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# Getting to Know Loudon Businesses That Get the Job Done

By Mary Ann Steele

In keeping with our mission to provide a Lcomprehensive source of information about business, government and community organizations here in Loudon, the Communications Council will be running a series of business profiles to introduce our readers to the folks who play such a vital role in shaping the character of our community. Even if you're already a customer of the business being featured, or you recognize the company from their ads in The Loudon Ledger, we're willing to bet there's a lot more that you may not know. Loudon has a growing, vibrant business community, and their stories are worth sharing. We're pleased to feature Huckleberry Propane and Oil, LLC, as the first business in this series of business profiles.

### **Huckleberry Propane** and Oil, LLC

David J. Huckins, President/Owner of Huckleberry Propane and Oil, LLC, will tell you that if you want to succeed in business, "You have to be passionate about what you do. You need to work harder than your employees and treat your employees better than yourself. The reason why my business is successful," Dave says, "is because of the employees who work for me. It is my responsibility to make sure they have a safe, comfort-



able and rewarding environment to work in."

When Dave was in high school, he spent summers working at Pittsfield Gas & Oil for Raymond Cummings. After Ray sold the business to Eastern Propane, Dave stayed on the job, working for Eastern while he was in college. Even after

graduating summa cum laude from St. Joseph's College in Windham, ME, with a major in Accounting and a minor in Computer Science, Dave continued to work in the oil and propane industry, and was trained as a driver and service techni-

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ROAD MAINTENANCE/PAVING WILL BE STARTING ON SOUTH VILLAGE ROAD FROM THE BRIDGE TO ROUTE 106 AND IS ANTICIPATED TO BEGIN IN EARLY JULY.

DELAYS ARE EXPECTED AND WE URGE YOU TO USE ALTERNATE ROUTES IF POSSIBLE.

WE WILL UPDATE THE WEBSITE AS UPDATES BECOME AVAILABLE.

### **July Photo Contest Winner Clough Pond Shore Patrol**



Congratulations to Lee Ann Childress, our July Photo Contest winner. Keep those photos coming! Photos will be displayed on our new website, which is coming soon.



This beautiful photograph of a Great Blue Heron was taken at Clough Pond by Bill Gordon, Loudon. It was taken June 19 from Berry Road.

### **Mission Statement...**

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

### Town of Loudon Office Hours

Selectmen's Office

55 So. Village Rd., Ste. 1 • 798-4541 • selectmensoffice@loudonnh.org Selectmen meet Tuesday evenings at 6:00 p.m. in the Community Building. Mon.-Thurs.: 8 a.m.-4 p.m. • Tues. evenings: 6 p.m.-9 p.m. Steven R. Ives, Chairman (term expires 2017) selectmensoffice@loudonnh.org Robert N. Fiske (term expires 2019) selectmanfiske@comcast.net Jeffrey Miller (term expires 2020) selectmensoffice@loudonnh.org

#### Town Clerk

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

### Planning/Zoning Board

55 So. Village Rd., Ste. 4 • 798-4540 • planning-zoning@loudonnh.org The Planning Board Meets the third Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in the Community Building. The Zoning Board meets the fourth Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in the Community Building. Mon. through Thurs.: 9 a.m.-4 p.m. • Tues. 9 a.m.-4 p.m. & 5-9 p.m.

#### **Tax Collector**

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

### Police Department: Emergencies: 911

55 So. Village Rd., Ste. 6 • 798-5521 • www.loudonpolice.com Mon.-Thur.: 8 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

### **Building/Code Enforcement**

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

### Fire Department: Emergencies: 911

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

#### **Loudon Elementary School**

7039 School Street • 783-4400

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

### **Transfer Station**

55 So. Village Rd., Ste. 7 • 783-0170 • selectmensoffice@loudonnh.org Tues. & Thurs.: 9 a.m.-5 p.m. (Winter)

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

### **Highway Department**

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

### **Maxfield Public Library**

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

### John O. Cate Memorial Van

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

### **Loudon Food Pantry**

30 Chichester Road, Unit D, Loudon

Intake Hours: Tuesday-Thursday by appointment only. Office hours and donations accepted: Monday–Thursday 10 a.m.–1 p.m. and 3–6 p.m. Closed Fridays. For more information or to see if you qualify for services, call Sue at 724-9731 or email info@loudonfoodpantry.org

### **Loudon Representatives** REPRESENTATIVES — U.S.

Maggie Hassan. (603) 622-2204. www.maggiehassan.com U.S. Sen. Jeanne Shaheen. (603) 647-7500. Shaheen.senate.gov U.S. Sen. Carol Shea-Porter. (603) 251-9653. info@shea-porter.com U.S. Rep. U.S. Rep. Ann M. Kuster. (603) 226-1002. Kuster.house.gov REPRESENTATIVE STATE SENATE (DISTRICT 17)

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

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

### REPRESENTATIVE TO THE GENERAL COURT (DISTRICT 26)

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

### **Loudon Ledger Submission Policy**

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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### "The Loudon Ledger" 2017 Schedule

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February 2017 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 1/20 Council Meeting: Mon. 1/23

March 2017 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 2/17 Council Meeting: Mon. 2/20

April 2017 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 3/17 Council Meeting: Mon. 3/20

May 2017 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 4/14 Council Meeting: Mon. 4/17

June 2017 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 5/19 Council Meeting: Mon. 5/22

July 2017 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 6/16 Council Meeting: Mon. 6/19

August 2017 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 7/21 Council Meeting: Mon. 7/24 September 2017 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 8/18 Council Meeting: Mon. 8/21

October 2017 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 9/15 Council Meeting: Mon. 9/18

November 2017 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 10/20 Council Meeting: Mon. 10/23

December 2017 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 11/17 Council Meeting: Mon. 11/20

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### Where to Worship in Loudon

### Faith Community Bible Church

Joshua Owens, Lead Pastor • Pat Testerman, Associate Pastor 334 North Village Road, Loudon, NH 03307 • 783-4045 • www.fcbcnh.org Office Hours: Mon.-Thurs. 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Sunday Worship Hours: 8 a.m. and 9:45 a.m. (Nursery provided.) Youth Group for Grades 6-12: Sundays 6:00 p.m. Bible Study: Thurs. 9:30 a.m. (3<sup>RD</sup> Thursday of the month, meets at noon)

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

### **Family Bible Church**

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

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

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

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

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

### **Landmark Baptist Church**

Independent, Biblical, Caring Pastor Paul J. Clow

103 Chichester Road, Loudon, NH 03307 • 798-3818 • www.landmarkbaptistchurchnh.info Sunday School and Bible Classes for all ages: 9:30 a.m. Sunday Morning Worship Service (Jr. Church Provided): 10:30 a.m.

Sunday Evening Worship: 6 p.m. Wednesday Evening Service: 7 p.m. (Nursery provided for all services.) Please visit our website for more information!

### **Loudon Center Freewill Baptist Church**

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

### **Loudon Congregational Church**

Rev. Moe Cornier 7018 Church Street, PO Box 7034, Loudon, NH 03307 • 783-9478 • www.loudoncongregational.org Sunday Worship: 9:30 a.m. followed by Fellowship Time

Tuesday Prayer Meeting: 6:30 p.m. Healing Prayer Service: 3rd Sunday of the month, 9:30 a.m. Loudon Congregational is a member church of the Conservative Congregational Christian Conference (www.ccccusa.org).

### New Beginnings Church of the Nazarene

Rev. Joshua T. Johnson, Lead Pastor Rev. Dallas Tharp, Intergenerational Discipleship Pastor Rev. Mike Matthews, Visitation Pastor 33 Staniels Rd, Loudon NH 03307 • Ph: 224-1311 • Office Hours: 9-3, Tues.-Fri. office.LNBnazarene@gmail.com • www.LNBnazarene.org

 $\textit{Worship: } 9:30 \ a.m. \ (\textit{Childcare provided for Infants-3-year-olds.})$ Jr. Kids Church (3-year-olds-Kindergarteners.) Children's Church (Grades 1-5) Discipleship Hour: 11:00 a.m. for all ages. Second Tuesdays: OASIS Potluck Luncheon (for folks 50+): 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

Sundays:

Wednesdays: Games, Food & Fellowship for Everyone: 6:30–7:00 p.m. Youth Groups (Grades 6-8 and 9-12): 7-8 p.m. Adult Bible Studies and Kids Time (PreK-Grade 5). 7-8 p.m.

To have your Church's information added to this column, please email your information to <a href="mailto:debbiekgraphics.com">debbie@debbiekgraphics.com</a>



### **Photo Contest Continues**

Do you like to take scenic photos? Would you like to see your photos on the Loudon website? The Loudon Communications Council is looking for scenic photos of Loudon for its new website. Submit your full size digital photos to loudonwebmaster@comcast.net. Our first winning photo appears on page 1 of this issue. Perhaps you'll see yours next month!

### CHURCH NEWS

### **Landmark Baptist Church**

bible Boot Camp" Vacation Bible School will be held beginning on Monday, July 24 and end Friday, July 28, 2017. School will be held 6:00-8:00 p.m. at Landmark Baptist Church, 103 Chichester Rd., Loudon, NH 03307. Vacation Bible School will be "basic training" for the Lord's Army. It is for children 4 yrs. old through 6th grade. For more info call 603-798-3818.

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

summer kids' event, Maker Fun Factory Bible Adventure Camp, will be hosted A summer kids event, Maker Fun Fuctory Block Taxonin Commercial Summer kids event, Maker Fun Fuctory Block Taxonin Commercial Summer kids event, Maker Fun Fuctory Block Taxonin Commercial Summer kids event, Maker Fun Fuctory Block Taxonin Commercial Summer kids event, Maker Fun Fuctory Block Taxonin Commercial Summer kids event, Maker Fun Fuctory Block Taxonin Commercial Summer kids event, Maker Fun Fuctory Block Taxonin Commercial Summer kids event, Maker Fun Fuctory Block Taxonin Commercial Summer kids event, Maker Fun Fuctory Block Taxonin Commercial Summer kids event, Maker Fun Fuctory Block Taxonin Commercial Summer kids event, Maker Fun Fuctory Block Taxonin Commercial Summer kids event, Maker Fun Fuctory Block Taxonin Commercial Summer kids event for the Nazarene, 33 Staniels Road, Loudon Monday, Block Taxonin Commercial Summer kids event for the Nazarene, 33 Staniels Road, Loudon Monday, Block Taxonin Commercial Summer kids event for the Nazarene, 33 Staniels Road, Loudon Monday, Block Taxonin Commercial Summer kids event for the Nazarene for the Nazare July 24 through Friday, July 28, 5:45-8:00 p.m. Bible Adventure Camp is for girls and boys ages 4 to those who completed 5th grade in June.

At Maker Fun Factory, kids will discover that God made them — and for a purpose! The boys and girls will experience one-of-a-kind Bible adventures, participate in memorable Bible-learning activities, sing catchy songs, play teamwork-building games, devour yummy treats, collect Bible Memory Buddies (to remind them of God's love), and test out Sciency-Fun Gizmos (they will take home and play with all summer long). Plus, kids will learn to look for evidence of God all around them through something called God Sightings. Each day concludes with the Funshop Finale that gets everyone involved in living what they've learned.

The boys and girls at Maker Fun Factory will join a mission effort to provide items for Crisis Care Kits that will be distributed through Nazarene Compassionate Ministries to people that have experienced a disaster.

For more information about Maker Fun Factory or to register call the church office, (603) 224-1311. Registration forms may be downloaded at the church website: LNBnazarene.org, and mailed to BAC Directors, 33 Staniels Road, Loudon, NH 03307.

### **Loudon Congregational Church**

ue to the upcoming Tuesday, July 4th holiday, the church will be holding that week's prayer meeting on Thursday, July 6, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall and would like to invite you to join us for this special time of worship and devo-

As a reminder, the church also holds a monthly healing prayer service on the third Sunday of each month following its regular morning service at 9:30 a.m.

If you would like more information, please contact Pastor Moe Cormier via e-mail at moe@thegreenbookcase.net, cell phone #603-568-9371 or church phone 603-783-9478 (please leave a message if no answer).

The church is located at 7018 Church Street, Loudon, NH and, again, our Sunday services are at 9:30 a.m. Everyone is welcome.



cian. Dave is also a licensed gas fitter, a gold certified oil technician, and he holds several other certificates.

While working as a district manager for another company, Dave had developed a large following of family and friends. One day a customer asked, "Why don't you start your own business, because you treat me like you own the company anyways?" Dave went home that night, talked to his wife Tracy — who Dave describes as his "wonderful wife" — and they decided to give it a try. Between Tracy's work as a Certified Public Accountant and Dave's own education and experience in the oil and propane business, they felt they had what it would take to succeed.

"A startup company in this industry requires financial stability and backing," Dave says. "We had neither entering this business, as I started this company with two truck loans and cashing in my retirement plan. Let's just say, this was petty cash to the companies in my area, but this was everything I had acquired in my life to start the company." Although it might have seemed like a bold move to some, Dave was confident. "I knew with hard work, treating customers the way I want to be treated, and treating any future employees better than I treat myself, I would be successful."

When they started out, the full-time staff included Dave and his cousin Jake (who is now the Service Manager). About three years later, Dave's wife Tracy joined Huckleberry full-time. The company now employs nineteen full-time and four seasonal employees working out of two locations, the main office in Boscawen and their truck and fuel storage facility on Chichester Road in Loudon. Dave purchased the Loudon property from Ray Cummings, who Dave describes as his mentor. "Raymond answered all my questions and was available anytime for me to talk to him." Ray passed away some years ago, and Dave says he still misses their conversations and Ray's guidance.

Dave says he loves seeing the progression of the business through the years and is grateful to see the business grow every year, knowing it means that people trust them. He is delighted that his own children have taken an interest in the company and may join the business when they finish their educations. He also takes great pride in what Huckleberry has meant to the community. "I also love seeing the many things we sponsor or donate to," Dave says. "Baseball, basketball, soccer, and various organizations with our name on the jersey means a lot. I do it because I want to, and love seeing better opportunities for everyone in our community." Dave also donates a large portion of his building at 30 Chichester Road to the Loudon Food Pantry. "Raymond Cummings started this donation of the space to them when he owned the building. When I purchased the property from Raymond, I felt the need to continue with his donation. The food pantry has grown substantially in the past few years and I opened up more space for them to operate in."

Dave also is a proud supporter of other local businesses, and feels strongly about the responsibility that businesses have to support the communities where they operate. "I feel it's very important to give back to the community in which you do business if you are able to. I love that I can purchase products locally," Dave says. "One thing you don't see is the large corporations donating to all our youth organizations, advertising in local papers, giving to different organizations or donating their own time. Therefore, I don't

ANCKLERON TOG-2007 like buying from large organizations if I don't have to. I would rather go talk with a neighbor and purchase eggs from them or other different products, than go to a large chain store. The Town of Loudon has so many great small businesses and people in it, that I would rather go purchase from them and talk to them than go anywhere

Dave says that he purchased the



Loudon property because it already had an approved bulk fuel facility. Since then, he has fixed up the existing buildings, removed the gas pumps and tanks, installed two 30,000 gallon propane tanks, and added a garage. In the process, he has worked with all of Loudon's boards and Town departments, and praises them for their "professionalism and common sense." Huckleberry is now in the final stages of getting approval to install a bulk storage facility in Wilmot, NH, which will triple their storage capacity. The Wilmot location is strategically located and will allow for further growth of the company, since the Loudon facility is already at maximum capacity.

Huckleberry's company slogan is, "Local, honest, and committed to keeping you warm." That approach applies not only to his customers, but to his employees as well. Dave will tell you, "I say to all my employees, 'You don't live to work, you work to live.' We are a family-owned company and all my employees mean the world to me."

Dave says that keeping up with changes in laws and regulations is the greatest challenge he faces in owning and operating his business. Nevertheless, the Huckleberry business philosophy means going above and beyond what's required. "For instance," Dave says, "we are one of a few companies in the State that has licensed oil technicians. As it is not code or law in the State of NH, I felt the need for us to acquire this was important, and would set us apart from my competition."

Huckleberry Propane and Oil, LLC, delivers #2 heating oil, propane, kerosene, as well as on-road and off-road diesel fuel deliveries to their customers. They also operate a full heating service department, with installation of hot air furnaces, water boilers, water heaters, generators, and space heaters. Huckleberry has been in business for sixteen years, and has operated its Loudon location for fourteen years. Huckleberry Propane and Oil, LLC, has its main office at 166 King Street in Boscawen, NH. Their plant (Storage Facility/Truck Location) is located at 30 Chichester Road in Loudon. The office is open from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday thru Friday. While the company has residential, commercial, and business customers, 95% of their business is residential. They provide emergency service 24/7, 365 days a year. They are available at 603-796-2007, toll free at 1-866-300-4995, fax 603-796-2049 or by email at info@huckleberry-heating.com. ■



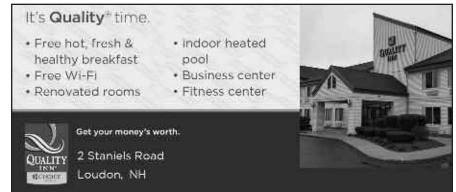
### D.A.R.E. NEWS

The Loudon Police Department presented three \$1,000 scholarships, on behalf of the Loudon Police Association D.A.R.E. Program at the Merrimack Valley Senior Awards Night on June 12, 2017.

The scholarships were based on academics, community service and most importantly, of what or how the D.A.R.E. program has helped them make positive choices.

Congratulations to ELIZABETH WEST, LAURYN MASSE, and MADISON GLAZIER!!





# Planning & Zoning — How to Be Informed and Involved

By Mary Ann Steele

When a project requires approval from the Planning Board and/or Zoning Board of Adjustment, the only people who are entitled to receive direct, advance notice of public hearings on the proposed project are the abutters, owners of property immediately adjacent to the location of the proposed project. That, however, doesn't mean you can't stay informed and get involved during the planning and review process if you have something to say.

The Planning Board meets at the Town Office, 55 South Village Road, on the third Thursday of the month. The Zoning Board meets in the same location on the fourth Thursday. Unless otherwise noted, the meetings begin promptly at 7:00 p.m. All meetings are open to the public and both boards post their agendas in advance of their meetings. If you are unable to visit a location where the agendas are posted, you can view the agendas and meeting minutes online at www.loudonnh.org.

Even if you are not an abutter, any resident affected by the project has the right to be heard publicly. You also are entitled to see copies of applications submitted to either the Planning Board or Zoning Board, and may obtain a paper copy of those applications from the Planning and Zoning Office for the fee of \$0.50/page. You can reach the office by phone at 603-798-4540 to make arrangements.

Loudon is divided into five distinct zoning districts: Village District, Rural Residential District, Commercial/Industrial District, Commercial/Recreational District, and Agriculture/Forestry Preservation District. For each district, the Zoning Ordinance includes a list of permitted uses. It also provides a detailed list of uses that are permitted by Special Exception, which require approval by the Zoning Board of Adjustment. The Ordinance offers a brief explanation of why certain uses are permitted in each district. The Ordinance also lists a series of criteria that must be met in order for a special exception to be granted. Any project that involves building or construction activity that develops, changes, or expands a non-residential or multi-family residential use of land requires site plan approval by the Planning Board.

Whether you intend to support or oppose an application pending before either Board, if you want to make an effective presentation in a written submission or at a public hearing, you should refer directly to the provisions of the Zoning Ordinance that support your position. A complete copy of the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Loudon can be purchased at the Town Office, or you can access the ordinance on line at www.loudonnh.org.





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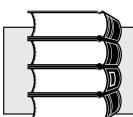
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If you would like to make a taxdeductible donation to support *The Ledger*, please send your check, made payable to the Loudon Communications Council, to:

> Treasurer, Loudon Communications Council PO Box 7871 Loudon, NH 03307

We value your support, but we also value your privacy! If you do not want your name to appear as a donor in future issues of *The Ledger*, let us know. We look forward to hearing from you!





### **Maxfield Public Library News**

### **THANK YOU**

A big THANK YOU to D.S. Cole Growers, Barbara Parent, and Helen Hayes, for another great herb program! Also, thank you to The Garden Bar in Barnstead for the giveaway donation. We will all enjoy a more flavorful summer!

#### **MEDITATION**

Join Fran, July 5 at 6 p.m. for her meditation class. Please bring a mat or towel and a blanket with you. Enjoy an hour of relaxation and inner peace to start off the summer season. The cost per class is \$5.00.

#### **YOGA**

Yoga exercises both mind and body. The library offers classes on Mondays and Thursdays at 6 p.m., and Tuesdays at 1 p.m. Low-impact chair yoga is offered Tuesdays at 9 a.m. and Thursdays at 11 a.m. The cost per session is \$5.00.

#### **SUMMER READING PROGRAM** — Build A Better World!

The Summer Reading Program is open to ALL AGES, with programs, prize drawings, story times and more. Families are invited to join the *Read-to Me* portion of the program. All programs are free of charge. See the brochure (provided at the library) for information on our sponsors and prizes. Read and earn a chance to win!

Our Half-Way Drawing will be on Thursday, July 20!

#### **PUPPET SHOW**

We have invited the Cactus Head Puppets to the library for this summer's special performance. Join us Saturday, July 8 at 11 a.m., for a comedic, updated adaptation of the traditional folktale: *The Pied Piper of Hamelin*. Join puppeters John and Megan Regan as they present this classic tale, told with multiple puppetry styles, and plenty of dancing rats!

Please sign up for this free event!

### **MONDAY** at the **MOVIES**

Join us every Monday at 3 p.m., for a movie; the library will provide popcorn and juice. Stop in the library for a complete list of this summer's movies.

### **SUMMER STORY TIME**

Join us Tuesday and Thursday mornings at 10:30 a.m., for singing, stories, and a take home craft.

### **MEDITERRANEAN GRILL PARTY**

Join us for some fun in the sun, while learning how to make your outdoor cooking season a more healthful endeavor!

Jason Aziz, MS, CSCS will be here on Tuesday, July 11 at 6:30 p.m., to show you three easy recipes that you can alter to fit your family's preferences, while keeping to the Mediterranean Diet Pattern.

Please register for this class by stopping in or calling 798-5153.



On June 14th the members of the Young at Heart met at the Congregational Church at 8:15 a.m. and boarded a bus to travel to the Magic Wings Butterfly Conservatory in S. Deerfield, MA, with a morning snack and coffee stop at McDonald's in Keene, NH. After the twenty-minute break everyone re-boarded the bus and traveled on to the Butterfly Conservatory. Arriving a bit early, the members were able to tour the gardens or gift shop. At noon, we were escorted to the Luncheon Buffet, which consisted of rolls, salad, chicken, pork, mashed potato, carrots, and blueberry cobbler. It was a delightful luncheon and everyone had their fill. We were then escorted to the "Butterfly Conservatory" — what an awesome experience. The area is filled with plants, trees, birds, including quail, and all sorts of different butterflies. There are hundreds of butterflies that surround you, some land on you. It was a beautiful sight.

Upon our departure, the members gathered their belongings, got ice cream or other snacks and boarded the bus for departure. Once back on the road the members had their choice of the movie "The Butler" or perhaps a nap. What a relaxing day!!

On August 12th," Loudon Old Home Days," the Young at Heart will participate in the float competition titled "Animals in the Wild."

Our next meeting will be on Sept. 12th at the Richard Brown House for the annual cookout.

Until then be safe and have a Happy and Healthy Summer.

See you all in September!! ■

#### **TINY HOUSES**

On Wednesday, July 19 at 6:30 p.m., Isa, Project Manager and lead designer from Tiny House Northeast, will be presenting *Tiny Houses: A Very Different Approach to Home Ownership*. This presentation will focus on the basics of planning for and owning a tiny house; both its challenges and advantages. Living in a tiny house year-round is a topic of rapidly developing debate. Learn why something so compact can cause so much discussion.

### **RIVER BUILDERS: Explore Nature's Best Engineers**

*The Children's Museum of NH* will be at the library on Thursday, July 20 at 10:30 a.m., to teach us about nature's very best architects and engineers.

A museum educator will lead children in a hands-on presentation — with a focus on the stunning designs of buildings, homes, and innovative tools found along rivers in New England.

Please join us for this free event.

#### SIT 'N STITCH

You are invited to join us at 6 p.m. to work on your own project or one of our community projects: *Click for Babies and Hooking for the Homeless*.

### **RAINY DAY GAMES**

If it's a rainy day Monday through Thursday, join us for board games from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. Please bring a friend!

### OTHER WAYS TO WIN!

There are other ways to win with reading! Check out our website or newsletter for information on other summer reading programs in the area.

#### BOOK GROUP

Book group will meet Thursday, July 27 at 7 p.m. Please call the library for more information.

### **HOLIDAY HOURS**

The library will be closed Monday, July 3 and Tuesday, July 4 for Independence Day.

### **LIBRARY HOURS**

Mondays and Wednesdays
Tuesdays and Thursdays
Saturdays

2-7:30 p.m.
10 a.m.-7:30 p.m.
9 a.m.-1 p.m. ■

Below: Lots of fun is had by all at Story Time's Craft Time each week.



### **Looking For That Special** Someone...

The Loudon Communications Council is looking for an energetic, outgoing, **1** community-spirited individual to connect with local businesses by selling ads and maintaining advertising accounts on behalf of the Communications Council. While the work of the Council is funded in part by taxpayer dollars, we rely on advertising revenues to cover more than half of our operating expenses. Although the Council pays a small percentage (20%) for ads sold and accounts collected, this is more than a part-time job. It really is an opportunity for the right person to become a more active, vital part of the community, to support the growth of local businesses by soliciting and improving quality advertising, and to assist the Communications Council in meeting its mission — to provide information about and for local government, organizations, and businesses. You will be working closely with a seasoned, professional graphic designer, an experienced ad salesperson, and a group of dedicated volunteers who are committed to ensuring that the Loudon Ledger and its companion web site continue to serve as a unique and valuable resource for our town and its residents.

Are you ready for the challenge? Please contact Mary Ann Steele at thelonghouse@comcast.net, Kathy Pitman at Loudonwebmaster@comcast.net or Katie Ambrose at ambrosewedding16@gmail.com. ■

### The deadline for the August Loudon Ledger is Friday, July 21, 2017.



### **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 \$4.50. Children under age 1 free.

### CURRIER MUSEUM OF ART

Each pass entitles the bearer to 2 free admissions.

#### McAuliffe-Shepard Discovery Center Valid for admission to exhibit halls for4 people.

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

### SEE SCIENCE CENTER

Free admission for a family.

### SQUAM LAKES NATURAL SCIENCE CENTER

3 trail admissions for 2 people per day plus 4 additional discounted admissions of \$10 each.

### STRAWBERY BANKE MUSEUM

Free admission for a family

### Wright Museum

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

### Maple Ridge Sugar House 286 Loudon Ridge Road (603) 435-7474

Fresh Vegetables, Maple Syrup.

### Meadow Ledge Farm

612 Route 129 (603) 798-5860

Peaches, Corn, Apples, Country Store.

### Ramsav's Farm Stand

783 Loudon Ridge Road (603) 267-6522

Vegetables and Cut Flowers, Small Fruits in Season.

### **D.S. Cole Growers**

251 North Village Road

Retail store at 430 Loudon Road, Concord (603) 229-0655

Propagators of quality products from world-wide sources. www.dscolegrowers.com

#### Liliana Flower Farm 140 Beck Road

(603) 783-9268

Perennials and pesticide-free vegetable plants. www.lilianaflowerfarm.com

### **Red Manse Farm**

Corner Route 129 & Pittsfield Road (603) 435-9943

Certified Organic Produce, CSA and Farm Patron Program. www.redmansefarm.com

### Pearl and Sons

409 Loudon Ridge Road (603) 435-6587

Maple Products: Syrup, Candies

### **Song Away Farm** Old Shaker Road (603) 731-0405

Chicken Meat Seasonally, Eggs & Rabbit Meat. songawayfarm.com songawayfarm@ comcast.net

### Stoneboat Farm

128 Batchelder Road (603) 783-9625 Sustainable Farming.

#### Sanborn Mills Farm 7097 Sanborn Road

(603) 435-7314 Traditional working farm providing workshops www.sanbornmills.org

### Windswept Maples

845 Loudon Ridge Road (603) 435-4003

Vegetables, Beef, Maple Syrup, Eggs. www.windsweptmaples.com

### Our Place Farm

290 Route 129 **(603) 798-3183** 

Goat milk, eggs, naturally-raised pork, grass-fed beef, pasture-raised chicken, meat goats, natural fiber handspun yarn. Stop in afternoons or call ahead.

### Ridgeland Farm

736 Loudon Ridge Road (603) 520-4337 Maple Syrup and Pigs. www.ridgelandfarmnh.com



Ledgeview Farm 275 Clough Hill Road (603) 783-4669

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### Elevage de Volailles

1155 Route 129 **(603) 964-7810** Preservation of endangered poultry and

livestock, offering heritage chicken, duck and goose and fresh eggs www.elevagedevolailles.net info@elevagedevolailles.net

### **B&B Syrup, the Barton Families** 227 Flagg Road

(603) 783-4341 Maple Syrup, and Maple Syrup products



### Hill Top Feeds (603) 783-4114, (603) 491-4483

Live stock feed, shavings, hay, dog and cat food. Farm equipment and supplies.

**Miles Smith Farm** 

(603) 783-5159

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and antibiotic free beef,

www.milessmithfarm.

143 Clough Hill Road (603) 783-4384

www.grandpasfarmnh.com

individual cuts and sides.

### **Purely Wholesome Farm** 557 Lower Ridge Rd

(603) 660-9108

Raising Nubian and Nigerian Dwarf goats. Goat milk soap and products. purelywholesome@gmail.com purelywholesome.com

#### **Lone Wolf Farm** East Cooper St.

(603) 513-1286

Muscovy, Chickens, Guinea Fowl Eggs for hatching or eating; Chicks; Keets; Duck-lings; Meat FB: https://www.facebook.com/ lonewolffarm lonewolffarm@comcast.net

### **Aznive Farm**

7046 Pleasant Street (603) 435-7509 Hay, Beef

Loudon AG Commission meets the 1st Thursday of every month (Charlie's Barn behind Town Hall) at 7pm. If you wish to add your farm to our list please email Cindy at purelywholesome@gmail.com

# Town of Loudon Residents Stickers Are Required

By the Loudon Recycling Committee and the Communications Council

T he sign at the entrance to the Transfer Station plainly states that the facility is for use by Town of Loudon Residents Only and Stickers are Required. Stickers should be displayed so Transfer Station staff can clearly see them!

We pay tipping fees for every pound of trash that is dumped into the hopper at the Transfer Station and hauled to the incinerator in Penacook. That includes any refuse deposited by non-residents who have no right to use the facility.

#### Higher tipping fees have a direct impact on our taxes!

We also pay tipping fees for any materials dumped into the Transfer Station hopper that could have been recycled instead. Recycling is not only good for the environment; it's good for your wallet!

In an effort to keep costs down and eliminate illegal use of the facility by non-residents, Transfer Station personnel may stop vehicles that do not clearly display the required sticker, and may refuse to allow them use of the facility without proof of residency. Non-Loudon residents will be turned away.

Loudon residents who have not purchased the required sticker can go to the office at the Transfer Station, purchase a sticker for \$4 and display the sticker on their windshield. Stickers must be renewed annually.

Just a reminder, we recycle all #1 & #2 plastics, mixed paper, glass, tin cans, aluminum, and corrugated cardboard.

Resident Stickers are also required to use the Town Beach at Clough Pond. So get ready... Show us your sticker!



### From London to Loudon

Ileft England in 1978 and came to America like so many immigrants to experience better life opportunities. I traveled extensively throughout the US and became an American citizen in 1997. Just over a year ago, I settled in Loudon, the place I am proud to call home. This is where I want to remain.

Like any "newbie" I wanted to learn about Loudon and its history. That's when I first picked up a copy of *The Loudon Ledger*, the monthly paper published by the Loudon Communications Council. The Ledger gave me a good insight to local government affairs, events in Town and all the local news items one could wish for.

As a new resident of Loudon, I also wanted to get involved and see if I could volunteer somewhere where my contribution would mean something. After talking with a professional associate who had recently been named as a Director on the Board, I learned that the Communications Council might be looking for volunteers. I asked if I could join the Council and I was fortunate to become a voting member on my initial meeting.

Approaching Town Meeting, I quickly realized the scope of projects the Council had taken on, and how important those efforts would be as the backbone of the Town's communications. Apart from maintaining sufficient funding for its operations, the Council's biggest challenge now is creation of a new Town website. The Council's efforts will relieve a huge burden from the staff in the Town Office by liaising with the website vendor and maintaining direct contact with Town Department Heads and office staff to assist in the formation of their individual web pages.

The Council's mission is to provide a source of information and education about business, government and community organizations within Loudon in order to facilitate and encourage informed citizen participation by all of its residents...including newcomers like me!

Respectfully submitted, Paul Branscombe



# "The house down the road just sold! I wonder what they got for it?"

### **HOMES SOLD IN LOUDON IN APRIL & MAY 2017**

Address	Orig List \$	Close \$	DOM*	BR/BA
7010 Pleasant Street Ext.	\$54,000	\$75,000	14	3/2
276 Clough Pond Road	\$125,000	\$105,500	87	2/1
240 Young's Hill Road	\$194,000	\$165,000	68	2/1
7330 Oak Hill Road	\$258,000	\$260,000	187	3/2
63 Oak Hill Drive	\$259,000	\$261,084	19	3/2
27 Morning Glory Drive	\$273,700	\$300,200	392	2/2
39 Dragonfly Drive	\$299,900	\$306,000	3	3/3
23 Violet Way	\$356,900	\$335,000	30	2/3
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\*The above properties were listed and sold by various MLS agents. Information based on data provided by NEREN when searched on 6/13/17 in Loudon, NH. While deemed to be accurate, this information may contain errors & omissions. DOM stands for days on market.

### Get an **INSTANT Home Valuation** for **Your** Home online at **www.LoudonNHHomes.com** today!

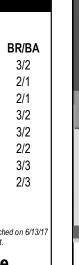
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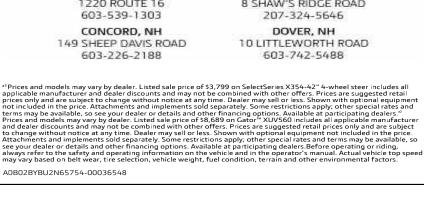
- 30 Year Resident of Loudon
- 21 Years Real Estate Experience
- Local Market Knowledge
- Professional Photography

### EXPERIENCE

Office: 603-392-7145







Child's name(s)

### Loudon Summer Swim Program - 2017

The Loudon Recreation Committee is offering Red Cross Swim Instruction at Clough Pond taught by Water Safety Instructors contracted through Swim NH, LLC. There will be two, two-week sessions offered; the first session will be July 17th – July 28th and the second session July 31st -August 11th. Classes will be held M-F for a half hour each in the morning. All Loudon children ages 5 and up are eligible for lessons. Lessons will cost \$25 per session per child and the family rate is \$75 maximum. Non-Loudon Residents are eligible if there is availability; adding an additional non-resident fee of \$10 per child. An adult must be present during the child's lesson.

Please send registration form and a check - made payable to Loudon Recreation - to Corinne Rowe, 273 East Ricker Rd., Loudon, NH 03307. If you have any questions regarding the program, please call or text Corinne at 738-1983 or email at rowe.corinne@gmail.com. You will receive an email notification of your child/children's lesson time(s). They are typically scheduled in the mornings. Additional forms can be obtained at loudonnh.org.

		Age	Level	
		Age	Level	
Session preferred:	1 or 2	(please circle)		
Parent's name(s)				
Address				
Email Address				
Phone number(s)				
Swim Program at Clough child/ren, I agree to assu	n Pond. As me all risks	a parent/guardian s incidental to parti	participate in the Loudon giving permission for the cipation in this program. I and Swim NH LLC and Ins	above named further agree t
Parent/guardian or partic	ipant signa	ature:		

### The Loudon Recreation Committee

**And Living Yoga** 

Presents:

### \*\*Kids Yoga!\*\*



Living Yoga owner and instructor Marla Matthews will lead a 4-week YOGA series for children ages 6 and up. Parents are also welcome to participate.

Kids: \$15 for all 4 sessions or \$5 per/session

Parents: FREE - donations accepted

\*\*ALL SESSIONS WILL BE HELD AT CHARLIE'S BARN\*\*

29 South Village Road, Loudon, NH 03307

Dates:

Wednesday 6/28/17 from 5:15-6:15pm Wednesday 7/5/17 from 5:15-6:15 Wednesday 7/12/17 from 5:15-6:15pm Wednesday 7/19/17 from 5:15-6:15pm

Contact/Sign-Up:
Greg Tetreault at 801-2137 or GregTetreault@hotmail.com.
Space is limited.

# Please Join Us for a Garden of Fun!

### YOU'RE INVITED!

August 5th № 11 a.m.–2 p.m.

PLEASANT VIEW GARDENS 7316 PLEASANT STREET, LOUDON

\$20 a person/\$25 at the door

Tour the public gardens, check out the latest varieties of Proven Winner Plants, a demonstration on container gardens, some trivia, and fun! Relax to soothing music and enjoy a delicious lunch of salads, finger sandwiches, and handcrafted delicacies.

Garden Hat Contest and Many Raffles! Lots to be won, raffle tickets sold at the event!



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# American Legion District 8 High School and Junior High School Oratorical Contest



Hana Testerman is congratulated by American Legion Department of New Hampshire Commander Tom Willey (2nd from left), and American Legion Department of New Hampshire Oratorical Chairman Kenneth Maynard (third from left) as they present her with the trophy and award certificate for winning the American Legion High School Oratorical Contest at the State level held at St. Anselm College on March

### HIGH SCHOOL ORATORICAL CONTEST

The Americanism Chairman for American Legion Post #88, Loudon, NH, Michael Hartt, has been hard at work promoting the American Legion High School Oratorical Contest. On February 4th, District 5 of the American Legion in New Hampshire, held its second High School Oratorical Contest in three years. The contest was held at the new American Legion Post in Loudon, NH. Hana Testerman of Chichester, a junior enrolled in the Lighthouse Homeschool Association in Loudon, won first place and a monetary award of \$200. Niklas Canatore of Pittsfield, a ninth grader at Pittsfield Middle High School came in second place, and received a monetary award of \$50 with another \$50 to follow later at Post #75 in Pittsfield, NH.

Ms. Testerman went on to win the American Legion High School Oratorical Contest at the State level held at St. Anselm College on March 4th. She received a monetary award there of \$1,000, and will go on to the National Contest to be held at Indianapolis, IN on April 22 & 23rd. There she will be competing for monetary awards up to \$23,000 for the overall winner.

### **JUNIOR ORATORICAL CONTEST**

The Americanism Chairman for American Legion Post #88 in Loudon, NH has reported the results of the American Legion Junior Oratorical Contest for District 5 of the American Legion in New Hampshire. Annora Brown of Concord, a seventh grader with Lighthouse Homeschool Association in Loudon, NH won first place receiving a monetary award of \$50. She will go on to represent District 5 at the State Junior Oratorical Competition at St. Anselm College in April. ■



Loudon American Legion Post #88 Commander Shawn Jones presented an award and check for \$50 to Annora Brown at the Legion Post in Loudon after Annora won the District 5 American Legion Junior Oratorical Contest on March 11, 2017.

# Legion Post #88 Memorial Day Open House A Success

Loudon's American Legion Post #88 again helped organize the annual Loudon Memorial Day Parade on May 29 and the Legionnaires would like to express their appreciation to the Loudon Police, the Loudon Fire Department, the local scouts, the Merrimack Valley High School Marching Band, Loudon Country Club, the local clergy, and everyone else who marched, sang or participated in the parade.

Following the parade, Post #88 hosted a successful Open House and cookout at the Legion's new home on South Village Road. The event featured great food and reflected the work of the whole Post #88 community. The Legionnaires want to thank all who attended or supported the parade and Open House, to include local barber and Marine veteran Russell Smith and State Senator John Reagan for their generous donations to purchase barbecue supplies.

The Legionnaires hope to make the cookout a regular part of the annual Memorial Day schedule.

The 2017 Loudon Memorial Day Parade color guard included (l-r) Dave Zarges, Tom Churas, Preston Lawrence, Mark Brogan, Jim Timmons and Mike Moffett.





Mark Akerstrom 612 Rte. 106 North Loudon, NH 03307 603-708-1041

www.centraInhtrailers.com makerstrom@centraInhtrailers.com The deadline for the August issue of The Loudon Ledger is Friday, July21, 2017



Pick-Your-Own

### Blueberries

Opening about July 15th

143 Clough Hill Road - 783-4384

Website: GrandpasFarmNH.com

Facebook: Facebook.com/GrandpasFarmNH



### Good News From Loudon Elementary School



### **Learning Outside Our School Walls**

T he LES Garden Club has been busy this spring planting the numerous beds at the front of our building. Students will harvest a variety of crops this fall to incorporate into our school lunch. We are in need of volunteers to keep our gardens healthy and pro-

ductive all summer long. If you are willing to volunteer to help, you can sign up for a time slot on our school web page, www.mvsd-pride.org.

The Pollinators Garden is complete! Thank you to the NH Audubon for supporting this project with grant funding through the NH Partnership for Schoolyard



Action. Without Mrs. Herrmann's leadership, this project would not have been possible! Please stop and visit our new garden and learn about the important role pollinators play in our community!

### **LES Happenings**

The transition from LES to the Middle School is an exciting one! Elementary schools collaborate with MVMS for several transition events. Ms. Staples and Mr. Ellis organized a series of "Mix It Up Days" in which fifth grade students had the opportunity



to meet their peers from other schools and participate in team building activities. All incoming 5th graders had the opportunity to visit MVMS on May 30th. MVMS Assistant Principal Mr. Hinkle and 6th Grade Guidance Counselor Ms. Zeller visited LES to share information about MVMS and answer student questions! Best wishes to LES 5th graders moving to MVMS in August!

Thank you to Mr. and Mrs. St. Pierre (at left, below) for sharing their Mt. Everest adventures with us!

Spring brings several field trip opportunities.

These are only possible because of the generosity of the LES PTA and the families that support this group! Thank you for all your hard work for our students!

The annual Senior Walk, organized by Mrs. Herrmann, was a success. Congratulations to the MVHS graduating class of 2017! We are proud of our LES alumni!



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### **Upcoming Events**

July 17 MVSD School Board Meeting at 7:15 p.m. at MVHS Aug. 14 MVSD School Board Meeting at 7:15 p.m. at MVHS

Aug. 28 Kindergarten Open House at 4 p.m.

Aug. 29 First Day of School

Sept. 5 Open House Grades 1 and 2 at 6 p.m. Sept. 6 Open House Grades 3–5 at 6 p.m.

Sept. 7 PTA at 6:30 p.m. ■

### **Handmade Soap Making**

The Loudon Agriculture Commission is hosting a soap making class. This class will cover the basics of all-natural soap making. Topics covered will include:

- Tools and ingredients for making homemade soap
- · How to work with lye
- Customizing your soaps
- Step-by-step process

Class will be held at the Community Building, (Charlie's Barn) behind the old Town Office August 25th, from 6–8 p.m.

Please RSVP to Cindy Shea at cindy\_shea@comcast.net.









# It Takes a Village to Protect a Pond

 $T^{\text{here is excitement around Clough Pond this summer, as many local organizations}} \\T^{\text{oll up their sleeves and add their "muscle" to the neverending job of protecting Clough Pond!}$ 

The Clough Pond Association would like to extend huge thanks to Billy Lazos of Brookside Pizza and the Loudon Conservation Commission for once again helping to sponsor The Lake Host Program. A paid Lake Host and many trained volunteers are stationed at the boat ramp to educate boaters on the importance of preventing invasive weeds and animals (snails) that can "hitchhike" on boats, fishing tackle, and trailers to start new



infestations in our weed-free pond. If any of you have tried fishing or swimming in a body of water infested with invasive weeds, you know it is not a pleasant experience and the sad truth remains...once established, these infestations cannot be eradicated.

Many thanks also go to the Town of Loudon for their continued support of The Clough Pond Association's water quality monitoring and other pond protection projects. Volunteers from the CPA take water samples during the months of June, July, and August to assist the Department of Environmental Services in evaluating lake water quality. Please go to the website at www.cloughpondnh.org/vlap for water quality reports that have been collected and analyzed through the Volunteer Lake Assessment Program (VLAP).

And lastly, but certainly not least, are the exciting plans of the Faith Community Bible Church to restore the beach at Clough Pond as a service to the Loudon community. To quote the church, "Faith Community Bible Church has just been the Velcro to get the right people, organizations, and papers together to restore the beach." They have had numerous meetings with the State of NH, the Loudon Selectmen, and have coordinated many area businesses who have volunteered time and materials. The CPA couldn't be more excited about the church's plan and stands at the ready to help with the beach restoration. Many thanks to Pastor Joshua Owens and Alicen Twardowsky who have spearheaded this wonderful project, which has generated so much enthusiasm. Visit the Church's website www.fcbcnh.org for more information regarding the beach restoration.



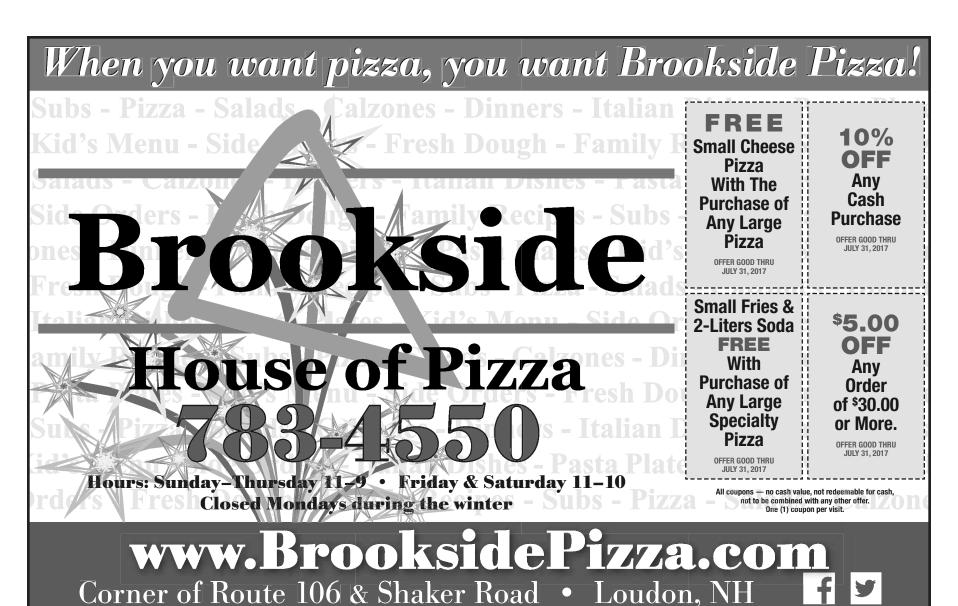
### **July Senior Health Clinic**

Concord Regional Visiting Nurse Association is holding a Senior Health Clinic at the Richard Brown House on Tuesday, July 11 from 9 a.m. until noon. If you need a ride in Loudon, please call 798-5203. All Senior Health Clinic services are provided for a suggested donation of \$10; however, services are provided regardless of a person's ability to pay. Services offered include foot care, blood pressure screening, B-12 injections, medication education, and nutritional education. Call (603) 224-4093 or (800) 924-8620, ext. 5815 for an appointment. ■

### **Scenes from Memorial Day**



The Color Guard leads the parade. Photo by Gary Sleeper.



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### **New Mailing Addresses**



Loudon's beautiful new Town Office is now open for business and we encourage you to stop by. If you'd like to attend the "official" ribbon cutting ceremony, it will be held on July 18 at 4:30 p.m.

In the meantime, if you're mailing something to a town department, you'll need to make a note of the address changes. Instead of each department having a different PO box, all mail will go directly to the Town Office to be sorted there and tucked into a mailbox allocated to specific departments. The overall address is now 55 South Village Road, Loudon, NH 03307. You'll add a suite number after the street address, which will correspond to the department you wish to mail to. The suite numbers are:

Office of the Selectmen
Town Clerk
Suite 2
Tax Collector
Planning and Zoning Boards
Fire Department
Police Department
Highway Department
Suite 7
Suite 3
Suite 4
Suite 5
Suite 6
Highway Department
Suite 7

The proper address form is:

Office of the Selectmen
55 South Village Road, Ste. 1

Loudon, NH 03307

The new addresses have been noted on page 2 of the  $Loudon\ Ledger$  so you'll have them for future reference.





- Crushed/Washed Stone
- Washed Sand
- Fill Sand
- Bank Run
- Crushed Gravel
   Screened Loam
- Landsca
- Natural StoneLandscape Stone
  - Driveway Ledgepack
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### **Old Home Day Parade Entry Form**

The Loudon Old Home Day Committee is in the process of planning its Old Home Day and we would like to extend a special invitation to you to participate in the Old Home Day Parade by entering a float, antique car/motorcycle, fire apparatus, marching band, organization (Boy Scouts, etc.) or horse entry, etc. This is a perfect opportunity to be visible in your community and to extend your support for your town. We look forward to hearing from you and we hope to see you August 12, 2017. PLEASE — FOR THE SAFETY OF OUR YOUNG CITIZENS — NO TOSSING OF CANDY, ETC. DURING THE PARADE. (You may hand it out though!)

Our theme this year is: "Animals around the World!" So don't forget to decorate your float, cars or critters and get creative! You get to impress our team of judges to win a trophy from a number of categories! Hope to see you there!

### \*\*\* Forms must be returned by August 2, 2017\*\*\*

Please send to: Loudon Old Home Day Committee, PO Box 7050, Loudon, NH 03307. For more information please watch the Loudon Ledger or contact Susan at (603)783-9272 or email llabv23@aol.com

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This waiver *must* be returned with the parade entry form by August 2, 2017 in order for you to be in the parade. In participating in the Loudon Old Home Day Parade, above-named organization/individual agrees to follow all rules and guidelines of the Loudon Old Home Day Parade Committee. Above-named organization/individual agrees that failure to comply may result in immediate removal from the parade at the discretion of the parade chairman. discretion of the parade chairman.

#### **HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT**

I/We further agree to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the Town of Loudon, NH, the Loudon Old Home Day Committee, and its employees or agents against loss or expense, including attorney's fees, except in the cases of the sole negligence of the Town of Loudon, NH or the Loudon Old Home Day Committee for the loss or expense because of bodily injury, death or property damage sustained by any person or persons. It is further agreed that I/We, as participants, will maintain general liability and auto insurance for the parade



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### **OBITUARIES**

### ROGER E. LEIGHTON

Mr. Roger E. Leighton, of Loudon, died Thursday, June 15, 2017 in Concord. Burial will take place at a later date in Riverside Cemetery, Cape Elizabeth, ME. Assisting the family with arrangements is the Petit-Roan Funeral Home in Pembroke. To share a memory or offer a condolence, please visit petitroan.com.

### JANET J. (HARPER) RACHDORF

Janet J. (Harper) Rachdorf, 74, passed away Wednesday, May 24, 2017, at her home in Canterbury. She was born in Boston, MA to the late John and Jessie (McKnight) Harper on November 8, 1942.

Janet was devoted to her family. She married the late Stacey R. Rachdorf in 1964. They have five children. She loved and looked forward to spending time with them and her grandchildren. Janet gave so much of her time and her ear to each one of them. She was known for giving sound advice, which in turn gave them the confidence to make everything better. Watching sporting events, attending dance, hearing the latest hunting story, conversing around the dinner table, and laughing were favorite pastimes of hers. Janet also enjoyed spending time with her friends, going to their monthly dinners and participating in the Loudon Young at Heart Group.

Janet was predeceased by her husband, Stacey R. Rachdorf; son, Matthew E. Rachdorf; and two brothers, Donald and Lee Harper.

Janet was a wonderful, caring mother/grandmother to her three daughters, Paula (Rachdorf) Child and spouse Loring Child, Beth Rachdorf and Robbyn Rachdorf; son, Stacey H. Rachdorf; seven adoring grandchildren, James and Johnathan Child, Brent Jr., Tyler and Kyle Minery, Madelyn Moorehead and Jack Rachdorf. She leaves behind a sister, Gloria Harrison of Lewisville TX; brother, John Harper of Jacksonville LA and many nieces and nephews.

Memorial contributions can be made in Janet's name to Loudon Young at Heart, 55 South Village Rd., Ste. 1 Loudon, NH 03307.

EUGENE "GENE" PAUL MORRISSETTE

Lugene "Gene" Paul Morrissette, 76, entered into eternal rest Sunday, June 11, 2017

at his home surrounded by his loving family.

Gene was born in Laconia on February 12, 1941, the son of Oscar and Rachel (Vallee) Morrissette. Gene grew up and attended school in Laconia. As a teen he enjoyed working for Weeks Dairy Farm in Laconia and worked for several years at Scott and Williams Company of Laconia and later at New Hampshire Ball Bearing of Laconia where he was an active supporter of the United Steel Workers of America. In addition Gene proudly served in the National Guard for several years.

Gene was strong-willed, friendly, outgoing, and especially enjoyed conversations with family and friends. Very important to Gene were the annual family reunions that he held at his home with his wife Bunny who predeceased him.

Gene enjoyed telling stories, spending time clearing paths on his property, and using his tractor to give the children and grandchildren enjoyable rides. Gene was a stamp collector, and enjoyed watching the Red Sox, western movies, world events, and enjoyed his time camping in Pittsburgh, New Hampshire. Most important to Gene was his family. He enjoyed going to breakfast, working outdoors, nature, animals, and his pets that he loved dearly.

He is survived by his daughter Cindy (Morrissette) LaPointe of Belmont, three sons Danny Morrissette of Belmont, Gary Morrissette and his wife Catherine of Loudon, and Scott Morrissette and his wife Julianna of Sanbornton, a step son Robert Lord and his wife Lisa of Belmont, grandchildren Shane Morrissette of Meredith, Joe Morrissette of Belmont, Amanda York and her husband Ronnie of Loudon, Ryan Morrissette and his wife Erin of Loudon, Travis and Kory Morrissette of Laconia, Tammy Wilcox of Loudon, Victoria Lord of Massachusetts, Amanda Longe-Deyo of Belmont, 10 great grandchildren, his brothers Ralph and his wife Mary of Franklin, Bruce Morrissette and wife Irene of Tilton, his sister Corrine O'Mara of Laconia. He is predeceased by his brother David Morrissette, his sister Carol Campbell, his great-grandson Shane Morrissette and his loving wife Bernice "Bunny" Lord.

Memorial donations may be made to the Morrissette family fund c/o the Wilkinson-Beane Funeral Home PO Box 67 Laconia, New Hampshire 03246. ■



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> 1<sup>st</sup> PRIZE – 100 Gallons of Fuel Oil Donated by Huckleberry Propane and Oil, LLC.

2<sup>nd</sup> PRIZE – 18 holes of golf with a golf cart for a party of 4 Donated by Loudon Country Club

3<sup>rd</sup> PRIZE – 2 tickets to the concert of the winner's choice (best seats available) Donated by Meadowbrook Pavilion NH

> 4th PRIZE - 28" Samsung Smart Television Donated by PCB Consulting

5<sup>th</sup> PRIZE - Furnace Cleaning Donated by Huckleberry Propane and Oil, LLC.

Tickets can be obtained from members of the Council after 7/12/17 or at our booth on Old Home Day.





# **Loudon Food Pantry News**

#### **New Income Guidelines Released**

As of July 1st the new Program Eligibility Guidelines for the USDA Surplus Commodities goes into effect. These are the guidelines we use to determine whether a person is eligible to receive food from our pantry. As always we have these guidelines posted on our website (loudonfoodpantry.org) under the "Need Help?" tab. The figures will be updated on July 1st.

If you are in need of our services but are not sure you qualify, our "Need Help?" tab will help you decide. If not sure, call 603-724-9731 and speak with Sue. Please don't wait until you have no food to call! We are here to help!

### **Donate Online Using Your Credit Card Fee Free**

Our merchant, Braintree, will not charge us any fees for credit card donations until we hit a total of \$50,000. We are in dire need of funds to help us make it through the summer. So please go to LoudonFoodPantry.org and donate today! Thank you for your consideration!

### **Canterbury Community Farmers Market**

Check out the Farmers Market every Wednesday from 4:00 p.m.—6:30 p.m. The Market is held in the parking area and field next to the Elkins Library in the Historic center of Canterbury, rain or shine (except for big thunderstorms).

SNAP (Food Stamps) / EBT / debit and credit cards accepted. Matching funds for the first \$20 or SNAP (Food Stamps) benefit used!

Need more info? Go to www.ccfma.net or find the market on Facebook!

### **Canterbury Fair**

We will have a booth set up at The Canterbury Fair on Saturday July 29th. As usual there will be information about the pantry, our wrist bands, teddy bears, and other stuff. Bring any donations (food or otherwise) or just drop by our booth to say hi. This is a great time meet new people and catch up with old friends as well. Please come and join us in the fun!

### 50-50 Spring Raffle Fundraiser Runs June 1st-30th

As of June 16th we had sold \$50 in raffle tickets. The raffle ends on June 30th so we will need to update you in our next article. Please check out www.loudonfoodpantry.org for raffle updates and the results until then.

### **NH Gives Results**

NH Gives — an initiative of the NH Center for Nonprofits — is designed to bring the state together as one community, raising as much money and awareness as possible for New Hampshire's nonprofits within a 24-hour, flash-mob of giving.

As a result of this initiative we received \$80 in donations! Thank you to everyone that donated! It was an exciting 24-hours and we're prepared to do it again next year! ■





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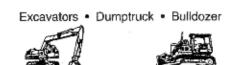
- Make sure finances are in order. Treat your family member or friend like you would any buyer. Make sure they are pre-approved for a mortgage before they make an official on your house. If they can't qualify for loan, you may have to find another buyer and it may take even longer to sell your home.
- Get everything in writing. Just because you're close to the person doesn't mean you can rely on a handshake to seal the deal. For the sake of both parties, make sure everything you agree upon is written down in clear, direct language so there is no second guessing about the transaction.
- Schedule an appraisal. Even if you and a family member already agreed upon a price, it's a good idea to get an appraisal to tell you the true market value of your home. This way neither party will be surprised if it later comes out that someone got a really good deal! Work with a real estate associate to find a number that can benefit both you and the buyer.
- **Get an inspection.** Even if it isn't mandatory, a home inspection will prevent any surprises when your friend or family member moves in. ■

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### Loudon Conservation Commission Meeting Minutes — May 1, 2017

Members in attendance: Rob Buzzell, Julie Robinson, Sandra Blanchard

Alternates in attendance: Sandy Sims. Pauline Touzin, Jeff Moore

Others in attendance: Pat Colby, Jim

Brown, Doug Clasby & Ron Moore

The Loudon Conservation Commission met on May 1, 2017 at 6pm in Charlie's Barn.

Chairman Buzzell opened the meeting at 6:00 p.m. He asked that the guests in attendance state their names and the reason for their attendance.

Pat Colby and Jim Brown wanted to discuss reinstating a conservation easement that Mr. Brown submitted back in 2002. Julie Robinson was familiar with the project and lead the discussion. In 2002 Mr. Brown was working with the Commission on a conservation easement on his property on the Ridge. At the time the project was working under the LCHIP grant program. Due to many different circumstances Mr. Brown withdrew his application and the project was closed without ever being completed. Ms. Robinson explained to Mr. Brown and Mr. Colby that it was not as simple as just opening the now, 15 year old project and reinstating it. Pricing has changed and the project would have to start from the beginning now that so much time had passed. More importantly we have a list of projects that have come forward to the Commission and the Brown project would go

to the bottom of the list. The Commission is just starting a tentative project with another land owner in town. Ms. Robinson said that when they were completed with the current project that could discuss the Brown property and depending on the amount of money left in our accounts, vote on the next project. Ms. Robinson suggested that Mr. Brown and Mr. Colby contact 5 Rivers Trust and see if they could help them with their project.

Doug Clasby and Ron Moore, both reside on Goshen Drive. They came in to discuss with the Commission an abutting tree cutting project on a steep slope along the Soucook River. Fillmore Industries, owner of the property across the river from the residence, has cut some trees on the steep slope and Mr. Clasby was concerned that they might have violated current Town or State laws for cutting on steep slopes or too close to the water. Chairman Buzzell visited the site and was not clear that a violation had taken place. Mr. Clasby and Mr. Moore stated that they had discussed the matter with Code Enforcement and Selectman Fiske. The Commission will follow up with Code Enforcement and make sure that there were no violations committed during the cutting. Once the Commission hears back from Code Enforcement we will contact Mr. Clasby and Mr. Moore with our findings.

Chairman Buzzell thanked both parties for coming to the meeting.

Chairman Buzzell asked Ms. Robinson to contact Rick Wright, Code Enforcement, about the Goshen Drive cut and also the cut near the Transfer Station for a possible violation of cutting within the wetland buffer.

### Planning Board Update:

Chairman Buzzell asked Pauline Touzin to give an update on what happened at the April Planning Board Meeting that she attended. Ms. Touzin said that there were 3 lot line adjustments that were presented by Jeff Green, land surveyor. All were approved during the

Michael Harris, Town Resident, spoke about his concerns that the NHMS activities could have negative impacts on residents. He asked the Planning Board to discuss the mat-

#### **Trails Committee Update:**

Chairman Buzzell asked Sandra Blanchard, leader of the Trails subcommittee to give an update on activities. Sandra presented the following information:

The Trails Subcommittee has had 3 regular meeting

Trailwrights, a group that has been designing and building trails for many years, provided information at one of the meetings on how to make trails the right way. Ms. Blanchard said this was very informative.

Harry MacLauchlan owner of the former Lapadula property and said he is willing to

work with the Tails Subcommittee to implement trails on his property.

Last Saturday, 13 people attended a field workshop at the Batchelder Town Forest and flagged a potential route for a trail. 4 people from the Trailswrights group help with the

Ms. Blanchard stated that she would like to see some hand tools available in the future for trail building and maintenance.

Following Ms. Blanchard's update a discussion on liability took place. The Commission asked Ms. Blanchard to speak with other neighboring towns that have been building trails for some time and ask what they did to avoid liability for those building the trails, maintaining the trails and using the trails. How did they handle trails built on private property? Concerns were voiced that all this legal information would have to be addressed before any trails were created. Also, that once Ms. Blanchard obtained the information asked for by the Commission that it be approved. At that time, a packet would be made to present to the Selectmen for their

Adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Rob Buzzell, Chair

### The deadline for the August Loudon Ledger is Friday, July 21, 2017.

### **Historical Society Minutes** — May 3, 2017

The Loudon Historical Society meeting was held May 03, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.

Attendees: Michele York, Andrew Parrella, Stan Prescott, Roger Maxfield, and Lucy Gor-

The minutes from the March meeting were read. Andrew made a motion to accept the minutes as they were written and Roger sec $onded \ the \ motion.$ 

Michele is making arrangements to tour the Canterbury Historical Society. If any of the Historical Society members have ideas for other places to tour, we should let Michele

The members should be on the lookout for any Loudon history for sale. We do not want to lose out in obtaining any items of history. Once items are sold or destroyed, they cannot

We discussed projects for the year. Some of the items and people working on them are

- Bake Sale on Old Home Day: Lucy Gordon and Roger Maxfield
- · Inventory museum: Andrew Parrella
- · Oral Histories: Andrew Parrella
- · Loudon School Houses: Roger Maxfield
- Cemeteries: Stan Prescott
- Pictures for the new Town Clerk's office: Michele York and Ashley Simonds There is an organization called "Associa-

tion of Historical Societies of New Hampshire." Andrew is going to research this organization to see if we should become a

Stan is going to look for information on 501(c)3. What is required of Historical Society to get this designation?

The next meeting will be June 07, 2017.

Respectfully submitted, Lucy Gordon

### Selectmen's Meeting Minutes — May 16, 2017

Present: Chairman Ives and Selectman

Also present was Road Agent Lance Houle and Cemetery Custodian Stan Prescott.

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

Selectman Fiske moved to approve the Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, May 9, 2017 as written. Seconded by Chairman Ives. All in favor. Motion carried.

The Board met with Road Agent Lance

Mr. Houle said he'd like to get bids out for his paving projects. He said they've been talking about Berry Road so he is wondering if that should be included in the bid process. Chairman Ives suggested they get the price and then decide. Mr. Houle explained that the price is determined by the total amount of ton-nage; it'll be less expensive per ton if they buy

Mr. Houle said a bridge on Lower Ridge Road was damaged during an accident. He said a check was received from the insurance he asked if he should just do the quick repair with a beam and an end post or something more extensive. Selectman Fiske mentioned that there had been talk of grant money from the state. Chairman Ives asked Mr. Scott from NHDOT if he knew anything about grant money. Mr. Scott said one variation that is

being looked at with the state has additional money for municipality bridges and roads; noting has been approved yet. Chairman Ives said Mr. Houle should replace the post and make the bridge safe now.

Mr. Houle said the sweeper will be in town next week; he doesn't know which day yet.

Mr. Houle said the bids for the backhoe are

in. He said they are higher than what he had estimated last year. He showed the Selectmen the bids that he received from CAT, JCB and John Deere. Chairman Ives asked which Mr. Houle is leaning towards. He said the JCB. Chairman Ives asked if the old one will be traded in. Mr. Houle said it will. Chairman Ives said personally he likes John Deere. Mr. Houle is going to get more information regarding the trade-in and the warranty; the Board will discuss it next week

Chairman Ives recognized Art St. Laurent from the audience.

Chairman Ives explained that Stan Prescott is the cemetery custodian. Chairman Ives said Mr. St. Laurent has been mowing for quite a while and he hasn't raised his price; they haven't spoken to him for a while so they asked him to come in. Chairman Ives said they have had a complaint about a couple stones being hit. Mr. Prescott said he is concerned about the spring clean-up being done before

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Memorial Day. Mr. St. Laurent said he was working on it but then was asked to come in so waited to see where his contract stood. Selectman Fiske said he has been doing a good job but last year there was a complaint on Beck Road. Mr. St. Laurent explained that there have been issues there with cows knocking over stones; the owner of the animals will be fixing them. He also spoke about the gate issue on Clough Pond Road. Chairman Ives said they are going to take care of that by moving the gate. Selectman Fiske said somebody said the equipment being used in that cemetery might be too large, it scrapes the side of the stones. Mr. St. Laurent said he does not touch the stones; his equipment is too expensive to be banging it up. Chairman Ives asked him to continue with the clean-up and mowing. Mr. Prescott said that Mr. Houle needs to go to the cemetery and push dirt over the bank; when they do burials, they don't push it over the edge so it has built up. Mr. Houle said he will take care of that.

Chairman Ives recognized David Scott from NHDOT Bureau of Bridge Design. He explained that they are pulling together a project to address two bridges on Route 106.

Mr. Scott said the first bridge is just North of Wales Bridge Road. He explained that it was built in 1977 and they are going to be doing deck preservation. Mr. Scott said they will take the pavement off, under the pavement is a membrane that is supposed to keep the water out, they will scrape that off, they will evaluate the concrete deck under that making any repairs that are necessary, they will also replace the expansion joints that are on each end and then install new pavement and membrane. He explained they will do this in three phases, the first phase will push all traffic to the east with two lanes, phase two will split the traffic one lane on each edge of the bridge in this phase wide loads will be restricted and phase three will have two lanes to the west. Chairman Ives asked where the wide-loads would go; Wales Bridge or Ricker Road. Mr. Scott said they will put out signs for them to go 93. Mr. Scott said they would pave, stripe and move everything out for race weekend. He explained that they will watch for larger events at the track and plan for those as necessary. Chairman Ives asked when the start date will be and how long it will be. Mr. Scott said they will start April 2018 and each phase will be approximately 6–8 weeks. He explained that all the work will be within the state right of way they don't need any easements or anything. He said there is a path under the north side of the bridge as well as one on the south end; he asked if anyone knows anything about those. Chairman Ives said snowmobiles use them. Mr. Scott said they would like to limit use under the bridge so the contractor doesn't have to worry about it during construction. Mr. Scott said this bridge will cost approximately \$350,000. Chairman Ives asked if there will be something so that debris doesn't fall into the river. Mr. Scott said the contractor will have something so nothing falls into the river or on somebody that might be down there.

Mr. Scott said the second is further North. He said this currently is listed as three phase and has the same scope of work. He said they

are looking into possibly doing it in two phases. Mr. Scott said there is a fire department fill spot and a path that continues down to the river. He asked if there would be issues with limiting access down the path during construction. Selectman Fiske said no it just goes down to a fishing hole. Chaiman Ives clarified that the fire department would still be able to get down there even during construction. Mr. Scott said that is correct. Mr. Scott said this one will cost \$550,000. Chairman Ives asked if the bridges would be done at the same time. Mr. Scott said they leave that up to the contractor; as long as it is done in 28 weeks they can do them together or one at a time.

Mr. Scott said he would like to discuss the Municipal Work Zone Agreement. He explained that NHDOT has been in communities where there are laws on the books that say if you are going to be doing any work in the community they want town police presence. Mr. Scott said NHDOT understands the state statute to say that when NHDOT is doing a construction project within the state roadway they have the responsibility for road control. He said there will be times when they need town police and they will hire them. However they feel they can do it more efficiently and cost effective with flaggers. Mr. Scott said the agreement is their way to be sure that the state and the communities are on the same page. He asked that the Board read and consider the agreement and send back three signed copies. Selectman Fiske asked where the liability lies and who will determine when officers are needed. Mr. Scott said there will be a NHDOT representative on site to make the determination in conjunction with the contractor. Selectman Fiske asked if the state is taking the liability. Mr. Scott said yes.

Chairman Ives recognized Susan Soucie from NHDOT the Bureau of TSMO; Transportation Systems Management Operations. Ms. Soucie explained that the main reason they attended the meeting is to talk about cameras on 106. She explained that the TSMO Bureau is relatively new, Ms. Soucie said they have operators that take calls from state police, local police and local fire. She said they have the ability to dispatch DOT all over the state. Ms. Soucie said one of their main missions is to notify the public when there is a crash on a state road. She said there is an emergency responder site that Loudon dispatch has access to. She explained as an example that if there is a crash on 129 their operators use that camera to see what traffic delays there might be. She explained that there is a public site and a first responders site; the feed to the public is cut when their is a crash because they don't need the public viewing a crash scene. Ms. Soucie said there is a login and password for Loudon PD to access this but it hasn't been used for a number of years. She asked who in Loudon would want this; it doesn't get out to the general public and it is access to all of their cameras. Chairman Ives asked where the cameras are located. Ms. Soucie said in Loudon; only at 129. She explained that in doing research she found that Loudon also has a camera there and one at 393. Ms. Soucie said the state is paying for the power but they don't have access to the cameras. Selectman Fiske explained that the cameras were obtained through a Homeland Security Grant, the Loudon Police are the ones that have access to them. Ms. Soucie said in moving forward they want to see how they might work together. Chairman Ives asked if the Fire Department could be given access to these. Ms. Soucie said they could, they would have a log-in. Selectman Fiske asked if any of the cameras record. She said no. Ms. Soucie said the project she is currently working on is to install a camera at 393 but Loudon has one there. She asked who she can work with to see if they can collaborate on this. Selectman Fiske said it would Perry Plummer. Ms. Soucie said she would like to begin with making sure that the right people know about it and have access to it. Selectman Fiske volunteered to meet with Mr. Plummer. Ms. Soucie said that if anyone wants to tour their facility they are more than welcome.

The Board began their review of weekly

correspondence.

The Board received Local Emergency Operations Plan Grant paperwork. Selectman Fiske questioned the \$4,000 match and would like more information.

The Board received a petition regarding a Stop Sign on Flagg Road and Old Shaker. The petitioners are not in favor of the stop sign. Chairman Ives said he thinks a four way stop on a dirt road seems a little overkill. They will discuss it next week.

The Board received an abutter notice regarding Loudon DG, LLC.

The Board received a memo from the Office Manger regarding the new town office. Chairman Ives said a flower bed was made in

front of the new building with the granite from the old foundation, they want to move the granite sign from the front of the old office to that location. Chairman Ives said the sign can be moved; they'll take the rest under advise-

The Board received a thank you card.

Chairman Ives scheduled a public hearing to consider the petition to accept the layout of Fieldview Lane for June 20, 2017 at 6:30pm.

Transfer Station Manager Dustin Bowles said the recycling committee has volunteered to do a decal check at the entrance to the Transfer Station. Selectman Fiske said it's been done in the past and can cause a lot of dissention if someone that is well known in the town comes in but doesn't have their sticker. Mr. Bowles said they can work with that; he'll have one of his guys working with them. Chairman Ives said it's a good idea but he wants to be sure it doesn't become confrontational. He said it's a great idea but before he approves it he'd like to see a plan. Mr. Bowles said on May 27th the recycling committee plan to build a flower box by the metal area; everything has been donated.

Selectman Fiske moved to adjourn at 7:21 p.m. Seconded by Chairman Ives. All in favor. Motion carried.

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

### **Selectmen's Meeting Minutes** — May 23, 2017

Present: Chairman Ives, Selectman Fiske and Selectman Miller.

Also present was Road Agent Lance Houle and Fire Chief Rick Wright.

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

Selectman Fiske moved to approve the Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, May 16, 2017 as written. Seconded by Chairman Ives. All in favor. Motion carried.

The Board met with Road Agent Lance

Mr. Houle said last week they went over the bids for the backhoe. He explained that the quote for the JCB has been revised to include the trade-in value. Chairman Ives said it's about \$10,000 cheaper than the John Deere. Selectman Fiske asked if the guys had tried it. Mr. Houle said they have. Chairman Ives asked what the warranty is on the JCB. Mr. Houle said it is 2 years or 2000 hours. Chairman Ives asked how much was approved in the warrant article. Mr. Houle said \$102,900. Selectman Fiske said he has studied it and is good with it. Chairman Ives and Selectman Miller agreed.

Mr. Houle asked if they have put any more thought into the four-way stop sign at Old Shaker. Chairman Ives said they received a petition from people on that road and they are against it; specifically, in the winter when they have to get a running start to get up the hill. Chairman Ives said he is leaning towards what

the people that live on the road want. Mr. Houle said there are 365 days in a year and the average winter has ten storms so they might need that running start five times in the winter and most people have four-wheel drive. Selectman Fiske said there hasn't been any mishaps like accidents etc. there. He said Old Shaker is the fast road and that has a stop sign. Chairman Ives said a four-way stop on two dirt roads seems like overkill. Stan Prescott explained that he lives on Lovejoy Road one house up from Old Shaker. He said that 20-25% of the people traveling on Old Shaker don't stop. Mr. Prescott said the road need enforcement; they go to fast on it. Selectman Miller said you can put up all the signs you want but if there is no enforcement the signs won't do any good. Chairman Ives suggested that they ask the PD to sit there and see if that helps; if it doesn't they can reconsider the four-way stop. Selectman Fiske asked Mr. Prescott if it's mostly the kids going to school. Mr. Prescott said it isn't just that. Selectman Fiske explained that he asked because they could have a directed patrol that would do certain hours. Mr. Prescott said 3–5 would be a

The Board met with Chief Rick Wright.

Chief Wright said he confirmed that the power has been turned off at the two properties that they spoke about a couple of weeks ago and no trespass signs have been put up

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Chairman Ives suggested that the driveway be blocked off. Chief Wright will ask them to do

Chief Wright submitted an ambulance billing report for the Boards review. Chief Wright submitted a Letter of Intent

from NHMS for The Girls on the Run 5K to be held Saturday, June 3rd at 10:00 am. He explained that the event will be held all on

track property.
Chief Wright said last week he sent in a grant application for signatures. He sent an email explaining the matching funds. Select-man Fiske asked about the \$4,000. Chief Wright said he will pay it and then get reimbursed. Selectman Fiske made a motion that The Town of Loudon Board of Selectmen, in a majority vote, accept the terms of the Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG) as presented in the amount of \$4,000.00 to update the community's Local Emergency Operations Plan (LEOP). Futhermore, the Board acknowledges that the total cost of the project will be \$8,000, in which the Town will be responsible for a 50% match (\$4,000.00). Seconded by Selectman Miller. Chief Wright said the \$4,000 can be in-kind. Chairman Ives explained that they can bill for any time they spend working on the project; that time would reduce the \$4,000. All in favor. Motion carried.

Chief Wright said they have been checking on Jack Shaver. Mr. Shaver has been making

progress cleaning things up on his property. Chairman Ives said they put a 1985 Chevy Military Style Pickup Truck out for sealed bids. They received two bids. Chairman Ives opened the first bid; it was from Jim Leonard Jr. in the amount of \$2,500. He opened the second bid from Paul Sanborn in the amount of \$1,355. Selectman Miller made a motion to accept the bid from Mr. Leonard in the amount of \$2,500. Seconded by Selectman Fiske. All in favor. Motion carried.

Chairman Ives recognized Leeann Childress, representative of the recycling commit-

Ms. Childress explained that they received an invitation to participate in the Open House for the new Town Office. She said they would love to do that. Ms. Childress explained that they would like to put together a gift basket to raffle off. The basket would be full of recyclable, non-plastic, unique items. She said they have tickets, they would have people put their name and phone number on the ticket and they would draw one winner. She said there would not be a cost for the tickets. Ms. Childress said they are asking for \$100 to buy the basket and items. The Board agreed they could spend up to \$100 for this. Chairman Ives explained that a date has not been set for the open house. He said they'd like to get the office organized and then have the open house. They are inviting any committees that would like to showcase what they do and maybe attract new members.

Ms. Childress said they will be planting flower boxes at the transfer station this week-

Dustin Bowles, Transfer Station Manager said that LeeAnn and Barbara Burr were invited to the NRRA meeting on Monday and were given an award for volunteering. He wanted to acknowledge their hard work. The Board con-

The Board recognized Stan Prescott, Cemetery Custodian.

Mr. Prescott asked if the Board signed the two cemetery deeds. Chairman Ives said they have. He asked Mr. Prescott if the amount charged for the lots is the same as it has been Mr. Prescott said it is; it hasn't been changed. Mr. Prescott said he looked at the Lovering Cemetery and the two cemeteries behind the church and they don't look very respectable. He said there hasn't been any spring cleanup done. Selectman Fiske said a neighbor of the cemetery on Clough Pond complained to him about that one. Chairman Ives said they will have to get in contact with Mr. St. Laurent.

Selectman Miller moved to go into nonpublic session per RSA 91-A: 3, II (c) at 6:37 PM.; seconded by Selectman Fiske. Roll call vote: Ives - yes; Fiske - yes; Miller - yes. All in favor. Motion carries. Selectman Miller moved to come out of non-public session at 6:53 PM; seconded by Selectman Fiske. Roll call vote: Ives - yes; Fiske - yes; Miller - yes. All in favor. Motion carries. Chairman Ives said the purpose of the nonpublic session was to discuss the new hires for the fire department and the rate of pay offered to them.

The Board began their review of weekly correspondence.

The Board received and signed the Local Emergency Operations Plan Grant paperwork.

The Board received information from NHDRED regarding the re-appointment of Chief Wright as Forest Fire Warden.

The Board received a request from the American Legion for reimbursement of money for graveside flags. Chairman Ives said they usually reimburse them from the patriotic line. The Board agreed to the payment.

The Board received a request from the American Legion for reimbursement of money for the school band. Chairman Ives explained that this is for the band to participate in the Memorial Day Parade. The Board agreed to the payment.

The Board received information from the American Legion regarding the Memorial Day

The Board received information from Millennium Running regarding the 4th Annual New England Half Marathon. Chairman Ives explained that this one starts at the track and goes to the State Capital.

The Board received information regarding the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation Merrimack Valley Trail Riders Charity Ride. Selectman Fiske said this is the ride that they have had issues with in the past namely with the bridge. He said he thinks it's all set now.

The Board received information from the NH Fish and Game regarding the Merrimack Valley Trail Riders Charity Ride. Fish and Game approved the event.

The Board received a check and report from ESMI for the 1st quarter host community

The Board received an email from Kathy Whedon regarding Greenview Drive and the problems with collecting money from some of those residents for snowplowing. The Board said there isn't anything they can do unless it becomes a district like the Hardy Road Dis-

The Board received an email from Ronald Magoon regarding the return of his bond. Selectman Fiske said it looks like it is done; just waiting for the state approval. Chairman Ives said he thinks they should hold the bond to see if it's going to settle. Selectman Fiske agreed that it should be held for a time until they see how it does. The Board will discuss it with the Road Agent.

The Board received notification from NHDES regarding the Reclassification of Holt Meadow Pond Dam.

The Board received two Project Notifications from Continental Paving regarding Shaker Road.

The Board received the Maxfield Public Library Meeting Minutes of April 3, 2017.

The Board received notice of a bankruptcy hearing

The Board received an email from M. Harris.

Selectman Fiske asked when they are going to come up with a policy for the outside bathrooms at the new office. Chairman Ives suggested that whichever organization is using the field would sign out a key and be responsible for unlocking and locking them. Chairman Ives suggested meeting with LYAA and the Recreation Committee to come up with a poli-

Selectman Fiske moved to adjourn at 7:15 p.m. Seconded by Chairman Ives. All in favor. Motion carried.

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

### Selectmen's Meeting Minutes — May 30, 2017

Present: Chairman Ives, Selectman Fiske and Selectman Miller.

Also present was Road Agent Lance Houle, Fire Chief Rick Wright and Julie Robinson from the Conservation Commission.

Chairman Ives called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Chairman Ives said this is a special meeting due to the fact that it is the last one that they will be holding in Charlie's Barn. He explained that next week they will meet at the new Town Office Building.

Selectman Fiske moved to approve the Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, May 23, 2017 as written. Seconded by Selectman Miller. All in favor. Motion carried.

The Board met with Road Agent Lance

Mr. Houle said they are working on the grading but the weather is not cooperating.

Mr. Houle said also due to the weather the street sweeper is behind and hasn't got to town yet. He explained that they swept the bridge area by hand for the parade

Mr. Houle said they fixed the gates at the cemetery.

Mr. Houle said he received two applica-

tions for the job opening. He is going to call one of them to see if he is still interested. Mr. Houle said Pittsfield recently had an opening and didn't receive any applications.

Chairman Ives asked if the backhoe was ordered. Mr. Houle said it has been

Mr. Houle said he sent road bids out to three companies. He sent them to Pike, Advanced and GMI. He explained that Continental hasn't responded to any bid request for

Selectman Fiske asked if Mr. Houle has any requirements as far as Clough Pond Road is where the septic system is going in. Mr. Houle said it hasn't been backfilled yet, it will need to be compacted good.

Selectman Miller asked about the truck that had a broken belt. Mr. Houle said they fixed the old belt and it held for the last couple of storms. Selectman Miller suggested it be

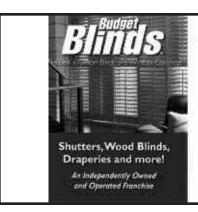
fixed before next winter. Mr. Houle said they have another sander that they might be able to convert over. He said a new belt is \$5,000 and the body is getting tired and might only last a few years.

The Board recognized Julie Robinson from the Conservation Commission. Ms. Robinson introduced Melanie Kiley and Stephanie and Roland Bowie from the Chesley family. She explained that she has been talking for quite a while with the family about their property on Lovejoy Road. Ms. Robinson said they want to put it in conservation and sell it to the town. Ms. Robinson said the Conservation Commission voted and approved this acquisition. She explained that they have a master plan showing areas in town where they feel it's important to have protected land. Ms. Robinson said they've done well on Currier Road, Loudon Ridge Road and Sanborn Pond but one area lacking is right there. She explained that the reason it is important is that the field connects to Oak Hill

all the way to Hunting Swamp; it's a natural corridor for wildlife species. She said it's also the last farm field left on Lovejov Road; everything else has been developed. Ms. Robinson said the field is about 17 acres and the rest is forested. She said there is a lot of wildlife there as well as a snowmobile trail that would probably be shut down if the field was developed. Ms. Robinson said the family is willing to sell the property to the town for \$300,000. She said if she gets the Boards approval they will get appraisals done and she suspects its will be valued at much more than that. Ms. Robinson explained that the difference between the appraised value and the sale price will be considered a donation to the town and when they do other conservation projects that will be considered match money. She said it is value that the town retains and it helps with grants. Ms. Robinson said they have the money to purchase the property as well as pay

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for appraisals, attorneys etc. She said it would go before town meeting next year for a vote but it won't affect the tax rate because they already have the money. Ms. Robinson said it is a great project and she thanks the Chesley family for working with them to do this. Selectman Fiske asked who benefits from the mowing of the field. Mr. Bowie said the same person from Boscawen has done it for years. Chairman Ives said if it becomes town property the mowing would have to go out to bid because they've had controversy in the past regarding the mowing of a town owned field. Chairman Ives said as far as he is concerned the Conservation Commission is the experts in this and if they think this should be done he supports it. Ms. Robinson said this is their highest priority. Chairman Ives said they have a resounding yes to move forward with the purchase.

The Board met with Chief Rick Wright.

Chief Wright explained that last year they covered the Chichester Building Inspector during his vacation in June; he's asked if they will do it again. His vacation is June 11-25.

Chief Wright said they had a signed agreement last year; they will change the dates and sign it. Chairman Ives asked if it worked out okay last year. Chief Wright said they spent about 5.5 hours over there last year and they had no problem with it. The Board agreed that they can do it again this year.

Chief Wright said he received a revised, updated more detailed list of events for bike week. He said it's the same with the exception of a swap meet on Saturday and Sunday. Selectman Fiske asked if anything has been done about the demo rides. Chief Wright said Chief Burgess is working on that.

Chief Wright said that his full-timer Travis Arel is interested in working part-time as a police officer. Selectman Fiske said this has come up in the past and asked if he is on duty as a police officer and there is an accident what happens. Selectman Miller said there has to be a separation; if he goes to a fire or an alarm and sees something illegal where does it go, it could cause problems. Selectman Fiske asked if he has the time to do this. Chief Wright said with them going to 24 hour shifts in July he thinks he can do it. Chairman Ives

said he would like to speak to Chief Burgess about it; they will take it under advisement

Selectman Fiske said Kelly Clark was working Saturday on the ambulance with another woman that he didn't know. Chief Wright said it was Kaitlin McDonough. Selectman Fiske said he saw both women on the side of the road near Currier Road with gloves on picking up a mess of trash. He commended them both for doing that.

Chairman Ives thanked both the Fire Department and the Police Department for participating in the Memorial Day Parade on

Chairman Ives said they reviewed the Municipal Work Zone paperwork that they received from NHDOT. Selectman Fiske made a motion to approve the Municipal Work Zone agreement for project #41292 regarding work on 106 in Loudon. Seconded by Selectman Miller. All in favor. Motion carried. The paperwork was signed.

Chairman Ives said they received a snowmobile permission form from the NH Snow Shakers. He explained that it is for permission for the club to use Town of Loudon property for snowmobile trails. Chairman Ives said

they usually sign this for a one-year term. The Board signed the form.

The Board began their review of weekly correspondence.

The Board received an estimate for the Town Seal to go outside the new Town Office Building. Chairman Ives said the other price they received was around \$5,000 this one is for about \$1,700. Selectman Miller had questions about the material it will be made out of. The Board will get more information about the material before approving it. They discussed whether the seal will be black/white, blue/white or all color.

The Board received an updated Loudon Center Freewill Baptist Church contact list.

The Board received an email from Mr. Harris regarding the Planning Board and Zoning Board agenda.

Selectman Miller moved to adjourn at 6:40 p.m. Seconded by Selectman Fiske. All in favor. Motion carried.

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

### Planning Board Meeting Minutes — May 18, 2017

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

#### Attendance:

Chairman Tom Dow, Vice Chairman Stan Prescott, Tom Moore, Bob Cole, George Saunderson, Henry Huntington and alternates Alice Tuson and Dustin Bowles.

Julie Robinson from Conservation was in

Acceptance of Minutes:

April 20, 2017 Regular Meeting — Chairman Dow made a correction to the minutes, in the discussion with Mr. Harris the mention of the motorcycle racing was not at the track but it was on Lower Ridge Road with motorcycle test drives. Mr. Cole made a motion to approve the minutes with the corrections: seconded by Mr. Saunderson. Vice Chairman Prescott recused himself; All others were in favor.

April 20, 2017 CNHRPC Meeting — Mr. Moore made a motion to approve the minutes as written; seconded by Mr. Huntington. Vice Chairman Prescott recused himself; All others were in favor. Motion carried.

### Discussion:

Dave Cossette — Mr. Cossette approached the board to discuss a waiver to not pay the impact fees on his home at 28 Terry Road as it is on a private road that he maintains. Mr. Cossette presented a letter to the board stating this. Chairman Dow said the board will have to look into this.

### **Old Business:**

None

### New Business:

Application #17-6 — NHMS. Site Plan, Map 61 Lots 9 & 6, Map 52 Lot 15 & M 51 L 18 and *Application #17-7 — NHMS*. Change of Use, Map 61 Lots 9 & 6, Map 52 Lot 15 & M 51 L 18. Chairman Dow brought up the topic of regional impact regarding these two applications. Mr. Saunderson made a motion to vote for regional impact. Mr. Huntington seconded this; All were in favor. Chairman Dow declared these applications regional impact and informed the public that the board needs to notify the affected communities. Chairman Dow asked for a vote to table the meeting until such time the ZBA has made a decision on their application; shall the decision take longer than 90 days the board shall re-notify all the abutters at the expense of the applicant. Mr. Prescott made a motion to table the application. Mr. Moore seconded this; All were in favor. Chairman Dow explained that a letter will be sent to NHMS and included with the regional impact notification. Chairman Dow stated at this time the discussion is over until everyone is notified, the ZBA makes a decision and the next meeting will be in the new building at 55 South Village Road,

### Report of the Board of Permit:

Vice Chairman said Carolyn Dudley was in to talk about a sign and additional parking as well as 5 intents from the track that are race

### Report of ZBA:

**Discussions:** Peter Parisey — rental of garage bay, Kevin Nash — nano brewery, Jon Hoagland — variance for duplex

NHMS — Special Exception, Recreational Facilities for concerts, C/R District, Map 61 Lots 6 & 9, Map 52 Lot 15 & Map 51 Lot 18. NHMS — Variance, Overnight camping

and tenting in conjunction with a recreational concert, C/R District, Map 61 Lots 6 & 9, Map 52 Lot 15 & Map 51 Lot 18.

Loudon DG, LLC — Special Exception, Construction of paved parking area, utilities, storm water basins and lawn area within the

Wetlands Conservation District, C/I District, Map 21 Lot 16-1

Loudon DG, LLC - Variance, Reduction in required parking spaces, C/I District, Map

Carolyn Dudley — Variance, Additional sign, C/I District, Map 60 Lot 40.

#### **Board Discussion:**

Mr. Huntington asked Chairman Dow if he had heard from the town attorney who would be handling track-related discussions. Chairman Dow said they don't have anyone yet but we will be notified soon. Mr. Moore said on the application in some places it says NHMS

in other places it says New Hampshire Speedway, it needs to have consistency. Vice Chairman Prescott said there should be an existing conditions plan and a development plan and the application needs to be cleaned up. Vice Chairman explained a letter needs to be sent to

### Adjournment:

Mr. Prescott made a motion to adjourn at 7:15 p.m.; seconded by Mr. Cole. All were in

Submitted by, Danielle Bosco Administrative Assistant

### **Zoning Board Meeting Minutes** — May 25, 2017

Chairman Ned Lizotte, Vice Chairman Howard Pearl, Roy Merrill, Charlie Aznive, Earl Tuson alternate George Saunderson, alternate Peter Pitman and alternate Dennis Jakubowski.

Regular Hearing April 27th 2017 — Mr. Tuson made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Mr. Pearl seconded the motion. A roll call was taken. Charlie Aznive-yes, Ned Lizotte-yes, Roy Merrill-yes, Howard Pearl-yes Earl Tuson-yes. Unanimous-APPROVED.

### Discussions:

Jon Hoagland, 430 Lower Ridge Road -Mr. Hoagland approached the board to discuss building a duplex on his property. Mr.

Hoagland explained that he currently rents out his house. Mr. Hoagland would like to build a duplex on his property. Mr. Tuson explained there is an RSA that covers accessory dwelling units and that Mr. Hoagland should look into these guidelines.

Peter Parisey, car dealership 73 NH Route 129 — Mr. Parisey approached the board to discuss if he needed a special exception to run a car dealership out of a garage bay at Harry O's electric. There is currently a special exception in place for a car dealership in a different garage bay. Mr. Lizotte said he would have to apply for a special exception because the special exception that is currently in place is specific to a different garage bay. Mr. Lizotte said it would be best that Mr.

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Parisey also go back to planning board next month.

### **Public Hearings:**

Application #Z-17-5, NHMS & Application #Z-17-6, NHMS — Chairman Lizotte opened both applications for NHMS and brought up the topic of regional impact. Mr. Merrill made a motion to declare these applications Regional Impact. Mr. Pearl seconded the motion. All in favor. Chairman Lizotte stated this now has been declared regional impact Mr. Pearl made a motion to table the meeting until June 25th. Mr. Tuson seconded the motion. All in favor. Chairman Lizotte said the meeting will be continued at the June 22th meeting at the new building at 55 South Village Road in Loudon at 7PM. Chairman Lizotte said that a letter will be sent to NHMS and the affected communities will be notified.

Application #Z17-9, Carolyn Dudley -Carolyn Dudley presented a variance application for an additional sign at 846 NH Route 106 North in the C/I district, Carolyn Dudley explained her existing sign is hard for people to see. This sign will have a cow on top of it and a flower bed around it. The board discussed the size and square footage of the sign. Mr. Tuson said it looked to be about 60 square feet of signage. Chairman Lizotte and Mrs. Dudley went through the application. Mr. Tuson pointed out that the article is missing and should be article 5 and section 501.1, also on page 5 it asks to answer A or B. Mrs. Dudley said A should be answered A, beautification of the property. Mr. Tuson said that allowing a second sign on this property opens up for other businesses to also be allowed an additional sign. Mr. Tuson said the sign that is currently in place is smaller than what the zoning ordinance allows and they could possibly remove that sign and create this new sign. Mr. Aznive agreed that allowing an additional sign opens this up for other businesses. Mr. Pearl also expressed he did have concern about allowing this and that it is on a long straight away so is visible. Mrs. Dudley said it may seem to be a straight away but it is on a curve and the traffic is fast. Chairman Lizotte said maybe removing the old sign and putting the new sign in a better spot. Chairman Lizotte questioned doing a site walk on the property.

Mr. Tuson made a motion to perform a site walk and postpone the hearing until the June 22nd meeting. Mr. Merrill seconded the motion. All were in favor. The board scheduled a site walk for Monday June 5th at 9:00 a.m. Application #17-7, Loudon DG LLC. —

Variance for reduced parking at Map 21 Lot 16-1, C/I district. *Application #17-8, Loudon* DG — Special Exception to encroach on wetlands at Map 21 Lot 16-1, C/I district. The two applications were presented by Austin Turner of Bohler Engineering, also present was Patrick from the Scotty Development that is the entity that has interest in the property. Scotty development is in agreement with Dollar General for this property. Mr. Turner wanted to state what this store is because of the misconception that items are a dollar but it is more like a general store. Mr. Turner explained that this property is 7.4 acres and Dollar General has an agreement to purchase 4 acres and a subdivision will happen with the planning board and there is a current leach

field planned for the separate lot. Mr. Turner said the parking they would like to use is 30 spaces and the ordinance requires 54 spaces. Mr. Turner went over a traffic study was done and at the peak 2 hour time period there were 62 vehicle trips, he also went on to explain a trip is counted as a car entering and exiting is a second trip so 31 cars during the peak 2 hour time period. Mr. Turner explained that there is no need to require more parking spaces and disturb vegetation further. Mrs. Tuson was present in the audience and asked what about the future of this property if Dollar General is no longer there in 5 years and a McDonalds or some other use goes in there won't be enough parking. Mr. Turner said if another business goes in there will be a change of use. Mr. Pearl explained that the variance for parking would stay with the property and shares the concerns about a deduction in parking. Mr. Pearl asked if they could move the project slightly north and maybe have 45 spaces. Resident Lisa Laughlin of Old Shaker Rd. questioned the 30 spaces being enough due to needing employee spaces and handicap spaces as well as access to 106. Resident Jeff Green said he has been to many Family Dollars and they all have similar parking and he has not seen any issue. Mr. Turner explained the wetlands were already disturbed in 2005 when the property owner got approval and what they are looking to do now is more landscaping and the building won't encroach in the wetland buffer. Abutter Shane Perish said he has an issue with doing anything near the wetlands. Mr. Perish said this area was disturbed 10 years ago. Mr. Tuson said the map shows a tree line and are they planning on doing any work beyond that treeline. Mr. Turner said they are not. Mr. Turner said there has been a study done by a wetland scientist. Mr. Perish said he would prefer that the state of NH do a wetland test. Mr. Tuson asked Mr. Perish to show where he believes the wetland is. Resident Jodi Doody expressed concern of the driveway on 106 and thinks this is very dangerous. Shane Perish said this business will put small town businesses out of business. Mr. Tuson explained that this is a permitted use in this district and the board can't pick and choose what business goes into that location. Stanley Prescott questioned once the subdivision is done how will the other property access 106. Mr. Turner said there is still things that need to be worked out with DOT but they do have deeded access to 106. Mr. Pearl asked about an easement to access the property by way of Fox Pond Plaza. Michael O'Brien explained that yes you can. Chairman Lizotte said the board needs to do a site walk and look at the property and would like to invite the Planning Board as well. Mr. Prescott asked about moving the project to the north. Mr. Tuson made a motion to perform a site walk and postpone the hearing until the June 22nd meeting. Mr. Pearl seconded the motion. All were in favor. The board scheduled a site walk for Monday June 5th at 9:45 a.m.

### **Board Discussion:**

None

### Adjournment:

Mr. Pearl moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:58 p.m.; seconded by Mr. Tuson. All were in

Submitted by, Danielle Bosco Administrative Assistant

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### July in Loudon

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### 1st Monday of the month

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

### 1st Tuesday of the month

7pm Lions Club @ Library

### 1st Wednesday of the month

7pm • Historical Society @ Museum

#### 1st Thursday of the month

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

### 2nd Monday of the month

7:15pm • MVSD School Board

### 2nd Saturday of the month

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

### 3rd Monday of the month

6pm • Yoga @ Library

#### 3rd Tuesday of the month 7pm Lions Club @ Library

### 3rd Wednesday of the month

2-4pm Open Studio - Loudon Village Arts @ Library 6pm. Meditation @ Library

6pm Sit 'n Stitch @ Library 7pm • Legion & Auxilliary @ Post 88

### 3rd Thursday of the month

7pm Planning Board @ CB

### 3rd Sunday of the month

9:30am • Loudon Congregational Church Healing Prayer Time

### 4th Tuesday of the month

7pm • LYAA @ Library

### 4th Wednesday of the month

6:30pm•Recreation Committee @ Library

### 4th Thursday of the month

7pm • Zoning Board @ CB

### **Every Monday**

3pm • Movies @ Library (starts June 26) 6pm • Yoga @ Library

### **Every Tuesday**

9am • Low-Impact Yoga @ Library 10:30am • Story Time @ Library 1pm • Yoga @ Library 6pm•Selectmen @ CB 6:30pm

Prayer Mtg. @ Congregational Church

### **Every Wednesday**

6pm Sit 'n Stitch @ Library

#### **Every Thursday**

10:30am • Story Time @ Library 11am • Low-Impact Yoga @ Library 6pm • Yoga @ Library

### **EVENTS ON SPECIFIC DATES**

#### July 4•INDEPENDENCE DAY

July 5.6pm. Meditation @ Library

July 8•11am•Cactus Head Puppets @ Library

July 11 • 9-Noon • VNA Health Clinic @ **VOANNE Richard Brown House** 6:30pm • Mediterranean Grill Cooking Class @ Library

### July 12 • COMMUNICATIONS COUNCIL **RAFFLE TICKETS GO ON SALE**

July 17 • 7:15pm • MVSD School Board Meeting @ MVHS

July 19•6:30pm•Tiny Houses @ Library

July 20 • Halfway Drawing at Library Summer Reading Program 10:30am • Exploring Nature's Best Engineers @ Library

#### July 21 • DEADLINE FOR JULY LOUDON **LEDGER**

July 24•6pm•Communications Council Meeting @ LFD Station 1 (location subject to change)

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July 27 • 7pm • Book Group @ Library



### The Deadline for the August 2017 Loudon Ledger is Friday, July 21, 2017.

Please go to https://sites.google.com/a/mvsdpride.org/district/home for the latest MVSD News and the school board's minutes.

Please send your meeting minutes and notices to: debbie@debbiekgraphics.com to be included in The Loudon Ledger.

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