changes improve the impermeable coverage. It was noted that there are three new tanks being installed, two replacing older tanks and one being for the addition of diesel. There will be a 12,000 and a 10,000 gallon tank for gas and an 8,000 gallon tank for diesel. Mr. Moore stated that this brings the station up to current code.

Jim Venne said that doubling traffic to the drive-through, in and out, could be a problem. He said going between the buildings might be better, although that route also presents concerns. Roy Merrill asked how moving the fuel platform away from the 75' buffer affects the plan. Mr. Moore showed the different pattern that tractor trailers will have to use when filling the tanks and pointed out that a few parking spaces were lost. He noted that the new entrance to the store is planned for the end of the building instead of the front as shown on the original plans. Mr. Moore stated that the old set of pumps will remain.

Chairman Powelson closed the hearing to the public and opened it to the Board for discussion.

Application #Z11-12, Special Exception for Storage Tank over 500 Gallons — Howard Pearl made a motion to approve the application for three new tanks over 500 gallons with the amended setbacks; seconded by Jonathan Huntington. A roll vote was taken: Earl Tuson — yes; Jonathan Huntington — yes; Dave Powelson — yes; Howard Pearl — yes; Jim Venne — yes. **UNANIMOUS — APPROVED.** Dave Powelson stated that these would be newer, safer tanks and not a huge increase in gallonage. Howard Pearl said this is a tough lot to work with and they

have done a good job to accommodate the concerns.

Application #Z11-10, Special Exception for Reduced Setbacks — Chairman Powelson pointed out that the revised application requests setback reductions of 31.1' for the building, 6.7' for the fuel tanks and pumps, and 9.8' for the existing setback between buildings. Howard Pearl made a motion to grant a reduced front setback for the building to 31.1', reduced setback to the tanks and fuel island of 6.7', and a reduced side setback of 9.8' as presented; seconded by Earl Tuson. Dave Powelson said the request seems to fit an awkward lot. A roll vote was taken: Earl Tuson — yes; Jonathan Huntington — yes; Dave Powelson — yes; Howard Pearl — yes; Jim Venne — yes. **UNANIMOUS — APPROVED.**

Application #Z11-11, Variance for Impermeable Coverage — It was noted that the revised application is requesting to permit 51.6% coverage versus the 50% permitted. Howard Pearl made a motion to approve the application to permit 51.6% versus 50%; seconded by Jim Venne. Mr. Pearl stated that they have done a great job with the Conservation Commission to get this to an acceptable format for the boards and owner.

A roll vote was taken: Earl Tuson — yes; Jonathan Huntington — yes; Dave Powelson — yes; Howard Pearl — yes; Jim Venne — yes. **UNANIMOUS — APPROVED.**

Application #Z11-13, David & Louise Osborne — Variance for Reduced Acreage — Chairman Powelson read a request from the applicants to table this matter to the January 26, 2012 meeting. Additional time is needed to research new legislation regarding restor-

ing involuntarily merged lots. Howard Pearl made a motion to continue the application to January 26, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. in the Community Building; seconded by Jonathan Huntington. All were in favor. There will be no further notification.

BOARD DISCUSSION

Jeff Green — Mr. Green spoke with the Board about a lot line adjustment that was done by Eric Woodman and others in 2009. One party's bank will not release a strip of land so a deed was done to reverse parts of the lot line adjustment. This now has to be corrected as the recorded lot line adjustment plan cannot be changed simply through a new deed. Mr. Green explained that the reversal took away a 50' strip of land that Mr. Woodman needed to have as frontage in order to have a buildable lot. He said that Mr. Woodman owns a 25' strip through a purchase at the time of the lot line adjustment. Mr. Green asked if the Board would consider a variance for reduced frontage, allowing Mr. Woodman to use the 25' strip. It was noted that Mr. Woodman has already built a house on the property and there was discussion of the release of the land for the conveyance of the lot line adjustment. It was agreed that seeking a variance was the best option.

ADJOURNMENT

Jon Huntington made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 p.m.; seconded by Howard Pearl. All were in favor.

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5	6 6pm•Conservation Commission @ Com. Bldg. 6:30pm•Happy Hill 4H @ Legion	7 10:30am•Storytime @ Library 5pm•Library Trustees 6:30pm•Selectmen's Meeting @ Com. Bldg. 7pm•Lions Club @ Library	8 2pm•Storytime @ Library 2–4pm•Open Workshop for Artists @ Library/\$5 6:30pm•Girl Scout Volunteers @ LES 6:30pm•Cub Scout Den Leaders @ Library 7pm•Sit 'n Stitch @ Library	9 10:30am•Storytime @ Library 6:30pm•Freedom Hill Coop @ Library 6:30pm•Boy Scout Troop 247 @ Legion 7pm•Boy Scout Venturing Crew 247 @ Legion <div>SPRING MUSICAL @ MVHS "ANYTHING GOES"</div>	10	11 9–1•Book Sale @ MPL
12 LINCOLN'S BIRTHDAY	13 7pm•Loudon Fire Dept. Assn. Meeting 7:15pm•MVSD School Board Meeting @ MVHS	14 VALENTINE'S DAY 10:30am•Storytime @ Library 11:30am•Young at Heart @ Com. Bldg. for carpooling 6:30pm•Selectmen's Meeting @ Com. Bldg. 	15 2pm•Storytime @ Library 2–4pm•Open Workshop for Artists @ Library/\$10 7pm•Sit 'n Stitch @ Library 7pm•Legion & Auxilliary	16 10:30am•Storytime @ Library 6:30pm•Boy Scout Troop 247 @ Legion 7pm•Boy Scout Venturing Crew 247 @ Legion 7pm•Planning Board @ Com. Bldg.	17 LOUDON LEDGER DEADLINE FOR MARCH 2012 ISSUE	18
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26 10am•Fishing Derby @ Sanborn Pond 3pm•Rec Com. Night with the Monarchs	27	28 9–Noon•Wellness Clinic @ VOA Richard Brown House 10:30am•Storytime @ Library 2:30pm•Classic Book Group followed by Writers' Workshop @ Library 6:30pm•Selectmen's Meeting @ Com. Bldg. 7pm•LYAA @ Library	29 2pm•Storytime @ Library 2–4pm•Open Workshop for Artists @ Library/\$10 7pm•Sit 'n Stitch @ Library	1 10:30am•Storytime @ Library 6pm•PTA @ LES 6:30pm•Boy Scout Troop 247 @ Legion 7pm•Boy Scout Venturing Crew 247 @ Legion	2	3

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