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## Mission Statement...

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

## Police Looking For Information



**Loudon police is looking for identification of these suspects that were involved in a burglary in a Loudon business on October 18, 2011. Please contact the Loudon Police Department at 798-5521 with any information.**

## Santa's Breakfast and Craft Fair a Big Success



The 2011 Loudon Elementary School PTA Santa's breakfast and Craft Fair was a resounding success! With help from the community, the PTA raised over \$2,000. The money raised will be used to fund field trips, scholarships and other activities for the students.

At the fourth annual craft fair, the PTA was pleased to welcome 44 vendors offering such goodies as hand spun wool, handmade candles, birdhouse,

bags, wallets, and dog scarves. Many of the vendors were local residents making it easier than ever to shop local for the holidays.

This event is truly a community event. Thank you to everyone who brought a canned good for the Loudon Food Pantry. Thanks to all the individuals and business who donated items for the raffle. We are grateful to Meadow Ledge Farm, Harry-O, and The Page family for donating real maple syrup.

Thank you to Marc Herrmann for donating the apples served at breakfast.

Thanks to Tom Lalibertie, Jenny Bailey, Mr. Larry, and Mr. Lenny your unending support of the PTA is much appreciated. A HUGE thank you to Roseanne Storrs and her son Tyler! They have been key parts of making the kitchen run smoothly for many years and the PTA appreciates all their hard work and dedication. ■

**Town of Loudon Office Hours**  
**Selectmen’s Office**

PO Box 7837 • 798-4541  
*Selectmen meet Tuesday evenings at 6:30 p.m. in the Community Building.*  
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**Loudon Elementary School**  
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Thurs.: 10 a.m.–9 p.m. • Sat.: 9 a.m.–1 p.m.  
*The Library Trustees meet at 5 p.m. on the first Tuesday of the month.*

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

**Loudon Food Pantry**  
30 Chichester Road, Unit D, Loudon  
Intake Hours: Monday–Thursday by appointment only.  
Donations accepted: Monday–Thursday 10 a.m.–5 p.m. Closed Fridays.  
For more information, call Sue or Sarah at 724-9731 or email [LoudonFoodPantry@yahoo.com](mailto:LoudonFoodPantry@yahoo.com)

**Loudon Representatives**

**Merrimack County — District 6**  
**Priscilla P. Lockwood:** PO Box 1, Canterbury, NH 03224  
**Jennifer Coffey:** 748 Raccoon Hill Rd., Andover, NH 03216-4040  
**Seth Cohn:** 58 Clough Pond Rd., Canterbury, NH 03224-2404  
**Sean Cox:** 346 Old College Rd., Andover, NH 03216-3310  
**Greg Hill:** 1 Knowles Farm Rd., Northfield, NH 03276-4517  
**Kenneth Kreis, Sr.:** 607 Shaker Rd., Canterbury, NH, 03224-2733

**Senators — District 07**  
**Andy Sanborn:** Legislative Office Building, 33 North State St., Room 5, Concord, NH 03301

**Loudon Ledger Submission Policy**

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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## Where to Worship in Loudon

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

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

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

*Ongoing Evening Adult Bible Studies:* call for details



### Faith Community Bible Church — Evangelical Free Church of America

*Jeffrey Owen, Senior Pastor • Joshua Owens, Associate Pastor*

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

phyllis.minery@fcfc-loudon.org • Office Hours: Tues.–Thurs. 9 a.m.–2 p.m.

*Sunday Worship Hours:*

8:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. (Nursery provided.) • Sunday School Classes 9:30 a.m.–10:30 a.m.

Children’s Church (God’s Garage) for ages 3–grade 3

*Ministries:*

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

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

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

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

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for those interested in the Christian Faith and in Landmark Baptist Church. This is a time for questions and answers about what it means to be a Christian and what we believe here at Landmark!)

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

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

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

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

We never cancel services for any reason!



### Loudon Center Freewill Baptist Church

*Rev. Henry Frost*

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

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

*Sunday Worship:* 10:00 a.m.



### Loudon Congregational Church

*Rev. David D. Randlett, III*

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

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

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

*Tuesday and Wednesday Evenings:* Regional PrayerWatch Groups and Christian Study Groups (call for details) *Loudon Congregational is a member church of the Conservative Congregational*

*Christian Conference (www.cccusa.org).*

*GraveRobbers Coffeehouse*

*A community hospitality project of Loudon Congregational Church.*

GraveRobbers is a safe, fun setting for everyone! Coffeehouse concerts are held the **first Saturday of every month at 7 p.m.** featuring accomplished musical artists of various styles in a casual, café setting (doors open at 6:30). There is no admission to the concerts; however, donations for the artists are encouraged. Refreshments are available at reasonable prices.



### New Beginnings Church of the Nazarene

*Rev. W. John White, Senior Pastor*

33 Staniels Rd, Loudon NH 03307 • Ph: 224-1311 • Office Hours: 9–2, Mon.–Fri.

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

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

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

*Kidsville* (Grades 1–4)

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

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

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

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

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

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



### SonLight Christian Fellowship

*Pastor Thomas Friedrich*

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

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

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

Luncheon following services.



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

## Gold Key International Honour Society Inducts Loudon Native Newell Moser

Newell Moser of Loudon has accepted membership in Golden Key International Honour Society and was honored during a recent induction ceremony at the University of New Hampshire.

“It is only fitting that a top academic achiever like Newell be recognized by Golden Key,” said William W. Asbury, Golden Key’s Board of Directors Chair. “Our members are inspired and motivated not only to achieve exceptional academic accomplishments, but also to make a positive impact on our world through the Society’s commitment to service.”

Golden Key International Honour Society provides academic recognition to top-performing college and university students, as well as scholarships and awards, career and internship opportunities, networking, service, and leadership development opportunities.

Golden Key International Honour Society, established in 1977, is the world’s premier collegiate honor society, with nearly 2 million student and alumni members. The Society has more than 375 campus-based chapters in eight countries, including Australia, Canada, India, Malaysia, New Zealand, South Africa, The Bahamas, and the United States. Membership into the Society is by invitation only. For more information, please visit [www.goldenkey.org](http://www.goldenkey.org).

Newell Moser is the son of Michael Moser and Tyler Moser. He graduated from Merrimack Valley High School in 2009. He will graduate from UNH with a BS in Mechanical Engineering. Congratulations, Newell! ■

## Sign Up for Kindergarten

Children who will be 5 yrs. old on or before Sept. 30, 2012 are eligible for kindergarten. Please call the Loudon School at 783-4400 for kindergarten registration information. ■



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## Loudon Food Pantry News

### Gift of Lights

This is a spectacular event. Everyone that we spoke to loved it! We loved it too, for the lights but also for a different reason. At the beginning of Gift of Lights we received a call from Connie from the New Hampshire Food Bank. They allowed all the food from this event to be given to Loudon Food Pantry. As of December 14th, we have received 12,150.23 pounds of food. We will publish the final amounts in the next edition. Thank you Gift of Lights and New Hampshire Food Bank!

### Financial Contributions

Thanks to Gift of Lights and New Hampshire Food Bank, we have lots of can goods. But, we also need funds to operate. While we do get some things for free or for discounted rates, food pantries and most non-profits do not get everything for free. In order to stay open, we have to have funds to pay for:

- Rent
- Utilities (telephone, internet, Website hosting)
- Insurance
- Paper and ink
- Food logging supplies and equipment
- Event supplies
- Breakroom supplies for volunteers (such as coffee)
- New Hampshire Food Bank maintenance fees
- State fees
- Repairs and maintenance on our equipment
- We will soon need to replace two freezers and a refrigerator
- Food at retail prices
- Other operating expenses

Your donations are always welcome. Donations are accepted through our website (LoudonFoodPantry.org), by mail (Loudon Food Pantry, 30 Chichester Rd., Unit D., Loudon NH 03307) or just drop in. If you have any questions, call us at 724-9731.

Thank you in advance for all that you do for us!

### Santa's Breakfast Update

We were at Santa's Breakfast, on Saturday December 10, 2011 and had a great time. It looked like the breakfast and craft fair was a big success. We received food donations, financial contributions and sold about \$75 in raffle tickets. A big thank you for all involved!

### 50/50 Raffle

As of the time of submission for this publication, the raffle winner was not drawn yet. We will announce the winner in the next edition. The will was also posted on our website (LoudonFoodPantry.org) on December 15th. We hope this made the holiday a little easier for the winner.

## Boy Scout Troop 247 News

Boy Scout Troop 247 volunteered at the recent Frozen 5K held in Laconia on December 10. Volunteers helped pass out snacks to race participants. Proceeds from the 5K are used to benefit the WLNH Children's Christmas Auction.

On Thursday, December 15, Boy Scout Troop 247 visited with residents of the Richard Brown House on South Village Road. Scouts brought a snack of Trail's End popcorn for everyone to enjoy. While there, residents enjoyed playing a variation of the card game Golf with the boy scouts. ■



### Thanksgiving Boxes

We gave out 109 Thanksgiving Boxes this year. This actually decreased over last year. In looking into why, we noticed that some have lost their homes and relocated, some of our elderly have passed and some have moved out of our service area looking for work. We have also gained new patrons as well. Overall, during the month of November, we provided enough food for 5,816 meals.

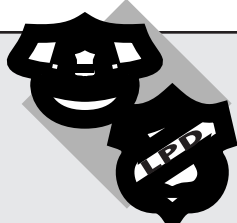
### Thank You!

During the holiday season, everything is rushed, everyone is rushed, and there is very little time to relax. Take a moment now to sit back and relax. You deserve it!

To our volunteers, thank you for being at our side and helping in every way you can! To our donors, thank for your donations and helping people to feed their families and helping us stay open! To our patrons, keep on trying, it will get better! ■

*Sue, Sarah and Bill*





# Loudon Police Department News

By Robert N. Fiske, Chief of Police

## Happy New Year!

On November 29, 2011, the Loudon Police Department held our annual American Red Cross Blood Drive. A total of 84 donors gave 77 units of blood! Our appreciation and thanks to everyone who came out to support this worthwhile cause. Many thanks not only to the donors but the many volunteers that assisted with their time or providing a soup, chili, stew, or dessert. These volunteers include Marjorie Schoonmaker, Brenda Pearl, Marilyn Jenks, Girl Scout Cadet Troop 12356, Lysa Crouch, Barbara Sullivan, Carolyn Stinson, Becky Smith, Rosann Storrs, and Diane Bullock.

This past holiday season, we had three confidential donors come forth to make sure three families were able to enjoy their Christmas. Although we cannot share their names, we do want them to know we appreciate all they do! With all the negative news out there, it's nice to see there is some positive news to share!

I would like to express our appreciation to the residents “keeping an extra eye out” in their neighborhood with suspicious activity. It is with these calls that we are able to deter potential criminal situations from occurring.

We continue to stress to please call us when you suspect or see anything out of the ordinary. We are here 24 hours a day, 7 days a week to serve. As we have learned in the past, something that was called in as “I really don’t think this means anything, but” has helped us solve crimes and we depend on extra eyes and ears of our residents to help us and continue to make this a safe community.

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



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## "Preserving the Doodle Bug"

This article was submitted by The Loudon Historical Society with permission of the author. To see this exhibit and many others related to New Hampshire aviation, visit the museum located at the Boston-Manchester Regional Airport. From the Mall of NH, take Route 28 south and follow the signs to the museum. ■

Fall 2011



### Preserving the Doodle Bug

JACK PERNS, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, AVIATION MUSEUM OF NH

LOVEJOY FIELD, LOUDON (NH), July 28 (1930)

"With preliminary tests conducted yesterday afternoon and evening indicating the complete airworthiness of the airplane constructed during recent months by Perley Ordway and Caleb Marston of this town at Ordway's carpenter shop (where more vigorous tests were being planned for this afternoon.

The plane was test flown yesterday by Floyd Miller of Newport, graduate of the flying school at Concord airport, who



was to fly the ship in its more vigorous testing in flights this afternoon if weather conditions permit.

The plane was constructed by Ordway, who has an enviable reputation as a pattern maker, and Marston formerly chief mechanic at the (Concord) airport for about ten years, as an experimenter."

In 1929, Caleb Marston and Perley Ordway combined their talents to design and manufacture the first biplane built in New Hampshire, they called it the Doodle Bug. In addition to building the first NH biplane aircraft, they filed a patent for an "Aeroplane Wing Rib" in July of 1929 and received patent #1,749,293 on March 4, 1930.

As we all know, the most important part of the New Hampshire Aviation Historical Society's mission is the preservation of the state's rich aviation history. The unique way history reveals itself is often as fascinating as the story behind it. Thus, the rediscovery of the Doodle Bug begins in Loudon, NH about one year ago with

a phone call to me from Bob Ordway, son of Perley.

Bob is a personal friend and no stranger to the society, having been a charter member of the organization and attending the first meeting in 1995. Bob casually invited me over to "talk" about his dad's airplane. When I arrived at his home in Loudon, only a short distance from my own, he had photos of the aircraft, his dad Perley, Caleb Marston and test pilot Floyd Miller, along with a cardboard tube that had obviously housed some rather happy mice for a long period of time. As Bob was telling me the tubes had been in his barn for years, he proceeded to pull out drawings, 10 of them, all original, hand-drawn architectural aircraft design drawings done by his dad Perley. The Doodle Bug!

During this same visit I inquired about "Ordway's carpenter shop" where the aircraft was built. He said, "Let's take a ride". Not more than 5 minutes away, in Loudon Village, there still exists the small shop that was home to a piece of NH aviation history. The building no longer owned by the Ordway family, revealed its well hidden secret at the top of a narrow staircase that lead to the second floor. The second floor was rather clean of debris, only a pile of wood on one side and scraps of wood tucked



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in the rafters. To our amazement the wood included the fuselage fixture along with two wing rib fixtures, horizontal and vertical stabilizer fixtures and all control surface fixtures.

There were two aircraft built when the depression ceased production. Both aircraft were destroyed (Doodle Bug I was rebuilt in 1933) and only parts of them remain. However, the original drawings, photographs and fixtures were donated to the society by Bob Ordway as well as a portion of the fuselage, tail section and wing center section from the first aircraft, donated by Dick Jackson of Rochester, NH.

Two of the original drawings, which have been preserved and reproduced by the Northeast Document Conservation Center in Andover, Massachusetts. As funds become available, it is planned that the remaining 8 drawings will ultimately be preserved along with partial reproduction of the fuselage. The prints and photos along with one of the wing rib fixtures are currently on display as part of the "Homegrown Biplane" exhibit at the Aviation Museum.

**The Deadline for the February 2012 issue of The Loudon Ledger is: Friday, Jan. 13, 2011**



## Loudon Recreation Committee News

### WEEKEND OF WINTRY FUN IN LOUDON



The annual **Winter Carnival** event is scheduled for **Saturday, February 25th** with a bad weather or no-snow date of March 3rd. Join your friends and neighbors of Loudon for some winter fun at the Loudon Recreation Field in the village. There will be snowman toss game, horse drawn wagon rides, snowman building competition (with prizes), snowshoeing, and a bonfire to keep warm. More info will be coming out next month, but save the date for winter fun!!

To continue on with the winter fun on **Sunday, February 26th** will be **Fishing Derby**. (the bad weather date is March 4th). The derby location will be announced at a later date — watch the web site for further details. A beginners fishing clinic will be from 9–10 am. The official start to the derby will be at 10:00 a.m. and run until 2:00 p.m. There will be a safety clinic, food, prizes and concessions sold by Boy Scout troops 247 & 30. Registrants must have a 2012 Fishing license for entrants 15 years of age or older. Registration fee is \$5 if you register in advance and \$10 if you register on the day of the event. If you are interested in helping plan the event please contact Alicia at 435-5193 or email [affirmhealth@yahoo.com](mailto:affirmhealth@yahoo.com).

### MANCHESTER MONARCHS

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

### MUSICIANS WANTED!!!!



We know you are out there — we have so many talented musicians of all ages who play all sorts of instruments right here in Loudon and we want to get together to play! We have started a list of names and contact info for a **concert band** — don't be shy, call and add your name to the list!! We are looking for musicians of all ages — exceptional middle school musicians through adults to join in the fun. If you are interested please contact Tom Stevens at [tomandjenn2002@gmail.com](mailto:tomandjenn2002@gmail.com).

### TENNIS & BASKETBALL COURTS



The Homer Labonte Municipal Tennis Courts and basketball courts in Loudon village have seen a significant increase in use over the last few years. Some improvements have been made to the area (backboard, benches, and nets) and we are interested to see if there is interest from residents for improvement to the surface of the courts. This is a significant expense and there are a few options of how we would move forward with a project of this size. We need to hear from you as residents if you are interested in court improvements. Please contact Alicia at 435-5193 or email [affirmhealth@yahoo.com](mailto:affirmhealth@yahoo.com) if you have suggestions.

### ZUMBA



You may have heard the rumbling of the music and were curious, your New Year's resolution may be to add some exercise in your day, or you may just want to have a few minutes of "you time" — if any of these apply — try ZUMBA!! Another session is starting soon — don't be left out. Six weeks of Zumba on Monday &/or Friday nights from 7:00–8:00 p.m. at the Loudon Elementary School Cafeteria. The dates are: Mondays; January 9, 23 & 30 and February 6, 13 & 20 or Fridays; January 13, 20 & 27 and February 10, 17 & 24. You can choose a six-week session of one class a week (either day) for \$42 or both classes a week for \$84. Print the registration form and follow directions to register. The forms are located at [www.loudonnh.org](http://www.loudonnh.org) under what's new or recreation. If you have questions, call Melissa at 219-4255.

### CHILDREN'S SUMMER THEATER CAMP

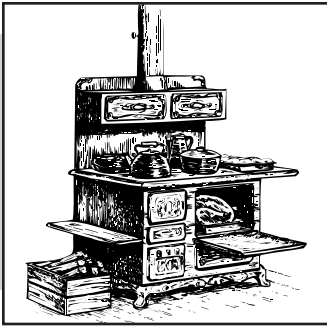


Yup — we have had so much fun the last 4 years we already scheduled Children's Stage Adventures for another week long session of theater camp fun for kids in kindergarten through high school. Save the date of **July 9th–13th** with an amazing performance on Friday night, July 13th. For more information about the Children's Stage Adventures program, visit their website at [www.childrensstageadventures.org](http://www.childrensstageadventures.org) The play this year is *The Sword Called Excalibur*. You won't want to miss this week of fun! Camp price for the week, times and other info will be publicized in the Spring. Save the date for a week of theatrical fun!

### In the works....

American Red Cross Babysitting and Safe on My Own classes will be held in March. A master calendar is being worked on for scheduling of fields in town. Please watch future issues of The Loudon Ledger and as always you should check the website [www.loudonnh.org](http://www.loudonnh.org) for more details on these and other upcoming events and to make sure you aren't missing anything!! Thank you for your continued support!

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



# What's Cookin'!

## This month: The Benefits of Celery

Jenn Pfeiffer

### Merry Christmas and Happy New Year !!!! :-)

Happy Birthday 2012!!! I hope that everyone had a wonderful holiday season and that this new year brings all of you good health and happiness. That being said, I know that many of us went far beyond the acceptable level of food consumption over the past couple of months. I think that I have eaten enough sugar to keep me energized till March. The truth is eating like the end of the world is near can make me feel tired, lethargic, and over all yucky! I am not a fan of dieting but I do believe you are what you eat and I am ready to be full of life and positive energy... And I'm starting with Celery!

A number of years ago I remember hearing people talk about how if you eat raw celery that you burn more calories chewing it than are actually in it when it's swallowed, so I thought I'd check it out. It may seem like wishful thinking to believe that such a "negative calorie" food exists, but in the case of celery, it appears to be true. According to several sources I found that an 8-inch stalk of celery contains approximately 6 calories. Contrary to popular belief, chewing and swallowing the celery does not burn the calories, rather it is the act of digesting the tough cellulose that accounts for burning more than 6 calories per stalk, resulting in a negative caloric intake. As good as this may sound, In a world where it takes 3,500 calories to work off a single pound of fat, feasting on celery would not make much of a difference.

Celery is not the only so-called negative-calorie food out there. If properly prepared, digesting cauliflower, cucumbers, spinach, and many others can cause your body to burn more calories than you ingest. But before you embark on any any crash diet, just remember that your body needs a certain amount of calories per day to function. Eating some of these "negative-calorie" fruits and vegetables may help you control cravings and lose weight but should be only part of a balanced diet coupled with exercise.

And FYI, celery with peanut butter, stuffed with cheese or dipped in ranch dressing does not count as a negative-calorie food!

### CUCUMBER AND CELERY SALAD — Rachael Ray

- 3 tablespoons pickle relish
- 2 tablespoons cider or red wine vinegar
- 3 tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil, eyeball it
- 1 seedless cucumber, quartered lengthwise and sliced 1/2 inch thick (you can use a regular cuke, but seed it and if the skin is waxy, peel it)
- 5 to 6 ribs celery from the heart, sliced 1/2-inch thick
- 1/4 cup chopped hot or roasted red peppers or 1/2 small fresh bell pepper, whichever you have on hand
- 1 small jar marinated mushrooms or artichoke hearts or 1 cup pickled vegetable salad, "giardiniera," chopped

Salt and pepper

Place relish in the bottom of a bowl. Whisk in vinegar then extra-virgin olive oil. Add cucumber, celery, peppers and marinated vegetable of choice to the bowl. Toss salad and adjust salt and pepper, to taste.

### CELERY, FENNEL, APPLE SALAD WITH CILANTRO AND LEMON — Kathleen Daelemans

*The proportion of apple to fennel to celery doesn't make much difference. If you think you can't talk your family into fennel, start with more apple and celery. Up the fennel next time. For a heartier meal, serve this with a 4-ounce piece of pan-seared chicken or fish.*

- 1/4 cup plus 2 tablespoons lemon juice
- 1 tablespoon extra-virgin olive oil
- Coarse grained salt and cracked black pepper
- 2 large apples, julienned
- 1 medium head fennel, cored and thinly sliced
- 3 large ribs celery, sliced (about 1 cup)
- 1/2 cup cilantro leaves, roughly chopped or more to taste

In a large non-reactive bowl, combine the lemon juice, olive oil, salt and pepper. Add the apples, fennel, celery and cilantro. Toss until well combined. Taste and adjust seasonings.

### BRAISED CELERY WITH PARMESAN — Food Network Kitchens

- 1 head celery with leaves, ribs separated
- 1 cup chicken broth, low-sodium canned or homemade, or water
- 2 tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil

- 8–12 whole cloves garlic, peeled
- 1/2 teaspoon celery seeds, optional
- 1 sprig thyme, optional
- Kosher salt
- Freshly ground black pepper
- 2 tablespoons freshly grated Parmesan

Peel the tough, fibrous layers from the outer celery ribs. Split the ribs lengthwise and cut into 2 to 3-inch long pieces. Chop 2 tablespoons of the celery leaves, save the rest for other uses—they are great in salads. Put the celery, broth, olive oil, garlic, celery seeds, and thyme in a medium skillet. Season with salt and pepper. Bring the liquid to a boil over high heat, and then adjust the heat to maintain a gentle simmer. Place a circle of parchment paper directly on the vegetables or set a lid slightly ajar on the skillet. Cook until the celery is tender but not mushy, about 15 minutes. Transfer the vegetables to a serving dish, and reduce the cooking liquid to a saucy glaze. Remove the thyme sprig, and pour the cooking liquid over the celery, sprinkle with the cheese, and serve.

### FRIED CELERY — Mario Batali

*OK — So we can't be good all the time but there are much worse things we could fry.*

- 10 ribs celery, cut into 2-inch lengths on the bias
- 1 cup extra virgin olive oil, for frying
- Flour, for dredging
- 2 eggs, lightly beaten
- Salt and pepper, to taste

Bring 4 quarts of water to a boil and add 2 tablespoons salt. Cook the celery in the boiling water for 7 minutes, until tender but not soft. Drain and set aside on paper towels to cool.

In a heavy-bottomed skillet, heat the oil until it is almost smoking. While the oil heats, place the flour on a plate and place the eggs in a shallow bowl. Dredge the cooled celery pieces through the flour, then the egg and cook them in the oil until they are deep golden brown. Remove with a slotted spoon to a plate lined with paper towels. Season with salt and pepper and serve.

### ROASTED PEARS WITH CANDIED CELERY — Lidia Bastianich

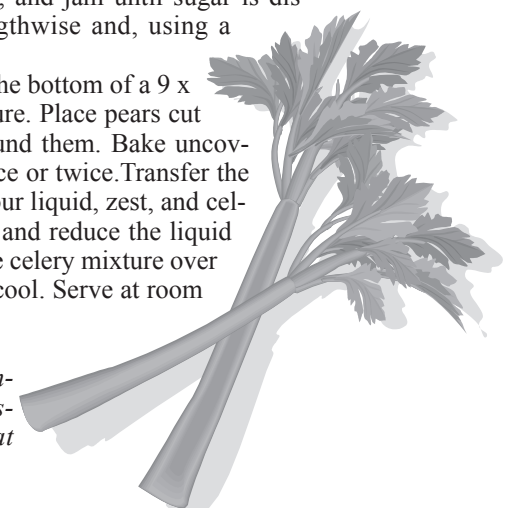
*This is an elegant, if unexpected marriage of flavors. Both sweet and sour this dessert will certainly hold your attention.*

- 2 lemons
- 4 cups cool water
- 1 c moscato dessert wine
- 3/4 cup sugar
- 1/4 cup apricot jam
- 4 firm bosc pears
- 6 large celery ribs, peeled and cut diagonally into 1/2-inch pieces

Place the oven rack in the center position of the oven. Pre-heat to 375 degrees F. Using a vegetable peeler remove zest from lemons in thin long, wide bands. Avoid as much of the white pith as possible. In a small saucepan cover the strips of zest with 2 cups water. Bring to a boil drain the strips and rinse them in cool water. Refill the pan and repeat once more. Pat the zest dry. Squeeze 1/3 cup lemon juice into a bowl, whisk in wine, sugar, and jam until sugar is dissolved. Cut the pears in half lengthwise and, using a melon-baller, core the pears.

Spread out celery slices across the bottom of a 9 x 13 baking dish. Pour in wine mixture. Place pears cut side up. Spread zest over and around them. Bake uncovered for 50-60 minutes, basting once or twice. Transfer the pears to a shallow serving bowl, pour liquid, zest, and celery into a medium-sized saucepan and reduce the liquid until syrupy, about 15 min. Pour the celery mixture over the pears and allow to completely cool. Serve at room temperature.

*If you have any questions, comments, recommendations or suggestions please e-mail me at [jtpfeifer@comcast.net](mailto:jtpfeifer@comcast.net). ■*





## GREENWorks: Ideas for a Cleaner Environment: What's Increasing Your Electric Bill? The Phantom Knows!

I have yet to meet the person who is happy immediately after opening their electric bill. My reaction is usually a mix of disbelief and disgust. So it is no surprise that I seek out ways to save a buck or two. I don't mind paying for the electricity that I need, but I am tired of paying for electricity that powers appliances or electronics that are not in use.

Energy used to power small household appliances and home electronics is one of the fastest growing energy loads in the home. Unfortunately, most idle small appliances and equipment, like TVs, DVD and CD players, cable boxes, computers, microwaves, and cordless phones, cell phone chargers — all battery chargers for that matter — continue to draw energy when not in use. This phenomenon is referred to as “standby power,” “leaking electricity,” or “phantom loads.” According to the Lawrence Berkley National Laboratory, a typical home has as many as 40 appliances on standby power that are consuming electricity 24 hours a day, and may be responsible for 10 percent to 15 percent of the average home's electricity costs.

The amount of electricity that one of these phantom load appliances uses can vary. But for argument's sake, let's take a look at the average New Hampshire house and its possible phantom/standby power load costs for a year. Our power is provided to us in watts. Converting power into energy, we will assume that a device drawing 1 watt constantly for a year (24 hours a day, 365 days a year) uses approximately 8.765 kilowatt hours (kWh) per year. To estimate the cost of that power to the homeowner, we will multiply the product's annual kWhs times \$0.17 (PSNH's current charge per kWh) using figures from <http://standby.lbl.gov/summary-table.html>.

## 2011 New Hampshire Deer And Bear Hunting Season Results

The preliminary numbers for New Hampshire's recent deer and bear hunting seasons are in. The estimated statewide deer kill for New Hampshire's 2011 season was 11,167 deer, up 14% from 2010 (9,759 deer) and the highest harvest since 2007. It appears that the last weeks of the season were quite successful, because as late as Thanksgiving weekend, the estimated take was running just 4% above 2010 levels at that point in the season.

New Hampshire has an estimated population of about 85,000 deer, with the 2011 kill representing about 13% of that total. Deer hunting closed in the state on December 15, the final day of the archery deer season.

“The increased kill suggests that the state's deer population may have begun to recover from recent declines following some bad winters. Further analysis of the final harvest data by unit, age and sex will provide a better assessment of population status,” said Kent Gustafson, a deer biologist at the New Hampshire Fish and Game Department.

The unofficial deer kill for New Hampshire's 2011 season by county, with comparisons to previous years, is posted at [www.huntnh.com/Hunting/deer\\_hunt\\_take\\_by\\_County.htm](http://www.huntnh.com/Hunting/deer_hunt_take_by_County.htm). These figures are estimates based on the number of deer reported as being registered in each county, not necessarily killed in that county.

New Hampshire bear hunters took a total of 418 bears (246 males, 172 females) in 2011. The numbers are still preliminary. Bait hunters harvested 193 bears, still hunters/stalkers took 155 bears and hound hunters registered 70 bears. The overall harvest sex ratio was 1.4 males per female.

Regionally, 65 bears were taken in the North, 128 in the White Mountains, 147 in the Central, 46 in Southwest-1, 30 in Southwest-2, and 2 in the Southeast regions.

The 2011 total of 418 bears is down from recent harvest levels (down 41% and 45% from 2010 and 2009, respectively). N.H. Fish and Game bear biologist Andrew Timmins puts this into perspective, saying, “It's important to recognize that the annual bear harvest has been high during several recent years as a result of a variety of factors. We have seen record bear harvests in New Hampshire during five of the last eight years. Some years have been abnormally high, which greatly influences recent averages and complicates comparisons to previous years. While the 2011 harvest may seem low, it actually is a more average year than some we've had recently. Low-harvest years help buffer high-harvest years, which generally gets us closer to our bear management objective of about 500 bears per year.”

For a comparison of bear season results in recent years, visit [www.huntnh.com/Hunting/bear\\_hunt\\_take.htm](http://www.huntnh.com/Hunting/bear_hunt_take.htm).

Final official numbers from all the year's hunting seasons will be summarized in the 2011 New Hampshire Wildlife Harvest Summary, which will be issued in March of 2012.

Average appliance standby load (Note: all appliances are not in use):

• TV (rear projection) (off)	6.97 Watts
• Cable box (off)	17.83 Watts (with DVR: 36–43 Watts)
• DVD player (on, not playing)	7.54 Watts
• CD player (off)	5.04 Watts
• Cordless power tool charger	1.74 Watts
• Central heating system	4.21 Watts
• Stove/range	1.13 Watt
• Microwave	3.08 Watts
• Coffee maker	1.14 Watts
• Computer, monitor, modem & printer	14.53 Watts
• Cordless phone with answering machine	4 Watts
• Cell phone charger	0.26 Watts
• Clock radio (on)	2.01 Watts
• Total	69.48 Watts X 8.765kWh X \$0.17 = <b>\$103.53</b>

One hundred dollars a year to power things you're not using. Plus, I would venture to guess that many of us have more than one TV, cable box, clock radio and so on, so you can see how this phantom load can easily sneak up on you and attack your annual electricity costs. In addition, while these phantom loads can be detrimental to our wallets, this unnecessary demand for power contributes to the negative environmental effects from power plants, including greenhouse gasses, respiratory problems and acid rain.

The good news is that there are ways to fight back and reduce these phantom loads in your home. First, inspect for electrical devices that have a clock, need a remote control, charge a battery, are plugged into the wall with a wall cube or transformer, or don't have an “off” switch. Next, unplug products that are used infrequently. For those appliances where unplugging them would be inconvenient, consider using a power strip to control numerous items or consider controlling them using outlet timers to shut off power to items when you are sleeping. Remember to consider which devices you can afford to lose programming on.

If you want to explore how much electricity you are using or to calculate your phantom load, go to your local library and sign out a “Cut the Carbon Kit.” The kits feature a Kill A Watt™ energy detector that homeowners can use to assess the efficiency of their appliances and make changes to lower their energy usage.

You can also make a difference by considering the phantom load when purchasing a product. Always buy Energy Star products, overall they are more efficient, and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency is beginning to include standby power limits in its qualifications for the Energy Star program.

For more information about phantom loads/standby power, visit the US Department of Energy website at [www.energy.gov](http://www.energy.gov). For more information about energy efficiency, see the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services website at [www.des.nh.gov](http://www.des.nh.gov). ■

*This information is from a publication of the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services, Concord. Excellent information may be found on their web site.*

New Hampshire's successful hunting seasons are a reminder that hunting activities, made possible by science-based wildlife management, contribute significantly to New Hampshire's economy. The most recent U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service survey indicates that approximately 60,000 people hunt in New Hampshire, generating more than \$75 million in hunting-related expenditures annually in the state.

The New Hampshire Fish and Game Department is the guardian of the state's fish, wildlife and marine resources and their habitats. Visit [www.huntnh.com](http://www.huntnh.com). ■

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# Merrimack Valley School District News

## MVMS News

Merrimack Valley Middle School had 2 students selected to participate in the Middle Level Honors Festival Band. Students from across the state submit audition recordings to be selected for this festival. This year we have 2 students who have been selected for the band, Abby Martin (7th grade) on Euphonium and Hannah O'Brien (8th grade) on Flute. Abby received the 2nd highest score on euphonium and Hannah received the 9th highest score on flute. This is the first time we have had 2 students selected for this festival. The festival will be held on March 9th, at Merrimack Valley, with an evening concert featuring a flute ensemble, sax ensemble, trumpet ensemble and festival band.

## MVHS News

### Dress Code Reminders

We need to share a few reminders regarding the Dress Code at MVHS, especially while shopping for the holidays. All students must wear clothing that is adequate to ensure a decent appearance and to maintain a professional and educational climate in the school.

- Leggings and tights are considered undergarments and must be accompanied by dress code compliant outerwear that extends to the mid-thigh in the sitting and standing position.
- Spandex worn under skirts or shorts must also extend to mid-thigh in the standing and sitting positions.
- Please refer to the complete "Philosophy of Dress" on pg. 31 of the Student Handbook for all dress expectations.

Remember, Merrimack Valley High School is a public place of business and it is important to dress in a manner that brings respect to oneself and others. The responsibility for the success of the dress code lies mostly with the student body. We have broad expectations that still allow freedom of choice to each individual student.

### November's National Honor Society Characters of the Month:

Congratulations to Colleen Van Veelen (Penacook, grade 12), **Brittany Janis (Loudon, grade 11)**, Rebekah Stearns (Andover, grade 10) and Krys Abbott (Penacook, grade 9) who were recently recognized for demonstrating positive character attributes in our school community! ~ Submitted by Ms. Corrow, NHS advisor

### English 9 News:

Five students from Mr. Proulx's and Ms. Halverson's English classes competed in the 3rd semi-annual Grade 9 Speech Showcase. Abigail Blunt, Thomas Carter, Kelly Pedersen, Samantha Bartlett, and Aly Mullet were selected among 120 students to deliver their speeches in front of an audience of 400 students and faculty. Kelly Pedersen was selected as this semester's winner. Congratulations to all 5 students.

### Food Choices

The Food Choices classes have just finished a unit on eggs. They know 6+ ways to tell a fresh egg from an older egg helping them become better consumers. They learned a basic French omelet, and the unit finished with a buffet of Bed and Breakfast signature dishes.

### News from Wellness:

Every year, an outstanding sophomore is selected to represent MVHS at the Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership (HOBY) seminar. The selection is based on leadership potential, community service, academic achievement and sensitivity to the needs or concerns of others. Please join me in congratulating this year's MVHS HOBY selection, Andrea Bardsley from Boscawen.

### From the Wellness Center

On behalf of the Wellness Center, the NHTI dental clinic, the Concord Hospital Family Health Center, Riverbend, Project Second Start and Jen Lacasse (Rivier College MA intern), please have a safe, stress-free and happy holiday season. ~ Submitted by Mr. Lenny Smith, Wellness Counselor

### Greetings from Guidance!

We want to wish everyone a joyous holiday season!

**Seniors.** Remember to check deadlines on college apps: Some are surely approaching fast! Also, don't forget to check the MVHS website Scholarship page for current scholarship opportunities.

**Seniors and parents.** The financial aid information workshop on Dec. 6th was fairly well attended. Don't forget that NHHEAF will be back in February to assist seniors and parents with filing the FAFSA. If you are interested in this help, you must sign up in advance with Mr. Taranow.

**Juniors and Sophomores who took the PSAT this fall.** Scores will be sent in December. We will distribute paper score reports, but we strongly urge all who took the PSAT to go online to the personalized score report through Collegeboard. The access code is on the bottom of each score report. You will find all the questions you got wrong with answer explanations, as well as college and career info based on your interests.

**Student Athletes.** If you plan to play college sports at the Division I or II level, you really should see your guidance counselor to make sure your courses meet the NCAA requirements!! For more information on the requirements of the NCAA, go to NCAA.ORG. For a list of approved courses, stop by Guidance.

**Guidance Words of Wisdom.** "Do your little bit of good where you are; it's those little bits of good put together that overwhelm the world." — Bishop Desmond Tutu

### Upcoming Events:

1/16	No School — Martin Luther King Civil Rights Day
1/20	Term 2 Ends (note change from the original date in the handbook)
1/23	New classes mark the start of Semester 2 (term 3).
1/24	Public Hearing on the 2012-13 School Budget. 7:00 p.m., MVHS Auditorium
1/25	Report Cards Distributed in Homeroom
2/9, 10 and 11	Performance of the spring Musical "Anything Goes"
3/26	Senior Project Community Showcase. 5:30-8:30 p.m. (Snow date is 3/27) Request these dates off from work NOW!
3/28	Senior Project Daytime Presentations. 8:00-11:00 a.m. ■

## Visit N.H. Fish And Game At Upcoming Outdoor Events

Outdoor enthusiasts are encouraged to stop by the New Hampshire Fish and Game Department booth at several upcoming events:

### ROCKINGHAME HUNTING & FISHING EXPO:

**Saturday and Sunday, January 7-8, 2012, at Rockingham Park** in Salem, N.H. Visit the New Hampshire Fish and Game booth to buy your 2012 New Hampshire hunting and fishing licenses and meet Dave Genz, the father of the modern ice-fishing system. Genz hails from northern Minnesota and is a big fan of fishing in New Hampshire. He will present at the show on Saturday, January 7, at 10:30 a.m. and will spend his free time at the Fish and Game booth. The new 2012 New Hampshire Fish & Wildlife calendar and the popular "Best of Warden's Watch" book will be for sale. The expo features many local and national outdoor products and services, as well as hunting and fishing seminars. Visit <http://www.rockinghamexpo.com>.


### NEW HAMPSHIRE FARM & FOREST EXPOSITION:

**Friday and Saturday, February 3-4, 2012, at the Radisson Hotel/Center of New Hampshire (700 Elm Street) in Manchester, NH.** Since 1984, "New Hampshire's Greatest Winter Fair" has offered commercial exhibits, educational sessions, student and exhibitor demonstrations, animals, an auction and activities for all ages! Stop by the N.H. Fish and Game booth to enjoy our wildlife exhibit and learn how to make connections with wildlife in your own backyard. For information and directions, visit: <http://www.nhfarmandforestexpo.org>.

### GREAT MEREDITH ROTARY ICE FISHING DERBY:

**Saturday and Sunday, February 11-12, 2012.** The derby brings anglers to New Hampshire from all over the country in hopes of snagging the heaviest tagged

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## A Corner Barber Shop

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# The Community Pride Link

## Good Grades for MVHS!

A recently published report from the New England Association of Schools & Colleges (NEASC) has given the Merrimack Valley High School excellent grades. The report commends the school for numerous practices and programs such as the school community's commitment to core values and beliefs, the use of student data to improve student achievement, the exceptionally safe and secure environment, the range of services available to help all students succeed, and the recently renovated building that supports a wide range of school programs and services.

Also noted throughout the report is the high level of collaboration seen at all levels of the school organization: Between staff, administrators, school board members, parents, and the greater community.

In addition to the many commendations, the report recommended that the school find ways to continue to engage the students in the school. The report also recommended that the school improve the role of technology in learning. As we all know, technology has changed the way our students interact with knowledge and is a focus of school improvement.

The complete report can be found at the MVHS website: <http://mvhs.mvsd.k12.nh.us/neASC.pdf>.

## A Long Process...

The NEASC report is a result of a year and a half long process of self-study by the school. Beginning in June 2009, teams of teachers, students, and parents completed surveys, collected and studied a variety of data, and wrote a draft report. A self-study summary report was first submitted to a 26-member Commission on Public Secondary Schools (CPSS), composed of New England educators.

In March of 2011, a smaller team of New England educators visited the school for 4 days to interview staff, meet with students, parents, and community members, examine student work and observe the teaching and learning.

The recently received final report has a chapter for each of the seven standards, and 54 indicators, by which the school is judged. Each chapter concludes with a comprehensive list of commendations and recommendations that will drive school improvement for the years to come. In sum, we have received 54 commendations for strong adherence to the standards, and 35 recommendations on areas which require greater focus and attention.

It is extremely rare for a visiting team report to contain more commendations than recommendations, and with a total of 61% commendations the report speaks to how well MVHS adheres to the standards.

Information on the ten-year accreditation process can be found at the NEASC-CPSS website at: [http://cpss.neasc.org/getting\\_started/2011\\_standards](http://cpss.neasc.org/getting_started/2011_standards).

Questions and comments about the NEASC report are welcomed and may be directed to Michael R. Jette, Principal, Merrimack Valley High School, 106 Village St., Penacook, NH 03303-1953, 603-753-4311.

## A Letter From the Superintendent

September 21, 2011

To the Merrimack Valley High School Faculty & Staff,

In a recent article titled *The Ultimate Practitioner*, Rick DuFour was quoted as saying "There is a lot of evidence that, when you can create the right conditions, you allow ordinary people to accomplish extraordinary things."

I believe that the recent release of the final evaluation report from NEASC (the New England Association of Schools and Colleges) published by the Commission on Public Secondary Schools is evidence that the Merrimack Valley School District faculty and staff have provided and continue to provide a most extraordinary education for the children in our communities.

### Fish & Game — cont. from 10

rainbow trout and claiming the grand prize. The Meredith Rotary Club, in consultation with the N.H. Fish and Game Department as part of an ongoing fisheries management plan, stocks tagged fish in several New Hampshire lakes for this event. Waters stocked have included Little Squam, Mascoma, Ossipee, Waukegan, Wentworth, Winnepesaukee and Winnisquam. During the derby, N.H. Fish and Game fisheries biologists Don Miller and John Viar will collect valuable fish data at the derby weigh-in. For tickets and information, go to <http://www.meredithrotary.com>.

Great Meredith Rotary Derby highlights featuring N.H. Fish and Game include free kids' fishing clinics on Saturday, February 11, 2012, at which Fish and Game's "Let's Go Fishing" Program presents free hands-on sessions for children and their parents on the basics of ice fishing. Clinics run hourly from 10 a.m. through 3 p.m. in the roped-off area directly behind the Meredith Rotary Headquarters trailer on Lake Winnepesaukee. Learn about ice-fishing techniques, including using tip-ups, sounding the hole and operating power augers. Then the kids will fish! ■

*The Commission's report gave high commendations on the quality of educational programs at Merrimack Valley High School and although I have always been very proud of our school district, this report validated what I have always known — that we have great people working together to provide an exceptional education for our students.*

*I credit every individual in our organization for providing an academic focus and safe learning environment. The NEASC report specifically recognized the significant commitment of time, energy, and expertise that the high school faculty put into the self-study and site visit.*

*On behalf of the Merrimack Valley School Board I want to thank you and let you know that your efforts and professional skills are appreciated.*

Sincerely,  
Michael J. Martin  
Superintendent of Schools

## MVHS Mission Statement, Core Values, and Beliefs About Learning

The Merrimack Valley High School community is dedicated to the pursuit of an education that will prepare all of its members for their future. To achieve a 21st century learning experience, the school, and its members will act with PRIDE:

- Pursue high academic standards through challenging and diverse learning opportunities
- Respect self and others
- Instill interpersonal skills useful in both local and global communities
- Develop a plan for personal success
- Engage in behaviors that promote wellness and a safe, healthy environment.

## Fun Fact:

Merrimack Valley High School was initially accredited by NEASC in 1967. Our adherence to the standards has been judged 5 times since: 1971, 1981, 1991, 2001, and 2011! ■

*This is a Merrimack Valley School District Publication. Your reactions and suggestions are important to us. Please contact us at 753-6561 or at [cpride@mv.k12.nh.us](mailto:cpride@mv.k12.nh.us).*

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# Maxfield Public Library News

**Nooks and Kindles and Ipads — Oh, My!**

Did Santa bring you a new device to access eBooks? How about exploring the FREE downloads of more than 2,500 titles available through the library’s subscription to Overdrive? Known, too, as NHDAB (New Hampshire Downloadable Audiobooks), this service also offers more than 5,000 audio books for your listening pleasure. Once you call the library for your access number, you will want to go to [nh.lib.overdrive.com](http://nh.lib.overdrive.com) and get started. Check from a full, alphabetical list of devices to make sure yours is compatible. Enjoy!

**Spring Fever Arts and Crafts Fair**

**WANTED!** – Quilters, jewelry makers, stained glass crafters, painters, woodworkers, and artisans of all kinds. It’s not too soon to start gathering your work for the library’s Spring Fever Arts and Crafts Fair. The juried show will take place at the library on May 4 and 5. Space is limited, so please call Nancy Hendy at 798-5153 soon for details about submitting your work.

**Wednesday Art Workshops**

Having a set day and time and some simpatico company can motivate you to get things done. If painting has been your goal, why not join in on the library’s Wednesday afternoon work sessions from 2–4 p.m. for \$5.00 per week? You may be surprised at how much you can accomplish. Pre-registration is not required.

**New Books**

**Fiction**

Connelly, Michael	<i>The Drop</i>
Cornwell, Patricia	<i>Red Mist</i>
Dunnett, Kaitlyn	<i>Scotched</i>
Eco, Umberto	<i>The Prague Cemetery</i>
Grisham, John	<i>The Litigator</i>
James, P. D.	<i>Death Comes to Pemberley</i>

**Nonfiction**

Dawkins, Richard	<i>The Magic of Reality</i>
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Holley, Michael  
Kaling, Mindy

McCall, Timothy  
Thornton, Sarah  
Weil, Andrew

*War Room: The Legacy of Bill Belichick  
Is Everyone Hanging Out without Me? (and Other Concerns)  
Yoga as Medicine  
Seven Days in the Art World  
Spontaneous Happiness*

**New DVDs**

*30 Minutes or Less; The Art of Getting By; Atlas Shrugged, Part 1; Beginners; The Change-Up; Cowboys and Aliens; The Debt; The Help; Kung Fu Panda 2; Larry Crowne; One Day; Rise of the Planet of the Apes; Sarah’s Key; The Smurfs; Super 8; Winnie the Pooh*

**Book Sale**

December was too hectic for a book sale, but you can look forward to the well-stocked one coming up on January 14, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. To receive email or phone notifications of upcoming sales, please call Fran at 798-5153.

**Book Groups**

The F/NF (fiction/nonfiction) book group will meet at 7 p.m. on January 19. The classic book group’s meeting will be on January 31, at 2:30 p.m., followed by a creative writing session. Newcomers are welcome.

**Story Time**

Story time will start off the new year with a Ladybug Award winning book, *Memoirs of a Goldfish* by Devin Scillian and David LaRochelle’s book *The Best Pet of All*. In the craft time to follow, the children will put together an aquarium to house their very own goldfish.


On January 3, 4, and 5, the children will build snowmen after listening to *All You Need for a Snowman and Snow Dance* by Alice Schertle and Lezlie Evans — no mittens necessary.

The children will focus on the color blue for the week of January 10, 11, and 12. The stories will be Deborah Freedman’s *Blue Chicken* and Eric Carle’s *The Artist*




What did Jack Frost say to Frosty the snowman?


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RADENLCA  
NAURYJA  
OWYSN  
EMEDCEBR




Have an \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_



December Word Search Answers:  
JOHN, GINGER, 37, MCKINGS,  
SQUIGLY, SNOWFLAKE, DECEMBER  
What kind of snowman does Frosty  
build?





## Maxfield Public Library Passes!

Passes are available to museums and points of interest around the state for Library borrowers! We suggest reserving in advance either by phone (798-5153) or in person. Call for details.

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

**CHILDREN’S MUSEUM OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**  
Each pass entitles the bearer up to 4 discounted admissions of \$4. Children under age 1 free.

**CURRIER MUSEUM OF ART**  
Each pass entitles the bearer to 2 free admissions.

**McAULIFFE-SHEPARD DISCOVERY CENTER**  
Valid for admission to exhibit halls for 4 people.

**MOUNT KEARSARGE INDIAN MUSEUM**  
Free admissions for 2 guests per day.

**MUSEUM OF NEW HAMPSHIRE HISTORY**  
Unlimited free admission to the Society’s museum and free use of the Society’s library.

**SQUAM LAKES NATURAL SCIENCE CENTER**  
Free trail admissions for 2 people per day plus 4 additional discounted admissions of \$7 each.

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

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Who Painted a Blue Horse. A blue masterpiece will be created during craft time.

Cows are the theme for January 17, 18, and 19. Karma Wilson's *The Cow Loves Cookies* and *Sixteen Cows* by Lisa Wheeler will be read before the children assemble their own paper cow.

Story time will end the month with thoughts of pie as we read *Gator Pie* by Louise Mathews and *Ugly Pie* by Lisa Wheeler. The pies created by the children will be just too good to eat on January 24, 25, and 26.

### Library Hours

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



Painting snowflakes.



Settling in to watch "The Polar Express."



## Wildlife Control Operator Class Jan. 19

The New Hampshire Wildlife Control Operators (WCO) training class, offered once a year, will take place on Thursday, January 19, 2012, at Fish and Game headquarters, 11 Hazen Drive, Concord, N.H., from 8:15 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

There is no charge for the one-day class, but pre-registration is required. To sign up, visit [www.wildnh.com/Wildlife/wildlife\\_control\\_ops\\_class.htm](http://www.wildnh.com/Wildlife/wildlife_control_ops_class.htm) and download a print-and-mail registration form, or to request a form, call 603-271-2461 or e-mail [wildlife@wildlife.nh.gov](mailto:wildlife@wildlife.nh.gov).

Participants MUST be present by 8:15 a.m.; late arrivals will be denied certification.

The course is presented by the New Hampshire Fish and Game Department, the New Hampshire Trappers Association, and U.S. Department of Agriculture-Wildlife Services.

A Wildlife Control Operator license is required for anyone planning to provide commercial nuisance wildlife control in New Hampshire, except for licensed trappers during the regulated trapping seasons. As part of the WCO licensing requirement, you must complete the day-long WCO class given once a year in Concord, as well as successfully completing a Fish and Game Trapper Education certification course.

The WCO training class includes presentations on the capture and handling of wildlife, humane and ethical concerns, relevant New Hampshire state laws and rules, federal rules covering certain species, wildlife diseases, best management practices and proper trapping techniques. For more information and a full agenda for the WCO class, visit [http://www.wildnh.com/Wildlife/wildlife\\_control\\_ops\\_class.htm](http://www.wildnh.com/Wildlife/wildlife_control_ops_class.htm). ■



## Loudon Girl Scout News

What time of year is it? IT'S GIRL SCOUT COOKIE TIME!! The Girl Scouts kicked off the 2012 Cookie sale on January 1. Initial cookie orders will be delivered in mid-February and booth sales will be taking place around the region throughout February and early March (Including one at Town Meeting).

Thank you to everyone who stopped by the annual Girl Scout Bake sale. Your generosity enables the girls to participate in activities and take on community service projects.

In December, the girls performed Christmas Carols up and down South Village road. Thank you to those who welcomed us to your door. We stopped by the Richard Brown house and shared some hot coco and cookies, a wonderful time was had by all.

Loudon Adult Girl Scout Volunteers had a potluck dinner in early December. We shared troop updates; cookie sale plans and discussed the yearend ceremony and potluck dinner.

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

### Brownie Troop 10454

*Melissa Himes, Rebecca Stuart*

At our 8th meeting the girls transformed 40 old t-shirts into reusable shopping bags. For their final Wow Water journey project they had to pick a project that would influence people in the community to love and conserve water. They learned that it takes 3 gallons of water to make a plastic bag, and how it stays for decades in landfills after people use it once. They decided to make bags out of old t-shirts to hand out to people at the Bake Sale as a thank you to those who supported our troop by buying baked goods, in hopes that everyone who received one will continue to use it for their shopping in place of getting more plastic bags. To make your own t-shirt bag take any old t-shirt any size, cut the sleeves off around the arm seams, cut the neckline in a big circle or square to make handles and an opening big enough to fit your things in. Make pleats in the sides of the bottom of the shirt just like a plastic bag so it will expand to accommodate its contents, next sew two parallel seams across the bottom to seal. Trim off the extra t-shirt length beyond your new hem and you are done! The girls did all their own cutting and sewing in the construction of these bags, and they are becoming quite skilled sewers.

In preparation for the Bake Sale we had our annual Cookie Baking Sleepover to make the cookies. The girls worked in teams of two with the help of an adult volunteer to create the cookies they had decided to bake. We made Gingerbread Girls, Chocolate Chip, Peanut Butter Kisses, Jam Thumbprints, and heart shaped Sugar Cookies with M&M's for decorations. Thank you to Cheryl Himes, Andrea Robbins, and Jessica Stuart for helping the girls with their baking. After making cookies we worked on completing our Snack badge so the girls had to make an unhealthy restaurant favorite into a healthy snack alternative. So they cut potatoes into fries using a French fry cutter, then instead of frying them, they spread them on baking sheets, drizzled them with a little olive oil and salt then baked them at 375 degrees for 45 min. Delicious and healthy! Then we made smoothies with yogurt and different fruit combinations from strawberry banana to pineapple mango. Then we made popcorn and watched a movie until lights out time.

The Bake Sale was a huge success. We want to say a special thank you to Apple Hill Farm for donating 30 apple crisps, 30 packages of cookies in a variety of delicious flavors, and the strawberry jelly that the girls used in their Jam Thumbprint cookies. We appreciate their generous contribution so much!! Thanks to everyone who purchased our yummy baked goods, and we hope you enjoy your t-shirt bags!

Our ninth meeting was spent preparing napkin ring place setting cards for Thanksgiving. The girls colored in and cut out printed turkeys. Then they decorated strips of paper to wrap around paper towel tubes to hold the fan folded napkin as the turkey's tail. Then they made little signs attached with toothpick sticks for them to hold with the names of their family members. They were fun and festive!

The girls completed the Inventor badge during their 10th meeting. First they had to do a couple of brain warm ups to get their creative juices flowing. They had to think of a simple object like a clock or a bowl, then think of five creative uses for their object other than what it is used for. For example a clock can be used as a plate with the hour and minute hands substituting as utensils, and a bowl makes a nice hat. Then we played a game where all the girls get in a circle, one girl starts by choosing a pose. The next girl jumps in and duplicates the pose, releasing the first girl. Then she has to change only one thing about the pose, like moving only one arm or leg. The game continued until all the girls had a chance to change one aspect

of the pose then they compared what the end result was to the starting pose to see the transformation. Then they broke into two teams to make a music band using instruments only made by their bodies. Clapping, stomping, clicking, and burping soon created recognizable Christmas tunes that the other team was able to guess. Soon it was time to come up with a problem that was begging for a solution only fixed by the creation of a new invention. The girls brainstormed problems in their everyday lives from the lunch line's slow movement to their perpetually messy rooms that don't seem to clean themselves. Then they designed, drew, and labeled their inventions solving their dilemmas. There were a couple of room cleaning robots, a robot that cleans up outside after the dog, and special flying shoes to launch you to the front of the lunch line.

The girls spent their eleventh meeting completing the Senses badge. For sight we played Kim's game, which lays 21 small objects onto a cookie sheet and is only revealed for one minute for the girls to study and memorize its content. Then they had 5 minutes to write or draw as many items as they could remember. The girls have great memories and were able to recall the color of the paper clips, the number of screws, and the brand of battery on the tray. For smell they wore blindfolds and sniffed small containers with cinnamon, garlic, pepper, and peanut butter. Most girls were able to identify three of the four. Then with their blindfolds on they tasted a chocolate chip, a raisin, pureed banana, and strawberry jelly. It's funny to learn that you like or don't like a food when you can't see it! Then they felt into small fabric bags to identify a ball of foil, a heart shaped sponge, a rubber baby spoon, and a mini beanie baby. The last sense we used was hearing. The girls shook small containers containing rocks, coins, popcorn, and paperclips, and were able to identify most of them.

### Brownie Troop 10955

*Sarah Earle, Lynnette LeBlanc and Tammy Bourque*

What an energetic bunch of girls we have in our troop, and what a great group of parents contributing to our efforts! Our troop was able to participate in the community bake sale at the library last month, which helped us raise some money for troop activities. Thanks to all the families who contributed time, money or yummy baked goods. The goodies went fast! The troop decided to use a little bit of the money we earned to buy some food and treats for the local SPCA, and at our last meeting we made some cat toys out of old socks stuffed with cotton and catnip to complete the package. Last month we also spent time planning for the upcoming World Thinking Day event. We located countries on a map and read fun facts about each one, then voted on which country we want to present at World Thinking Day. No word yet on whether we got our first choice, but we're excited to start planning for this fun event.

### Troop 12641

*Leader: Kathy Fisher and Co-Leader: Jenn Maguire*

We've continued on our "Amuse" journey discussing roles and even got to try a few out starting our acting careers early! The girls also enjoy decorating our "prop" box that we'll be using to draw on our creativity. Thanks to Mrs. Pellissier for her Christmas ornament idea and supplying us with leftover cardboard container covers to recycle into a holiday treasure. 7 girls from our troop joined the Christmas caroling and everyone had fun getting into the spirit...not to mention the cookies & cocoa too! Speaking of cookies, we're armed & ready with our cookie order form so please support us in our fundraising efforts. You'll be seeing us around town in March at booth sales in Loudon and Concord. The girls are planning a trip for the year-end and community service as well. During Christmas vacation we're going roller-skating as a troop.

### Cadette Troop #12356

The Cadette troop is hard at work on their Breathe Journey. We are learning all about air, the properties of it, how it makes us feel, why it is so important and what we can do to ensure its' quality. Joan Clinton came to teach some deep breathing and yoga techniques. We had some "scent" experiments where we explored how different smells affected our mood and energy. We also had Kate Dockham volunteer at our meeting and helped guide us through some fun "airy experiments." We will be working on four badges this year and hope to fit all the activities in. Several girls volunteered at the Loudon Blood Drive serving food to those who donated blood. A number of us also went Christmas Caroling in Loudon village with the other troops. We held our Christmas party complete with Secret Santa gift swap. We continue to have fun together and are looking forward to many exciting adventures in 2012 including camping, community service and a trip to New York City! Stay tuned for more from us. ■





Left and above: Loudon Girl Scouts went caroling around town!

Four photos below: Girl Scouting is so much fun! Photos by Melissa Himes.





## A Loudon weekend of Winter Fun!

Watch for the flyer for  
Sunday's Fishing Derby

Winter Carnival - Saturday  
February 25, 2012

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

*(Bad weather or no-snow date of March 3<sup>rd</sup>)*

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

Free hot cocoa & cookies!

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

*Proceeds to benefit Loudon Food Pantry*

Presented by  
The Loudon Recreation Committee





# Loudon Quilt Project Revisited

By Michele York, Loudon Historical Society

**Editor's Note:** Yes, we know you've seen this before! This is the last time we'll publish the quilt information but we wanted to print *all* of the information we've gotten, plus we wanted to print a large photo of the quilt in color so everyone can see just how beautiful it is. The quilt is displayed in the meeting room in Charlie's Barn/the Community Building. It's worth stopping by and taking a look! Remember, too, the notes added to each square's description were written back in 1976, when the quilt was first made.

I want to say "Thank You" to Michele Paquette for taking the time to bring us her folder with all the information on the making of the "Loudon Bicentennial Quilt." Here is the list of each square and who it was made by. In addition, some of the ladies wrote a brief bit of information about the square they had created and those notes, where available, are included here.

The quilt was originally made in 1976 in honor of the Country's 200th anniversary.

**Square 1.** Emerson Moore Farmstead. Located on Loudon Ridge Road. Made by Joanne Moore. Fred Moore bought the Moore Farm before 1900. He and his son Clinton farmed it until 1936, when both died. In 1936, Lloyd and Muriel Moore married and had a son and two daughters. They had 100 acres of land and 12 cows.

Lloyd's son Emerson joined as partner in 1951.

Emerson and wife Joanne, with four children, took over the farm in 1971. They now have a total of 220 cattle and 380 acres. They also commenced maple production in 1936 with 1200 buckets out. Presently their operation is fed by 5,000 taps.

Son Timothy is not working with Emerson running the farm.

**Square 2.** Sabattus Heights. Off Loudon Ridge Road, across from Pearl's farm. Made by Lyla Mulkhey. Depicted here is a stone tower atop Sabattus Heights on Loudon Ridge. In the last quarter of the previous century it was erected by the United States Signal Service to be used in a survey of the state. Unfortunately, its height was insufficient to be of practical use.

According to a caption on the back of an old photograph of the structure, a black and white flag pole was erected upon it in 1886. The first flag flown on the sixty-three foot staff was on July 4, 1887.

Today, minus the pole, the tower remains as a focal point for hikes and picnics.

**Square 3.** Date "1976" in the center top of the quilt. Made by Isabelle Prescott.



**Square 4.** The Stone Houses on Village Road. Made by Irene Batchelder. This quilted design portrays two fine homes of cut stone. It is thought that the five of these houses in town were built during the 1820s, perhaps by ancestors of Charles Hiram Cate, whose old homestead on Oak Hill no longer stands.

The dwellings represented here are situated in Loudon Village. Two others are located on Route 129 and Currier Road.

**Square 5.** Village Fire Station. Was on Route 129, behind the Library. Made

by Bea Jenkins. In 1940, the Volunteer Fire Department came into existence. An addition was built on the main building a few years later to house a second truck.

In 1953, it was modified a second time to house a third truck. At this time, new doors had to be installed to accommodate a larger vehicle.

In 1973, the station underwent a complete repainting. Red blinds and other extras were added to make it look nice for Loudon's 200th.

**Square 6.** Loudon Elementary School. School Street. Made by Ellen

Chesley. The Loudon Village School was built in 1860 and children in grades 1-8 from this area of town were taught here in two rooms.

In 1954, an addition was made to this original building making a total of eight classrooms plus a cafeteria, library, teachers' lounge, and storage room.

Children from all areas of the town attend grades 1-4 in this school, now known as the Loudon Grade School.

**Square 7.** Boy Scouts of America. Made by Isabell Prescott.



**Quilt** — cont. from 17

**Square 8.** Lovejoy Farm. Lovejoy Road. Made by Melanie Chesley. *This farm was built about 1790, approximately 14 years after the Revolution, by a family named Batchelder. It is located on Lovejoy Road, about 1.2 miles from 106 in the Village.*

*It takes its name from a family named Lovejoy who owned the place in the early 1920s.*

*This farm has passed through the hands of many, yet retains the dignity and faded splendor of earlier, more prosperous days.*

**Square 9.** Bryar Motorsports Park. Now known as NH Motor Speedway, Route 106. Made by Shelba Wheeler. *The big racetrack was built in 1965. Since then additional tracks of all types and lengths have been added for different races.*

*Recently a huge camping area has been added to relieve the parking problems and aid enforcement of "No Parking On Roadside."*

*The National Championship and the Canadian Championship Races for Motorcycles have been held here for ten years. The Grand National Sports Car Race each year is also held here.*

*Races from jalopy, go-cart, sportscar, snowmachine, motorcycles, and van meets are going on all the time, weather permitting.*

**Square 10.** Yellow School House. Route 129, across from Bear Hill Road. Made by Shirley Maxfield.

**Square 11.** Loudon Ridge Church. Made by Inez Moore and Sandra Jenson. *On Loudon Ridge in 1822 a church was finished and dedicated. In 1891 the members decided it was inadequate and decided to tear it down. They did so after holding a special funeral.*

*A bell for the new church was purchased by Jeremiah Kenniston and Daniel Moore. Mr. Keniston was a full-blooded Indian, who earned most of the money for the bell by chopping wood.*

**Square 12.** Maxfield Public Library. Made by Peg Buzzell, former librarian. *The Maxfield Public Library was built in 1908–09, fulfilling the last wish of William Maxfield, Mr. Maxfield was born Dec. 28, 1827 and died Aug. 3, 1905. He unconditionally gave two thousand dollars for a free public library.*

*Trustees in charge of construction were Caleb D. Marston, J. Fred Greene, and Samuel N. Cate. Lizzie A. Sanborn, wife of J.E. Sanborn, Esq., was secured by them as the first librarian. Branches were opened at the Center and at the Ridge, with Miss Gertrude Clough and Miss Alice Clough in charge.*

*Special opening ceremonies for the Maxfield Public Library were held June 24, 1909. A public dinner was served at the Grange Hall with music furnished by a quartet from the Canterbury Shakers. The quartet consisted of Sister Helena Sarle, Sister Josephine Wilson, Sister Jennie Fiske, and Sister Jessie Evans.*

**Square 13.** Town Meeting in Town Hall, first floor the Center Freewill Baptist Church on Clough Hill Road. Made by Dottie Mulkhey and Theresa Batchelder. *Come first Tuesday every March, New Hampshire folks turn out in numbers to their respective town meetings. These gatherings are the purest existing form of democracy, in which the town's citizens become their own mini legislature.*

*In addition to taking care of town business for the ensuing year, town meeting is a time to shake off winter chill; to get out and renew social contacts; to gossip and talk about the weather.*

**Square 14.** Loudon Center Freewill Baptist Church, Clough Hill Road. Made by Bertha Mulkhey. *The frame was raised in 1779 but not fully completed till several years later.*

*Originally the ground floor was the church. The upper room was finished in 1825 and used for the meeting room.*

*The old Town Hall was the original church building of the town and built by the town. It has also served as a school. There were no stoves in the building until 1820.*

*The first meeting held was a parish meeting called Sept. 9, 1779 and under the warrant of Ephraim Blunt and Nathan Batchelder, selectmen.*

**Square 15.** Town Clerk's Office/Residence. Village Road. Made by Mary E. Maxfield. *Residence of Edwin, Mary, and Dawn Maxfield, located on Route 106 north of Loudon Village, built in 1971 by Edwin Maxfield.*

*The Town Clerk's office has been in the basement since June, 1972. Mary E. Maxfield's first year as clerk was by appointment. Town Clerk's office is where all auto registrations, marriage licenses, dog licenses, etc. are issued for the Town of Loudon. Vital Records date back to 1850, and Town Meeting meetings to 1900.*

**Square 16.** William Maxfield Homestead. Made by Janet Batchelder. *William Maxfield left a will on July 11, 1905, giving \$2,000.00, his farm of 70 acres, and the "Abbott place" to the Town of Loudon. The cash bequest helped establish a library which stands on a rise of land near the junction of Routes 106 and 129. Mr. Maxfield's acreage was left to the Town with the stipulation it could not be sold.*

*The Maxfield homestead as depicted on this quilted patch has long since vanished, but the place of his repose lies close by.*

**Square 17.** Town Coal Kiln. Was off Route 106, near Josiah Bartlett Road on the Concord/Loudon line. Made by Mildred Lampron. *Ancient kilns such as this once provided a handsome supplemental income for many area farmers. Several cords of green hardwoods were carefully packed within the conical brick structure and allowed to smoulder. Much attention was required to get "a good burn" with loose bricks at the base of the building being adjusted to provide a draft in accordance with the wind. Several kilns nearby sold their product to the Durgin Silver Factory in Concord, where it was used for smelting the precious metal.*

*The kiln depicted here is said to have been built around 1870 by John Jones. It operated well up into the present century, and was finally demolished by highway construction in 1963.*

**Square 18.** Map of Loudon. Made by Joan Malfait.

**Square 19.** Oak Hill Tower. Made by Deirdre Mulkhey and Stephanie Chesley. *Oak Hill Tower, built about 1928, is located 7-3/4 miles from Concord and 3 miles from Loudon Village.*

*The access road is 1-1/4 miles and is not in very good condition. It is mainly a truck or hiking road ending at the tower.*

*It is 45'6" from the ground to the "cab" and the "cab" goes up 11'4" higher.*

*You can see Bear Hill in Northfield, Plausawa in Pembroke, and Rattlesnake Hill in Concord.*

*It is open from early spring to late fall. Fires are reported by phone over a line running across Potter land for 3,300 feet.*

**Square 20.** Amitty Hall. Village Road, in the V section of land in front of the Library. Made by Amy Maxfield. *Frank Robinson formerly owned this edifice, which he made into apartments and a meeting hall.*

*The Woman's Club bought it and met there for many years. They disbanded, renting it to Quimby for*

*an antique shop, and finally sold it to Harrison Smith for his cash register business.*

*At last it was razed by the state and a Veteran's Monument occupies the site.*

*Though the years, the building was used for medicine shows, dancing classes, showers, and suppers.*

*Many of the town's residents at one time or other lived in the apartments, including the Maxfield's, LaBonte's, and Mulkhey's.*

**Square 21.** Loudon Ridge Fire Station. Lower Ridge Road. Made by Bea Jenkins. *A branch of the Volunteer Fire Department was started in 1961 when a former school house was purchased by the town to house a forestry-type vehicle. Around 1972 another Army surplus vehicle was loaned to the town and again a forestry tanker was made.*

*In 1973 an aluminum roof was installed on the building. In 1976 the town voted for the first time to place an Underwriter approved tanker-pumper combination there. This will relieve a big insurance rate for three-mile radius. The Station has been undergoing a vigorous overhauling to make it fit to house this new truck. Both inside and outside have undergone thorough repairing and painting by the men.*

**Square 22.** Ball Field. Village Road. Made by Robin Robinson. *The ball park was originally in front of the Congregational Church in the village in an area called "Church Flat."*

*In the early "tweens" (1915–1916) the present field in back of the Grange Hall started to be used.*

**Square 23.** Village Congregational Church/Winter Sliding. Made by Dorothy Mulkhey. *Stephen Moore took an active role in the 1827 construction of the Congregational Church. He also donated the 1886 bell.*

*In 1863 members of the church united with Congregationalists at the Center. This united group has since held services in the village.*

*First deacons of the united church at the village were Zephaniah Batchelder and John S.R. Brown.*

**Square 24.** Batchelder Homestead. Corner of Route 129/Pittsfield Road. Made by Theresa Batchelder.

**Square 25.** Sap House. Made by Letty Barton.

**Square 26.** Town Pound. Youngs Hill Road. Made by Eileen Cummings. *The year 1774 saw Loudon residents vote to build a pound, to be located near the dwelling of Abraham Bachelder, Jr. Once a veritable Noah's Ark within stone walls, the pound remains as a remarkable relic of our early days.*

**Square 27.** Police Station. Village Road, across from the Yankee Store. Made by Isabelle Prescott.

**Square 28.** Cider Mill. Currier Road. Made by Janet (Maxfield/Colarusso) Brown.

**Square 29.** Loudon Grange Hall. Village Road, by the ballfield. Made by Sandy Stillman.

**Square 30.** Mill Pond and Ducks. Village Road. Made by Amy Collarusso.

**Square 31.** Girl Scouts/Brownies. Made by Michele Chesley.

**Square 32.** Saw Mill. Made by Nancy Moody and Polly Hill.

**Square 33.** The Rope Swing/Swimming Hole. Soucook River. Made by Michele Chesley.

**Square 34.** Yankee/Village Country Store. Made by Ann Saunderson.

**Square 35.** The Ridge Runners 4-H Club. Made by Bea Moore. ■



# Calling Young Wildlife Artists: 2012 Junior Duck Stamp Contest Offers Scholarship, Cash, Prizes

Young New Hampshire artists from kindergarten through grade 12 are invited to submit original artwork depicting North American waterfowl to the 2012 New Hampshire Junior Duck Stamp Art Contest. Entries must be postmarked by March 15, 2012.

There are some great prizes for this year's winners. The artist selected as Best-of-Show will receive a \$500 scholarship, made possible by a grant from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. First place winners in the contest will be awarded cash prizes of up to \$75. Entries are judged on both artistic merit and scientific accuracy with which specific waterfowl species are depicted.

The New Hampshire Fish and Game Department runs the statewide competition, which is part of the Federal Junior Duck Stamp Conservation and Design Contest of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. The contest serves a dual purpose, giving students a chance to use their artistic talents at the same time they learn about wildlife and conservation. The art competition is open to public, private and home-schooled New Hampshire students.


Entries must be postmarked by March 15, 2012. Competition guidelines, including dimension requirements and an entry form, can be downloaded from

[http://www.wildnh.com/Education/Junior\\_Duck\\_Contest.htm](http://www.wildnh.com/Education/Junior_Duck_Contest.htm), or contact N.H. Junior Duck Stamp Art Contest Coordinator Ellen MacNeil at the N.H. Fish and Game Department, 11 Hazen Drive, Concord, NH 03301 or call 603-271-2461.

The N.H. Junior Duck Stamp Art Contest will award first, second, third and honorable mention ribbons in four groups: grades K-3; 4-6; 7-9; and 10-12. The State Best-of-Show is selected from among the first-place winning designs. Winning artwork in all categories will be displayed at N.H. Fish and Game headquarters in Concord, N.H., in April 2012.

The Best-of-Show New Hampshire winner advances to the National Junior Duck Stamp Design Contest, in which the three top winners receive a cash award and a trip to the adult Federal Duck Stamp Contest.

The Federal Junior Duck Stamp Conservation and Design Program is an integrated art and science activity developed to teach environmental science and habitat conservation. Teachers who want to integrate these lessons into their coursework can find a curriculum guide for teaching conservation through the arts at <http://www.fws.gov/juniorduck/EducationProgram.htm>. ■



## Junior Duck Stamp Conservation and Design Contest Entry Form

<http://www.fws.gov/juniorduck>

*For Little Low  
Only*

**Group (Check One)** ☐ **Group I** ☐ **Group II** ☐ **Group III** ☐ **Group IV**  
Grades K-3    Grades 4-6    Grades 7-9    Grades 10-12

**Student Information**  
*For parents, please print clearly.*

First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_ (Street or P.O. Box) \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Name \_\_\_\_\_ Parent Daytime Phone and Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

**Entry Information**

Title \_\_\_\_\_ Species of bird (from permitted species list) \_\_\_\_\_

Medium Used (i.e. acrylic, colored pencil) \_\_\_\_\_

**Conservation Message**  
Write a message explaining what you have learned about wetland conservation and the importance of conserving habitat for wildlife, or why conservation is important to you. Sample messages on website.

**Before Mailing Please Remember to:**

- Read the contest brochure.
- For grade groups III and IV include Reference Form.
- Have student, parent and supervising adult sign form.
- Prepare entry as horizontal design on 9" x 12" media no more than 1/8" thick.
- Affix entry form to the back of the entry.
- Confirm the address of the STATE RECEIVING SITE.
- Most States Postmark Materials by March 15 (NC Jan 18, SC Jan 30, AZ, OH Mar. 1)
- If questions e-mail your state coordinator.
- Check contact phone numbers for accuracy.

**AUTHENTICITY AND LIABILITY STATEMENT**

**DO NOT COPY THE WORK OF OTHERS. PLAGIARISM IS SERIOUS!**

**STUDENTS, PARENTS, AND TEACHERS, DO NOT SIGN ENTRY FORM WITHOUT READING THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT:**

I hereby certify that this is my original work and not copied or traced from published photos, magazines, books, illustrations, artists' published works or other materials protected by copyright laws. I understand that the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service and other sponsors are not responsible for loss or damage to my artwork. I grant exclusive rights to the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service and its designees to use, alter, copy, publish, and display my artwork for reproduction and promotional purposes as they see fit without compensation to me, including the use of my photograph if taken at related Junior Duck Stamp program function or submitted to a state or national coordinator. I further understand that the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service has the exclusive right to disqualify any entry whose authenticity is questionable.

Signature of Student \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Parent \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Teacher \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Supervising Adult/Teacher: Please fill in the following information (Print Clearly)**

First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_

School/Studio/Organization/Troop Name \_\_\_\_\_ Daytime Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Please check one of the following: ☐ Parent ☐ Teacher ☐ Counselor ☐ Troop Leader ☐ Other

Supervising Adult: Fill in the STATE RECEIVING SITE address here (before duplicating)  
Participants: Mail your art to this address.

Spanish version of this entry form online at <http://www.fws.gov/juniorduck>  
Para una versión española de esta forma: <http://www.fws.gov/juniorduck>



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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (h): \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (w): \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

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# \_\_\_\_\_ Youth All Levels @ \$11.00      \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
# \_\_\_\_\_ Food Vouchers @ \$5.00      \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Total Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

**PAYMENT BY CHECK ONLY.**

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: Loudon Recreation

RETURN TO: Alicia Grimaldi (NO LATER THAN FEBRUARY 17)  
7001 Sanborn Road, Loudon, NH 03307





## News from the Lions Den

The Loudon Lions Club wrapped up a great 2011 by raffling a Christmas basket loaded with goodies and toys. And the winner was...Ed Gauntt. Congratulations, Ed, and all of you who helped us raise over \$300 for the Loudon Pantry! We were also able to donate approximately 30 new toys to Toys for Tots (see photo above). Thank you, Loudon for helping us make 2011 a little bit better for some of our friends and neighbors in need.

### Hold the Date: May 3, 2012: 5K Angels Run and Fitness Walk at Merrimack Valley High School.

The proceeds of the 2011 race allowed us to award two \$1,000 scholarships to Merrimack Valley High seniors, and we're hoping to do even better this year. Volunteers are always welcome!

### Help Wanted:

Are you interested in making a difference in our community? Come visit us on the first or third Tuesday of the month, 7 p.m. at the Maxfield Public Library. You can help us plan fundraising and activities for 2012 — we're looking for new, fresh, and fun ideas. ■



The Loudon Lions Club wishes you, your friends, and family a wonderful and prosperous 2012! Pictured from left to right: Casey Scheinler, Chris Dwyer, Joan Belden, Sara Wagner, Laura Smith, Lee Smith, Gus Belden (president), and Sue Haynes (seated).



### January Walk-In Immunization Clinic

Concord Regional Visiting Nurse Association is holding affordable monthly Walk-in Immunization Clinics for all ages on Monday, January 2 from 1–3 p.m. and on Tuesday, January 17 from 2:30–4:30 p.m.

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

### January Walk-In Blood Pressure Clinic

Concord Regional VNA is holding a free monthly Walk-in Blood Pressure Clinic on Friday, January 6 from 10 a.m.–Noon.

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

### January Senior Health Clinics

Concord Regional Visiting Nurse Association will hold a Senior Health Clinic at the Loudon VOANNE Senior Housing on Tuesday, January 24 from 9 a.m. until noon. All Senior Health Clinic services are provided for a suggested donation of \$10; however, services are provided regardless of a person's ability to pay. Call (603) 224-4093 or (800) 924-8620, ext. 5815 for an appointment. Rides are available in Loudon by calling 798-5203.

*Concord Regional Visiting Nurse Association is a not-for-profit licensed and certified home health and hospice care provider incorporated in 1899. The agency serves people of all ages in more than 30 communities in central New Hampshire by providing and facilitating comprehensive homecare, hospice care, personal home services, maternal and child health services, pediatrics, and community health services. In fiscal year 2010, Concord Regional Visiting Nurse Association provided more than \$3 million in community benefits. ■*

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# Canada Lynx Documented In Northern New Hampshire

Fish and Game biologists have confirmed the presence of four Canada lynx (*Lynx canadensis*) in northern New Hampshire. The fact that the lynx appeared to be kittens is evidence that the wild cats are breeding in N.H., an expansion of the population across the border in Maine.

In November and December 2011, four lynx were seen and photographed in two locations in Pittsburg, N.H., on two different dates. It is unknown whether the four individuals were the same on the two occasions, but it seems likely based on the close proximity of the sightings.

“The presence of lynx in New Hampshire demonstrates the effectiveness of the wildlife and habitat work that’s been done in this region over many years. It’s exciting!” said Fish and Game wildlife biologist Will Staats. “We expected the population to expand into the state eventually, and we’ve been seeing signs for a few years that they were at least passing through.” Since 2006, there have been seven cases where lynx tracks have been seen and photographed in New Hampshire’s North Country. In spring of this year, Staats himself witnessed an adult lynx crossing a rural road up north.

“Until now, we’ve considered lynx in New Hampshire to represent animals that were wandering from the larger lynx population that is present in Maine as a result of recent declines in snowshoe hare abundance,” said Anthony Tur, biologist with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. Lynx are highly reliant on snowshoe hare as a food source. There are an estimated 600 to 1,200 lynx in Maine, concentrated in the northern part of the state.

“Lynx are an amazing predator, and they were historically a small but significant part of the wildlife mix in New Hampshire,” said Steve Weber, Chief of Fish and Game’s wildlife division. In partnership with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Weber stated, “We’re actively monitoring lynx in the state and taking steps to ensure the health and growth of the population.”

“Serendipitously, Fish and Game’s Nongame and Endangered Wildlife Program recently received funding from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to initiate formal surveys for lynx,” John Kanter, Nongame Program coordinator, said. “The sightings add a note of excitement to our efforts. The Nongame Program’s recent fundraising appeal centered on the lynx project, and the timing of this discovery will hopefully help to engage more wildlife enthusiasts as supporters and donors to the program.”

Lynx are listed as “endangered” in New Hampshire and as “threatened” under the federal Endangered Species Act. They occurred in small numbers in New Hampshire through the 1960s; the last documented lynx in New Hampshire was a road-killed animal found in 1993.

At about 3 feet long and 15–30 pounds, Canada lynx are at least twice the



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size of the average house cat. They have long, strong legs; short tails; prominent ear tufts; and long sideburn-style hair on the sides of their face. Lynx are often recognized by their huge, furry paws, which help them travel over deep snow. Because of lynx’s reliance on snowshoe hare, their preferred habitat is young, regenerating forests that offer excellent hare habitat. New Hampshire is at the southern end of the Canada lynx’s natural range. More information on lynx in the United States may be found at <http://library.fws.gov/Pubs/lynx.pdf>.

N.H. Fish and Game is the guardian of the state’s fish, wildlife and marine resources. Visit <http://www.wildnh.com>. ■

## Loudon Farms: Buy Locally!

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

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

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

**D.S. Cole Growers**  
251 North Village Road. *Propagators of quality products from world-wide sources. Retail store at 430 Loudon Road, Concord.* 783-9561. [www.dscolegrowers.com](http://www.dscolegrowers.com)  
[www.colegardens.com](http://www.colegardens.com)

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

**Ledgeview Greenhouses**  
275 Clough Hill Road. *Growers of quality potted plants, annuals, perennials, and poinsettias.* 783-4669.  
[www.ledgeview-greenhouses.com](http://www.ledgeview-greenhouses.com)

**Liliana Flower Farm**  
140 Beck Road. *Perennials and pesticide-free vegetable plants. Wed–Sun 10–5 p.m.* [www.lilianaflowerfarm.com](http://www.lilianaflowerfarm.com). 783-9268

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

**Potpourri Acres**  
7257 Pleasant Street. *“A little bit of everything and not much of anything.” Organic producer — vegetables.* [larrabeersr@comcast.net](mailto:larrabeersr@comcast.net). 435-8209

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

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

**Sanborn Mills Farm**  
7097 Sanborn Road. *Traditional working farm providing workshops.* [www.sanbornmills.org](http://www.sanbornmills.org). 435-7314

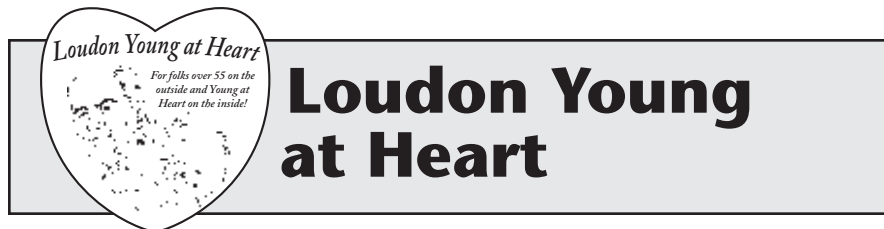
**Windswept Maples**  
845 Loudon Ridge Road. *Vegetables, Beef, Maple Syrup, Eggs.* M–F 1–6 p.m., Weekends 9–5. 267-8492

## Agricultural Commission To Create Map and Brochure

The Loudon Agricultural Commission is creating a map and agricultural tour brochure. If you have a farm in Loudon and want to be included, please contact the Agricultural Commission at [loudonag-board@simon.codemeta.com](mailto:loudonag-board@simon.codemeta.com) or send mail to Loudon Agricultural Commission, PO Box 7837, Loudon, NH 03307. You can be listed in the brochure for just \$25. Please include the following with your submission: Farm Name, Address, Website, Phone, Email, and a list of products and seasons the products are available. Please also include a 15-word description about the farm.

Make your \$25 check payable to The Town of Loudon, memo: Loudon Agricultural Commission, PO Box 7837, Loudon, NH 03307. ■





## Loudon Young at Heart

It was fa-la-la-la and jingle bells all the way when Loudon Young at Heart met for their December meeting. Fifty-one folks gathered around the piano to sing Christmas carols with Roger Dow accompanying them. There was a sea of red with many dressed in their holiday attire.

The potluck lunch again brought out the best of the best cooks with delicious casseroles and salads to tempt the palate. If there was any room left there were the delicious desserts to ponder over.

The group was reminded the snow policy for Young at Heart is if school is closed the meeting is canceled. Many brought donations of non-perishable food for the Loudon Food Pantry.

On January 10 the group will meet at Charlie's Barn at 10:00 to hear Jennifer Brecktell of Concord Regional Visiting Nurse Association speak on "The Glass is Half Full: Positive Thinking for a Positive You." Lunch from CAP will be served.

Door prizes of lovely poinsettias from D. S. Cole Growers were won by Shirley Maxfield, Roger Dow and Connie Ives. A silk flower arrangement was won by Gloria Heath. ■

## Winter 2012 Ice Fishing Classes Offered

Temperatures are dropping, and lakes and ponds are beginning to freeze over -- tell-tale signs that Old Man Winter is almost here. Once the hustle and bustle of the holiday season is over, why not get outside and enjoy the New Hampshire winter by taking an ice fishing class?

The New Hampshire Fish and Game Department's Let's Go Fishing Program, in partnership with other groups, will be offering several ice fishing classes open to the public this winter. Classes are free unless otherwise noted. Be sure to call ahead to reserve your space:

- **Lebanon Recreation Department.** Three-part course on Tuesdays, January 17 and 24 from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.; and Saturday, January 28, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. To register, visit <https://webtrac.lebcity.com> (use Code # 37701A) or call 603-448-5121.
- **Greenland Recreation Department.** One-day workshop on Sunday, January 22, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. To register, visit <http://www.greenlandrec.com>.
- **Riley Brothers Lumber, Milford.** Three-part Saturday course on January 28 and February 4, from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.; and February 11, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Contact Dale Riley, days (Tuesday through Friday) at 603-673-2987 or evenings at 603-673-4036.
- **Haverhill Recreation Department.** Three-part course on Thursdays, February 2 and 9, 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.; and Saturday February 11, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. To register, call 603-787-6096.
- **Laconia Recreation Department.** One-day workshop on Saturday, February 4, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. To register, call 603-524-5046.
- **Amoskeag Fishways, Manchester.** Two-part class on Friday, February 24, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.; and Saturday, February 25, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. Contact the Amoskeag Fishways at 603-626-3474 for more information.

All the ice fishing classes include a hands-on indoor session where you'll learn about ice fishing equipment, safety and practices, and winter ecology of lakes and ponds; plus a field trip where you'll head out to a local pond and put your newly learned skills to the test! Classes are open to anyone, however, those 16 and under are encouraged to be accompanied by an adult.

New Hampshire Fish and Game's "Let's Go Fishing" program has taught thousands of children and adults to be safe, ethical and successful anglers. Find out more at [http://www.fishnh.com/Fishing/lets\\_go\\_fishing\\_class\\_schedule.htm](http://www.fishnh.com/Fishing/lets_go_fishing_class_schedule.htm).

The Let's Go Fishing program is federally funded through the Sport Fish Restoration Program, supported by an excise tax on fishing equipment and motorboat fuels.

The New Hampshire Fish and Game Department works to conserve, manage and protect the state's fish and wildlife and their habitats, as well as providing the public with opportunities to use and appreciate these resources. Visit <http://www.fishnh.com>. ■

## OBITUARIES

### ELAINE EVANGELOU KARRAS

Elaine Evangelous Karras, 79, passed away at her home Wednesday, November 30, 2011.

Elaine was born November 3, 1932 in Newport, the daughter of the late George and Mary (Charas) Karras. Elaine lived most of her life in Concord and Merrimack before moving to Loudon a few years ago. Elaine was employed many years with the Concord School district and Allen Bradley Corporation.

Elaine cherished spending time with her grandchildren which were her greatest joy. She could often be found volunteering at the cooperative market, sharing her latest tip for a healthier lifestyle, riding her bike or driving her beloved Volvo. Elaine's favorite time was spent relaxing along the shores of Lake Winnepesaukee.

Survivors include her son, James Evangelou of Lexington, KY; a daughter, Leni and her husband Mark Gangi of Gilford; three grand-children, Christina and Philip Gangi, both of Gilford and Derek Evangelou of Londonderry; and a sister, Evelyn Saggiotes of Concord.

There will be a celebration of her life in the Spring. ■

## Historical Society Looking For Your Memories

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

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

### My Loudon History

My full name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date and place of birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Parents' names and place of birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Their occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Siblings' names and place of birth: \_\_\_\_\_

When did your family move to Loudon? \_\_\_\_\_

Where was your childhood home? \_\_\_\_\_

Where do you live now? \_\_\_\_\_

What Schools did you attend? \_\_\_\_\_

Who were your childhood friends? \_\_\_\_\_

Unusual pets: \_\_\_\_\_

Dances or Social activities? \_\_\_\_\_

What organizations were you involved in? \_\_\_\_\_

Religion: \_\_\_\_\_

Who was the law? \_\_\_\_\_

Biggest problem the law had? \_\_\_\_\_

Name of your spouse and year you were married: \_\_\_\_\_

Your children: \_\_\_\_\_

First house you and your family lived in: \_\_\_\_\_

Did you know of any haunted houses? \_\_\_\_\_

What food did you raise? \_\_\_\_\_

What was your main source for travel: \_\_\_\_\_

First airplane seen? \_\_\_\_\_

How did you get the news? \_\_\_\_\_

Who delivered your mail? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you remember party lines on phones? \_\_\_\_\_

What store did you go to? \_\_\_\_\_

Where did you buy your clothes? \_\_\_\_\_

Did you have any peddlers? \_\_\_\_\_

Best Loudon Memory? \_\_\_\_\_

Anything else you would like to add: \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE FEEL FREE TO USE ANOTHER SHEET IF NECESSARY.**



## The Benefits of Buying A Home in the Winter

By Jack Prendiville  
Century 21 Thompson Real Estate

Typically, home sales are strongest in the spring and summer months; however, there are several advantages to shopping for homes in the fall and winter. Sellers are often more motivated in the winter and may be willing to negotiate terms such as price, repairs and even a closing date. The rule of thumb is anyone braving the elements (or taking the time during the busy holiday season) to view a home is a serious buyer, and the same can be said for those who leave their homes on the market during this time and continue to have viewings.

Fewer buyers in the marketplace during these months mean less competition and a better chance of getting a home at a lower price. Also, potential buyers in the winter months have the luxury of spending more time researching homes without as much concern of losing a house to another party. When viewing a home in the cooler months buyers get a realistic idea of a home's energy efficiency. Pay attention to the thermostat temperature and take note of any drafts in the home. Trees without leaves give potential buyers an accurate picture of the privacy (or lack thereof) from neighbors or the street.

Because the majority of moves take place in the warmer months, moving companies may be readily available when it comes to your desired move date and even flexible on their rates. ■

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## Maxfield Public Library Trustees' Meeting Minutes — Nov. 7, 2011

### In Attendance:

Trustees Sandra Blanchard, Kenneth Krzewick, Stephen Del Deo, Library Director Nancy Hendy.

Sandy Blanchard opened the meeting at 4:00 p.m.

The Trustees reviewed the minutes from the October 6, 2011 Board of Trustees' Meeting.

Steve Del Deo motioned that the minutes be accepted. Ken Krzewick seconded. All were in favor.

Steve Del Deo motioned that the Executive Session minutes from the October 6, 2011 Board of Trustees' meeting be accepted and sealed for 5 years. Ken Krzewick seconded. All were in favor.

The Trustees reviewed the monthly financial report.

The Trustees completed the budget proposal for 2012. They noted that the budgeted amount needs to be increased in several operational areas because of significant cost increases. These include: fuel oil, electricity, elevator maintenance, and several general office expenses. They also noted that deferred maintenance needs to be addressed. This includes: trim painting, side walk repair, brick work repair, and electrical repair. Also, some deferred equipment replacement will be addressed in the proposed budget. This includes: a much needed new copy machine, and computer replacement. Finally, the budget will include the construction of new stacks to house the DVD collection.

The library director provided the Library Director's Report. This included the following:

The **Fall Fine Arts Show and Sale** on November 4-6 had a great turnout. Artwork shown covered a wide variety of styles and subjects. The raffle winner of Frank Moulin's watercolor painting was Molly Ashland. Sue Petrovek won the door prize of a large basket of note cards done by the

artists. In the photo contest, Fred Miller won first place for his shot of the mill pond. Jean Elliott won "Best of Show" for her watercolor "Sunlit Promise." Attendance by out-of towners was up over the last show's numbers. Artists sold well over \$2,000 worth of their works. Two Girl Scout troops attended the Opening Reception with their leaders for badge credit. The Loudon Village Arts is planning an art show for grade school children at the beginning of next year.

The **FY 2012-2013 budget** proposal is due to the Town by November 14.

The library has been seeking patron support of the **NHSL interlibrary loan program**.

Enough sign-ups have come in for two sessions of **yoga classes** in January led by Fran Nash.

The **mailbox post** has been repaired.

Book group and Loudon Village Arts members are taking a field trip to the **Peabody Essex Museum** this month.

Steve Del Deo reported on the library roof and that it will be inspected in the near future and a report provided that will establish the condition of the roof and recommendations for repair.

The Trustees reviewed priorities for the upcoming year including solving the roof problem, reviewing salaries and part time wages, and building community support.

The library director provided the trustees with a personnel evaluation form that she drafted. The trustees indicated that they would like to review the form and discuss it again at the next Trustees' meeting.

Steve Del Deo motioned that the meeting be adjourned. Ken Krzewick seconded. All were in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 5:40 p.m.

Sandra Blanchard  
Kenneth Krzewick  
Stephen Del Deo

## MVSD School Board Meeting Minutes — November 14, 2011

### Roll Call and Call to Order:

The regular meeting held at Merrimack Valley High School was called to order by Chairman Mark Hutchins at 7:22 p.m. Chairman Hutchins welcomed everyone to the November board meeting.

Board Members Present: Mark Hutchins, Caroletta Alicea, Lorrie Carey, Audrey Carter, Troy Cowan, Thomas Godfrey (arrived at 7:30 p.m.), Jim Lavery, David Longnecker, Will Renaud, Laura Vincent

### Administrators Present:

Superintendent Mike Martin; Assistant Superintendent Chris Barry; Business Administrator Robin Heins; Human Resources Manager Kathleen Boucher; Principals Mike Jette, Pat Severance, Tom Laliberte, Jeff Drouin, Sandy Davis, Linda McAllister; Assistant Principals Pam Hill, James Tremblay, Catherine Masterson, Assistant Principal for Special Education Maureen Gross; Facilities Director Fred Reagan; MVLC Administrator Susan Pleau

### Others Present:

Matthew Michael, MVHS Student Representative; Elaine Hashem, Teacher/MVEA Secretary

### Minutes of Previous Meetings:

Motion by Caroletta Alicea, second by Will Renaud, to approve the October 3, 2011 Board Meeting minutes (pages 1-3 in the packet) with one correction and the October 6, 2011 Special Board Meeting minutes (page 4-5 in the packet) as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

### Financial Note:

Robin Heins reviewed the Financial Report notes (page 6 in the packet) which includes the three areas we are closely watching. Robin thanked Kathleen Boucher for all her hard work in preparing the financial report for tonight's meeting. Robin commended Maureen Gross and Mary Paradise for the outstanding job they do managing the Special Education costs. Motion

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by Laura Vincent, second by Troy Cowan, to accept the financial report as presented (pages 7–20 in the packet). Motion passed unanimously.

**Public Participation**

Matthew Michael, MVHS Student Representative, reported on high school news.

**Good News:**

Building principals reported on good news items throughout the district.

**Committee Reports:****TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE:**

Robin Heins reported on the October 3, 2011 Transportation Committee meeting (minutes on page 26 in the packet).

**CURRICULUM COMMITTEE:**

Laura Vincent reported on the October 11, 2011 Curriculum Committee meeting (minutes on pages 27–29 in the packet).

**FACILITIES COMMITTEE:**

Thomas Godfrey reported on the October 17, 2011 Facilities Committee meeting (minutes on pages 30–31 in the packet). Fred Reagan commented on the energy usage and cost chart included in the packet (page 31).

**FINANCE COMMITTEE:**

Will Renauld reported on the October 17, 2011 Finance Committee meeting (minutes on pages 32–33 in the packet).

Troy Cowan reported on the November 7, 2011 Finance Committee meeting (minutes on pages 34–36 in the packet) and tonight's (11/14/2011) Finance Committee meeting (minutes will be included in the December meeting packet).

The Finance Committee will meet again on Monday, November 21, 2011 at 6:00 p.m. at the high school and on Monday, November 28, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. at the high school.

**POLICY COMMITTEE:**

Chris Barry reported on the October 24, 2011 Policy Committee meeting (minutes on page 37 in the packet).

Included in the packet for a first read is a draft of Policy JJIB, INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETICS (page 38) and a draft of Policy Appendix IJOC-R, VOLUNTEER COACHES EDUCATION (page 39).

The next Policy Committee meeting is scheduled for Monday, November 28, 2011 at 6:00 p.m. at the SAU office.

**LONG RANGE PLANNING COMMITTEE:**

David Longnecker reported on the October 24, 2011 Long Range Planning Committee meeting (minutes on page 40 in the packet).

**OTHER:**

None

**Old Business:****STEERING COMMITTEE FOR IMPROVEMENT (IB):**

Chris Barry reported on the November 3, 2011 Steering Committee for Improvement (IB) meeting (minutes on page 41 in the packet).

**SALISBURY/WEBSTER COMMUNITY STUDY COMMITTEE:**

Chris Barry reported on the October 12, 2011, October 26, 2011 and the November 9, 2011 Salisbury/Webster Community Study Committee meetings (minutes on pages 42–44 in the packet).

The next Salisbury/Webster Community Study Committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, November 16, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. at Webster Elementary School.

**COMMUNITY PRIDE LINK:**

Chris Barry reported that the second draft of The Community Pride Link is in the packet (pages 45–46) for the board to review. This issue will be published and distributed by the end of this week.

**HEALTH INSURANCE:**

Kathleen Boucher reported on the health insurance rates for the 2012–2013 school year. Robin Heins reported that the Negotiation Committee members will be meeting with all three associations (Administrators, Teachers and Support Staff) on Thursday, November 17, 2011 at 5:00 p.m. at the high school.

**SCHEDULE FOR UPCOMING MEETINGS:**

Mike Martin reviewed the schedule of upcoming meetings included in the newsletter to the board.

**OTHER:**

None

**New Business:****OVERNIGHT FIELD TRI REQUEST:**

Mike Jette reported on the Overnight Field Trip Request included in the packet (pages 47–52). Motion by Thomas Godfrey, second by Laura Vincent, to approve the request. Motion passed unanimously.

**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION UPDATE:**

Mike Martin reported on a letter from the New Hampshire Department of Transportation (page 53 in the packet).

**OTHER:**

A board member asked about the number of students eligible for Free/Reduced lunch this year. Administrators will report the numbers at the December board meeting.

**Manifests/Journal Entries to Sign:**

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

**Board Chairman's Report:**

None

**Assistant Superintendent's Report:**

Chris Barry reviewed the MV Curriculum and Professional Development Costs and Funding worksheet included in the packet (page 54). The board discussed needing a document for the public.

Chris reported that the list of recognition letter sent out as of November 14, 2011 is included in the packet (page 55) for board review.

Chris also reported on information regarding success of struggling students not eligible to attend the Title I extended day kindergarten program.

**Superintendent's Report:**

Mike Martin reported that administration will try to provide the board with everything they need in order to develop a budget.

Mike Martin also reported that the semi-annual SAU meeting will be a business meeting only, no dinner.

Break at 8:45 p.m.

Motion by Will Renauld, second by Laura Vincent, to go into non-public session in accordance with RSA 91 A:3II to discuss personnel at 9:05 p.m. Motion passed.

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

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

Motion by Will Renauld, second by Caroletta Alicea, to go out of non-public session at 9:17 p.m. Motion passed.

**Action from Non-Public Session:**

Motion by Caroletta Alicea, second by Lorrie Carey, to accept the resignation of Jane Borek, School Nurse, Penacook Elementary School. Motion passed.

Motion by Normandie Blake, second by Will Renauld, to adjourn. Motion passed.

**Meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted,  
Sally Welch  
Clerk

## Selectmen's Meeting Minutes — November 15, 2011

Present: Selectmen Ives, Bowles and Krieger.

Also present was Fire Chief Jeff Burr.

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

Selectman Krieger moved to accept the Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, November 8, 2011 as written; seconded by Selectman Bowles. All were in favor. Motion carries.

The Board met with Wayne Thistle from Cross Brook Road. Mr. Thistle requested permission from the Selectmen to pave a

section of Wiggins Road off Thistle Hill Road. Mr. Thistle stated that he is building a duplex and wants to pave from Thistle Hill Road right up to the garage doors in the spring. Mr. Thistle showed the Board a copy of the subdivision plan. Selectman Bowles stated that Mr. Thistle would have to go to the Planning Board because of the notes on the Planning Board subdivision approval about pavement.

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

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**Selectmen — cont. from 25**

The Board began their review of weekly correspondence.

The Board received information from Dave Wiley regarding the Merrill properties.

The Board received a memo from Donna White regarding the LaPadula subdivision. The Board will get more information about this subdivision and review it further.

The Board received an email from DES regarding the Groundwater Management Permit for the Loudon Sanitary Landfill and Septage Lagoons.

The Board received a copy of a check from NRRRA for Electronics Recycling.

The Board received PSNH Safety Seminar Information.

The Board received a Loudon Fire Department training certificate for their review.

The Board received an email from NH DOT regarding changes to maintenance responsibilities on state roadways.

The Board received information from Comcast/Xfinity regarding programming contracts.

The Board received a scholarship thank you card.

The Board reviewed miscellaneous correspondence.

The Board met with Chief Burr.

Chief Burr submitted the department's 2011 compensation schedule.

Chief Burr submitted a quote from Vidacare for an EZ-10 which is used for getting an intravenous line in. Discussion ensued about whether there was money in the budget for this. Chief Burr stated there is money in his budget for this. Selectman Bowles stated that he'd like to see exactly which lines in the budget the money is coming from. Chief Burr will bring that information to the Selectmen next week.

Selectmen Krieger asked the Chief about a bill for the National Fire Codes in an electronic format. Chief Burr explained that it is where they look up Codes. Selectman Bowles questioned whether this information can be found somewhere at no cost. Selectman Krieger said it is a lot of money every year and suggested it be looked into and they will discuss it again next week.

Chief Burr discussed the Lucas 2 Devices, the CPR machines that the Concord Hospital Trust was working on getting for the department. The Trust said they would help the Town buy a second machine because most towns have two. They approached NHMS and Bob Bahr who got together and bought the second half of one machine and Forrest McKerley bought the second half of one machine. Selectman Krieger stated that thank you notes need to be sent to those people. Selectman Ives stated that Jerry Gappens said he was happy to do it for the town but it was also a payback to the town for reducing costs for race security.

Selectman Bowles asked that the Selectmen be notified when the Fire Department gets a call involving town property.

The Board met with Boy Scout Mike Ainsworth from Bumfagon Road. Mike explained that he is working on a merit badge and has questions for the Board. He asked the Board about the number of Selectmen (3) and do they currently live in town (yes). Also in working on his merit badge Mike needed to choose an issue in town. He chose robberies. Mike asked whose job it is to set policy's to stop robberies, Chairman Ives said the Police Chief. Mike asked what is being done about robberies. Selectman Krieger explained that there is a task force comprised of county, state and local Police Officers that are working together right now and over the past two weeks they have locked up four people that were burglarizing houses. Mike asked what young people can do to help. Selectman Krieger said that if anyone sees something out of the ordinary they need to call the police department and if they don't know the police department number call 911, describe the person and what they were wearing but don't confront them.

*Selectman Bowles moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:09 p.m.; seconded by Selectman Krieger. All were in favor. Meeting adjourned.*

**LOUDON BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

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

**Selectmen's Meeting Minutes — November 22, 2011**

Present: Selectmen Ives, Bowles and Krieger.

Also present; Dave Rice, Road Agent, Jeff Burr, Fire Chief, Dena Leonard, Fire Department Captain, Carol Soule, Agricultural Commission.

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

*Selectman Bowles moved to accept the Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, November 15, 2011 as written; seconded by Selectman Krieger. All were in favor. Motion carries.*

The Board met with Road Agent Dave Rice.

Chairman Ives asked what was going on with Asby Road. Mr. Rice said due to weather coming in they were waiting to pave it but it should be done by the first of next week.

Mr. Rice stated that he will be out of state from December 14th -20th, Tad will be covering for him.

Selectman Bowles asked if someone contacted Mr. Rice about trapping. Mr. Rice stated that he did receive a phone call. Chairman Ives stated that unless it is a nuisance they do not like trapping done on town property. Selectman Bowles said that a phone call would be made thanking the trapper for the offer but the town is all set.

Chairman Ives asked if the sand/salt was all set. Mr. Rice stated that they have almost enough sand screened but the screener broke down, they have a different one and will continue screening.

Mr. Rice asked about the name for the access road behind the Red Roof Inn. He said that Frank Merrill will be responsible for the road sign when they decide on a name. Chairman Ives said that they need to discuss the name with Mr. Merrill.

The Board met with Fire Chief Jeff Burr. Chief Burr submitted a projected compensation schedule for next year. Dena Leonard said the committee went over each position, the Deputy had his input, and there were changes to ranks. Chairman Ives stated that everyone needs to be aware of the schedule and get a copy of it. Chief Burr said that he will put it a letter and get everyone to sign it so they know about it up front.

Chief Burr stated that he looked at his budget and he has the money for the EZ-IO that was discussed last week. Chairman Ives stated that he is good with it, important to keep up with technology and save lives. Selectmen Bowles and Krieger agreed.

Selectman Krieger asked if Chief Burr looked into the National Fire Codes. Chief Burr said he didn't he was busy. Selectman Krieger said he looked into it and the codes can be reviewed at the fire marshal's office but they aren't open 24/7. Selectman Krieger asked if it is in the budget. Chief Burr said there is a line in the budget for it. Selectman Krieger stated that he thinks it's a good idea to get them.

Chairman Ives asked about a bill for an intercom for the ladder truck. Chief Burr explained that it for the person on the top to talk to the person on the pedestal.

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

The Board met with Tax Collector Helen McNeil.

Mrs. McNeil asked the Board if they have reviewed the information she submitted to them about the postage meter and kiosk. The Board will review it and get back to Mrs. McNeil.

The Selectmen discussed the kiosk. Chairman Ives explained that this would enable people to pay their taxes with a credit card. Selectman Krieger said that Mrs. McNeil gets calls now with requests to pay with credit cards, he just wants to be sure that people know up front that they will be paying extra to use their card.

The Board decided to wait until spring for the postage meter upgrade.

The Board met with Carol Soule.

Ms. Soule explained that the Agricultural Commission received a grant from the New England Grass Roots Environment Fund for \$1,000.00. She explained that they received the grant to make a map of the town farms, turn it into a brochure, print and distribute it. Ms. Soule explained that they had asked for \$2,500.00 so they need more money to print them. She also discussed how they would distribute the brochure; she was told that it couldn't be in the *Ledger* because the *Ledger* does enough for the Commission. The Selectmen advised her to discuss it with the *Ledger* Committee. Ms. Soule said she would but the first thing is to get the maps printed. The idea they came up with is to ask each farm that wants to be included on the map to pay \$25.00 which would give the Commission an additional \$400.00. Discussion ensued about the Commission collecting the money, it going into the general fund and then being withdrawn to pay for the printing. The Selectmen will have the Office Manager speak to the town auditor about how the funds should be handled. Steve Jakubowski asked what happens if they don't raise the \$400.00. Ms. Soule said they would print fewer brochures.

The Board began their review of weekly correspondence.

The Board received a memo from Office Manager Jean Lee regarding the LaPadula subdivision. The Board will get a memo to the Planning Office stating that they don't have the authority to give land back; it would have to go before the town at town meeting.

The Board received expenditure reports for their review.

The Board received a letter from Town Counsel for their review.

The Board received past due ambulance bills for their review. *Selectman Krieger made a motion to send the following ambulance bills to collection: account #13371 for \$200.00 account # 44816 for \$657.20, account # 48596 for \$408.95, account # 21406 for \$214.57, account # 30089 for \$305.11, account # 49937 for \$705.20, account # 45809 for \$627.20. Seconded by Selectman Bowles. All in favor. Motion carried.*

The Board received a memo from Bonnie Theriault regarding the name for the access road behind the Red Roof Inn. Chairman Ives stated that although it is the Board's decision as to the name, they do like to work with the landowner to come up with a name that they are okay with. The Board suggested Cummings Drive and Frank Merrill suggested Setanta Drive. The Board explained that they thought of Cummings Drive because of all that Ray Cummings did for the town, because it is behind the Red Roof Inn and because it's easy to spell and pronounce. The Board will get a letter to Mr. Merrill explaining their thoughts.

**MVSD School Board Meeting Dates and Locations — 2011-2012****MEETINGS START AT 7:15 PM**

**Jan. 9, 2012 — MVHS**

**Feb. 13, 2012 — MVHS**

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## Selectmen's Meeting Minutes — November 29, 2011

Present: Selectmen Ives, Bowles, and Krieger.

Also present was Police Chief Bob Fiske.

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

*Selectman Bowles moved to accept the Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, November 22, 2011 as written; seconded by Selectman Krieger. All were in favor. Motion carries.*

### Selectmen — cont. from 26

The Board received an email from Representative Greg Hill requesting to be put on the Selectmen's agenda to discuss education legislation. The Board will contact him and get him on the agenda sometime in the next couple of weeks.

The Board received draft copies of Master Plan Update meeting minutes, Capital Improvements Plan Public Hearing minutes and Planning Board meeting minutes of November 17, 2011 for their review.

The Board received an email reminder from Donna White about the next zoning workshop Thursday, December 8th at 6:00 p.m.

The Board received a copy of a check from ESMI for their 3rd quarter Host Community Fee.

The Board received a copy of the ESMI self report for August and September 2011.

The Board received a copy of the press release for the NH the Beautiful, Inc. Awards Grant. Chairman Ives explained that this grant was used to put in the waste oil burner in the town garage.

The Board received a thank you letter from The NH Lakes Association. Mike Labonte donated his time and equipment to help with this project at the town beach.

The Board received copies of the Governor and Executive Council meeting minutes from Wednesday, November 9, 2011.

The Board received copies of thank you letters sent from the Loudon Fire Department to donors of the Lucas 2 devices.

The Board received copies of a Loudon Fire Department Unit Citation.

The Board received copies of Loudon Fire Department training and testing certificates for their review.

The Board received a scholarship thank you letter.

The Board reviewed miscellaneous correspondence.

*Selectman Bowles moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 p.m.; seconded by Selectman Krieger. Chairman Ives wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving. All were in favor. Meeting adjourned.*

### LOUDON BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Steven R. Ives, Chairman  
Dustin J. Bowles, Selectman  
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The Board met with Police Chief Bob Fiske.

Chief Fiske gave the Board a copy of a letter he received from a concerned citizen involving a neighbor's vacant car and his feeding of wild animals. Chief Fiske stated that they are addressing the car situation however; they cannot do anything about the animals.

Chief Fiske asked the Board about the status of the road maintenance agreement for the access road behind the Red Roof Inn. Chairman Ives stated that they have the revised agreement to review. Selectman Bowles stated that the Planning Board is dealing with the issue of the bond. Chief Fiske asked why there is concern about a road bond since the road is already there. Selectman Bowles explained that a section of the road is being redesigned and redone to accommodate the new industrial use of the property. *Selectman Bowles moved to accept the revised Maintenance Agreement for the Access Road behind the Red Roof Inn dated November 21, 2011 signed by Frank L. Merrill for Kara Realty LLC.; seconded by Selectman Krieger. All were in favor. Motion carries.*

Selectman Bowles thanked Chief Fiske for the time being put into the blood drive

stating that an outstanding job is being done.

The Board began their review of weekly correspondence.

The Board received a copy of the Zoning board minutes from Monday, November 28, 2011 for their review.

The Board received a memo from Office Manager Jean Lee regarding budget books, budget meetings, and questions regarding the town report. The Board discussed coming up with a picture for the cover of the report, Selectman Bowles will contact Ron Lane from the Historical Society about a picture. Chairman Ives said the specs do not need to be changed; they will stay with 1500 copies but get bids for both. Chairman Ives stated that next week they would discuss dates to meet with department heads about their budgets.

The Board received a copy of a memo to which is attached the revised Maintenance Agreement for the Access Road behind the Red Roof Inn, a copy of the original agreement and a copy of the email from Bart with his comments about the original agreement.

The Board received a copy of email from Bonnie regarding the meeting with them, Marcia Flynn and Dave Wiley on Thursday, December 8, 2011 at 4:00 pm.

The Board received a copy of a memo from Robin Heins, Merrimack Valley School District with the total assessment due to the school district for 2011–2012.

The Board received a memo from Brenda regarding the Selectmen's holiday schedule. The Selectmen cancelled their regular meeting on Tuesday, December 27, 2011.

The Board received a copy of a check received from Northeast Resource Recovery Association.

The Board received copies of LFD Receipts and Acknowledgments of Standard Operating Procedure, Department Compensation Guidelines for 2012, Department Documentation and MRH Agreement and Copies of Beneficiaries Forms.

The Board received an email regarding a Historic Bridge Preservation Workshop.

The Board reviewed miscellaneous correspondence.

*Selectman Bowles moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:56 p.m.; seconded by Selectman Krieger. All were in favor. Meeting adjourned.*

### LOUDON BOARD OF SELECTMEN

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

## Selectmen's Meeting Minutes — December 6, 2011

Present: Selectmen Ives, Bowles and Krieger.

Also present was Road Agent Dave Rice and Tax Collector Helen McNeil.

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

*Selectman Bowles moved to accept the Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, November 29, 2011 as written; seconded by Selectman Krieger. All were in favor. Motion carries.*

The Board met with Road Agent, Dave Rice.

Mr. Rice said that they have most of the sand done.

Mr. Rice explained that he has a truck that needs to go for repairs.

Mr. Rice stated that the one ton is at J & D getting repaired.

Mr. Rice asked if the gravel bills for Old Shaker Road could be paid from the impact fee account. Selectman Bowles stated that they could be paid from that account because the road was improved not maintained.

The Board met with George Page from Berry Road.

Mr. Page discussed concerns that he has with Mr. Wiley, town assessor. The Board explained how the assessments were done and stated that they will talk to Mr. Wiley.

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

The Board met with Helen McNeil, Tax Collector.

Mrs. McNeil discussed the purchase of a new postage meter. She explained the need for the meter for her office as well as for the entire town office.

Mrs. McNeil explained that she needs the treasurer to open an account so that she can get the Internet Kiosk started. Discussion ensued about which line in the budget the money should be taken out of. *Selectman Krieger made a motion to take \$100.00 out of line 01-41504-300-342 Tax Collector Data Processing to initiate the Internet Kiosk for the purpose of paying property taxes online with a credit card. Chairman Ives stated that they will get a letter to the town treasurer informing her of this decision; seconded by Selectman Bowles. All were in favor. Motion carries.*

The Board began their review of weekly correspondence.

The Board received a letter from Town Counsel regarding the Fortier Revocable Trust.

The Board received a copy of the Education Tax Warrant from the Department of Revenue Administration.

The Board received a copy of the Merrimack County Proposed Budget for the 2012 calendar year.

The Board received a copy of a letter from the U.S. Census Bureau.

The Board received a copy of a letter from DES regarding NHMS.

The Board received a letter from the Local Government Center regarding the Annual Report contest.

The Board received a copy of the 2011 NH Economic Review from PSNH.

The Board received a copy of the Wednesday, November 30, 2011 Governor and Executive Council meeting minutes.

The Board received an email reminder of the Local Energy Committees meeting.

The Board received an invitation to the Loudon Fire Department Christmas Breakfast for Town Employees.

The Board received copies of miscellaneous Fire Department personnel paperwork for their review.

The Board reviewed miscellaneous correspondence.

*Selectman Bowles moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:01 p.m.; seconded by Selectman Krieger. All were in favor. Meeting adjourned.*

### LOUDON BOARD OF SELECTMEN

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## Planning Board Minutes — November 17, 2011

Meeting called to order at 7:08 p.m. by Chairman Tom Dow.

### Attendance:

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

Bill Gabler represented the Conservation Commission.

### Acceptance of Minutes:

**October 20, 2011 Meeting** – Henry Huntington moved to accept the minutes as written; seconded by Bob Cole. All were in favor.

### Discussion:

**Wayne Thistle, Map 12/Lot 41-1, Thistle Hill Road & Wiggins Road** – Mr. Thistle explained that he received approval for this lot in a minor subdivision in 2006 and that it was agreed at that time that the driveway would be off Wiggins Road. A stipulation of the approval was that there was to be no paving of Wiggins Road. Mr. Thistle stated that he has built a unit on the lot and would like to pave 160' x 10' of Wiggins Road to the unit. He said he has to maintain that section of the road either way so would prefer that it be paved.

Chairman Dow said that he does feel that this is a good idea, noting that others will want to pave Class VI roads for driveways. Steve Jackson asked if the driveway permit was off Wiggins Road. Mr. Thistle said he believes it is off Thistle Hill Road because the property is numbered as 22 Thistle Hill Road per 9-1-1. He said the reason that the access is from Wiggins Road is to avoid having to do a wetland crossing off Thistle Hill Road. The Board agreed that they were not in favor of overturning the approval's stipulation of no paving of Wiggins Road.

### New Business:

**#11-15, H. Wayne Thistle – Lot Line Adjustment, in the RR District, Map 25, Lots 23, 23-2 and 23-4.** Steve Jackson recused himself from this matter due to a working relationship with the applicant. Jeff Green was appointed as a voting member. Abutters Kristine & Michael Imondi of 29 Young's Hill Road, Ronald & Jenene

Hersey of 35 Young's Hill Road, Marilyn Dubuc of 4 Young's Hill Road, Leighton & Jean Cleverly of 49 Young's Hill Road, Weldon & Patricia Lloyd of 56 Young's Hill Road, and Glenn & Regina Whitney of 28 Young's Hill Road were present. Web Stout of FWS Land Surveying represented the applicant.

Mr. Stout explained the location of these lots, noting that they are at the end of the proposed road, and the purpose of the application is to change a few lot lines. He pointed out that Lot 23 has 250' of road frontage, showing the existing lines. In showing the proposed line, Mr. Stout explained that they would be adding 50' of frontage to Lot 23-2 and acreage to over 3 acres to allow the option of putting a duplex on the lot. He noted that Lot 23 already has that option. Mr. Stout said that the adjustments would make Lot 23-4 a little larger than approved. He said that Lot 23-2 currently has 2 acres and would have 3.1+/- after the adjustment. He noted that Lot 23 has a stipulation that was placed on it at the time of subdivision that there can be no further subdivision of the lot.

Ronald Hersey asked about the addition of area to Lot 23-2. Mr. Stout said it was 102' wide at the far end and 470' long. Glenn Whitney said this change allows for a bigger house, if a duplex, on the same area as before the adjustment because the 'leg' does not change the building area. Regina Whitney said she thought the original subdivision was approved as single family homes. Weldon Lloyd said when the subdivision was approved the no further development was based on density. He said a duplex increases the density. Mr. Stout pointed out that there are four lots there currently. He stated that Lot 23 could easily have a duplex and this adjustment would mean only one more family. Mike Imondi said that he is a new owner and was not notified of this hearing. He asked if there will be a duplex on Lot 23-2 which abuts his lot. Mr. Thistle said it would not necessarily be a duplex and if it was he builds quality buildings, not something cheap. He said a duplex would not be any more bedrooms than a four bedroom home as each unit would have two bedrooms. He explained that permits are

based on sewage, noting that there would be no difference as it is determined by the number of bedrooms.

Ronald Hersey asked if the Board received a letter from Earl Tuson. Chairman Dow stated that they did and he read the letter for the record (is part of permanent file in office). Glenn Whitney asked about making Lot 23-2 more rectangular rather than the long skinny "leg." Mr. Stout said that would take away buildable area of Lot 23. He pointed out wetlands on Lot 23 and noted that the edge of the lot is needed for buildable area. Mr. Whitney stated that the additional acreage being proposed for Lot 23-2 is non-usable and it is just to add acreage. Wayne Thistle said that he had a wetland permit in 2005 for a driveway crossing on Lot 23. He pointed out that the driveway is already in and that is why they did not go over more with the proposed line change.

Jenene Hersey said the last time Mr. Thistle built a house there was a water problem created on their property. She said because of that trees dropped on a neighbor's septic system. Mr. Thistle stated that the Hersey lot was always wet.

Glenn Whitney asked if this was considered a legal hearing since Mr. Imondi was not notified. It was explained that the former owner of Mr. Imondi's lot was notified and the notification of receipt of the letter by that owner was received by the office. The closing on the property was October 28, 2011 and the assessing records showed the former owner at the time of abutter notification. Mr. Whitney continued to question if this was legal. The Board agreed to send a certified notice to the Imondis.

Mr. Lloyd said he thinks this adjustment is out of character for the area and he is opposed to the application. Kevin Ingerson of 310 Young's Hill Road asked what zone the property is considered to be. Mr. Stout said it is Rural Residential. There was discussion of the other side of the road being AFP. Mr. Ingerson asked if the subdivision down the road could be adjusted for duplexes. It was explained that the subdivision being referred to is an Open Space subdivision where the lots are of reduced size and could not be changed.

Chairman Dow closed the hearing to the public and opened it to the Board only. Mr. Dow asked Mr. Thistle why he would not put a duplex on Lot 23 rather than change Lot 23-2. Mr. Thistle said it is a matter of economics and likes the option of being able to build a duplex. He said the lots are there now, noting that there are other lots around town that he would consider to be gerrymandered. Tom Moore said he feels the Board has done well at avoiding gerrymandered lots and he would like to see subdivisions done and stay as approved, not moving lines five years later. Henry Huntington said he agreed with Mr. Tuson's point. He said it was a different subdivision at the time, was done properly at the time, and he feels this is pushing the envelope. Jeff Green spoke about Mr. Tuson's reference to the lot not being radial. He said it would be more radial with the lot line adjustment where the driveway is on the side of Lot 23. Mr. Green said the three acres is pushing the envelope because the expanded coverage is just to create a lot large enough for a duplex. It was stated that the adjustment is trying to meet zoning requirements for a duplex lot but the question is how much of a stretch this would be as the extra acreage down the side is the biggest issue.

*Tom Moore moved to accept the application as complete and move to public hearing; seconded by Bob Cole. All were in favor.*

Stan Prescott made a motion to move this application to next month so that the new abutter can be notified; seconded by Tom Moore. Wayne Thistle said if the Board is not going to approve the application there is no sense wasting his time nor the Board's by carrying this to next month. He said he would withdraw the application. Mr. Thistle was asked to submit this request in writing to the office.

Steve Jackson returned to the Board.

**#11-14, Loudon-Penguin Real Estate Holdings – Minor Site Development, in the C/I District, Map 49, Lot 115.** Abutter James Rhoads was present. Jeff Green recused himself from the Board for this matter. Matt Moore of Matthew Moore Civil Engineering, PLLC represented the applicants. Also present were applicant Walid Kairouz, architect Mark Stewart and Bill Hanson.

Mr. Moore explained that an initial package was submitted to make the filing deadline and they have been working on the plans since then. He presented revised plans and submitted a waiver request for soils as the area was all previously disturbed. Mr. Moore pointed out that the right front corner of the building had been a compressor area. He stated that they are going to the ZBA as they want to square up the building, making it more functional. He said they are moving the fuel tanks further off the boundary line as they are in the way of renovations. Mr. Moore said there would be a four fuel tank island, one being diesel, added to the site. He said he figured the turning radiuses; calculations were reviewed.

Mr. Moore said that the site would be paved and drainage would sheet to the back corner. Where the site goes from paved to gravel the groundwater would recharge. There will be drywells to gather runoff from the roof. Mr. Moore pointed out the flow of traffic, noting that there is a possible drive-thru proposed at the left rear of the building. He stated that the applicant would get an easement from the abutting business owner to allow traffic to travel between the buildings from the drive-thru. Mr. Moore said they would put an island by the existing entrance to hinder foot traffic. He said a hedge would be put on the island.

Mr. Moore spoke about the septic system. He said there is a 5' seasonal high water table. There is an existing grease trap at the back of the building which will be brought up to code and will have a 3,000 gallon tank. Steve Jackson asked about water going to the wetland if the site is paved from the edge of the building to the edge of the parking lot. Mr. Moore said there would be a grassed area at the edge, explaining that the water cleans as it filters into the ground. Mr. Jackson asked if this is acceptable in the buffer.

Chairman Dow asked the abutters if they had any comments. Mr. Rhoads said that he has seen all of the plans and is good with the proposal. Mr. Dow asked how the parking was calculated. Mr. Moore said that he considered the store, deli space, and spaces at the fuel pumps which came out to 44; he got 37 when doing the plan. Mr. Dow asked if this accommodates employee parking. Mr. Moore explained that it is based on the square footage of the building. Henry Huntington asked if the calculations were shown




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on the plans. Mr. Moore said they were not and do not have to be if not going over the 25% increase mentioned in Section 500 of the Zoning Ordinance. Mr. Moore said the existing square footage is 6,193 and the proposed square footage would be 7,722 or an increase of 24.67%.

Bill Gabler said the Conservation Commission has some serious concerns with the wetlands around this site. He said the sheet runoff from the area of the pumps without significant remediation is a concern. Mr. Gabler said he would ask for the condition of significant border due to the hydrocarbons runoff. Mr. Moore stated that the State considers gravel that is driven on as impervious area. Mr. Gabler said there is no containment planned. Henry Huntington asked if the plan meets the regulations. Mr. Gabler said he was not sure it does as he is not an expert on the subject. He said they do not have facts to say it fails but do have serious reservations. Steve Jackson read from Section 301 and asked if they should be going to the ZBA for a special exception on the buffer. Stan Prescott pointed out that the tanks were closer to the highway and they are proposed to be moved closer to the wetlands. Mark Stewart stated that the tanks need to be designed and permitted by the State and must meet all regulations of other stations. He said the tanks and spill containments will be scrutinized in the State's review. Stan Prescott said the Board relies on the Conservation Commission to do the best they can. He suggested that Dan Geiger be consulted on the matter. Mr. Stewart said the applicants will work with any parties involved and would be glad to meet with the Conservation Commission. Mr. Gabler said their next meeting is scheduled for December 5th at 6:00 p.m. The parties will make the necessary contacts.

Steve Jackson asked if any changes were mentioned for the right-of-way at the recent Route 106 expansion meeting. Dustin Bowles said it was explained that they could move to one side or the other if need be. Mr. Moore said the parking lot could be left gravel if alright with the Board, noting that he put it as paved due to the regulations. Tom Moore asked if there would be perimeter drains or if the runoff would all sheet. Mr. M. Moore said that it would all sheet, which DOT does as well.

Stan Prescott asked if it was felt that the drive-thru window is a good idea. He said he feels it is a poor choice to have it between the two buildings, suggesting that it could exit straight behind Rhoads out to Shaker Road. He said there are great concerns safety-wise. It was noted that the area behind Rhoads is close to wetlands. The boundary plan was reviewed. Tom Dow said the drive-thru will not work due to congestion and safety concerns. He said he feels people will park closest to the door and create confusion. He said he also feels that people will pull out through there if parked at the rear of the building. Dustin Bowles asked if the intent is to have both

fuel islands. Mr. Moore said it was. Mark Stewart stated that this is a good site, with good sight distances, and this is an opportunity to diversify.

There was discussion about eliminating the existing entrance and adding a new one at the side of the building by the parking lot. This would be accessible from the parking lot and new pump island. The proposed new entrance at the right front of the building would be accessible from the existing pump island. It was recommended that the applicant consider another way to get off the lot without coming between the buildings. Mr. Rhoads said he had no problem with them exiting there as it is a long blank side of his building and of no use to him. He said more traffic by his door is better for business. Discussion continued about the lot's congestion and the Board's concerns.

Mr. Kairouz said the same customers will be using the facility so there would be no increase in traffic. Bob Cole said the concern is not so much the number of cars but where they are. He said even with new doors he would still have concerns. Jeff Green said that moving the entrance changes the pattern and would create new habits. Tom Dow went over the existing traffic pattern and congestion. Tom Moore said the property may not support a drive-thru. He asked about delivery areas. Mr. Kairouz explained how different vendors would access the building.

It was agreed that the wetlands and safety concerns of the drive-thru window require further discussion. *Steve Jackson made a motion to continue the application to the meeting of December 15, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. at the Community Building; seconded by Stan Prescott. All were in favor.* There will be no further notification.

**#11-16, Debra Rattee and David & Gloria Woetzel – Lot Line Adjustment, in the RR District, Map 47, Lot 44 and Map 38, Lot 7.** Steve Jackson and Jeff Green recused themselves from this matter. Abutter Barbara Cameron was present.

*Stan Prescott moved to accept the application as complete and move to public hearing; seconded by Bob Cole. All were in favor.* Jeff Green of JL Green Enterprises represented the applicants. Mr. Green explained the location of the two large parcels on School Street. He said Map 47, Lot 44 has 184.2 acres and Map 38, Lot 7 has 167.5 acres. He showed the existing lines, explaining that this will be an equal area swap, creating new straight lines. Stan Prescott noted that the abutters need to be shown on the plan. Mr. Green will make this correction. He explained that Mr. Woetzel recently purchased his piece from Ms. Rattee and requested that the lines be straightened out.

Chairman Dow read a waiver request for Section 14.4.4, allowing a scale of 1"=200' rather than 1"=50'. *Henry Huntington moved to grant the waiver; seconded by Tom Moore. All were in favor.* Chairman Dow read a waiver request for Section 14.4.8, allowing just the areas to be transferred to be surveyed. Stan Prescott said that

the whole piece should be shown on the plan. Mr. Green will add this to the final plan. *Tom Moore moved to grant the waiver; seconded by Bob Cole. All were in favor.*

*Henry Huntington made a motion to approve the application; seconded by Stan Prescott with the abutters and a tax map of the whole parcel to be shown on the plan. All were in favor.*

**Board Discussion:**

**Zoning workshop** – A workshop was scheduled for December 8, 2011 at 6:00 p.m.

**Frank Merrill** – Donna reported that the road plans and construction estimate have been sent to the town's engineer. There is nothing to review at this time with regard to setting a bond. The maintenance agreement has been reviewed by town counsel and is being revised by Mr. Merrill.

**Eric Woodman** – A deed was recently received by the Selectmen's office that reverses parts of a lot line adjustment that was done by Mr. Woodman and other parties on Chichester Road. A letter was sent by the Planning office asking Mr. Woodman to address the matter. Jeff Green explained that the lot line adjustment was done and Mr. Woodman built a house. The land swap was done with the abutter and then the abutter could not get a release from his mortgage holder on the property so the area was transferred back in this deed. Mr. Green said that this is a title issue and they are working on cleaning it up. He said he will come to the next meeting with an explanation. There was discussion about Mr. Woodman's lot

now being non-conforming because it does not have the 50' of road frontage that is needed for it to be considered a buildable lot.

**Len LaPadula** – A call was received by the Planning office from a realtor who is working with Mr. LaPadula to list his property on Young's Hill Road. The inquiry was about reversing the subdivision approval from 2006 and questioning what would become of the 45.2 acres deeded to the town as part of that Open Space subdivision approval. Town counsel has been contacted and the selectmen have reviewed the request. Further investigation will be done to determine if the selectmen have the authority to sell land. This may have to go before the voters in March.

**Report of the ZBA:**

There is an application for a reduced side setback on Berry Road and two special exceptions (reduced setbacks and fuel tank over 500 gallons) and a variance (amount of impermeable coverage) for the Beanstalk Store.

**Report of the Board of Permit:**

Stan Prescott reported there was no meeting this month.

**Adjournment:**

*A motion to adjourn at 10:23 p.m. was made by Stan Prescott; seconded by Henry Huntington. All were in favor.*

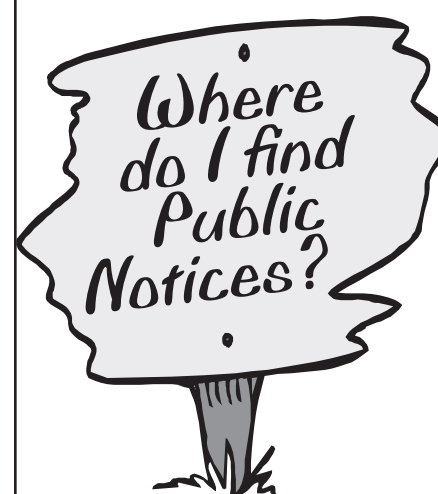
*Submitted by,  
Donna White, Administrative Assistant*

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

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

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## Zoning Board Minutes — NOVEMBER 18, 2011

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

### ROLL CALL

The following members were present: George Saunderson, Ned Lizotte, Chairman Dave Powelson, Howard Pearl, and Alternates Jim Venne, Earl Tuson, and Jonathan Huntington. Jim Venne was appointed as a voting member in the absence of Roy Merrill.

### ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

**Regular Hearing** — *Howard Pearl made a motion to approve the minutes of October 27, 2011 as presented; seconded by Jon Huntington. All were in favor.*

### PUBLIC HEARING

**Z11-08, Scott Chase — Special Exception for Reduced Setback, RR District, Map 58, Lot 42, Berry Road.** Scott Pike represented Mr. Chase. There were no abutters present. The Board reviewed the sketch that was submitted by the applicant. Chairman Powelson went through the points of the application with Mr. Pike. Ned Lizotte stated that the sketch shows that the proposed deck is not coming out any further than the house. Mr. Pike explained that the deck will be inside the footprint of the current porch. Hearing no further questions or comments, the chairman closed the hearing to the public and opened it to the Board for a decision. *Ned Lizotte made a motion to approve the application with the side setback reduced from 30' to 25'; seconded by Howard Pearl. Dave Powelson said this seems to be fitting for the neighborhood which consists of many small properties that have this same issue. A roll vote was taken: George Saunderson — Yes; Ned Lizotte — Yes; Dave Powelson — Yes; Howard Pearl — Yes; Jim Venne — Yes. Unanimous — APPROVED.*

**Z11-10, Z11-11, and Z11-12, Loudon-Penguin Real Estate Holdings — Special Exception for Reduced Front & Side Setbacks, Variance for Impermeable Coverage, and Special Exception for Storage Tank over 500 Gallons, C/I District, Map 49, Lot 115 on Route 106.** Matt Moore of Matthew Moore Civil Engineering, PLLC represented the applicants. Also present were applicant Walid Kairouz, architect Mark Stewart and Bill Hanson. Abutter James Rhoads, his son, and grandson were present.

Mr. Moore explained that the reduced setbacks are the front which is 31.1' vs. the

required 100' and the side by Rhoads which is 9.8' vs. the required 30'. He said the rear setback is 57.4' which meets regulations. Mr. Moore showed the current location of the underground fuel tanks, pointing out that they cross the State right-of-way. He explained that they are installing new tanks, showing the proposed location, by moving them back and squaring them to the property line. He pointed out the gravel area which goes to the tree line at the rear of the store and explained that this area is to be better organized. He has done turning radiuses and determined that the fire department can get around the building and trucks will have no trouble when entering or exiting the new diesel pumps. Mr. Moore said the regulations call for parking areas to be paved so that is what they have proposed; however, the Conservation Commission has some concerns with runoff into the wet area. Mr. Moore will meet with the Conservation Commission at their December 5th meeting. He said the entire area may not be paved depending on the Commission's recommendation. There will be no trees cut and the plan organizes an area that is currently being used. He pointed out that there will be a new entrance to the building and the current fuel canopy will remain. The proposed fuel canopy will have gas and diesel. Mr. Moore explained where the existing septic system has been determined to be located at the rear of the building. He said he wants to get a conforming system onto the property, pointing out the well radius that he is working with for the location of the system and fuel tanks. It was stated that there will be tanks for a total of 30,000 gallons of gasoline and 8,000 gallons of diesel.

Dave Powelson asked about the setbacks from the new canopy, existing canopy, and tanks to the right-of-way. Mr. Moore said that the concrete pad of the new canopy would be 9', the existing canopy is 6', and the tanks would be 7' to the ROW. It was stated that the timeframe for the project would probably be in the spring. It was asked if the edge of the new canopy would be located in the wetland buffer. Mr. Moore showed the 25' wetlands line and the outer edge of the additional 50' of the wetland buffer. The canopy is at the outer edge of the buffer.

Ned Lizotte stated that he felt a site walk is needed. He said they are talking about improving the site but he would like to see the actual layout. Mr. Stewart and Mr. Han-

son presented a slide show of the site, outlining the existing and proposed layout. Dave Powelson noted that additional reduced setbacks would be needed for the new canopy, the new corner of the building, and the tanks.

Mr. Moore went through the points of application #Z11-10. Howard Pearl, on point #9) added that the fuel tanks are being moved out of the NHDOT right-of-way as well as the parking. Jon Huntington asked if DOT will get involved at all. Mr. Moore said they will not as the project is not affecting the ROW. Mr. Pearl asked if the proposed drive-through window would push traffic in front of Rhoads store. He said it could be challenging to go out through the canopy area. Mr. Moore said it is hard to know where people would go out, probably going to the light depending on which way they are going. He showed the proposed island with a hedge near the existing entrance door. Mr. Moore said this was proposed as a means to prevent patrons from leaving the store and cutting directly across the exit of the drive-through.

Mr. Moore went through the points of application #Z11-11 explaining that this is for a variance to allow 56.5% impermeable coverage vs. the 50% allowed. During the review of the application he stated that there would be less runoff with the renovations. He explained that this is due to existing drains and the proposed addition of a couple of drywells to collect the roof runoff, getting it into the ground and recharging the system.

Mr. Moore went through the points of application #Z11-12 for the placement of a new diesel tank. There were no questions

from the Board. Mr. Rhoads had no questions or concerns with the plan. Ned Lizotte asked that a site visit be scheduled. It was agreed to visit the location on Friday, December 2nd at 4:00 p.m. *Ned Lizotte made a motion to continue the hearing to the site walk and then to the December 22nd meeting, 7:00 p.m. at the Community Building; seconded by Howard Pearl. All were in favor.* There will be no further notification.

### BOARD DISCUSSION

A call was received in the office from a resident with concerns about an abutting property being set up as a residential facility for mental health clients. This matter was discussed with Lt. Reese of the fire department who stated that an inspection of the home was done earlier that day as required by the State. He said it is a single family home that was purchased as an expansion of a facility in Chichester where brain injury clients reside. The code enforcement office has been consulted with and will get back to the zoning office if there are any concerns. The ZBA members discussed the use of the house and agreed that it is an acceptable use as it is a residence in a residential district. It was also agreed that the residents would qualify under the definition of "family" as outlined in the Zoning Ordinance. The caller will be notified of this.

### ADJOURNMENT

*Jon Huntington made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:23 p.m.; seconded by Howard Pearl. All were in favor.*

*Submitted by,  
Donna White  
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<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> 7pm•Loudon Fire Dept. Assn. Meeting 7:15pm•MVSD School Board Meeting @ MVHS	<b>10</b> 10am•Young at Heart @ Com. Bldg. 10:30am•Storytime @ Library 6:30pm•Selectmen's Meeting/Board of Permit @ Com. Bldg.	<b>11</b> 2pm•Storytime @ Library 2–4pm•Open Workshop for Artists @ Library/\$5 6:30pm•Girl Scout Volunteers @ LES 6:30pm•Cub Scout Den Leaders @ Library 7pm•Sit 'n Stitch @ Library	<b>12</b> 10:30am•Storytime @ Library 6:30pm•Freedom Hill Coop @ Library 6:30pm•Boy Scout Troop 247 @ Legion 7pm•Boy Scout Venturing Crew 247 @ Legion	<b>13</b> LOUDON LEDGER DEADLINE FOR FEBRUARY 2012 ISSUE	<b>14</b> 9–1•Book Sale @ MPL
<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY  NO SCHOOL  6:30pm•Communications Council @ LES	<b>17</b> 10:30am•Storytime @ Library 6:30pm•Selectmen's Meeting @ Com. Bldg. 7pm•Lions Club @ Library	<b>18</b> 2pm•Storytime @ Library 2–4pm•Open Workshop for Artists @ Library/\$10 7pm•Sit 'n Stitch @ Library 7pm•Legion & Auxilliary	<b>19</b> 10:30am•Storytime @ Library 6:30pm•Boy Scout Troop 247 @ Legion 7pm•Boy Scout Venturing Crew 247 @ Legion 7pm•Planning Board @ Com. Bldg. 7pm•F/NF Book Group @ Library	<b>20</b> TERM 2 ENDS	<b>21</b>
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