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Loudon Loses a Good Friend and First Citizen of the Year Arthur W. Colby 1926-2019

You have to be a pretty special person for a town to name a building in your honor — and that's who Arthur Colby was: a very special person.

Arthur W. Colby, 92, left us on January 16, 2019 while a resident of Havenwood Health Services in Concord, NH. He was born July 23, 1926 in Concord, NH to Harold R. and Eleanor (Davis) Colby.

Arthur was a devoted employee of the NH DOT-Traffic Division for 40 years, retiring as a stencil truck foreman in 1989.

After retiring he conscientiously dedicated much of his time to the Town of Loudon, installing road signs, mowing the 106 intersection, caring for the Veterans War memorial, which he researched and had fifty-four names of Vietnam Veterans added to the memorial which were not on there. For several years during the 60s and 70s Arthur worked part-time for the Loudon Police Department. He was devoted member for over fifty years of the Loudon Fire Department of which was a big part of his life. In his younger years he went on fire calls and countless fire training. As years passed, he took great pride in painting the old fire station and other projects inside the fire station. The biggest honor of his life was to have his name on the new police/fire safety complex: The Arthur W. Colby Safety Complex. He watched over the fire station every day and was very proud of the members of the police and fire departments. His example of community services to the Town of Loudon serves as an inspiration to all of us in our daily lives.

Arthur was named Loudon's first Citizen of the Year in 1993. A surprise and honor to be chosen. He was also a fifty-year member of the Corinthian Lodge No.82 F & AM of Pittsfield.

Arthur is predeceased by his parents, brother, Harold R. Colby and nephew, Robert Colby.



Members of his family include his beloved wife, Lucille; son, David and his wife, Kate; son, Dana and his wife, Kim; daughter, Pat Bigwood and her husband, Bob and three grandchildren, Daniel Bigwood, Scott Bigwood and Carly Colby.

The Colby and Bigwood families would like to extend our heartfelt appreciation for the loving care Arthur received while at Havenwood Health Services. The first-floor staff and all supporting employees helped Arthur during this difficult time. Their smiles and loving care were a great comfort to his family every day. We will be forever grateful to everyone who cared for Arthur.

In lieu of flowers the Colby family would like donations sent to Loudon Firefighters Association, 55 South Village Rd, Ste 5, Loudon, NH 03307.

Fond memories and expressions of sympathy may be shared at https://www.BennettFuneral.com for the Colby family. ■

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— OR –

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

Town of Loudon Office Hours

Selectmen's Office

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

Town Clerk

55 So. Village Rd., Ste. 2 • 798-4542 • townclerk@loudonnh.org Mon.: 8 a.m.–2 p.m. • Tues.: 3 p.m.–8:45 p.m. • Wed.–Thur.: 9 a.m.–4 p.m.

Planning/Zoning Board

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

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

Police Department: Emergencies: 911

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

Building/Code Enforcement

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

Fire Department: Emergencies: 911

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

Loudon Elementary School

7039 School Street • 783-4400

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

Transfer Station

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

Tues.: 9 a.m.-5 p.m. • Thurs.: 10 a.m.-6 p.m. • 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

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

Maxfield Public Library

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

John O. Cate Memorial Van

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Loudon Food Pantry

30 Chichester Road, Unit D, Loudon

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

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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

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

June 2019 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 5/17 Council Meeting: Mon. 5/20 July 2019 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 6/14 Council Meeting: Mon. 6/17

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

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

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Where to Worship in Loudon

Faith Community Bible Church

Joshua Owens, Lead Pastor • Patrick Testerman, Associate Pastor 334 North Village Road, Loudon, NH 03307 • 783-4045 • www.fcbcnh.org Office Hours: Tues. & Weds. 9-4, Thurs. 11:30-4

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

Sunday School for all ages at 9:30.

Youth Group for Grades 6–12 Sunday evenings at 6:00. Bible Study: Thurs. 9:30 a.m. (3RD Thursday of the month, meets at noon) FCBC also has ministries for Men, Women, and Seniors.

Family Bible Church

"Where Everybody is Somebody and You Can Find Hope" Steve Ludwick, Lead Pastor

676 Loudon Ridge Rd., PO Box 7858, Loudon, NH, 03307 • 267-7577 or 267-8066 www.familybiblechurchofloudon.org • Email: PastorSteve@familybiblechurchofloudon.org Pre-Service Prayer Time: Sunday 9-9:45 a.m.

Sunday Worship: 10:00 a.m. A blend of hymns and contemporary songs. Fellowship time provided following the morning service.

Monday Evening: Men's Fellowship and Prayer Time 7-8:45 p.m. Tuesday Morning: Ladies' Bible Study Group 9:30 a.m.

Home Life Groups: Wednesday Morning — Senior Ladies Group Other adult groups meet on Wednesday and Friday evenings: call or email for details FREE Monthly Community Dinners: 2ND Saturday of every month, 4:30–6:30 p.m.

Landmark Baptist Church

Independent, Biblical, Caring Pastor Paul J. Clow

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

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

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

Sunday Evening Worship: 6 p.m.

Wednesday Evening Service: 7 p.m.

(Nursery provided for all services.) Please visit our website for more information!

Loudon Center Freewill Baptist Church

Rev. Shirley Marcroft, Interim Minister 433 Clough Hill Road. Mailing Address: P.O. Box 7008, Loudon, NH 03307 Member of the American Baptist Churches of VT/NH (Lakes Area Association) Sunday Worship Service: 9:30 a.m.
For more information, please contact Pastor Shirley Marcroft (603) 968-7251 or Cindy Merrill, Deacon, at (603) 848-8690.

Loudon Congregational Church

Rev. Moe Cornier

7018 Church Street, PO Box 7034, Loudon, NH 03307 • 783-9478 $in fo@loudon congregational.org \bullet www.loudon congregational.org$ Sunday Worship: 9:30 a.m. followed by Fellowship Time Tuesday Prayer Meeting: 6:30 p.m. Healing Prayer Service: 3rd Sunday of the month, 9:30 a.m. Loudon Congregational is a member church of the Conservative Congregational Christian Conference (www.ccccusa.org).

New Beginnings Church of the Nazarene

Rev. David Shaw, Pastor • Rev. Lynn Shaw, Pastor Rev. Isabel Gillespie, Missional Outreach Pastor Rev. Mike Matthews, Visitation Pastor

33 Staniels Rd, Loudon NH 03307 • Ph: 224-1311 • Office Hours: 9-2, Tues. & Thurs. / 9-4:30, Weds. & Fri. office.LNB nazarene@gmail.com ~ www.LNB nazarene.org

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

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

11 a.m. Discipleship Hour for All Ages.

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

Wednesdays: Family Discipleship Night 6:30-7:00 p.m. Youth Hangout 7:30–8 p.m.

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

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



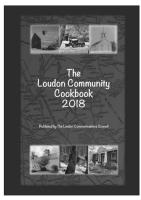
Loudon Historical Society 2019 Calendar On Sale

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Please support the Loudon

Historical Society 2019 Calendar Fundraiser!

This hanging wall calendar has thirteen amazing black and white historic pictures of Loudon. Proceeds will go toward the production of the Town of Loudon History Book. Please see any member of the Historical Society during our open hours of the first and third Wednesday of the month from 1:00-3:00 at the Historical Society at 29 South Village Road, or send a check for \$10 to: Loudon Historical Society c/o Town of Loudon 55 South Village Rd. – Suite 1, Loudon, NH 03307



Loudon Community Cookbooks are the perfect gift!

The Loudon Communications Council's "Loudon Community" Cookbook" is hot off the press!

If you'd like to buy a copy contact any member of the **Communications Council. Cookbooks cost \$15. Supplies are limited.**





Wednesday Evenings February: 13th, 20th, 27th March: 6th, 13th, 20th, 27th 5:00 - 6:30 p.m.

All are welcome! Invite neighbors for fellowship & song!

"Therefore, encourage one another and build one another up." 1 Thessalonians 5:11 For more information, please contact Denise Leclerc at 603.545.9745



Loudon Fire Department News



By Chief Rick Wright

Home Fire Sprinklers Save Lives

Per the New Hampshire State Fire Marshal's Office over 80% of fire deaths occur in the home. Home fire enrighters are the fire sprinklers are the fire the home. Home fire sprinklers can save lives. Sprinklers respond quickly and effectively to fire, often extinguishing the fire before the fire department can arrive. Only the sprinkler closest to the fire activates, spraying water on the fire.

Sprinkler Facts:

- · Home fire sprinklers protect lives by keeping fires small. In many situations a family who has survived a fire will also have their home to live in and enough of the items and space in their home to continue living their lives as they did before.
- The cost of a home fire sprinkler system in a new home average \$1.35 per sprinklered square foot, totaling an amount similar to what is spent for carpet upgrades, paving a stone driveway or a whirlpool bath.
- A home fire sprinkler system can reduce the homeowner's insurance premium.
- Fire departments use roughly 10 times more water than a fire sprinkler would use to contain a fire.
- Fire sprinklers are environmentally friendly. They can reduce the amount of water run-off, pollution and fire damage by up to 71%, and water usage to fight a home
- Cigar smoke or burnt toast will not activate a fire sprinkler. Only the high temperature of a fire will activate the sprinkler.
- A home fire sprinkler system is easy to maintain. Just inspect your home to make sure the sprinklers are not
- blocked by something that would prevent the water from coming out, such as paint, and be sure the main control valve is never
- Home fire sprinklers are effective in cold and warm climates. Guidelines have been created for the proper installation of systems to avoid pipes from freezing. A home fire sprinkler system should be winterized the same way a domestic water supply is winterized if winterizing becomes necessary.

• Stay aware of winter weather. Listen to the television or radio for updates. Watch for bulletins online.

- Check on neighbors. Check on others who may need help.
- Generators should be used outdoors. Keep them away from windows and doors. Do not run a generator inside your garage or barn, even if the door is open.
- Stay away from downed wires. Report any downed wires to the fire or police department, also the utility company.
- Be ready if the heat stops working. Use extra layers of clothes and blankets to stay warm. If you use an emergency heat source, keep anything that can burn at least 3
- Turn portable heaters off when you leave the room. Turn them off when you go to

Frozen Pipes

With the recent stretch of very cold weather water pipes can freeze and burst. This can cause extensive damage to your home. Below are a few

- Keep the temperature in your residence as consistent as possible, never less than 55 degrees Fahrenheit.
- Insulate areas where water supply lines are located and eliminate drafts.
- If you have water pipes in the basement, crawl space or outside walls, insulate the pipes, using pipe sleeve or other insulating material.
- Allow warm air to circulate by opening up doors to closets and cabinets where pipe chases are located.
- If you have a pipe that is susceptible to freezing, as an emergency measure, leave water running at a trickle to prevent from freezing. This should be a temporary measure only and should be monitored frequently.
- If you have a pipe that is frozen, thaw the pipe safely, never use a torch or open flames to thaw frozen pipes.

Winter Storm Safety

As we know here in New Hampshire, winter storms can happen almost anytime, anywhere and they can certainly cause us problems. Know what to do before, during and after a storm. This will help keep you and your family safe from a winter fire.

- Test all smoke alarms. Do this at least once a month. This way you will know they are working. Install carbon monoxide alarms in your home. Test the alarms.
- · Plan two ways out of the home in case of an emergency. Clear driveways and front walks of ice and snow. This will provide easy access to your home.
- Make sure your house number can be seen from the street. If you need help, firefighters, EMT's and police will be able to find you.
- Be ready in case the power goes out. Have flashlights on hand. Also have battery powered lighting and fresh batteries on hand.



TOWN OF LOUDON

Part Time Deputy Tax Collector Position

The Tax Collector seeks to fill permanent, part-time Deputy Tax Collector position. Individuals must be able to work extra hours as required during peak periods. Strong office skills necessary with emphasis on friendly customer service, general computer programs and other basic office skills. Applicants must have excellent written, verbal, telephone, filing and math knowledge. Applicants must be confidential, honest and reliable. Positions require flexible, team players. Individuals must be able to multi-task in a very busy environment. Resumes are being accepted until position is filled.

Send cover letter and resume to:

Attn: Helen McNeil, Tax Collector 55 So Village Rd., Ste #3, Loudon, NH 03307

Phone# (603) 798-4543

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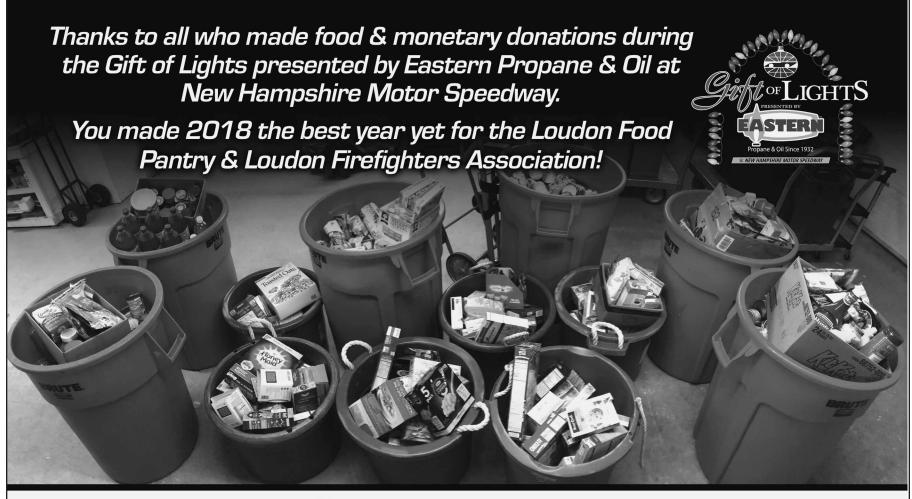
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Loudon Alternative Energy Committee Recommends Warrant Article #8

Your Loudon Alternative Energy Committee decided to focus on energy savings as their project for 2019. The Committee feels that one of the best forms of alternative energy is to use less energy to begin with.

If the Town votes to approve Warrant Article #8, the lighting in five town buildings will be upgraded to ENERGY EFFICIENT LED lighting. The buildings to be upgraded are:

- Transfer Station
- Highway Department Garage
- Police Station
- Cooper Street Fire Station
- · Clough Hill Fire Station

The Committee concluded that these upgrades will save energy and money, while



improving lighting, improving safety and reducing the maintenance costs. These buildings were selected for lighting upgrades based on a favorable payback. Eversource is projecting paybacks of 2 to 3.5 years on the various projects. Eversource would pay one half of the cost of the projects, which total \$42,307.24, so Loudon's share of the costs would be \$21,153.62. Those funds would be withdrawn from the Alternative Energy Capital Reserve Fund that voters created at our last town meeting.

Eversource requires that they select the contractor to perform the upgrades. As a result, if Warrant Article #8 is approved, the committee would not be tasked with that part of the project.

Impact Fees Under Review

In October 2004, the Town of Loudon approved a methodology in accordance with RSA 674:21 for assessing impact fees on newly-created lots. Impact fees were adopted to ensure that the cost of infrastructure improvements necessitated by new development would be charged to the individuals/businesses responsible for those developments. As simple as that sounds, the process for assessing those fees, accounting for their expenditure and refunding unused funds as state law requires has become incredibly complex and costly.

After considerable discussion, public comment, and review by legal counsel, the Planning Board, Zoning Board of Adjustment and Board of Selectmen have agreed that the overall cost of fairly administering the impact fee program now outweighs the benefit of having those funds available for improvements. As a result, the Boards have proposed a warrant article to amend the Planning/Zoning regulations to repeal the impact fee provisions in the current planning/zoning regulations.

By way of example, monies collected as impact fees for roadway improvements can only be used for the actual cost of those improvements. If a road needs to be widened by 2 feet and resurfaced to handle increased traffic, only the actual cost of the additional 2 feet of roadway width could be paid from impact fees. Each and every cost, including such things as material, fuel, manpower (salary, overtime, benefits, etc.), and equipment must be broken out and accounted for separately. Only that portion directly related to the additional 2 feet of road can be paid from impact fees collected. The funds cannot be used to cover the cost of resurfacing the entire road, or maintaining the road, even if the need for maintenance increases because of increased use. After six years, unused fees are to be refunded. Changes in ownership during that six year period complicate the process further.

Whether or not the warrant article is approved, the Planning Board will retain its authority to establish conditions for site development approval, and to assess "exaction fees" per RSA 674:21 IV J to ensure that developers bear their fair share of infrastructure costs associated with new development. The Selectmen also will be working to

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

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

develop and adopt a new fee structure for building permits to more accurately and fairly address costs associated with the permitting process. The Selectmen will provide notice when a hearing or hearings will be held to discuss building permit fee changes.

If the voters decide not to repeal the impact fee provisions, the Boards recommend that the Town look into purchasing a computer software package to better track manpower costs (salary, benefits, overtime, etc.), engineering expenses, rental costs, equipment, fuel, and material for all tasks. Voters will also want to consider the question of staffing. Regardless of how many dollars in impact fees are collected, there still will be a need for employees to manage and administer the impact fee program and impact fee accounts.

More information will be provided as it becomes available. If you have questions or concerns, or if you need more information, please feel free to contact the Planning Board for assistance.

IMPORTANT NOTE: 2019 DEADLINES

Please clip and keep the 2019
Deadline Schedule found on
page 2 of every issue of
The Loudon Ledger.
Please note that some of the
deadlines are earlier than what you
may be used to as we're trying to get
the paper in people's mailboxes the
first week of each month.

If you have an event early in the month, please give serious consideration to running your ad TWO months prior to your event as it may not appear early enough in the month for people to see the ad and attend.

News From the Richard Brown House

As I write, the state is bracing for a Nor'easter snow storm. And in this week the poet Mary Oliver died. So, while acknowledging how hard winter can be for seniors, let me just share a couple of quotations from Oliver that speak to the experiential beauty of this harsh season. In "First Snow," she refers to the "white rhetoric" of an all-day snow fall, so that at night, "The silence is immense and the heavens still hold a million candles." In "Winter in the Country" she talks about "the white hands of winter undoing everything." Beautiful to observe, especially if one is warm and behind a pane of glass. We hope not to lose power this winter, but Richard Brown House does have an emergency generator for the Community Room, and that has been a great asset in past winter storms.

We are grateful to the men who come to clear, shovel, and sand our car-park and driveways. There are always a few hitches in the early snow storms until routines become routine. The cold, dark, and ice will remain a challenge for some months.

I do not usually mention "wish list" items until the end, but this month I wanted to bring them to your atten-

tion immediately. Here are some of our current needs. One resident is looking for someone responsible and pet loving to assist walking her small dog a few times a week, since it is impossible to hold a dog leash alongside the walker that is necessary for balance and stability. The dog is a sweetheart, too. We have a new craft group started by Loudon resident Sandi Noel and some are knitting or crocheting for the Crisis Center in Concord, making blankets, scarves or hats for moms and babies. If anyone has knitting yarn they could spare, we are collecting yarn to use. Sandi's group will be writing Valentines Cards to be taken to the Veteran's Home in Tilton, so we are also looking for donations of craft or scrapbook type items (nice paper, shapes, glue, stick-on-heart motifs, etc.). And lastly, technology is as challenging as winter for many seniors and we definitely could benefit from someone young enough to know how to use smart phones or Windows 10 on a computer — someone who would also be patient enough to explain and allow for practicing

We have a bit of a lull in programs at present, but we are looking forward to the Movie Club led by MaryAnn Beauchemin next week and the book group facilitated by librarian Jackie Heath. We will also be welcoming back Custard Pie with Nuts, the local NH fiddle ensemble led by Loudon resident Pat Chagnon at the end of this month. In February we are hopeful that The Solutions, the Home Depot band, will return, but as yet we don't have a date. Later in March, we will have a one-off presentation from Erin Hall of the Brain Injury Association on Wednesday, March 20 at 2:30 p.m. It will focus on living with the impact of a stroke. We will also see the start of the Arthritis Foundation "Walk With Ease" program that will be led by Alyssa Lemmerman (who has presented nutrition programs for us in the past). If any other Loudon resident is interested in joining that 6-week program for gentle exercise indoors or out, please be in touch for details.

As ever, if anyone wants to find out more, please contact either manager Lucie Bilodeau or service coordinator Lois Scribner on 798 3190, or use email to lois.scribner@voanne.org.

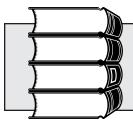


Our new craft group, led by Sandi Noel, has been having fun!

Left: Learning to knit.

Above and middle: writing Christmas cards to send to our Veterans.

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Maxfield Public Library News

Story Time

Join us on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 10:30 a.m. for stories, crafts, songs and more. On February 5 and 7, listen to *First Laugh, Welcome Baby!* by Rose Ann Tahe and Nancy Bo Flood, *I Love You, ZooBorns!* by Andrew Bleiman and Chris Eastland, and *Laugh-Out-Loud Baby* by Tony Johnston. The children will create a smiley face that will brighten anyone's day.

On February 12 and 14, we'll celebrate Valentine's Day by reading *I'll Love You Til the Cows Come Home* by Kathryn Cristaldi, *Valentine's Day* by Gail Gibbons, and *If You're Groovy and You Know It, Hug a Friend!* by Eric Litwin. In the craft time to follow, the children will make a valentine for someone special. Plan to stay for a valentine party; juice is provided.

On February 19 and 21, the children will hear *Giraffe Problems* by Jory John, *Whoever You Are* by Mem Fox, and *I Don't Want to be a Frog* by Dev Petty. We will create the perfect frog in the craft time to follow — because, who doesn't want to be a frog!

School Vacation Week Activities

"Stopping By Woods" Painting

On Tuesday, February 26 at 11 a.m., stop in the Children's Room to create a painting depicting a scene from Robert Frost's poem.

Teddy Bear Sleepover

On Wednesday, February 27, bring your teddy to a special story hour starting at 6:30 p.m. Children will make a craft, listen to a story, then tuck their teddy in and say goodnight. Participants are asked to join us again on Thursday, February 28 at 10:30 a.m. for a brunch where they will greet their teddy bears and see what they did at the sleepover. You must sign up for this event. Please stop in at the circulation desk for details.

Snow Policy For Story Time

Story time will follow the Merrimack Valley School District with closings and delays. If school is cancelled for the day, there will be NO story time that day. If school has a delayed opening on Tuesday or Thursday, Story Time will start at 11:00 a.m.

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

Book Groups

In the month of February, both afternoon and evening book discussions are reading and talking about the book *Station Eleven* by Emily St. John Mandel. This compelling novel was a National Book Award Finalist in 2014. Classified as dystopian fiction, it is the adventures primarily of a unique group of Shakespearean actors performing in a world altered by catastrophe. The afternoon Book Discussion Group meets on Thursday, February 21st at 2 p.m. The evening Book Discussion Group meets on Thursday, February 28th at 6:30 p.m.

Book Swap

Do you have books that are like new, but you have already read? Do you have books that are in perfect condition but of no interest to you? Bring them to the Library on Saturday, Feb. 9th from 11 to 12 noon, and trade them in for books you have not read or books that are of interest to you! Up to 6 gently used, like new books can be exchanged for others. Only YA, Adult Fiction, and Adult Non-fiction can be accepted. Registration for this event is required. To leave your books here, you must take an equal number away with you — no donations can be accepted. Call the Library today at 798-5153 to sign up.

Wine Glass/Coffee Mug Decorating with Bethany Hawkins

On Tuesday, February 19th at 2 p.m. decorate a wine glass or mug and take it home. There is a \$5.00 fee for materials and space is limited so sign up soon!

Stitch 'n' Chat

Join other hand crafters in the Children's Room on Wednesdays from 2:30–4:30 p.m. This is a good place to work on that project (projects?!!) you've been meaning to finish, while chatting with others. Another group sometimes meets on Tuesday Evenings from 5:45 to 7.

School Vacation Ideas for Family Fun

Have you borrowed the Library Telescope yet? It comes with everything you need to gaze at the stars on a clear night including directions and a constellation guide! Interested in a day trip to a local attraction? The Library has passes to the SEE Science Museum in Manchester, Children's Museum of New Hampshire in Dover, the Currier Museum of Art in Manchester, and the McAuliffe-Shepard Discovery Center in Concord. Call the Library for information. Visit the Library for books or movies to chase the boredom away or stay and color or attend an activity!

Remember, you can find up-to-date information and details on our Web Page (www.maxfieldlibrary.org) and on Facebook. ■





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Pack 247 News

Pack 247 is looking forward to the upcoming events: The Blue and Gold Banquet, Ice Fishing, and the Pinewood Derby.

The Blue and Gold Banquet will be held at Loudon Elementary School on February 17th. Scouts are encouraged to bring their family to the meeting. The purpose of the **Blue and Gold Banquet** is to celebrate the pack's anniversary, thank pack leaders and other adults who have helped the pack, and inspire the leaders, Scouts, and parents. Packs often like to invite former members and other Scouting or community leaders to take part in their blue and gold banquet. Scouts are encouraged to bake a cake celebrating this anniversary, which will be auctioned off at the banquet.

The cub scouts will be going ice fishing, tentatively, on February 16th.

The **Pinewood Derby** is fast approaching!

The Pinewood Derby is a racing event for unpowered, unmanned, miniature cars. Pinewood derbies are often run by chapters (packs) of the Cub Scouts program of Boy Scouts of America. With the help of adults, Scouts build their own cars from wood, usually from kits containing a block of pine wood, plastic wheels, and metal axles. With the popularity of the pinewood derby, other organizations have developed similar events, and a small industry has developed to provide organizer equipment (e.g., tracks, timers, and scales), and awards (e.g. trophies and ribbons). Similar Cub Scouting events include the Raingutter Regatta (a race for miniature boats) and the Space Derby (a race for rubber band-driven propeller shuttles).

Come one, come all and watch the action live at Loudon Elementary School on March 9th. There will be food, and fast-paced fun for all!

Each of the dens have been working hard on their achievements for the last couple of months:

- The Lions, Tigers, and Wolves, have been working on their team building skills, doing family research projects to understand their family histories, what makes us different, and what makes us the same. They have also been working on healthy eating habits, and their duty to nature skills through recycling games and nature hikes
- The Bears have been working on earning their whittling chip card. Bear scouts and Webelos scouts may earn the privilege of carrying a pocketknife to Cub Scout functions. The objective of this award is to make scouts aware that: "A Cub Scout knife is an important tool. You can do many things with its blades. The cutting blade is the one you will use most of the time. With it you can make shavings and chips and carve all kinds of things." The scout should sign and carry the Whittling Chip card whenever carrying a pocketknife.

The Bears are looking forward to Baloo the Builder, where they will be learning to work with wood to create fun and useful items.

This adventure will expose the Bear Scout to the safe and proper use of hand tools, how to determine the correct type of wood for a project, and how to construct an item. The adventure also offers a good opportunity to bring parents of the Scouts or other adults with woodworking skills into the den setting, asking them to help with some of the technical aspects. They will be working on building their pinewood derby cars in a local woodshop.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TOWN OF LOUDON

In accordance with RSA 32:5-1, the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Loudon will hold Public Hearings for review of the Proposed Budget and Warrant Articles

For Fiscal Year: 07/01/2019 to 06/30/2020.

The Second Hearing will be held: Wednesday, February 6, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.

at the Loudon Town Offices 55 S. Village Road, Loudon, NH The proposed Budget will be voted on at the March 2019 Town Meeting.

LOUDON BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Robert N. Fiske, Chairman Jeffrey C. Miller, Selectman Stanley Prescott II, Selectman



What's Cookin'? Tasty Food for Your Valentine!

By Deb Foss

Caprese Kabobs Appetizers

- 1 Container Mozzarella balls
- 1 Container cherry tomatoes
- Package fresh basil
- 1 Bottle balsamic vinegar or balsamic reduction
- Package small wooden skewers

Put one mozzarella ball on skewer followed by folded basil leaf. Then skewer a cherry tomato. Put skewers on plate and drizzle with vinegar.

Chicken Pesto Soup

- 4 Cups chicken broth
- 3 Cups fresh spinach
- 2 Cups shredded cooked chicken
- 2 Cans Cannellini beans, drained
- 1/3 Cup pesto
- ½ Cup parmesan cheese

Put all ingredients in saucepan except parmesan cheese. Simmer until heated through and spinach is wilted. Spoon into bowls and top with parmesan cheese.

Creamy Garlic Shrimp with Parmesan

- 1 Tbs. olive oil
- 1 Lb. raw shrimp with or without tails left on
- 6 Cloves garlic, minced
- Tbs. Unsalted butter
- ½ Cup Dry white wine or chicken broth
- 1½ Cups low fat half and half cream
- ½ Cup parmesan cheese, grated
- 2 Tbs. chopped parsley
- Salt & pepper

In large skillet, sauté shrimp in olive oil until pink. Remove to dish.

Add garlic and butter to same skillet, sauté for 30 seconds then add wine or broth. Let mixture cook down to half over low heat. Add cream and simmer gently until hot. Add parmesan cheese and stir until melted.

Add shrimp back into skillet with sauce, adding salt and pepper to taste. Top with fresh parsley. Serve over buttered noodles, rice or vegetables as desired.

Cucumber Greek Salad

- 1 Large English cucumber, cut up
- 1 Tsp. Oregano, dried
- 1/4 Cup diced red onion
- 2 Roma tomatoes, cut in chunks or cherry tomatoes sliced in half.
- 1/4 Cup Greek or black olives sliced
- 1/3 Cup feta cheese
- 1½ Tbs. lemon juice
- 1/4 Cup olive oil

Salt & pepper

Peel and slice cucumber cut into quarters lengthwise and cut in $\frac{1}{2}$ in pieces. Put in large serving bowl. Add diced onions, tomatoes, feta cheese and olives. Toss to mix. In small bowl or jar add olive oil, oregano, salt and pepper and lemon juice and mix well. Pour over vegetables and refrigerate until ready to use. This can be served over lettuce if desired.

Flourless Chocolate Cake

This is a gluten free cake!

- 12 oz. Semisweet chocolate, chopped
- 3/4 Cup unsalted butter (plus more to grease pan)
- 5 Eggs
- 1 Cup Sugar
- 1½ Tsp. Vanilla
 - Dash of salt
- 1/4 Cup unsweetened cocoa powder sifted (plus more for dusting baking pan) Glaze for Cake
- 3 Tbs. Unsalted butter
- 4.5 Oz. Semisweet or milk chocolate or combination of both, chopped

Preheat oven to 300 degrees and place rack in middle of oven. Grease 9"x 2" round cake pan or springform pan if you have one. Line the bottom with parchment paper, butter the paper, then dust with cocoa powder bottom and sides. Tap to remove excess cocoa. Set aside. In double boiler or bowl over a pot of simmering water (do not let water touch bowl) add ¾ cup butter and 12 oz. chocolate and stir until melted and completely smooth. Set aside to cool slightly. Next in large mixing bowl add eggs, sugar, vanilla, and salt. Beat on medium until pale yellow and double in size. With mixer running on low, add melted chocolate mix until combined. Then add cocoa powder and

evenly mix until combined. Pour batter into prepared pan. Bake about 40 minutes or until toothpick comes out with only a few crumbs. Do not overbake. Cool cake in pan for 30 minutes. Then run thin knife around cake edge and invert cake onto a rack to cool. Transfer cake to serving plate and make glaze. Again, using the same way as above, melt chocolate and butter. When melted pour over top of cake. Store in refrigerator until ready to serve. Remove about ½ hour before ready to serve. You can garnish with fresh strawberries or raspberries for a beautiful display.

Skillet Steak & Potatoes

- 1½ Lbs. of flank steak sliced against the grain
- 1½ Lbs. baby yellow (Yukon Gold) potatoes, quartered
- 1 Tbs. olive oil
- 3 Tbs. butter, divided
- 5 Cloves of garlic, minced
- 1 Tsp. fresh rosemary, finely chopped
- Tsp. fresh oregano, finely chopped
- Salt & pepper

Marinade

- 1/3 Cup coconut Aminos for gluten free or use soy sauce
- Tbs. olive oil
- 1 Tbs. hot sauce
- 1/4 Tsp. ground black pepper, fresh ground is best

In large bowl, mix up marinade and put steak in to marinate. Set aside while you cook potatoes.

In large skillet (cast iron is my preference) over medium high heat, mix 1 Tbs. butter and 1 Tbs. olive oil. When butter is melted, add potatoes, cook for about 4 minutes, stir and cook 4–5 minutes more until golden brown and fork tender. Take out of pan and put on plate and set aside.

In same skillet over medium heat, add remaining 2 Tbs. of butter, garlic, and fresh herbs. Lay steak strip in pan in one layer, keep the marinade, and set aside. Cook each side 1 minute until brown. You can adjust time depending on how you like your steak cooked. Right before steak is done, add marinade to the skillet and cook 1 minute. Move steak to one side of the skillet and add potatoes back in the pan to heat. Season with salt and pepper as needed. Serve with a side vegetable of choice.



Maxfield Public Library Passes!

Passes are available to museums and points of interest around the

state for Library borrowers! We suggest reserving in advance either by phone (798-5153) or in person. Call for details.

CHILDREN'S MUSEUM OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

Each pass entitles the bearer up to 4 discounted admissions of \$4.50. Children under age 1 free.

CURRIER MUSEUM OF ART

Each pass entitles the bearer to 2 free admissions.

McAuliffe-Shepard Discovery Center

valid for admission to exhibit halfs for 4 people.

NH TELEPHONE MUSEUM

Free admission for two guests.

SEE SCIENCE CENTER
Free admission for a family.

WRIGHT MUSEUM

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

NOTE: SOME PASSES HAVE BEEN REMOVED BECAUSE THE VENUES ARE CLOSED DURING THE WINTER.



Loudon Food Pantry News

December 2018 Meal Numbers

In November we gave out enough food to create 8,844 meals to 334 individuals. 92 of those were for individuals age 60 and older, 111 were age 18 or under and 131 were in between those ages.

Our Holiday Boxes were handled by Capital Region Food Program. This is a big help and allows us to keep more food in stock. We also gave out enough food to our households to help hold them over until we reopened on January 22nd (we were closed due to inventory).

Gift of Lights

The Gift of Lights provided us with enough food to create over 18,370 meals. We are very grateful for their support this time of year. This food will also help the pantry feed those in need for months to come.

New Pantry Hours

Effective immediately! The new hours for the pantry are:

Office / Donation / Volunteer Hours

 Tuesday
 10 a.m.-6 p.m.

 Wednesday
 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

 Thursday
 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

 Friday
 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

Feeding those in need happens *by appointment only* on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays. Do you need an appointment? Call Sue at (603) 724-973. She will pre-qualify you over the phone and tell you what documents to bring to your first appointment. Remember to bring bags to carry out your food!

Volunteers need not call. Just drop in during any of the Volunteer Hours. We are always in need of help. We know your time is valuable and even if you drop in for short time, it is appreciated.

The pantry is located in Huckleberry Business Park, 30 Chichester Rd., Unit D, Loudon NH. 03307



February Senior Health Clinics

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

Walk-In Immunization Clinic

Concord Regional Visiting Nurse Association will hold its monthly Walk-In Immunization Clinic on Monday, February 4 from 1 to 4 p.m. Clinics are for children and adults who are uninsured, underserved, and who have no access to these needed services in order to lead a healthy lifestyle.

Immunization Clinics are held at St. Paul's Episcopal Church Outreach Center, 21 Centre St. in Concord. A fee of \$10 is requested per person. Children must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. Please bring an immunization record with you.

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

Children & Adolescent Grief Support Program

H20 helping heal with others, a bereavement program for children (ages 6-18) and their families, is Saturday, February 9th from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. at The Boys and Girls Clubs of Greater Concord, 55 Bradley Street in Concord. H20 is held on the second Saturday of each month at the same time.

Grief is difficult. Connecting with others who have had a similar experience, in a safe and caring environment, often helps. H20 provides bereaved children and their families with coping skills and peer support, enabling them to experience and process their grief freely. Lunch is provided after each session. Accompanying adults may be asked to stay on site and are invited to participate in a concurrent, supportive program.

H20 is collaboratively offered by Concord Hospital, Concord Regional VNA, Boys and Girls Clubs of Greater Concord, and community partners and volunteers.

Pre-registration is required. To register, please call (603) 224-4093 or (800) 924-8620, ext. 2828 or e-mail carmella.dow@crvna.org. ■

Speaking of Volunteers

We have some of the best volunteers! Without them, we could not help as many food insecure people as we do. They are not only here physically, but they bring their experience and their sense of humor as well! It has been a very busy holiday season and there is a lot of prep work done to be ready for inventory. Then there is the actual inventory taking as well!

Our volunteers are so dedicated to helping people through helping us — some have been here for over 10 years! Other volunteers always find their way back to us when they know we need them the most.

Thank you for all your support and laughter during the years!

LFP Challenge to Fight Hunger

This event is usually held February–April. We are no longer holding this event.

12 Months of Giving

To participate in 12 Months of Giving or to find out more go to tinyurl. com/y8d96dvb. ■



It was a typical northeast January day: very cold with snow showers. Thirty-five members of the Young at Heart gathered at Charlie's Barn on January 8th for their monthly meeting. President Letty Barton opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by a brief poem. Letty extended her appreciation to the members who helped set up for the meeting and then introduced this month's speaker: Roger Maxfield.

Mr. Maxfield is the president of Loudon's Historical Society and gave a presentation on "One Room School Houses in Loudon." Mr. Maxfield dedicated a year of his time on research for this project. There were fourteen one-room school houses at one time in Loudon. Mr. Maxfield had conversations with some who actually went to one or more of the schools who shared many stories of their school days with him. Mr. Maxfield traveled to Concord to the New Hampshire Historical Society and obtained additional information in reference to the Loudon schools. Once all the data was compiled, Mr. Maxfield downloaded it onto a CD. The CD is a great way to share this history with others and the photos are incredible. The CD can be purchased at the Loudon Historical Society for \$15.00. This was a fascinating presentation and if anyone would like additional information, Mr. Maxfield can be reached by contacting the Loudon Historical Society

Just a reminder, donations to the Food Panty are accepted at all meetings. Also, now with winter upon us, please remember if the Merrimack Valley School District is closed there will be no Young at Heart meeting.

Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, February 12th "Show and Tell." If you wish to participate, please bring in what you choose to speak about.

SEE YOU THERE! ■





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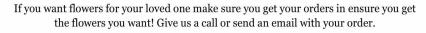
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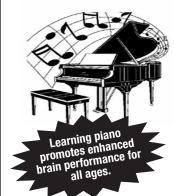
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In the early 20th century, the New Hampshire Board of Agriculture launched a program to boost the rural economy and promote tourism through the sale of abandoned farms to summer residents. After introducing the country house movement, Cristina Ashjian focuses attention on some of the great country estates featured in the New Hampshire program between 1902 and 1913. Which private estates were recognized as exemplary, and who were their owners? Using historic images and texts, Ashjian discusses well-known estates now open to the public such as The Fells on Lake Sunapee, The Rocks in Bethlehem, Saint-Gaudens National Historic Site in Cornish, and she includes local examples when possible.

When: Wednesday, April 3rd

Where: 29 S Village Road, Loudon-Charlie's Barn

Time: 7:00pm

Cost: free

Contact information: Michele York 396-2362

Good News From Loudon Elementary School

Upcoming Events

2/1 Chorus at the Monarchs

2/7 PTA Meeting at 5:30 p.m.

2/11 MVSD School Board at MVHS, 7:15 p.m.

2/15 PTA Sweetheart Party 6–8 p.m.

2/18 LES Loves To Read Week

2/19 Illustrator Visit and Assembly

2/20 Guest Reader Day

Kindergarten Registration

If you have a child who will be attending Kindergarten at LES next year, please call Diana Muzzey at 783-4400 to begin the registration process. Children who will be five years old by September 30th are eligible to attend

LES Recycles

The results are in from the *LES Trash on the Lawn Day!* Out of the 73.4 pounds of trash sorted by LES students, only 27.6 pounds of the contents was actual trash. The rest was recyclables!! With our new-found knowledge, LES is putting a renewed effort into our sorting, recycling, and reusing materials. The Environmental Kids Club created and introduced our community to *Recycle Michael*, a character on or near all of our larger recycling bins, to remind us of healthy recycling habits.



LES Happenings

LES has enjoyed several fantastic assemblies recently including our annual Holiday Sing Along, an exotic animal exhibition from Barn Hill Preserve, and TIGER (Theater Integrating Guidance Education and Responsibility) of PSU. TIGER presented their *Brand New Day Performance*, which encouraged student resiliency and promoted kindness, empathy, and self care.

The Chichester Grange delivered dictionaries to all of our third grade students as part of their efforts on behalf of the Dictionary Project. Sponsors of these books include the Loudon Lions Club and American Legion Post #88. The NH Astronomical Society visited LES in the evening for a Skywatch. The Society volunteers first shared an educational presentation with students and families. Then we moved outside to use the telescope and search the night sky for celestial objects.

Hooray!

Congratulations to fifth graders **Nathan Baylus** and **Katelynn Herrmann!** Both were selected to participate in the Elementary Honors Choir. ■



LES students enjoyed a presentation by Barn Hill Preserve who shared some exotic animals with us.

TIGER, from PSU, showed us how to be more resilient and kinder to others and ourselves.







Best Year Yet for Local Nonprofits Benefiting From a Successful Gift of Lights

Loudon Food Pantry, Loudon Firefighters Association and Speedway Children's Charities New Hampshire Chapter all received increased donations through the Gift of Lights presented by Eastern Propane & Oil at **New Hampshire Motor Speedway.**





The generosity of all those who attended the Gift of Lights presented by Eastern Propane and Oil at New Hampshire Motor Speedway proved the holiday season truly is "The Most Wonderful Time of the Year" with record donations for local nonprofits. Loudon Food Pantry can provide more than 18,000 meals as a result of food and monetary donations received during Gift of Lights, over \$4,000 was raised by the Loudon Firefighters Association and more than \$34,000 is going to Speedway Children's Charities New Hampshire Chapter as a result of the Yule Light Up The Night run/walk and proceeds collected from Gift of Lights admissions.

Gift of Lights visitors received a discount on their admission when they brought at least three non-perishable food items to donate to the Loudon Food Pantry, and some chose to donate cash. These donations contributed to a total of 7,934 pounds of food and \$2,940, which, when combined, will provide 18,370 meals. This is the biggest year yet in eight seasons and an increase of 6,670 meals over last year.

We are overcome with gratitude after receiving the tremendous amount of food and monetary donations from this year's Gift of Lights," said Sue Houck, president of the Loudon Food Pantry. "The winter time is always a tougher time for those served by our food pantry, but the extreme generosity of our local community during the holiday season truly helps to make a real difference.

Since the Gift of Lights first started in 2011, food and monetary donations have allowed NHMS to donate more than 93,000 pounds of food to the Loudon Food Pantry, which has provided more than 88,000 meals to locals during the holiday and winter

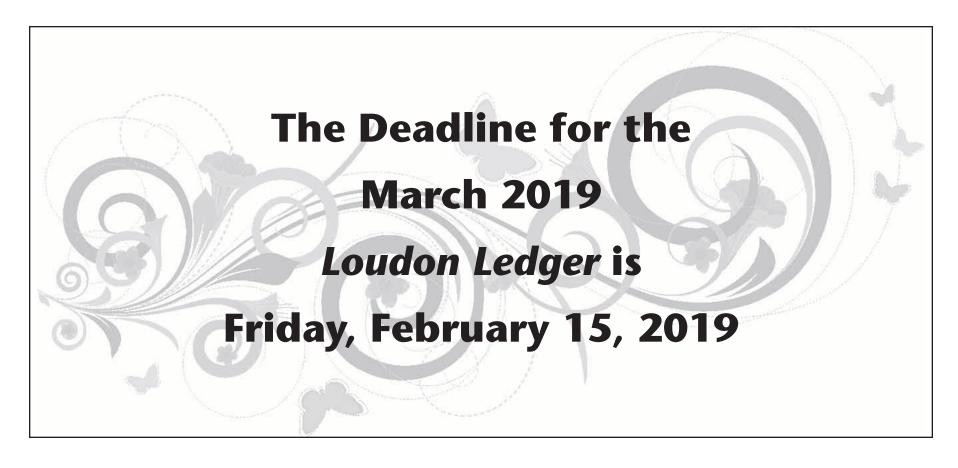
The Loudon Firefighters Association hosted a s'mores pit on Friday and Saturday nights during Gift of Lights for a monetary donation. This resulted in \$4,033 for the Loudon Firefighters Association, which they'll add to their Off-Road Utility Vehicle fund. They are trying to raise \$50,000 to purchase a UTV for wildland firefighting efforts, off-road rescues and searches for missing individuals. The funds will purchase a purpose-built machine with a small water tank and pump as well as the capacity to transport a patient out of the wilderness. The unit is equipped with tracks, and a portion of the funds will be used to purchase an enclosed trailer to transport the unit and act as a command post during incidents.

This year's \$4,033 donation is an increase of \$1,633 from 2017's collection of \$2,400. The Loudon Firefighters Association has hosted the s'mores pit during Gift of Lights for two years now, collecting a total of \$6,433.

Speedway Children's Charities New Hampshire Chapter, which raises money for children in need throughout New England, received a portion of each car's admission and a portion of the proceeds from the Yule Light Up The Night run/walk put on by Millennium Running. The grand total for this year was \$34,721, making it the biggest Gift of Lights fundraiser for SCCNH.

Speedway Children's Charities New Hampshire Chapter distributed \$75,190 in grants last year, and since its inception in 2009, New Hampshire Motor Speedway and SCCNH have distributed more than \$1.7 million (\$220,476 of this total coming from Gift of Lights donations since 2011) supporting more than 749,000 children in the local community

The Gift of Lights presented by Eastern Propane and Oil, which has seen just shy of 100,000 cars since it started in 2011, is a 2.5-mile drive-thru light show, which transforms New Hampshire Motor Speedway into a winter wonderland with over 60 scenes, 400 displays, and two million LED lights. Attendance for the event, which ran from Nov. 23-Dec. 31, 2018, was up an estimated 3.28% from 2017 and ranked as the second most highly-attended Gift of Lights seasons since it began eight years ago.



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Remember When: Stories of Yesteryear

By Letty Barton

This time of year, when it's bitter cold and the wind is howling outside, it's nice to have a warm, cuddly pet to curl up beside you on the couch. The folks we talked with had fond memories of the pets from their childhood.

Mike S. recalled a Beagle-cross dog he was very fond of. It was a hard-working dog and really put its nose to the grindstone. Mike and the dog liked to hunt raccoons, especially during corn season. Once, the canine took off and Mike had to walk two miles to retrieve it. We also traded memories of removing porcupine quills from a dog.

A beagle named Tippy was Larry H.'s favorite. It had a white tip on the end of its tail that never stopped wagging. Tippy was a very friendly pooch and a good guard dog. She followed Larry around like a shadow. If Tippy got on the trail of a rabbit, it was not uncommon to spend half the night chasing her. Larry loved to dig holes and dug a six-foot-deep hole that the neighbor's wandering pig fell into. After Larry and his Dad shoved the pig out of the hole, Tippy chased it all the way home.

Slightly different types of pets were Barbara C.'s love. She had a Bard Rock hen named Killie and a rooster called Rosty at her home on School Street. She chased them around the yard and even had tea parties with them. The parties that Barbara and her friend had were complete with chairs, sandwiches, and cookies. Her brother collected the eggs. He had a beagle named Mike (or something that began with an "M"). Barbara recalled brushing the dog with her mother's hair brush and being sent to her room for the misdemeanor.

There were dogs and cats aplenty on the family farm off Rt. 129 where Retta W. grew up — and still lives. The dog she bonded with was a Border Collie-cross named Tippy (popular name). As a puppy, Tippy loved to go to the back of a cow and bite onto its tail. The cow would swing the dog around. Whee!! He was Retta's companion when it was time to get the cows in. A very friendly and calm dog, he didn't get into porcupines like other dogs on the farm. In middle age, Tippy got into some poison and went blind in one eye. After that he was less interested in going after the cattle and would turn his head so people couldn't see his bad eye.

Not everyone we chatted with had lap pets growing up. When he was six Al B.'s Aunt Pauline gifted him with a three-colored calf. Later it was pigs that took his fancy. From the age of 12 or 14, he raised pigs and sold the piglets to have money in his pocket. Following his cousin's lead, he then bought a pair of Holstein steers and a pair of black white-head cattle. At about age 16, Al started pulling cattle at fairs and continued until his late 50s. When we were married, he had a large Holstein ox named Andy whose teammate was Amos. Andy was so large he had to duck down to go under the barn where he was stabled. He was a very intimidating animal — especially for someone who didn't grow up around large animals.

We hope this article will help you reminisce about pets you had. They become such an important part of a family and leave lasting, loving memories. I'd like to hear from you if you have a story of yesteryears to share. Call me, Letty, at 783-4341 or email at lbarton@myfairpoint.net.

A Glimpse Into the Historical Society

By Liz LeBrun

If you visit the Historical Society, an interesting piece to spend time viewing is a scrapbook kept by Evelyn Blanche Hill who lived from 1906–1993. The scrapbook was donated to the Historical Society on September 12, 2018 in memory of Marion Chamberlain Stuart. The scrapbook contains birthday, valentine, Christmas, Easter, and get well cards dating back to 1936. Many cards are beautiful with ribbons, feathers, satin textures, and even one with hair on the characters. There are birth announcements, napkins, placemats, postcards, and newspaper clippings. One of the most interesting pages includes tickets to the 1939 and 1940 Sandwich Fair for fifty cents each. There is a gasoline ration card with every space punched. There are two pages of foreign money. There is a "New Hampshire Greetings" postcard from Governor Robert Blood who served from 1941–1945. The caption under one rather large birthday card says "If you haven't much time, don't look at this card." That card has seven different cards within it, each one smaller than the one before.

This is a beautiful book of memories kept by a young woman and it makes you wonder about how today's technology and social media are replacing some of the personal handwritten greetings that we might otherwise have received in the mail and cherished forever.

Please think about visiting the Historical Society on the first or third Wednesday of the month between 1 and 3 p.m. or attend a meeting on the first Wednesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. We would be very glad to see you and guide you to some of the more interesting exhibits. For questions or to arrange a tax-deductible donation, call the Historical Society at (603) 798-4541 or e-mail us at Loudonhistory@gmail.com.

Loudon PTA News

Please join us for Sweetheart Dance on Friday, February 15th 6–8 p.m. A huge thank you to Loudon Recreation for sponsoring the cost of the DJ. DJ Manolo (Vibes DJ) will be keeping everyone on their toes for a great time. Snacks, pizza and refreshments will be available for purchase. Students K-5 are welcome and the cost is \$5.00 each.

- Our next PTA Meeting is Thursday, February 7th at 6:30 at LES. All are welcome!
- Snack Cart is Friday February 15th! Snacks are .75 and fun pencils are .25. We are always looking for volunteers from 8:45-10 a.m. to help hand out these delicious treats.
- Our annual Easter Egg Hunt is Saturday, April 20th at 9 a.m. This event is FREE for kiddos K-5th grade. WE ARE LOOKING FOR DONATIONS OF CANDY AND NON CANDY ITEMS FOR EGG FILLERS. EMAIL LOUDONPTA@ AOL.COM OR DROP ITEMS OFF AT THE SCHOOL OFFICE.
- LES PTA is looking for sponsors for this year's Easter Egg Hunt. We have two sponsorship opportunities for \$150 each. This allows us to keep this event FREE for all the children in our community. If you are interested, please email loudonpta@aol.com for more information or message us on facebook.

Last Chance Cardboard Bin Is Back!!!





Good News at the Transfer Station — the Last Chance Cardboard bin is back!

If you missed the first corrugated cardboard bin in the lower recycling level area, you can still throw your clean, flattened corrugated cardboard in the Last Chance Bin located next to the garbage hopper!

Can't stress enough the importance of taking all trash (plastic bubble wrap, Styrofoam, etc..) out of your cardboard box before you flatten it.

On a side note, cardboard continues to be one of the top recycling commodities for the Town of Loudon...recently netting \$90 a ton! ■

MVSD Students Earn Accolades!

MVHS State Winner of Samsung Solve For Tomorrow!

Congratulations to our District and to Merrimack Valley High School. It was named the NH State winner by Samsung Solve For Tomorrow. Selected for their creative proposals to address real-world issues using STEM learning, MVHS has been awarded \$20,000 in technology and will advance further in the competition to compete with 49 other schools nationwide! ■

2019 NH Scholastic Writing Competition Winners

Please congratulate the following students for their recognition in the 2019 New Hampshire Scholastic Writing Competition. Their work will be published by the National Writing Project in New Hampshire in an annual anthology entitled Middle High School Voices. It takes a tremendous amount of courage to put writing out there for the world to see and judge. We are so proud of all the students who took the risk. If you are interested in reading any of the entries, contact Mandy Tirrell at mtirrell@mvs-dpride.org and she will forward copies.

Gold Key:

Aidan Tirrell

Silver Key:

Emma Rowe (from Loudon)

Honorable Mention:

Jasmine Gormley — for 3 pieces

Addie Hodge — for 2 pieces (from Loudon)

Emily Moore (from Loudon)

Aidan Tirrell

Congratulations to all students for a job well done and the courage to put their writing out for the public to read.



Left: Young Ostrich in Green, Outdoors in the Sun, by Alani Ramas.

Right: Astral Duality, by Mary Cruz.

2019 NH Scholastics Art Competition

Please congratulate the following students for their recognition in the 2019 New Hampshire Scholastics Art Competition. Though none of these students are from Loudon, their work is outstanding and well worth taking a look at. You can view their work by copying and pasting the following link into your browser: https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/10iWuXzmdTllx8-LInCrkXOl20y4Pxwv-Mc0W3R5Fpp4/edit#slide=id.p

GOLD KEYS:

Mary Cruz Drowning In Thought
Mary Cruz Astral Duality
Robert Welcome Pink Shorts

SILVER KEYS:

Mary Cruz A Lazy Afternoon
Mary Cruz On The Lime
Mary Cruz Star Gazer

HONORABLE MENTIONS:

Katherine Butt Undercurrents
Mary Cruz Night Owl
Madalyn Goodwin Angel Bones

Faith Hammon Arowana in Full Colour Faith Hammon Colour of Dance

Alani Ramas Sergeant Pepper's Empty Soul

Alani Ramas The Modern Money Changer And His Cook

Emma York Valley Proud

SENIOR PORTFOLIOS:

Mary Cruz Silver Key
Alani Ramas Silver Key

Robert Welcome Honorable Mention

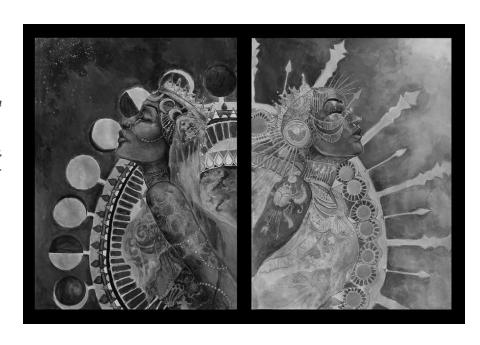
Please congratulate Alani Ramas and Mary Cruz for further recognition in the 2019 Scholastic Art Awards:

Alani earned a Gold Key, "Best in Show" American Visions Nominee for her piece "Young Ostrich In Green, Outdoors In The Sun." Her piece is 1 of 5 selected from the entire show and is shown below, left.

Mary earned a Gold Key, "Best in Show" Award for her piece "Astral Duality." Her piece is 1 of 12 selected from the entire show. It is shown below.

To put this into perspective, over 2,500 artworks were submitted from all over NH and only 47% of these submissions received recognition. Earning these top awards as well as any recognition in this competition is a great accomplishment for our artists. Thank you for supporting them!

For anyone interested in seeing the show, the work will be on display at the Stockbridge Theatre at Pinkerton Academy. Exhibit Schedule is January 22nd through February 10th. Gallery Hours are Monday–Friday 9 a.m.–4 p.m., and Sunday, February 10th from 11 a.m.–3 p.m. for the Awards Ceremony and Reception. ■



Winter Farmers' Markets in NH

Find fresh produce, meats and many other local products throughout the coldest months at one of the many winter farmers markets happening around the state.

These markets are updated for 2018-2019 unless otherwise noted.

■ Atkinson Food and Craft Fair

Atkinson Community Center 4 Main St., Atkinson December 8, 2018 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

■ Cole Gardens Winter Farmers Market

430 Loudon Rd., Concord (603) 229-0655

This market is held every Saturday from November 3, 2018 through April 20, 2019 from 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Thanksgiving market November 17, Christmas market December 22 (no market December 29) and Easter/last market April 20

■ Contoocook Farmers Market

Hopkinton Town Hall 330 Main St., Hopkinton (603) 746-3749

This market is held on Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. November–May

■ Danbury Grange Winter Farmers Market

Blazing Star Grange North Rd., Danbury

This market is held the first Saturday of every month from November 2018 to April 2019 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. New this year, there will be a third Saturday market in November only. December's market is a pickup only — orders will be taken online. Physical markets: November 3 and 17, January 5, February 2, March 2 and April 6

■ Greenland Winter Farmers Market

Rolling Green Nursery 64 Breakfast Hill Road, Greenland (603) 436-2732

This market is held December 8, January 5 and 19, February 2 and 16 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

■ The Farmers Market of Keene

The Monadnock Waldorf School 98 South Lincoln St., Keene

The winter market is every Saturday, November 3 to December 22, 2018 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Monadnock Waldorf School.

■ Milford Farmers Market

Milford Town Hall 1 Union Square, Milford (603) 345-0860

Saturdays November 17, December 1 and 15, January 12 and 26, February 23, March 2, 16 and 30, and April 13. Held from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

■ Nashua Farmers Market

201 Main St., Nashua

The Nashua Farmers Market goes indoors at a new location — the former Alec's Shoe Store on Main Street. Held Sundays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

■ Newmarket Farmers Market

5 Granite St., Newmarket

Markets on the following Sundays: November 25, December 9 and 23, January 13 and 27, February 10 and 24, March 10 and 24, April 14 and 28 from 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

■ Peterborough Farmers Market

The Peterborough Community Center

25 Elm St., Peterborough

The market is held Wednesdays from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. No market November 21 due to the Thanksgiving holiday.

■ Salem Farmers Market

Mary Fisk School

14 Main St., Salem

Open every Sunday in November through April from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

■ Seacoast Eat Local Winter Farmers Markets

This market is held on select Saturdays at two alternating locations from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Here are the 2018/2019 dates:

Wentworth Greenhouse

141 Rollins Rd., Rollinsford

Nov. 17, Dec. 1, Dec. 15, Jan. 26, Feb. 23 and March 23

Exeter High School

1 Blue Hawk Dr., Exeter

Nov. 10, Dec. 8, Jan. 12, Feb. 9, March 9 and April 6

■ New for 2018/2019 — Collaborative winter farmers markets with the Kittery Community Market

Kittery Community Center

120 Rogers Rd., Kittery, Maine

Nov. 18, Dec. 16, Jan. 20 and Feb. 17

■ Sweet Beet Market

11 W. Main St., Bradford

A year-round, indoor market at a permanent storefront location representing 30-plus local growers and producers within a 30-mile radius. Wed–Fri 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., Sat-Sun 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. closed Mon–Tues.

■ Tamworth Farmers Market

Every Saturday November through December at the K.A. Brett School, 881 Tamworth Rd., Tamworth

From January through April, every other Saturday at the Tamworth Town House, 27 Cleveland Hill Rd., Tamworth. Held from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

■ Wolfeboro Area Farmers Market

First Congregational Church of Wolfeboro 115 Main St., Wolfeboro

The market will take place every first and third Saturday of the month from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. through April 20, 2019. ■

A Different Point of View

Here's Loudon from a different point of view! It's not often one gets to see their home from above. This photo was taken about ten years (or so!) ago while flying over the Village area. It was early Spring, which is a much more pleasant thought than early February!





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Becoming a Home Maintenance Pro: Tips for Homeowners

Jack Prendiville Century 21 Thompson Real Estate

Many homeowners don't think about home maintenance until something breaks, but that's not the best way to take care of your home. Whether you're a new homeowner or have been settled for years, it's never too late to cultivate some home maintenance habits. Here are three tips to help you protect your investment and keep your property in good shape for years to come:

Create and Follow a Home Maintenance Schedule

A good place to start is by following a home maintenance schedule. Just as your car needs to have an oil change, your home and yard will need some regular maintenance. Home maintenance schedule apps such as *HomeZada* and *Centrig* are an easy way to get yourself on track. You'll need to mow your lawn, clean your gutters, and perhaps even top your trees from time to time. For pest control, you may need to spray or have ground treatment performed a few times a year also. When it comes to appliances, make sure to send in any warranties and follow the maintenance recommendations in your owner's manual. For older appliances, many documents can be found online. Don't be afraid to do some research and speak with professionals about maintenance specific to your location.

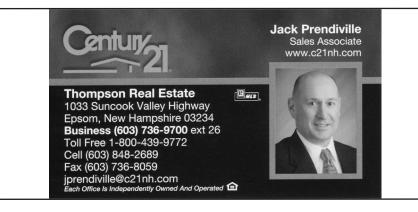
Have All of Your Home Systems Checked Regularly

It's important to get your electrical, plumbing, and HVAC systems checked annually to keep them in good shape. Some of these tasks can be done yourself; for instance, you might need to clean your air filters, remove debris from the vents, and flush out your water heater. For more technical inspections check customer reviews on Yelp, Angie's List, Google, Facebook, and the BBB when searching for a new company. Always go with the one that is experienced, licensed, bonded, and insured.

Follow a Cleaning Schedule

Home maintenance often focuses on repair work, but keeping your home clean can be just as important. In addition to once a week tasks such as vacuuming and dusting the shelves, deep cleaning once a month or so can save you big in the long run. Moving furniture around, pulling out the washer and dryer to clean behind them, and cleaning out the garage gives you a chance to inspect for pest problems, water damage, and similar issues that can quickly escalate into expensive repairs. Being a homeowner is very rewarding on many levels, but homeownership comes with a great deal of responsibility. As long as you put in some effort on a regular basis, you should not have any problem keeping your home in good repair.





OBITUARIES

RONALD G. "RON" MICHAUD

Ronald G. "Ron" Michaud, 75 of Loudon, passed away surrounded by his loved ones following a hard fought battle against dementia on Tuesday, December 18, 2018.

Born on May 26, 1943 in Woburn, MA he was the son of the late Ella Rose (Ducharme) Michaud.

Ron was a lifetime entrepreneur, who passed on his strong work ethic to his children and those lucky enough to be in his presence. He was a jack of all trades. Some of his adventures

included going to MIT for drafting, owning an ice cream truck, The Wheel Restaurant in Epping, and a home improvement company. Among other things he was also a Scout Master, a Fire Warden, and an Electrician's apprentice. His proudest accomplishment of all was raising his family. Ron had a phenomenal sense of humor which he will be remembered for. The laughs, jokes, water and shaving cream fights, and the pranks were wrapped up with good family values.

He loved camping, where he would make his famous chicken wings that were so good his family would battle for a position in line to enjoy them. No matter how much everyone begged, he would never share his secret recipe. He also loved working on puzzles, going on cruises and taking photos. Above all, he loved spending every day with his wife.

Besides his parents, he was predeceased by two siblings, Kenneth and Arthur Michaud.

He is survived by his wife, Patricia "Mo" (Dougwillo) Michaud of Loudon with whom he shared a lifetime of love; children, also in Loudon is Art Michaud and his wife Lynne, Scott Michaud and significant other Jackie Gogolen, and Kristi-Lyn Rackliff and her husband Chris, Stephen Zukowski and his wife Liz of Newbury, MA, Cliff Zukowski of Sebring, Fl, Ron Michaud, Jr. and his significant other Brigitte Theroux of Goffstown, Dawn Oldfield and her husband Ron of Wareham, MA, Richard Michaud and his wife Kim of Epping, Christopher Michaud and his wife Carrie of San Antonio, TX, with this many children he needed a trusty babysitter whom turned in to a friend of 50 years Deborah (Froton) Laster, 23 grandchildren, 25 great grandchildren as well as several nieces and nephews.

To share a memory or offer a condolence, please visit www.stilloaks.com.



JEAN ALICIA ELLIOTT

Jean Alicia Elliott, 83 of Loudon passed away peacefully at her home on December 26, 2018 with family at her side. Jean was born in Henniker, NH to Irving and Florence (Davison) Demerse in the summer of 1935 and has lived in New Hampshire most of her life. She grew up in Marlborough, NH graduating from high school in 1953.

Jean was retired and most recently worked for the city of Franklin as a court clerk. Jean loved to sing and had a beautiful

voice. She sang in a Quartet with her two sisters and a good friend in her teens and 20's. After retirement she sang and traveled with the Keene Pops Choir to Europe and Disney. Jean was also an accomplished artist. Her preferred medium was water color, with her work displayed on several occasions in local art shows. Jean's artistic talent gained her an invitation to study at the Kimball Jenkins School of Art in Concord. She loved her family and was a foster parent for many years. Jean was always quick to give a smile, be a friend and offer guidance to those who wanted or needed it. Jean's love of Christ and her strong convictions in her faith guided her throughout her life.

She was predeceased by her beloved husband Alfred T. Elliott; her parents, a sister Rebecca Syer, two brothers Gordon Demerse and Albert Demerse. Jean is survived by her two daughters Lauren Henderson of York, SC; Lisa Henderson of Florence, KY; her sons Brian Henderson of Berlin, NH; Brent Henderson and his wife Jackie of Lenoir City, TN; Francis Merrill of Salisbury, NH; and Daniel Merrill of Phoenix, AZ; her grandchildren Major Brightwell and his wife Kelly, Elizabeth Brightwell, Kyle Sebastian, Megan Bruner, Justin Kenney, Alison Henderson, and Olivia Henderson; her sister Elizabeth Zinn of Spofford, NH; her dear friend Donald Martel and several nieces and nephews and many friends.

In lieu of flowers memorial contributions can be made to St Jude Children's Research Hospital 501 St Jude Place Memphis, TN 38105, or at stjude.org. ■





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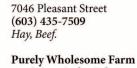
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Library Trustees Minutes — Dec. 3, 2018

Alice called the meeting at 5:06 p.m. *In attendance:* Alice Tuson, Diane Miller, Chris Wittenberg, Jackie Heath, Library Director. Carrie James, Absent

Directors Report: The door to patio in children's room not shutting correctly. Jackie will look back to see who had repaired in the past to see if they can come see what it will take to fix

The new hire, Jessica will be starting Dec 4, working with Cheryl.

Jackie has been going to the Richard Brown House, two times monthly to deliver books. These visits have been going very well. Jackie is promoting internet access or order by phone. Jackie has also started a discussion group.

Both knitting groups have on the average of

Curtis Rude coming to library for intro night for hands on Telescope Training, Decem-

Library hours, December 29, 2018, the library will be closed. December 31 will be open 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

Review of communicating when library is closed due to weather. The closing will be on WMUR TV and their web page. As long as electricity doesn't go out, it will be posted on Maxfield Public Library facebook page and on Maxfield Public Library web site.

The contract for meeting rooms was reviewed. In the event of library closing it is the responsibility of who is meeting to review on these sites if library is closed.

Profit Loss Review

Jackie will add for January's meeting the monthly total as well as accumulative total for the year on the budget

Alice will get Christmas cards and Gift cards for Library employees.

Jackie will be updating Personnel Policy, will be reviewed at next meeting.

Jackie will be calling to get ideas and esti-

mates on panic button/security cameras.

Policy notification will be posted on bulletin board at the library.

Form for tracking training classes/conferences was accepted for trial use to see if will be helpful for evaluations and for tracking purpos-

Next meeting, January 7, 2019. Alice called meeting adjourned 6:16 p.m. Diane seconded.

Alice Tuson Alternate Chris Wittenberg

Historical Society Minutes — **Dec. 5**, **2018**

The meeting was called to order at 6:31 p.m. Attendance: Wes Jones, Roger Maxfield, Deanna Tranfaglia, Liz LeBrun, Lucy Gordon, Melissa Moore, and Michelle York.

The Secretary's Report of the November presentation by Mark Stevens was read and approved.

The Tree Lighting Ceremony/Made in Loudon event was discussed. In general, people felt the event went well. It was scheduled for the right amount of time and did not need to be longer. More advertising was needed in order for the vendors to sell more expensive items. Many attendees asked questions about the Historical Society. The weather did not fully cooperate, but the crowd liked the singing being

The Past Perfect Program to catalog items was discussed and members were in agreement it should be purchased. Someone will talk to Canterbury to get their feedback about the program before the commitment is made. Also some books recommended by Wes Balla of the New Hampshire Historical Society will be considered for purchase.

A warrant article for town meeting has been submitted to withdraw money to begin production of Loudon's history book. The town lawyer is preparing a contract for Melissa Moore to author the book.

The Accessions document has been revised to list the items being received in and to require a signature of the person making the gift.

A professional fundraising packet should be put together to raise more funds for the history book. We should move toward getting bids to develop the packet and should appeal to residents at town meeting who might have that expertise. We should look to the packet Canterbury developed as a model.

Lucy is designated to update the website, but she noted that the town webmaster must be involved to list members.

The calendars and puzzles are almost all sold. We should look for a new puzzle project. It was suggested that we contact local artists for a picture or painting which would have meaning for multiple residents.

It was suggested that we look into having prisoners re-cane a broken chair seat. It was also suggested that we mention to town officials to get the front door fixed.

The next meeting is January 2. Meeting adjourned at 7:01 p.m.

Liz LeBrun, Secretary

Selectmen's Budget Mtg. Minutes — Dec. 7, 2018

Chairman Fiske, Selectman Miller and Selectman Prescott

Also present:

Police Chief Kris Burgess and Sergeant Bob Akerstrom.

Chairman Fiske called the meeting to order at 8:00 AM.

The Board began the review of the Police Department budget.

Chairman Fiske said they will start with salaries. Selectman Miller said they already know the snafu that they had. Chief Burgess said that is the only additional to the salary line; he didn't know if he needed to do something with the union. Chairman Fiske said they are not in the position of doing anything with that until the final decision is made. Chairman Fiske said they haven't made a decision about how much, if any, COLA will be given this year.

Chief Burgess said it looks good at this point but he increased the overtime wages by \$3,300 to \$10,000 because the last two years they have gone over budget. Selectman Miller said two years ago Chief Burgess was down three people when they went over budget. He said with a full staff of full and part-timers he doesn't see where they'll need a lot of overtime. Selectman Miller said he understands that there are circumstances like when there is an accident or someone gets held over for an arrest. Chief Burgess asked if they would be okay with increasing the line by \$1,000. Selectman Prescott asked how much it has been overdrawn in the past. Chief Burgess said he didn't bring those numbers with him. Selectman Prescott said he'd like to see the backup; because they have to justify it to the

general public. Chairman Fiske asked if it should be left at \$6,700. Selectman Prescott agreed. Selectman Miller said with a full roster he agrees. He suggested that the part-timers be utilized instead of overtime. Chief Burgess said that he has a couple of part-timers that don't care to work. He asked the Board if he has their support to hire another part-timer if they turn in their stuff. The Selectmen agreed that they don't have a problem with that. The Selectmen and Chief Burgess confirmed that they will keep that amount of \$6,700.

Chief Burgess said County Dispatch increased by just under 1%. Chairman Fiske asked if this is based on the number of calls taken by the town. Chief Burgess said that is correct. Chairman Fiske said he understands that a majority of the calls are coming through dispatch rather than through Loudon Police during the day. Chief Burgess explained that if a call comes in directly to the police, they get it from Janice by radio, if a 911 call comes in through Merrimack County, they get it directly from them. Chairman Fiske asked if their dispatcher could be utilized more to save costs. Chief Burgess explained that MRI thought that the way Merrimack County logs and handles everything is for safety concerns and liability. Chairman Fiske asked if this is changed because of MRI. Chief Burgess said no. Sergeant Akerstrom explained that it is all about air time. Selectman Miller said 1% is cheaper than a whole dispatch center.

Chief Burgess said the computer support line is a big number; he was hoping that some of that would come out of the current budget but it doesn't look like he'll be able to do it because he's walking a fine line money wise. He explained that there is a few more things

they have to purchase to get up to par. Chief Burgess said the datto back-up is one of those things. Selectman Prescott asked what the \$950 per month is for. Chief Burgess explained that it gives them unlimited support and service for updates, virus', upgrades etc. Selectman Miller agreed to the \$24,950 for this year so they can get the equipment needed to be CJIS compliant. Chief Burgess agreed that the \$7,550 increase is for equipment, they won't need it next year so that line will be reduced next year. Selectman Prescott said he is good with it as long as this number doesn't increase every year.

Chief Burgess said the prosecution line is up 2.5% because the number of cases has gone up. Selectman Prescott asked what the win loss ratio is. Chief Burgess said he doesn't know. Selectman Prescott said he should know that. Selectman Miller asked if Chief Burgess has looked into the County Prosecutor instead of Concord City Prosecutor. Chairman Fiske said the Concord Prosecutor is a major asset for the town. Selectman Miller asked Chief Burgess to look into it

Chief Burgess said he increased the electricity line due to the cost.

Chief Burgess said he is leaving the gasoline the same; he still has \$13,000 in that line but expects with the widening of 106 there will be increased detail work. Chairman Fiske asked if the line can be decreased to \$17,000.

Chief Burgess said he isn't sure what the increase for the outside services is for. Chairman Fiske asked if they can get a breakdown of that line. Chief Burgess will get that information to the Board

Chief Burgess said the cruiser is up for 2019. He submitted information for purchas-

ing or leasing a new SUV cruiser. Chief Burgess said to purchase one it would be \$33,295, to outfit it will be \$12,181.85 for a total cost of \$45,476.85. He explained that they will use radios and radars from old cars for a savings of about \$6,000. Selectman Miller asked if this is out of the \$12,181.85. Chief Burgess said it is not. Chairman Fiske asked what the price is for a Taurus as opposed to the SUV. Sergeant Akerstrom said he didn't have that number but as of 2020 they won't be making the Taurus anymore. Chief Burgess said the SUV is what they want in in law enforcement today. He explained that there is more room for the officer and for equipment and with the roads in town the SUV is what they need. Selectman Miller will review the list of equipment and Chief Burgess will get a new quote. Selectman Prescott agreed with that; he said he wants them to have everything that is necessary for protection but not any extras. Chief Burgess said he's spoken to towns in the area that are going with leasing instead of purchasing cruisers. He explained that he got a quote to lease two cruisers for three years and at the end it would only cost about \$3,000 more than to purchase. Chief Burgess said this would mean getting two new ones now and no others for three years. Selectman Prescott said this will cost more due to the interest. Chairman Fiske said the Town of Loudon isn't accustomed to paying interest. Sergeant Akerstrom said that the older cars are costing more in maintenance. The Selectmen agreed that they will think about this proposal some more. Chief Burgess explained that he

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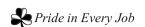
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added \$2,500 to the vehicle repair line in case they decided to only purchase one new cruiser. The Board reviewed the Fire Department

budget with Fire Chief Rick Wright.

Chief Wright said they upped the telephone line to \$4,500 due to the current cost. Selectman Prescott said he noticed Station 2 has a fee for long distance but Station 1 does not. Chief Wright said they don't use it often but do occasionally. He explained that they have Consolidated Communications for Station 2 and Comcast for Station 1.

Chief Wright said he increased medical expenses to \$11,000 based on the trend for the last three years and the increase in costs of

Chief Wright reduced the radio maintenance line due to the past 3-year average.

Chief Wright increased the truck maintenance line \$2,000 due to the past 3-year aver-

Chief Wright said the remainder of the lines in the fire department lines remain the

The Board reviewed the Compliance budget with Fire Chief Rick Wright.

Chief Wright said the first line is the one that covers himself and Deputy Lake. He explained that he increased it because they gave the Deputy an increase recently.

Chief Wright explained that he reduced the next line because the current Administrative Assistant isn't making as much money as the former one did.

Chief Wright said the remaining lines are the same as before.

Chairman Fiske asked Chief Wright about the Capital Reserve Fund money. Chief Wright said when Mel puts money in in June the balance will be about \$288,000. He said they will have a warrant article based on the ten-year replacement plan which will take most of that money. Chairman Fiske asked Chief Wright why he wants to increase the ambulance CRF from \$40,000 per year to \$65,000-70,000. Chief Wright explained that the prices he got for the current warrant article are about 22% higher than the last time. He figured by 2024 it will probably increase by another 22%, so to have enough it needs to be \$70,000 per year. Chief Wright said because they went form 20 to 24-year replacement the fire apparatus line could probably be reduced. Chief Wright will review both of those lines again.

Chairman Wright said the Emergency Management budget never changes it is \$1,500.

The Board reviewed the Ambulance budget with Fire Chief Rick Wright.

Chief Wright said he figured the full-time people's current wages with a little room for merit raises in case they decide to give them.

Chief Wright said the part-time per diem line is where they usually run short so he increased it to \$98,200.

Chief Wright said the next line is for standby people. He explained that it is getting harder to get people for standby, pretty soon those hours will turn into part-time

Chief Wright said the billing fee line is reduced to \$10,000 based on the current software charges, they no longer use a billing ser-

Chief Wright said the overtime wage line has dropped to \$7,000 because the call back hasn't been too much.

Chief Wright said the paramedic line has dropped to \$3,000 because they have more paramedics in the department.

The Board reviewed the Forestry budget with Fire Chief Rick Wright.

Chief Wright said the budget has remained The Board reviewed the Health budget

with Fire Chief Rick Wright. Chief Wright said that budget hasn't

changed at all. The Board finished the budget meetings at 10:30

Chairman Fiske said Ledgeview Gardens is looking for a written statement saying that they are okay with the wine/beer tasting and sales. He said he is not in favor of this due to liability. Chief Wright said these things have always been on the State but because this is a Farmers Market, they don't give the approval. Selectman Prescott said Michelle York who works for the liquor commission called him. She indicated that the vendors are the people that should be requesting the letter from the town, we the town can say yes to tasting and/or retail. Selectman Miller read from the RSA regarding this. He said they need the letter from the town to take to the commissioner. Chief Wright said he was told that a lot of towns opt out of this. Chairman Fiske asked Chief Wright to convey to Ledgeview Gardens that it was up to the licensee to get permission from the town and they didn't do that. Selectman Prescott said they didn't ask in a timely fashion. Selectman Miller said he would need to review this further. Chief Wright clarified that he will tell Ledgeview that the town will not allow the tasting or retail because they did not receive correspondence from the vendors in a timely manner. Selectman Prescott said the minutes said how it was going to be handled and it wasn't.

Chairman Fiske said they received a 35page decision regarding the Teamster Local 633 vs. the Town of Loudon and they have given it their seal of approval. He said he doesn't agree with the supervisory opinions in it. Selectman Miller made a motion to file an appeal for a rehearing. Seconded by Selectman Prescott. Selectman Miller said he believes there are some misleading statements that led people to believe there were certain things that are happening that are not happening and vice versa. He said he thinks it isn't in the best interest of the town that they allow the union to happen the way it is right now. Selectman Miller said he personally doesn't have a problem with a union he has a problem with the way the information is being deciphered. Chairman Fiske agreed. Selectman Prescott said he was extremely disappointed with what he read. Chief Wright said there are factual mistakes in it. All in favor. Motion car-

Chairman Fiske said he has tried to contact the logger on Clearview Drive but hasn't been successful yet.

Selectman Miller moved to adjourn at 10:55 AM. Seconded by Selectman Prescott. All in favor. Motion carried.

LOUDON BOARD OF SELECTMEN Robert N. Fiske, Chairman Jeffrey C. Miller, Selectman Stanley H. Prescott II, Selectman

Selectmen's Meeting Minutes — December 11, 2018

Present:

Chairman Fiske, Selectman Miller and Selectman Prescott.

Also, present was: Police Chief Kris Burgess, Road Agent Russ Pearl, Fire Chief Rick Wright and Officer Juan Posada.

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

Selectman Miller made a motion to accept the meeting minutes for December 4, 2018 as written. Seconded by Selectman Prescott. All in favor. Motion carried.

The Board met with Police Chief Kris

Chief Burgess said the PTA invited them to the Santa's Breakfast on December 1st. He said he, Officer Posada and Officer Battye attended and served breakfast. Chief Burgess thanked the PTA for having them

Chief Burgess said Officer Nye just completed Instructor Taser class on Friday.

Chief Burgess said they completed the PT tests at Police Training and Standards. He thinks they have a good eight applicants. He said oral boards are on December 19th. Chief Burgess said he would like to have a Selectman sit on the board.

Chief Burgess said he and Chief Wright attended a shelter training at the Loudon Elementary School. He explained that the school will now be a shelter for emergency services

in case of catastrophes. Chief Burgess said Fred Reagan obtained a grant for a generator.

Chief Burgess said there were questions at the budget hearing on Friday so he put things in writing and gave the Board members copies of the memo.

Selectman Miller thanked Chief Burgess for his community outreach in working with the PTA

Chief Burgess said he learned that Officer Posada was not going to be allowed to work part-time after he was done full-time in January. Chief Burgess said Mr. Posada will be furthering his education with the military and while going to school would like to maintain his certification and work part-time, on weekends for the town. Chief Burgess said this would be at no cost to the town because he is outfitted and trained, it would just be moving him from full-time status to part-time. Chairman Fiske said they did make that determination last week but since that time he has had a chance to speak to Officer Posada, given it considerable thought and is willing to allow that to happen. Selectman Miller said it is open for reconsideration, he said they had very limited information, at the time it appeared that they were just adding to the part-timers to increase the amount of part-timers. He said he has since learned that there is someone that is leaving or there is a good possibility that someone is leaving. Chief Burgess said he has

five part-timers now and he thinks one will be leaving. Officer Posada thanked the board for taking the time to reconsider this. He explained that his intention is to hopefully come back and take a full-time position in Loudon. Officer Posada said he likes his job and the community. Selectman Prescott said he heard Chief Burges say he has one person that might be leaving and asked if there was anyone else. Chief Burgess said there is one person that is willing to give up his spot to Officer Posada. Selectman Miller made a motion that they reconsider the decision they made last week and they continue to employ Officer Posada as a part-time officer at the end of January. Seconded by Chairman Fiske. All in favor. Motion carried.

The Board met with Fire Chief Rick

Chief Wright said the Emergency Operations Center grant work started at Station 2 last week. He said today there was a contractor meeting to plan and coordinate the work.

Chief Wright said the State Division of Fire Standards and Training notified all NH Fire Chiefs of a new law that went into effect July 10, 2018. This law is about firefighters that have cancer and workers compensation requiring the reimbursement of costs associated with firefighters that have cancer. He explained that the advisory talks about best practices in use and cleaning of equipment including the proper use of personal protection equipment. Chief Wright said this is a required policy, he will be distributing copies to all firefighters. He explained that he contacted someone that sells and installs exhaust removal systems. Chief Wright said once he receives a quote he will look into grants to pay for part or all of these systems. He said they are not required yet but he sees it coming.

Chief Wright said as was mentioned he, Chief Burgess and Deputy Lake all attended the shelter training at the Elementary School.

Chief Wright said the Fire Department held a CPR/AED class for Pleasant View Garden employees.

Chief Wright said the Loudon Firefighters Association bought a new 10-burner stove for the kitchen with two ovens. He thanked them

Selectman Prescott thanked Chief Wright for relocating the AED in the barn.

The Board met with Road Agent Russ

Mr. Pearl said they changed the speed limit signs on Lesmerises Road to 30.

Mr. Pearl said he met with Chris from Pike to look at Ricker Road. Chris will be getting him a rough estimate for possibly reclaiming that road.

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Mr. Pearl said he met with Bruce Davis from All State Asphalt. He, Bruce and Selectman Prescott road around town and checked twenty-five roads. Mr. Davis explained the different stages of the pavement and made recommendations as to what he would do.

Mr. Pearl said they have one truck being worked on in Bow, one is headed to Donovan's for spring work and one has a cracked rear end that is going to be fixed in house.

Mr. Pearl said the guys have been out ditching; they've done work on Flagg Road, Loudon Ridge Road and heading to Upper City Road tomorrow.

Mr. Pearl said they have also been working on potholes.

Chairman Fiske recognized Tom Moore. Mr. Moore explained that he and Selectman Prescott started working on impact fees last winter, took a little time away from it this summer and now they are back to it. He explained that they have new laws and methodology that change the old fee of \$1,523 per lot to \$589.27 per lot. Mr. Moore said they should consider whether it's worth the administrative costs to do the tracking of these fees. He said they should discuss whether increasing the building fees might be a better way to get the fees. Mr. Moore said if they decide to abolish the impact fee's it would need to go before the town for a vote. Chairman Fiske said he believes the best approach is through building permit fees so not only roads could benefit but also fire and police. Mr. Moore said it should go before the town to for them to decide if they want to continue with them or not. Selectman Prescott said he went online and found Canterbury and Gilmanton building permit fees. He said they are similar; he thinks we could follow them. Mr. Moore said they should vote to adopt the new fees until the fees are rescinded at town meeting. Selectman Miller said with all the bookkeeping that goes along with the fees he agrees with going to increased building permit fees. Mr. Moore said the Planning and Zoning Boards will be meeting Thursday and will discuss the amendment for the ballot. Selectman Miller suggested that the information be put out there possibly in the Ledger before town meeting.

The Board began their review of weekly correspondence.

The Board received an abutter notification from the Town of Hooksett Planning Board for a new Wireless Communication Tower.

The Board received the Town Report Department memo for review.

The Board received the Town Report Bid Specs and Bid request notice.

The Board received the NHMA 2018 Edition of State Aid to Municipalities: History & Trends

The Board received the NHMA 2018 Edition of Legislative Policy Positions.

The Board reviewed bills and timesheets. Selectman Prescott moved to adjourn a

Selectman Prescott moved to adjourn at 7:06 PM. Seconded by Selectman Miller. All in favor. Motion carried.

LOUDON BOARD OF SELECTMEN Robert N. Fiske, Chairman Jeffrey C. Miller, Selectman Stanley H. Prescott II, Selectman

Selectmen's Budget Mtg. Minutes — Dec. 14, 2018

Present:

Chairman Fiske, Selectman Miller and Selectman Prescott.

Also present:

Road Agent Russ Pearl and Transfer Station Manager Dustin Bowles

Chairman Fiske called the meeting to order at 8:00 AM.

Mr. Pearl said he would like to discuss putting the last chance cardboard containers back out at the transfer station for the savings to the town. The Selectmen all agreed that it is a good idea. Mr. Bowles said a lot of cardboard was put through those bins. He said he will speak to the recycling committee about putting an article in the Ledger. Selectman Prescott said this is for the people that see a long line at recycling, have only a couple pieces of cardboard, the cardboard will just go in the hopper when the bins are not there.

Mr. Pearl reviewed the Landfill/Recycling budget.

Mr. Pearl said that he needs to do more research on the cost of the telephones, internet and cameras at the transfer station.

Mr. Pearl said that based on usage he increased the electricity to \$5200.

Mr. Pearl suggested the tonnage line be increased based on the amount spent the last two years. Mr. Bowles said if they pull carboard out there will be less tonnage. After discussion it was decided that the line will be increased to \$230,000.

Mr. Pearl said the demolition line was overspent last year. Selectman Miller said there is also a revenue line for demolition. The line will be left at \$22,500.

Mr. Pearl said the tire disposal line should be reduced to \$500.

Mr. Pearl said in anticipation of forklift repairs he'd like to increase that line from \$1,500 to \$2,000.

Mr. Pearl reviewed the Highway Department budget.

Mr. Pearl said based on an anticipated increase in electricity he increased the line to \$4,000.

Mr. Pearl said the increase to \$10,000 to the equipment rental line is because he intends to rent a roller to follow the grader on the roads to keep them smoother. This also includes money to rent someone with a tractor with a brush hog to clear brush on the sides of the roads and screener rental.

Mr. Pearl said the sign line should be reduced to \$1,500.

Mr. Pearl asked that the parts lines for trucks #6 and #5 be increased to \$5,000. After a lot of discussion, the Board agreed to increase those lines to \$3,800 each.

Mr. Pearl asked that the part line for truck #1 be decreased to \$1,000.

Mr. Pearl asked that the parts line for truck #4 be increased to \$3,000.

Mr. Pearl asked that the loader parts line be increased to \$5,000.

Mr. Pearl asked that the line for tractor parts line be decreased to \$1,000.

Mr. Pearl asked that the one-ton parts line be increased to \$3,000.

After discussion the Selectman and Mr. Pearl decided to decrease the parts and tires line to \$12,000.

Mr. Pearl said he'd like to decrease the backhoe parts line to \$1,000.

Mr. Pearl said he'd like to increase the exca-

Mr. Pearl said he'd like to increase the excavator maintenance to \$2,500.

The Board increased the gas and oil line to \$45,000

Mr. Pearl asked that the repair lines for truck #6, #5, #4 be increased by \$1,000.

Mr. Pearl asked that the repair line for truck #1 be decreased to \$500.

Mr. Pearl asked that the loader repair line be increased to \$2,000.

Mr. Pearl asked that the tractor repair line be reduced to \$500.

Mr. Pearl said they can reduce the sander line to \$4,000.

Mr. Pearl showed the Board a list of the roads that don't need to be completely redone but do need work for preservation. He explained that some will need crack sealer and some will need chip seal which covers the whole road. He explained that the best plan is to crack seal and then coat with the chip seal. Selectman Prescott said the chip seal will add 5–7 years to the road.

Mr. Pearl said the estimate for the highway block money is \$181,236.00. Mr. Pearl explained that he divided that amount up among the lines that he will need to utilize. He explained that they have sand and bank gravel so no money is needed in those lines.

Mr. Pearl said they haven't been using all the park maintenance & supplies line so it was decreased to \$9,000. He will shop around for fertilizer prices.

Mr. Pearl explained that he has employees

Mr. Pearl explained that he has employees that he would like to give raises to, he said he has the money in his budget. The Board will take this under advisement.

Selectman Miller moved to adjourn at 10:48 AM. Seconded by Selectman Prescott. All in favor. Motion carried.

LOUDON BOARD OF SELECTMEN Robert N. Fiske, Chairman Jeffrey C. Miller, Selectman

Stanley Prescott II, Selectman

Selectmen's Meeting Minutes — December 18, 2018

Present

Chairman Fiske, Selectman Miller and Selectman Prescott.

Chairman Fiske called the meeting to order at $5:00\ PM$.

Selectman Miller made a motion to accept the meeting minutes for December 7, 2018 as written. Seconded by Selectman Prescott. All in favor. Motion carried.

Selectman Miller made a motion to accept the meeting minutes for December 11, 2018 as written. Seconded by Selectman Prescott. All in favor. Motion carried

Selectman Miller made a motion to accept the meeting minutes for December 14, 2018 as written. Seconded by Selectman Prescott. All in favor. Motion carried

The Board met with Library Trustees Alice Tuson and Chris Wittenberg to discuss the budget.

Ms. Tuson explained that due to an increase in rates the telephone line has been increased by \$100.

Ms. Tuson explained that due to doing more things online the postage line has been decreased by \$150.

Ms. Tuson said they decided to lower the reference material line by \$400 because with technology reference material can be found online

Ms. Tuson said they increased the elevator line by \$500 because their costs have increased. Chairman Fiske asked if inspection costs come out of this line. Ms. Tuson said they do. Selectman Prescott asked what else comes out of that line. Ms. Tuson said scheduled maintenance does and she will look into what else does.

Ms. Tuson said they increased the periodical line by \$200 because of subscription prices.

Ms. Tuson said they felt they didn't need as much in the supply line so they decreased it by \$1,000.

Ms. Tuson said they weren't sure what the preservation line was for and haven't used it so they removed the entire \$200 from that line.

Ms. Tuson explained that they would like to add a line in the amount of \$1,450 for conferences, dues and trainings. She said this would be for library association dues and staff trainings. Ms. Tuson said they have one staff member that they would like to see take paralibrarian courses

Ms. Tuson said they haven't figured any cost of living increases into the salary lines.

Selectman Prescott asked where cleaning

Selectman Prescott asked where cleaning services comes out. Ms. Tuson said it comes out of the part-time pay line.

The Board discussed capital reserve funds for town meeting. They talked about increasing the ambulance and road maintenance capital reserve funds. They discussed whether or not they should start a town garage capital reserve fund. The Board will have additional conversations about the capital reserve funds.

The Board met with Mary A. Hakken-Phillips and Pedro S. Godoi to sign paperwork for the auctioned property at 35 Bee Hole Road that Mr. Godoi purchased.

The Board began their review of weekly correspondence.

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The Board received a letter from Creedon & Gill, PC regarding the backhoe vs. car accident this past August.

The Board received the revised assessment for the Merrimack Valley School district for 2018-2019.

The Board received two employee performance reviews from the Fire Department

The Board received the proposed Merrimack County budget for calendar year 2019.

The Board received an envelope from the police department regarding quotes.

Chairman Fiske recognized Sandy Blanchard from the trail committee. Ms. Blanchard submitted a trail agreement and asked the Board to sign it. She explained that Earl Cate owns land off Kenney Road that is on the end of the trail. Ms. Blanchard said Mr. Cate signed

the agreement allowing the trail to cross his

property. Ms. Blanchard explained that Harry-O has allowed them to use some of his land for a parking area. She said an Eagle Scout made a kiosk at the end of the parking lot. Ms. Blanchard said that there is a problem with a wheeled vehicle, probably a trail bike crossing over their bridge. She said they need to add signage that says something like "no motorized vehicles," she'll be talking to the State Bureau of Trails to discuss the signage. Selectman Prescott suggested that she order the signs from the Prison and that they are paid for from the Conservation Commission budget. Ms. Blanchard asked if the parking lot can be plowed. Chairman Fiske said he will mention it to the Road Agent. Selectman Prescott said it was pretty rough the last time he looked at it. Ms. Blanchard said Harry fixed it up. Selectman Miller has concerns about the liability if someone falls. He suggested that the Road Agent look at it and run the question by the town attorney. Selectman Prescott asked if the

two trail agreements cover all the land that the trails are on. Ms. Blanchard said the rest is all town property. Selectman Miller made a motion to authorize Chairman Fiske to sign the trail agreement between the town and Earl Cate. Seconded by Selectman Prescott. All in favor. Motion carried.

Selectman Miller asked if there has been any thought to the road agent's request for increases for a couple of his employees. Chairman Fiske said the road agent spoke highly of them and he thinks things are going really well. He said everyone likes the situation up there and the money is in the budget. Selectman Miller said he wants to be sure they are prepared for next year's budget; it will be an increase. He said he thinks they deserve a raise; they've bent over backwards and done awesome but he wants to be sure its been thought about further than through this year. Selectman Prescott agreed it needs to be looked at further.

The Board reviewed bills and timesheets.

Selectman Miller said that in his opinion Chief Burgess should submit a warrant article for the computer equipment he wants to put in his budget since these are one time purchases not annual expenses. He said that he agrees the department needs to be brought up to be CJIS compliant; he feels it is a necessity. Chairman Fiske said he agrees it should be a warrant article. Selectman Prescott agrees that Chief Burgess should be advised that a warrant should be prepared for this.

Selectman Miller moved to adjourn at 7:21 PM. Seconded by Selectman Prescott. All in favor. Motion carried.

LOUDON BOARD OF SELECTMEN Robert N. Fiske, Chairman Jeffrey C. Miller, Selectman Stanley H. Prescott II, Selectman

Selectmen's Meeting Minutes — December 26, 2018

Chairman Fiske, Selectman Miller and Selectman Prescott.

Chairman Fiske called the meeting to order

Selectman Miller made a motion to accept the meeting minutes for December 18, 2018 as written. Seconded by Selectman Prescott. All in favor. Motion carried.

The Board began their review of weekly correspondence.

The Board received a letter from Chief Burgess and another from Sergeant Akerstrom. Selectman Miller said he would like to take Sergeant Akerstrom's request to save three holidays to be used in February under advisement until they talk to the Chief next week. He explained that he doesn't see how using them in February rather than January will lessen any burden. Chairman Fiske agreed.

The Board received a copy of the Police Departments January schedule.

The Board received a copy of the bond estimate for the School Street subdivision. Selectman Miller said there was a lot of discussion regarding this and he agrees with the Planning Board that this is a good estimate. Selectman Prescott agreed.

The Board received a copy of Capital Reserve Fund information from the Fire Chief. Chairman Fiske said they will table this until they meet with the Chief next week to discuss this with him.

The Board received a draft warrant article for an ambulance from the Fire Chief. Selectman Miller said before the Board decides to

recommend the article or not, they need a little

information from Chief Wright.

The Board received a letter from Chief Burgess regarding the outside services budget line. The Board discussed the cost of the maintenance of the cameras that were installed with a Homeland Security grant. They will ask Chief Burgess for more information about this.

The Board received a letter from NHDOT regarding tree cutting on NH Route 129. Selectman Prescott made a motion to authorize Chairman Fiske to sign the tree removal form. Seconded by Selectman Miller. All in favor. Motion carried.

The Board received the NRRA Star Assessment Results for the Loudon Elementary School

The Board reviewed bills and timesheets.

Selectman Miller said that Officer Posada will not start part-time until the Board receives a resignation letter from the other part-timer with the date that he will be leaving. He explained that Officer Posada cannot start part-time until that date. Selectman Miller explained that he neglected to put that in his motion last week when they discussed keeping Officer Posada on part-time. Selectman Fiske and Prescott agreed.

Selectman Prescott moved to adjourn at 7:11 PM. Seconded by Selectman Miller. All in favor. Motion carried.

LOUDON BOARD OF SELECTMEN Robert N. Fiske, Chairman Jeffrey C. Miller, Selectman Stanley H. Prescott II, Selectman

Selectmen's Meeting Minutes — January 2, 2019

Present:

Chairman Fiske, Selectman Miller and Selectman Prescott.

Chairman Fiske called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM.

Selectman Miller made a motion to accept the meeting minutes for December 26, 2018 as written. Seconded by Selectman Prescott. All in favor. Motion carried.

The Board met with Road Agent Russ

Mr. Pearl explained that he would like to submit a warrant article for a 10-wheeler truck with dump body, plow, wing, and sander. He explained that a 10-wheeler will be more productive in sanding and hauling material. Mr. Pearl explained that the lowest price he received was for a Freightliner; this is what the state uses, the cost of the cab and chassis is \$113,213, the plows, sanders and equipment are \$85,281. Mr. Pearl said they have \$182,554 in the capital reserve fund. Mr. Pearl

said the Town of Chichester has one and likes it. Chairman Fiske asked if he got any other prices. Mr. Pearl said he did; an International for \$112,997, a Western Star for \$126,000 and a Kenworth for \$137,000, these costs don't include the \$85,281 for the sander and equipment. Mr. Pearl said the last truck they bought was a Mack 6-wheeler that costs \$173,00; they put a used body on it that they had. Selectman Miller said he thinks they should spend the money to get stainless bodies. Chairman Fiske asked how long the truck will last. Mr. Pearl said 15 years if it's taken care of. The Board agreed that the warrant article should be written for a 10-wheel dump truck.

Mr. Pearl explained that his next article is for reclaiming and paving Ricker Road; he said it is one of the worst roads in Loudon. He explained that he got a quote from Pike. Mr. Pearl said the road is 1.4 miles long, 23 feet wide and the quote is \$314,257.25. He said there are five culverts that need to be taken

care of. Mr. Pearl said he received an estimate from a local contractor for \$1,000 per culvert with the town supplying the materials. Mr. Pearl said the bridge deck will need to be redone to support guardrails. Selectman Miller asked if this includes compaction tests. Mr. Pearl suggested that maybe the town engineer should do the tests instead of Pike. Selectman Prescott said the contractor should do the entire construction of Ricker Road so the highway crew can do their regular job. The Board said the article will be written for \$314,257.25; \$127,000 from the road capital reserve fund, \$75,000 from the special highway block grant money and the remainder

The Board met with Fire Chief Rick

Chief Wright explained that he asked for four prices for a new ambulance, three responded. He said the price is \$277.430.82 for the one they choose. Chief Wright said there is \$288,000 in the capital reserve fund. Selectman Miller asked which ambulance this will replace. Chief Wright said it will replace the 2009 Chevrolet. He explained that the ambulances are replaced every ten years so with two they are buying one every five years.

Chief Wright wanted to discuss the department capital reserve funds.

Ambulance/Rescue CRF — Chief Wright said that due to prices he recommends increasing the ambulance capital reserve fund from \$40,000 to \$63,000 per year so they have enough money in the fund in five years for a new ambulance.

Fire Apparatus — Chief Wright explained that they have been putting away \$100,000 so in reviewing the cost he thinks that can be reduced from \$100,000 to \$75,000. Chief Wright said they can review it again next year and possibly reduce it again.

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SCBA — Chief Wright explained that they have been putting away \$30,000 per year, these should be replaced every 15 years to keep certification so they are due next year. He explained that they didn't start the CRF until part way through the 15 years; once that happens the \$30,000 can go down because they will have 15 years to save.

Selectman Miller said that Chief Wright has presented a good case and has balanced out the increases with decreases. Selectmen Prescott and Fiske agreed. Selectman Prescott said he would like to see more data about what other communities are doing for replacements. Selectman Miller added they would be interested in communities our size.

The Board met with Police Chief Kris Burgess.

Chief Burgess submitted a warrant article for computer equipment. Selectman Miller asked if this will bring the police department to CJIS compliant. Chief Burgess said yes. Chairman Fiske asked how Bravenet fits into this. Officer Nye said that Bravenet will probably not ever be compliant and work with Office 2016. Selectman Miller confirmed with Officer Nye that even if they got everything in the warrant, they still would not be compliant. Officer Nye agreed. Selectman Miller asked if it makes sense to add the Office 365 to this warrant article so this can be done completely instead of piecemealing it. Selectman Prescott

agreed. Chief Burgess said he will amend the warrant article and get it back to the selectmen's office. Chairman Fiske asked if this will make the department 100% compliant. Chief Burgess said it will.

Chief Burgess said the second warrant article will be for a cruiser. Chief Burgess said he got a third quote for the equipment for the cruiser. He said this third quote is the cheapest. Selectman Miller asked what the quote for the cruiser is from Grappone; he though it was a little cheaper than Irwin's. Chief Burgess agreed that it was cheaper but he didn't have the quote with him. Selectman Prescott said the warrant article should be less than originally thought.

Chairman Fiske asked if the camera's can be turned over to the state to save the town money. Chief Burgess said they had that conversation with Homeland Security and NHDOT last year. Chief Burgess said they only utilize them during NASCAR races, he agrees that they are expensive and he would be agreeable to turning them over. Chairman Fiske asked if the other Selectmen are in agreement that if Chief Burgess finds out that NHDOT wants them they can be turned over. They agreed that Chief Burgess should look into this.

Chief Burgess asked the Board if they have made a decision regarding Sergeant Akerstrom's request to hold and use some holidays longer than thirty days. Selectman Miller said he doesn't want to set a precedent. He said holidays are for holidays and are not meant to add to vacation time. Selectman Miller said in this case since Sergeant Akerstrom will be using the time just over the thirty day limit they can probably make an exception. Selectman Prescott agreed as long as it doesn't become repetitious. Mr. Pearl said his guys worked on the holiday so if they save the holiday it has to be used within thirty days. Selectman Miller confirmed that is correct. Mr. Pearl asked if they can use the holiday and save their other hours as comp time. Selectman Miller said they can and those have to be used in six months.

Chief Burgess submitted an employee evaluation.

Selectman Miller asked about the speed trailer. Chief Burgess said the part they sent isn't fully compatible. Officer Nye said it just needs an adaptor. Selectman Prescott recommended that before they mess around with it, they contact the company and go the safe route so they don't end up with more issues.

The Board began their review of weekly correspondence.

The Board received an email regarding mail boxes that have been taken down by plows. The road agent reviewed the email.

The Board received a Wetlands Utility Maintenance Notification.

The Board received information from NH Retirement System regarding part-time employment of NHRS Retirees.

The Board reviewed the capital reserve funds for this year's warrant. After discussion the Board decided to increase the police department cruiser capital reserve fund from \$18,000 to \$20,000 so they will have \$40,000 when it's time for a new cruiser. As stated earlier, the Fire Departments ambulance/rescue CRF will increase from \$40,000 to \$63,000 and the Fire Departments fire apparatus CRF will decrease from \$100,000 to \$75,000.

Selectman Miller suggested that the Special Events lines for the Police and Fire be reduced because there are not two NASCAR races anymore. After discussion the Board agreed that the Police Department Special Event line be reduced to \$200,000 and the Fire Department Special Event line be reduced to \$40,000.

The Board reviewed bills and timesheets.

Selectman Miller said the sick leave policy should be revised. He explained that the question asked was if sick time can be used for dependents. The Board will revise the sick policy to include a change to add dependent care as well as remove the clause that sick time can't be used until after an employee's probation period is completed.

Selectman Prescott moved to adjourn at 7:40 PM. Seconded by Selectman Miller. All in favor. Motion carried.

LOUDON BOARD OF SELECTMEN Robert N. Fiske, Chairman Jeffrey C. Miller, Selectman Stanley H. Prescott II, Selectman

Selectmen's Meeting Minutes — January 8, 2019

Present

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Chairman Fiske, Selectman Miller and Selectman Prescott.

Also present:

Police Chief Kris Burgess and Road Agent Russ Pearl

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

Selectman Miller moved to approve the Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of Wednesday, January 2, 2019. Seconded by Selectman Prescott. All in favor. Motion carried.

Selectman Miller moved to go into nonpublic session per RSA 91-A: 3, II (c) at 6:01 PM.; seconded by Selectman Prescott. Roll call vote: Fiske – yes; Miller – yes; Prescott – yes. All in favor. Motion carries. Selectman Miller moved to come out of non-public session at 6:29 PM; seconded by Selectman Prescott. Roll call vote: Fiske – yes; Miller – yes; Prescott – yes. All in favor. Motion carried. Selectman Miller said the reason for the nonpublic session was to discuss salary increases for George Cooper and Mike Pickering. Selectman Miller said Mr. Pearl gave them a good case as to why they should each get a \$1.00 per hour raise effective January 13, 2019.

Jeff Leonard asked if Mr. Pearl has money in the budget for the increases. Selectman Miller said he does.

Selectman Miller moved to go into nonpublic session per RSA 91-A: 3, II (c) at 6:32 PM.; seconded by Selectman Prescott. Roll call vote: Fiske – yes; Miller – yes; Prescott – yes. All in favor. Motion carries. Selectman Miller moved to come out of non-public session at 8:54 PM; seconded by Selectman Prescott. Roll call vote: Fiske – yes; Miller – yes; Prescott – yes. All in favor. Motion carried. Selectman Miller made a motion to seal the minutes for five years. Seconded by Selectman Prescott. Roll call vote: Fiske – yes; Miller – yes; Prescott – yes. All in favor. Motion carried. Selectman Miller said the reason for the nonpublic was to discuss some ongoing things within the police department.

The Board met with Police Chief Kris Burgess.

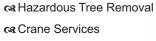
Chief Burgess explained the he had originally expected to do computer upgrades over three budgets but at the last meeting he was asked to put all items into one warrant article to make them 100% CJIS compliant. He explained that the quote he got for Office 365 several months ago was for \$6,820 it is now \$8,348. Chief Burgess said it is also recommended that they add two factor authentication (TFA) which will add a significant level of security to their email. He said this is also a requirement to become CJIS compliant. Chief Burgess said the cost for this is \$1,860. He explained that both office 365 and TFA require a monthly fee of \$220 per month. Chief

Burgess said those fees have been removed from the outside service line to the computer support line. Chairman Fiske said last week he asked if what they talked about would make them 100% compliant; the answer was yes. He said now there are additions. Chief Burgess said he thought it was and just found out the they need the two-factor authentication. Selectman Miller asked if Chief Burgess looked at the CJIS policy. Chief Burgess said he did and it does say he needs the two-factor authentication. Selectman Miller asked about the contract with Mainstay where it talks about after hour charges. Chief Burgess will look into this. Selectman Miller asked Chief Burgess to get something in writing from someone saying that this will make the department 100% CJIS compliant. Selectman Prescott asked for clarification on the afterhour charges as well.

Chairman Fiske asked if Chief Burgess has made any headway on turning the cameras over to the state. Chief Burgess said he's working on it.

Chief Burgess said the hiring process is going well, he has a gentleman set up to take a

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polygraph this week. Selectman Miller asked if this person is certified. Chief Burgess said

The Board began their review of weekly correspondence.

The Board received an email from Ryan Gould regarding SB341. He asked if the Board intends to vote on SB341 which increases the disabled veterans tax credit. Selectman Miller explained that there is already a tax credit, SB341 allows towns to vote to increase the maximum credit from \$2,000 to \$4,000, he said this went into effect January 1, 2019. The town currently has a credit of \$1,400. The Board agreed that they will not put the increase on the ballot this year.

The Board received a memo from Chief Wright regarding an employee receiving payment in lieu of taking two holidays. The Board reviewed the personnel policy and agreed to

The Board received Gas Emergency responder information from Unitil.

The Board received copies of the Police Department budget/warrant changes

The Board received copies of the CIP.

The Board received copies of the draft amended sick leave policy. Selectman Miller said there is a section that says employees absent for three consecutive days may be required to obtain certification from their physician must be changed from may to shall. Selectman Miller said the current bereavement policy allows for five days, the Board wants it changed to four days. Selectman Miller said the town allows up to 720 hours of sick time to be accrued. He read that upon leaving the employee gets 10% of the accrued and at retirement an employee gets 50%. Selectman Miller said 720 hours seems like an outrageous amount of time. Selectman Prescott said it is significant. Selectman Prescott said when he worked for the state, he had a couple of instances where he missed work and it was a relief to have the time. He said he isn't opposed to an employee building it up and having it but it's a privilege and he frowns on the 50% aspect of it. Selectman Miller said it's an asset to be used when needed. Selectman Miller said it's a big liability when someone leaves. The Board will review the sick policy.

Chairman Fiske read a request from the Maxfield Library that they would like to have a second alternate library trustee; they recommend Naquisha Bourget. Chairman Fiske made a motion to appoint Naquisha Bourget as library trustee to expire March 31, 2020. Seconded by Selectman Miller. All in favor. Motion carried.

Chairman Fiske opened two bids for the town report. Selectman Prescott made a motion to accept the bid from Debbie K. Graphics for the layout of the report in the amount of \$1,100. Seconded by Selectman Miller. All in favor. Motion carried. Selectman Miller made a motion to accept the bid for printing 800 copies of the 2018 annual report from Evans Printing in the amount of 1,274.39. Seconded by Selectman Miller. All in favor. Motion carried. The Board discussed the photo for the front of the annual report. It was brought up that there are many nice photos being shared on the Loudon, NH community facebook page. It was decided to get the word out that people can submit photos to the Selectmens office and one will be chosen for the cover. Notice will be put on the town website. Janice Morin said she can put it on the Ledger facebook page.

The Board received copies of the Capital Improvement Program spreadsheet. Selectman Prescott said they will discuss it next

Selectman Miller moved to adjourn at 10:02 PM. Seconded by Selectman Prescott. All in favor. Motion carried.

LOUDON BOARD OF SELECTMEN Robert N. Fiske, Chairman Jeffrey C. Miller, Selectman Stanley Prescott II, Selectman

Planning Board — Capital Improvements Commitee Minutes — **November 7, 2018**

Meeting called to order at 9:06 a.m.

Attendance: Planning Board Chairman Tom Moore, Dustin Bowles, Planning Board Secretary Danielle Bosco, Deputy Fire Chief William Lake, Police Chief Kristopher Burgess, Road Agent Russ Pearl, and Office Manager Brenda Pearl.

Municipal Improvement Schedule

Police Department: Chief Burgess explained they are putting \$18,000 per year into a CRF to purchase a new cruiser every other year. Chief Burgess said the cost of a new car is \$32,000 but to fully outfit it is an additional \$10,000. Chief Burgess also said he has gathered information for leasing a vehicle for \$12,000 per year for three years and after the third year you own it for \$1.00 and other Towns are doing this. Mr. Moore questioned removing equipment from old cruisers and putting them in new ones. Chief Burgess said equipment is updated so they would need to purchase new equipment. Mr. Bowles said leasing a vehicle would need to be brought up to the Selectmen and voted on by the Town. The Committee agreed the line should be increased to \$21,000 per year to cover the replacement every other year for \$42,000.

Fire Department: Deputy Lake said they will be purchasing a new ambulance and will be getting bids back by November 17th. Deputy Lake asked the Committee if they could meet again after the 17th and he will bring prices because he believes there has been a price increase. Chairman Moore questioned needing to purchase a new ambulance every five years because vehicles are lasting longer. Deputy Lake said the problem is they only have two ambulances, so they are rotating which one is replaced every five years. Deputy Lake said after ten years they are running into mechanical issues and often sending the older one out for repair. Deputy Lake said when an ambulance is out for repair, they are

down to one and often have back to back calls. If a repair is needed for the other ambulance they are without any. Chairman Moore said he has heard that Loudon's fleet is very big and other surrounding Town's like Gilmanton, Canterbury and Chichester have smaller fleets. Deputy Lake said they are comparable to Belmont and may have a little less staff and similar vehicles. Deputy Lake said Canterbury is smaller so that is hard to compare. Mr. Bowles asked if they covered parts of Canterbury and Gilmanton. Deputy Lake said they cover a part of Canterbury along 106 and Shaker Road to Baptist road and everything else is mutual aid. Mrs. Pearl said once the money is deposited for 2019 the balance will be \$288,000. Deputy Lake said they should have enough money for the 2019 purchase but suggests increasing it for the next five-year purchase. Chairman Moore brought up software for fleet cost maintenance. Deputy Lake said that would be hard for them to do, they do in house oil changes and some maintenance. Mr. Bowles said they would be looking for cost repair information rather than oil changes. Chief Burgess said they could get a breakdown from Loudon Garage as to how much money has been spent on repairs for each cruiser, but they don't currently break it down by vehicle. Chairman Moore said the Town should be thinking of going in this direction. Deputy Lake wanted to point out that the cost of the ambulance looks high at \$250,000 but that includes all the updated equipment like a cardiac monitor that alone is \$30,000. Deputy Lake said the new ambulances also have stretchers that are power and don't require lifting which they have had employees injured due to lifting. Deputy Lake said the Fire apparatus proposed in 20/21 will be replacing the Fire Truck that should be replaced every 20 years and is currently 24

Board of Selectmen: Mrs. Pearl said the Town Office CRF can be removed and guestioned why the bridge and dam restoration is under this section. Mr. Bowles said this has been worked on and there is no plan for the rest so it should be removed. Mrs. Pearl said right now there is no plan and no CRF in place so agrees it should be moved.

Highway Department: Mr. Pearl said they were supposed to purchase a truck & plow wing spreader this year but a warrant article wasn't done for the March 2018 Town Meeting. Mr. Pearl said he would like to increase it to \$195,000 to purchase a 10-wheeler for the fiscal year 19/20. Mr. Pearl said Ricker Road needs to be done but will review roads and bridges to see what needs to be done. Deputy Lake said Ricker Road can fall under impact fees improvements. Mr. Bowles said Young's Hill Road was put on this because of two Subdivisions that were going in but one of those is off the table and the other is not in the works. Mr. Bowles said the Loader should be moved sooner because it's in bad shape. Mr. Pearl said to change Clough Hill Bridge to Bridges. The Committee asked Mr. Pearl to do some research as he just took over the position. Mrs. Pearl said that they could purchase the truck this year as it was scheduled even though it wasn't presented at Town Meeting in March with a public hearing as the Selectmen are agents of the CRF. Mr. Bowles questioned if the Selectmen are agents of all the CRF's. Mrs. Pearl said some are and some aren't and if they aren't the purchase has to be presented at Town Meeting. Mr. Bowles said the Selectmen like to present warrant articles at Town Meeting. Chairman Moore removed Clough Hill bridge and changed it to bridge and asked Mr. Pearl to look at what bridges need to be dealt with first. Mrs. Pearl said the bridge CRF has \$360,000 and \$40,000 is deposited every year. Chairman Moore also asked Mr. Pearl to

determine if the Loader should be replaced in 19/20. Mrs. Bosco brought up the new highway garage being added. Mrs. Pearl said the Town had been putting \$100,000 a year into a CRF for the Town Office and that project is complete so it would be a good time to start one for the Highway Department. The Committee discussed property where the Highway Department could be built. Some property under Soucook Woodlot LLC that has a Conservation Easement on Currier road was brought up that would be close to the Transfer Station. The Board discussed transferring another lot of Town property to Conservation in exchange for this. Mr. Bowles said starting a CRF of 30,000-40,000 for the building would get the ball rolling on a new building. Chairman Moore recommended starting a CRF for \$250,000. Mr. Bowles said you don't want to start the CRF too high they should start with a low request and when plans are in place they can request more money. Chairman Moore questioned the cost of the building. Mr. Pearl said 1–1.5 million for the building is where he would guess. Mr. Pearl said he would check with Henniker and Northfield as they just built new Highway Departments. The Committee discussed starting a CRF for \$100,000 for the new Town Office. Mrs. Robinson said she received a text from Rob Buzzell that Soucook Woodlot is Town property. The Committee suggested putting this under Board of Selectmen.

Transfer Station: Chairman Moore said the tractor has no plan to replace and is not listed. Mr. Pearl suggested putting it in 20/21 to replace for 30,000.

Planning Board: Chairman Moore said Village road storm water drainage is listed and should stay listed for 21/22. Chairman Moore said the agreement when the Villages were

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built was for them to provide material to build the side walk but that hasn't happened. Chairman Moore said an easement was also supposed to be granted. Town History is listed under Planning Board and the Committee suggested putting it in a new category under Historical Society.

Recreation Department: The Committee recommended leaving this on the CIP in case a project comes up

Conservation Commission: Mrs. Robinson said the CRF is \$30,000 per year but land prices increase and she recommends raising it to \$50,000 per year. Mrs. Robinson questioned how much was in the fund currently. Mrs. Pearl said there was \$61,000 currently. Mr. Bowles said that she would need to request an increase, but the Committee can recommend \$50,000 per year. Mrs. Robinson said the Conservation Committee receives 50% of the land use tax and timber tax.

Mrs. Bosco will update the CRF balances from Brenda and approvals from 2018 Town

The next meeting will be held on December 5th at 9:00 a.m.

Submitted by, Danielle Bosco Administrative Assistant

Planning Board Meeting Minutes — December 20, 2018

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

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

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

Acceptance of Minutes: November 15, 2018 Regular Meeting – Mrs. Tuson made a motion to approve the minutes as written; seconded by Mr. Bowles: all in favor; Approved.

November 2018 Master Plan Public **Hearing** — Mr. Huntington made a motion to approve the minutes with the change to the word adopted; seconded by Mr. Cole: all in favor; Approved.

Discussion:

None

Old Business:

None

Application #18-15 Barc Builders — Subdivision request to waive sprinkler system, Map 52 Lot 11-1, R/R District. Bobbie Aversa and Randy Cicchetto presented the application. Abutter Roy Merrill was present in the audience. Mr. Cicchetto said they are building a home on property they purchased and plan on selling the home. They weren't aware when purchasing the land that a requirement of the Subdivision was to have a sprinkler system. Mr. Cicchetto said the cost of the sprinkler system is very high and will raise the sale price of the home, they are trying to keep it affordable to the buyer. Mr. Cole questioned if the other houses that part of the Subdivision are have sprinklers. Chairman Moore said 3 homes are built with sprinklers and 1 lot isn't yet built on and the lot in question is being built currently. Mr. Cicchetto said that at the time of the Subdivision it was a state law has since been removed.

Report of the Board of Permit:

None

Board Discussion:

Chairman Moore said Impact fees need to be discussed again. Chairman Moore also said several meetings are coming up for Zoning Amendment Workshops and CIP.

Report of ZBA:

Z18-20 Kim Pilote — Special Exception reduced setback — Map 21 Lot 41, RR Dis-

Adjournment:

Mr. Storrs made a motion to adjourn at 7:59 p.m.; seconded by Mr. Bowles. All were

Submitted by, Danielle Bosco, Administrative Assistant

The Deadline for the March 2019 **Loudon Ledger is** Friday, February 15, 2019

Zoning Board Meeting Minutes — December 27, 2018

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

Regular Hearing October 25, 2018 — Mr. Tuson made a correction to a statement. The line should read two lots were found in Town with less than 50 feet of road frontage. The adjournment was made by Mr. Pearl at the end of the meeting. Mr. Pearl made a motion to approve the minutes with the corrections. Mr. Tuson seconded the motion; All in favor. APPROVED.

Discussions:

None

Public Hearings:

Application #Z18-20 Kim Pilote — Special Exception for reduced driveway setback, Map 21 Lot 41, R/R District — Mr. Green is representing a case that is being re submitted as a new application after being withdrawn last month. Mr. Green said they are now asking for a five-foot setback rather than having the driveway right on the property line. With the lay of the land there is a tree and a retaining wall that is preventing them from moving the driveway any farther. Mr. Green said Mrs. Pilote has a home occupation and people park in the area. Mr. Green said they have a turn around for Mr. Pilote's truck as well. Mr. Green said there is an easement for drainage on the abutter's property and a French drain that has made an improvement to the water

runoff. Mr. Tuson asked about a pipe going onto the abutter's property. Mr. Green said it is a foundation drain put in by the builder. Mr. Tuson questioned the abutter if the foundation pipe comes right onto his property. Mr. Little said it bubbles up right at the property line. Chairman Lizotte questioned if the fence has made an improvement for any light from the cars. Mr. Little said it blocks the view. Mr. Tuson clarified the question is does it block light from the cars. Mrs. Little said it does. Chairman Lizotte said the water issue isn't the Boards domain, they are dealing with the side setback. Chairman Lizotte asked if this was an improvement in air, space and light. Mrs. Little said they don't see over to the property so no light issues. Mrs. Little said the applicant had stated last month the fence was to hold back water, but a fence can't. Chairman Lizotte said he doesn't remember that being said. Mrs. Little said the application does state it will not result in increase water runoff. Mr. Little said he showed the Board at a previous meeting showing storm run off on their property. Mr. Green said there is a difference between storm runoff, driveway runoff, drainage coming from both as well as the foundation pipe. Mr. Green said there is an easement for drainage and a pipe that was place in 2006. In a storm you will have run off. Mr. Green stated the fence is a foot higher than the driveway. Mr. Aznive said this would push it to the drain. Mr. Green said this property has a natural runoff of water. Mr. Tuson asked for a clarification of what a French drain is and if they could make a larger drain to help ease the water issue. Mr. Green said he believes they dug a hole and put stone and a pipe, so it would take the water slowly. Mr. Tuson said the surface the driveway has currently allows the water to come down faster and absorb less. Mr. Green said he could speak with the applicant about a larger drain. Mr. Saunderson questioned the size of the drain. Mr. Burdette was in the audience and placed the French drain. Mr. Burdette said the drain is 2 feet deep of stone and can't go down more than that due to ledge. The drain is as large as the parking lot so the only way to increase it is to increase the size of the parking lot. Mr. Aznive questioned if the runoff would be worse it the drain wasn't in place. Mr. Burdette said this drain has helped the water runoff. Attorney Ray Dumonte represented Dave and Sigrid Little. Mr. Dumonte said the Little's have no issues with the business. Mr. Dumonte presented google earth pictures from 2011 and 2016 showing trees removed and the driveway altered. No relief from the ZBA was ever granted stated Mr. Dumonte. Mr. Dumonte said the truck turn around isn't shown on the map, but Mr. Green stated it was 30 feet away from the boundary. Mr. Green said he did not say an amount and it isn't part of this application. Mr. Tuson said it is part of it so if it's only pulled back two feet that wouldn't comply. Mr. Green said they will pull it back to what the ZBA grants. Mr. Dumont suggested to the Board to only allow 15 feet of a reduced setback because five feet isn't enough. Mr.

Dumont said the application states the driveway has been in place since 2006 but it shows on google maps that it wasn't as large. Mr. Dumonte said the french drain isn't accomplishing much. Mr. Dumonte said they have to compare todays driveway to natural conditions. Mr. Dumonte said the ZBA stated at the last meeting the maximum relief the Board has granted is 15 feet and that is what the Little's have done on their property. Mr. Dumonte also stated the Pilote's have another access to their basement. Mr. Dumonte said this type of run off does affect the abutting property. Mr. Dumonte also pointed out the application states Planning Board and not ZBA and shows lack of detail by the applicant. Mr. Dumote stated the plan says it shows everything and it doesn't the shed isn't shown. Mr. Green said the plan doesn't say it shows everything just the house and driveway. Mr. Dumonte apologized. Mr. Tuson said it would be up to code enforcement to look at the shed. Mr. Little said at a previous meeting it was stated that Mr. Burdette witnessed the driveway put in place for the purpose of the concreate trucks entering the property. Mr. Green said you can't use any information said from another meeting. Chairman Lizotte referenced back to the google images. Mr. Tuson said you can see in both where the driveway is. Mr. Tuson said there clearly has been change made and it has been widened. Mr. Tuson said that it was stated to compare to the natural state, but the Board doesn't know what the actual natural

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state is. Mr. Green said if you look at the google images the image from 2011 shows a large pond of water and that is where the Little's property now sits. Mr. Green said this is where a cellar hole was dug but it filled with water in 2010. Mr. Little said they were told to build there home higher up or else they would have water problems in their basement. Mrs. Little said there is a ditch that allows water to flow onto their property. Mr. Tuson said with the application being on the Pilote's property the specifics of the drainage on the Little's property is irrelevant. Mrs. Little asked if the Board wanted to see the video of the drainage issues. The Board chose not to see the video again. Mr. Dumonte said it was stated at the last meeting the fence would stop the water. Mr. Tuson said that himself and Chairman Lizotte didn't recall that statement. Mr. Dumonte said it was stated there are pipes underground, but they don't know any details and requested the Board have detail on the pipes. Mr. Tuson spoke about the flow rate increasing with the French drain and if they can balance the two. Chairman Lizotte said this type of thing is more of a Planning issue. Mr. Tuson said if they were to deal with it, they would have the Town Engineer investigate it. Mr. Green questioned what prevents any Resident from doing drainage on their property. Mr. Green said when a property has water problems you put in a French drain. Mr. Green said an easement was granted for the water drainage. Mr. Green said stone slows water, the State always uses stone. The applicant has done everything possible. Mr. Tuson said he had questioned if the drainage was adequate. Chairman Lizotte questioned if more stone would help. Mr. Green said they have done as much as they can with the land and where the septic is located. Mr. Merrill said adding a pipe along the Littles property to further drain the water and the drainage easement should have included carrying the water to the road. Mr. Little said the Easement has never been presented. Mr. Aznive said he didn't know what size pipe would solve it but if everyone can work together this problem can be solved. Mr. Pearl said removing the driveway this problem will not be solved. Mr. Pearl said you can see in the original pictures there was a water issue. Mr. Pearl said he believes they have taken efforts to resolve this. If they had requested permission for this originally the Board would have granted it he believes. Mrs. Little said if they had asked permission wouldn't they have needed a reason to have it so close. Mr. Pearl stated they would have had them put gravel down. Mrs. Little said they wouldn't have granted it so close. Mr. Pearl said they have granted 3 feet of relief. Mr. Pearl said you can see where the driveway was in 2011 it was in the same place, removed trees and upgraded to gravel with drainage. Mrs. Little questioned the type of stone. Mr. Dumonte asked the Board to look at what they would have requested the applicant to do and said they would have required more drainage. Mr. Merrill said the abutting property wasn't built and they would not have made them do drainage and a drainage easement in place. Mr. Merrill said how do you have a drainage easement and then tell someone they can't use it. Mr. Tuson questioned if anyone had a copy of the easement. Mr. Pearl ques-

tioned if the driveway was in its current state when the Littles purchased their home. Mr. Little said it was there when they bought it. Mr. Pearl said to Little's they are requesting them to have a driveway removed that was in place prior to the Little's buying the property that was a wet property. Mr. Dumonte said the easement wasn't disclosed to them and they only found out after closing. Chairman Lizotte said its buyer beware. Mr. Pearl said often applicants come in after they have done something and ask for permission and they do approve them. Mr. Pearl said the applicant has done a substantial amount of drainage work. Mr. Dumonte said a larger French drain would help mitigate this problem. Mr. Green said the whole parking lot is all 2 feet of drainage. Mr. Merrill said moving the driveway another 10 feet wouldn't improve the water issue. Mr. Little said if they return 15 feet back to its original state that will help the drainage. Mr. Green said the original soil is hard pan and would be worse for water runoff. The Board questioned engineer approval for the drain. Mr. Dumont provided a case from Supreme Court about using the easement reasonably. Mr. Tuson said they don't know the maximum flow rate from 2011, 2016 or now. Mrs. Tuson said a unreasonable request would be to pave the parking lot and that is not what they have done. Mr. Green discussed what was presented about the easement and said you can only go back to when it was created and what it is for which is drainage across the abutting property. The Board discussed the placement of the foundation pipe. Mrs. Pilote said the water that is coming down is from the rain. Mr. Burdette said there is no pipes in the drain the only pipe is the foundation drain that has been in place since the house was built in 2006. Mr. Burdette said a catch basin on the Little's property would help with this. Mr. Aznive said if they can work together this can be solved. Chairman Lizotte went through the application. Chairman Lizotte closed the Public Hearing and opened it up to the Board only. Mr. Tuson made a motion to table the application requesting a copy of the drainage easement and additional testimony for question #4. Mrs. Bosco asked to recess and get a copy of the easement. Mr. Tuson withdrew his motion. Recess: 9:18 p.m.

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Mr. Pearl said the language in the deed states the easement is defined as lasting for an unknown length of time. Chairman Lizotte asked the Board if they were all set with the easement. Mr. Pearl said the Easement settles his feelings on question 4 and the drainage. Mr. Pearl made a motion to approve the application for a 5-foot setback on the south side boundary; Seconded by Chairman Lizotte. A roll call vote was taken, Mr. Merrill – yes, Mr. Pearl, Mr. Lizotte – yes, Mr. Tuson – yes, Mr. Aznive – no. Approved 4-1.

Board Discussion:

None

Adjournment:

Mr. Pearl moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:36 p.m.; seconded by Mr. Aznive; All were in

Submitted by, Danielle Bosco Administrative Assistant

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1st Monday of the month

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

1st Tuesday of the month

7pm • Lions Club @ Library

1st Wednesday of the month

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

1st Thursday of the month

6:30 • PTA @ LES

7pm • Agriculture Commission @ Com. Bldg.

2nd Monday of the month

7:15pm • MVSD School Board

2nd Thursday of the month

6:30pm Lion Pack @ Library

2nd Saturday of the month

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

3rd Tuesday of the month

7pm • Lions Club @ Library

3rd Wednesday of the month

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

3rd Thursday of the month

7pm Planning Board @ Town Office

3rd Sunday of the month

9:30am • Loudon Congregational Church Healing Prayer Time

4th Monday of the month

5pm•Economic Development Com. @ Town Office 7pm • LYAA @ Library

4th Tuesday of the month

4pm

◆Trails Sub-committee @ CB

4th Wednesday of the month

6:30pm • Recreation Committee @ Library

4th Thursday of the month

6:30pm • Evening Book Group @ Library 7pm • Zoning Board @ Town Office

Every Monday

3pm • Movies @ Library

Every Tuesday

10:30am • Story Time @ Library 5-7:15pm • Cribbage at the Library 5:45-7pm • Knitting Group @ Library 6pm•Selectmen @ CB 6:30pm • Prayer Mtg. @ Congregational

Every Wednesday

2:30-4:20 Stitch 'n Chat @ Library 6:30pm • Wolf Pack @ LES Full Pack • 6:30 @ LES

Every Thursday

10:30am • Story Time @ Library

EVENTS ON SPECIFIC DATES

Feb. 1 • LES Chorus at Monarchs' Game

Feb. 6•6pm•Budget Hearing @ Town Office

Feb. 7 • 5:30pm • PTA @ LES

Feb. 9•11-Noon•Book Swap @ Library

Feb. 11 • 7:15pm • MVSD School Board @ MVHS

Feb. 12-9-Noon-VNA Health Clinic @ Richard **Brown House** Young at Heart Meeting

Feb. 13•5–6:30•Free Community Dinner @ Faith Community Bible Church

Feb. 14 • VALENTINE'S DAY

Feb. 15 • DEADLINE FOR MARCH ISSUE OF THE LOUDON LEDGER

6-8pm • Sweetheart Dance @ LES

Feb. 18 • PRESIDENTS DAY 6pm • COMMUNICATIONS COUN-CIL MTG. @ Com. Bldg.

LES LOVES TO READ WEEK THROUGH FEB. 22

Feb. 19•Illustrator Visit and Assembly @

2pm

Decorate a Wineglass @ Library

Feb. 20 • Guest Reader Day @ LES 5-6:30 • Free Community Dinner @ Faith Community Bible Church

Feb. 21 • 2pm • Afternoon Book Group @ Library

Feb. 25-Mar. 1 • SCHOOL VACATION WEEK 5pm • Economic Dev. Com.

Feb. 26 • 11 am • Stopping By The Woods painting @ Library

Feb. 27-Mar. 7•TAX COLLECTOR CLOSED 6:30 • Teddy Bear Sleepover @ Library

5-6:30 • Free Community Dinner @ Faith Community Bible Church

Feb. 28 • 10:30am • Brunch with your Teddy Bear @ Library 6:30pm • Evening Book Group

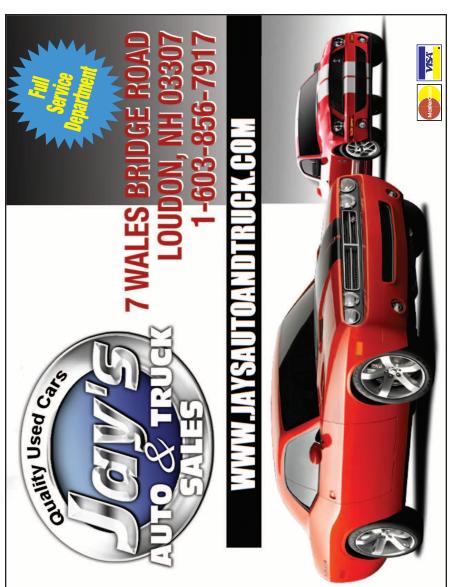
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