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## Mission Statement...

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

## Household Hazardous Waste Day Update

As stated in last month's *Ledger*, Loudon will be holding another HHWD (Household Hazardous Waste Day) in April of 2010. This is planned for Saturday, April 10th from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. This is intended for Loudon residents only, and you may be asked to show proof of residency (dump sticker or license). There is no charge to participate and the event will be held rain or shine at the Transfer Station.

The purpose of a HHWD is to safely dispose of materials that are prohibited from regular household trash, usually because they are toxic or flammable. This is an opportune time to clean out garages, workshops, basements, and other areas where toxic materials are stored.

Signs at the Transfer Station will direct you to the collection area. Please follow these rules when dropping off materials:

- Try to keep the materials in their original container whenever possible; don't mix them.
- Be careful when loading materials in your vehicle to avoid spillage.
- Please try to limit total amounts to 10 gallons of each type of waste.
- Drive to the designated collection area and stay in your vehicle unless asked to get out by a material handler; they will unload the material.

Following is a list of acceptable materials for Household Hazardous Waste Day collection:

- Oil-based paint
- Oil-based stain
- Varnishes
- Wood preservatives
- Paint thinner
- Paint strippers
- Adhesives/glues
- Herbicides
- Pesticides
- Household cleaners

- Floor and window cleaners
- Drain cleaners
- Degreasers
- Oven cleaners
- Swimming pool chemicals

Some materials, that are considered hazardous, are already accepted at the Transfer Station on a regular basis. These should not be dropped off for HHWD collection (it's less expensive if we collect them ourselves). These materials include: anti-freeze, old gasoline, old kerosene, florescent bulbs, used motor oil, and batteries. If you have items you believe may be hazardous, please ask at the Transfer Station or call at 783-0170 for information on how to dispose of them properly.

April will be here soon; start searching now for old items/liquids that need to be removed from your home!

*Steve Bennett*

*Loudon Recycling Committee*

## Loudon Food Pantry Participates in the 13th Annual \$1 Million Giveaway to Fight Hunger

We're extremely excited to announce the opportunity to be a partner in the most successful effort to fight hunger of all time. Each year, Alan Shawn Feinstein divides \$1 million amongst participating hunger agencies like the Loudon Food Pantry in order to spur the public to donate during the months where we run dangerously low on food and funds.

To be a part of this effort, all you have to do is donate food or funds between March 1st and April 30th and let us know that it's for the Feinstein

Drive. Items that cannot be included in this challenge:

- Clothing items
- Household items
- Any food or funds received before March 1st
- Any food or funds received after April 30th

Donations can be dropped off or mailed to: Loudon Food Pantry, 30 Chichester Rd., Unit D, Loudon, NH 03307

Or they may be made through our website at [LoudonFoodPantry.org](http://LoudonFoodPantry.org). A separate donate button for the Feinstein Drive will become available March 1st.

If you have any questions, just give us a buzz at 724-9731.

Remember, even small donations can add up quickly so please give whatever you can afford so we can make our first year with this challenge a successful one! ■

## IMPORTANT DATES:

**Wed., March 3, 7 p.m. Meet the Candidates Night @ Community Bldg.**

**Tues., March 9. Polls Open 8 a.m.–7 p.m. @ Town Hall, Clough Hill Road**

**Sat., March 13. TOWN MEETING. 9 a.m. @ Elementary School**

**Town of Loudon Office Hours**

**Selectmen’s Office**

PO Box 7837 • 798-4541

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

**Town Clerk**

PO Box 7837 • 798-4542

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

**Planning/Zoning Board**

PO Box 7837 • 798-4540

*The Planning Board Meets the third Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in the Community Building. The Zoning Board meets the fourth Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in the Community Building.*  
Mon. through Thurs.: 8 a.m.–4 p.m. • Tues. evenings open until 7 p.m.

**Tax Collector**

PO Box 7844 • 798-4543

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

**Police Department: Emergencies: 911**

PO Box 7059 • 798-5521

Mon.–Fri.: 8 a.m.–4:00 p.m.

**Code Enforcement**

PO Box 7059 • 798-5584

Mon.–Fri.: 8 a.m.–4:00 p.m.

**Fire Department: Emergencies: 911**

PO Box 7032 • 798-5612

*The Fire Department holds its general meeting on the second Monday of the month at 7:30 p.m. in the Safety Building. To obtain a fire permit, please stop by the station weekdays between the hours of 7 a.m. and 6 p.m.*  
*Fire permits for the weekend need to be obtained during these times.*

**Loudon Elementary School**

7039 School Street • 783-4400

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

**Transfer Station**

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 \$1.00. See the attendant.*

**Highway Department**

Road Agent: David Rice • 783-4568

Mon.–Fri.: 7 a.m.–3:30 p.m.

**Maxfield Public Library**

Librarian: Nancy Hendy • 798-5153

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

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

**John O. Cate Memorial Van**

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

**Loudon Food Pantry**

30 Chichester Road, Unit D, Loudon

Open Wednesdays and Thursdays from 10 a.m.–6 p.m.

For more information, call Sue or Sarah at 724-9731 or email [LoudonFoodPantry@yahoo.com](mailto:LoudonFoodPantry@yahoo.com)

**Loudon Representatives**

**Merrimack County — District 6**

**Maureen Baxley:** PO Box 67, Andover, NH 03216. 682-3782

**Claire D. Clarke:** 437 Daniel Webster Hwy., Boscawen, NH 03303. 796-2268

**Priscilla P. Lockwood:** PO Box 1, Canterbury, NH 03224. 783-4349

**Joy K. Tilton:** 4 Hill St., Northfield, NH 03276. 286-8806

**Frank A. Tupper:** PO Box 92, Canterbury, NH 03224. 783-4110

**Deborah H. Wheeler:** 38 Bay St., Northfield, NH 03276. 286-8212

**Senators — District 07**

**Harold W. Janeway:** 225 Tyler Rd., Webster, NH 03303. 271-7585

**Loudon Ledger Submission Policy**

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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**“The Loudon Ledger” 2010 Schedule**

**January 2010 Ad & Copy Deadline:** Fri. 12/18 **Council Meeting:** Mon. 12/21

**February 2010 Ad & Copy Deadline:** Fri. 1/15 **Council Meeting:** Mon. 1/18

**March 2010 Ad & Copy Deadline:** Fri. 2/12 **Council Meeting:** Mon. 2/15

**April 2010 Ad & Copy Deadline:** Fri. 3/19 **Council Meeting:** Mon. 3/22

**May 2010 Ad & Copy Deadline:** Fri. 4/16 **Council Meeting:** Mon. 4/19

**June 2010 Ad & Copy Deadline:** Fri. 5/14 **Council Meeting:** Mon. 5/17

**July 2010 Ad & Copy Deadline:** Fri. 6/18 **Council Meeting:** Mon. 6/21

**August 2010 Ad & Copy Deadline:** Fri. 7/16 **Council Meeting:** Mon. 7/19

**September 2010 Ad & Copy Deadline:** Fri. 8/20 **Council Meeting:** Mon. 8/23

**October 2010 Ad & Copy Deadline:** Fri. 9/17 **Council Meeting:** Mon. 9/20

**November 2010 Ad & Copy Deadline:** Fri. 10/15 **Council Meeting:** Mon. 10/18

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## Where to Worship in Loudon

### Family Bible Church

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676 Loudon Ridge Rd., PO Box 7858, Loudon, NH, 03307 • 267-7577  
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*Coffee & Prayer Time:* Sunday 8–9:10 a.m.

*Sunday Worship:* 9:30 a.m. A blend of hymns & contemporary songs.

Fellowship time following service is provided. Sunday School for ages 4 years–5th grade during worship service. Nursery also Available.

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

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

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

*Ongoing Evening Adult Bible Studies:* call for details

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### Faith Community Bible Church

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

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

#### *Worship Hours:*

8:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. (Nursery provided.)

*Sunday School Classes for All Ages:* 9:30 a.m. • *Bible Study:* Thurs., 9:30 a.m.

*Youth Group:* Sun. 6:00 p.m. (Grades 6–12) • *Men's Bible Study:* 2nd and 4th Sat. 7:00 a.m.

Church office hours: Tues., Weds., Thurs. 9 a.m.–2 p.m. • Secretary: phyllis.minery@fcbc-loudon.org

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### Landmark Baptist Church

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*Pastor Paul J. Clow*

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

*Sunday School:* 9:30 a.m. (Nursery Provided) (**New Beginnings Class:**

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

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

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

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

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

We never cancel services for any reason!

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### Loudon Center Freewill Baptist Church

*Rev. Henry Frost*

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

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

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

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### Loudon Congregational Church

*Rev. David D. Randlett, III*

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

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

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

*Tuesday and Wednesday Evenings:* Regional Prayer Watch Groups and Christian Study Groups (call for details)

*Loudon Congregational is a member church of the Conservative Congregational Christian Conference (www.cccusa.org).*

#### **GraveRobbers Coffeehouse**

*A community hospitality project of Loudon Congregational Church.*

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

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### New Beginnings Church of the Nazarene

*Rev. W. John White, Senior Pastor*

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

phyllish@LNBnazarene.org • www.LNBnazarene.org

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

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

*Kidsville* (Grades 1–4)

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

**Tuesdays:** *Children's Bible Quizzing* (Grades 1–6). 5:30–6:30 p.m.

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

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

*Adult Bible Studies:* 7:00 p.m.

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

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

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### SonLight Christian Fellowship

*Pastor Thomas Friedrich*

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

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

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

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

## OBITUARY:

### Mr. Robert H. Giles



**Loudon, NH:** Mr. Robert H. Giles, 69 died Monday, February 15, 2010, at the Concord Hospital. Born in Norfolk, VA, Mr. Giles had lived in Lawrence, MA until moving to New Hampshire 23 years ago. He was a retired employee of Digital Computer Corporation. He was an avid sports fan especially of football and baseball. He enjoyed traveling to the mountains and camping. He was part of a group of friends who played 45s almost every Monday night. He also enjoyed going to the Mohigan Sun. He was the father of the late Dawn Giles and brother of the late Carol Ellsworth and Beverly Giles. He is survived by: his wife: Deanna S. (Thibodeau) Giles; 1 daughter: Regina Shawcross of Ft. Lauderdale, FL; 1 son — Robert G. & his wife Valarie Giles of Windsor, CO; 1 step-daughter — Doreen and her husband Scott Gillian of Salem, NH; 1 step-son — Frank Curcio of Andover; 1 Brother — Richard P. and his wife Doris Giles of Methuen; 2 sisters-in-law — Frances & her husband Francis Preston of Methuen and Mary Ann & her husband Robert Murad of Atkinson, NH; and 1 brother-in-law — Joseph "Al" & his wife Shirley Thibodeau of Lawrence.

There are 5 grandchildren, 3 great-grandchildren, several nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Funeral services were held on Friday, Feb. 19, at the Racicot Funeral Home, 256 Broadway, Lawrence. Burial followed in the Elmwood Cemetery in Methuen. ■

## Apple Pruning Demonstration

**Thursday, March 18 5–6:30 p.m.  
Hackleboro Orchard, 61 Orchard Rd., Canterbury**

Free workshop open to the public. No registration required. Hackleboro Orchard is hosting a pruning demonstration for homeowners interested in growing tree fruit in their home orchard. Harry and Linda Weiser, orchard managers, will be joined by Bill Lord and Amy Ouellette of UNH Cooperative Extension for this demonstration. Call Amy or Mary at UNH Cooperative Extension at 796-2151 for directions and information. Dress warm for the weather!



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# LOUDON HISTORY & MYSTERY

By Tina Rattee

The February mystery picture was given to me by Randy Cummings. I didn't receive any calls or e-mails. Randy did say it was Lottie Marston on the left and the photo was taken on the corners of Lovejoy and Oak Hill Roads. The other ladies in the photo are unknown.

My daughter inspired this month's mystery. As we were driving through Loudon, she asked how the roads were named. We discussed the easy ones like School Street, Lovejoy Road, Oak Hill Road, Hot Hole Pond Road, etc. Then being the thinker she is, she throws Bee Hole Road out there. Of course, I was stumped and I thought this could be the mystery article for March. The question is: Does anyone know the story behind a road's name??? I would love to be able to give my daughter the reason Bee Hole Road is named as it is. Please help me out. Any road — there are lots to choose from. As you can see I am getting desperate for mysteries: please help. E-mail me, Tina at [trattee@comcast.net](mailto:trattee@comcast.net) or call me at 783-0483. ■

Last month's mystery photo.



## Another Successful Year for LES Ski Club Members



Congratulations to the Loudon Elementary School Ski Club members on another successful year! The Ski Club is made up of students who are interested in learning to ski or snowboard. The group met weekly at Gunstock Mountain for the first five weeks of the year. Ski Club is coordinated by Peter Satterfield who is assisted by LES staffers Sarah Deleault and Jen Keaton. Thanks also go to Jen's husband Josh and all the parents who chaperoned. See you on the slopes!

# TO YOUR HEALTH

By Tricia Ingraham, MPH

## Nutrition Awareness Month

I found some helpful information on the subject of eating out. We all struggle with eating healthy and limiting ourselves to appropriate portion sizes, especially when eating out. Here are some tips to keep in mind when you go out for a meal.

### Eating Out

Eating at a restaurant does not have to sabotage a healthy diet. Use smart-eating strategies: plan ahead, consider the menu and choose foods carefully to keep you on your plan.

### Preparation

- Have a plan. Eat a light dinner if you ate a big lunch that day. Or if you know ahead of time that you're going to a restaurant, cut back on calories during other meals that day.
- Knowing menu terms and cooking basics makes ordering easier, especially if you need to control calories, fat and other nutrients. Look for foods that are steamed, broiled, baked or grilled, and limit fried and sautéed items or foods described as "crispy," "rich" or "au gratin."

### Choosing a Restaurant

- Think ahead. Consider meal options at different restaurants and look for places with a wide range of menu items.

### Ordering

- Balance your meal by including foods from all the different food groups: meat, dairy, fruits, vegetables, and grains. Look for freshly made entrée salads that give you "balance in a bowl." For example, entrée salads with chicken, cheese or almonds provide protein along with fiber and vitamins. If you are counting calories, use a low-fat dressing or skip some of the extras, like croutons.
- For sandwich toppings, go with low-fat options like lettuce, tomato and onion; use condiments like ketchup, mustard or relish; and low-fat for fat-free dressings.
- Round out your meal by ordering healthy side dishes, such as a side salad with low-fat or fat-free dressing, baked potato or fruit. Boost the nutritional value of your baked potato by topping it with vegetables, salsa or chili.
- Substitute. Ask for a side salad with low-fat dressing to replace fries in a combination meal.
- Many restaurants honor requests, so don't be afraid to be assertive, ask menu questions and make special requests to meet your nutritional needs.

- Many restaurants serve huge portions, sometimes enough for two or three people. Order menu items that contain fewer calories and eat a smaller portion. Bring leftovers home for another meal.

### Eating

- Eat slowly. It takes about 20 minutes for your brain to get the message from your stomach that you are no longer hungry. Fast eaters often are overeaters, while slow eaters tend to eat less and are still satisfied.

### Eating Out with Kids

- Choose a restaurant that caters to children and has a healthy children's menu that includes smaller portion sizes and meals designed to provide ample nourishment for smaller bodies.
- For kids' meals, opt for milk as a beverage and fruit for dessert.
- Order kids plain foods with sauce on the side.
- Substitute healthier "sides" in place of fries, like carrots or apple slices.
- Choose two or three suitable menu items, then let your child pick one.
- Let kids order their familiar favorites when they eat out. For new foods, offer a bite or two from your order.
- Calcium is important at all ages, but especially for growing bones. To get more calcium, drink low-fat or fat-free white or chocolate milk or add a slice of cheese to their sandwich. Choose dairy-based treats like yogurt, a milkshake or frozen dairy dessert.

Restaurants may be intimidating to people trying to stick to a healthy diet, but with preparation and confidence, you can enjoy your restaurant meal without abandoning healthy eating.

**Source:** [www.eatright.org](http://www.eatright.org), American Dietetic Association

Do you have a health topic that you would like to see featured? Please send ideas to: [runner9@rocketmail.com](mailto:runner9@rocketmail.com) ■

## Kids Corner

We know there are many talented Loudon youth who could contribute to the *Loudon Ledger* each month. If you have a poem, drawing or short story you'd like to see published in the *Ledger*, please send it to [debbie@debbiekgraphics.com](mailto:debbie@debbiekgraphics.com).

The poem below was written by Sidney Ingraham. Thank you, Sidney, for sharing with us. ■

### Poem

by Sidney Ingraham

Winter is ending,

And snowmen are bending.

Flowers will be in bloom,

Because spring is coming soon.

Winter's not done,

So go out and have fun.

Don't sit around and just whine,

You should be playing before the end of winter's time!!!

From the big projects, to the 'honey-do' list, let AMH Construction help you build your dreams!




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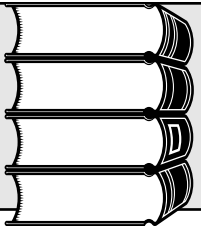
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## Maxfield Public Library News

By Cheryl Ingerson

### STORY TIME

The month of March starts off with stories by Dr. Seuss. *My Many Colored Days* and *Gerald McBoing Boing*, will be the books of the week for March 2nd, 3rd, and 4th. The craft to follow will be inspired by Dr. Seuss himself.

On March 9th through the 11th, we'll be studying the effect of wind with Rae Emmer's *Band* and Liz Damrell's *With the Wind*. At craft time we'll combine those two ideas and make wind chimes — our own "band with the wind."

*Where Is the Green Sheep?* by Mem Fox and Catharina Valck's *Lizette's Green Sock* will be the stories for the 16th, 17th, and 18th of March. Story timers will end the hour with a green craft to take home.

We'll be thinking of spring on the 23rd through the 25th of March, with Peter Brown's *The Curious Garden* and Mary Ann Hoberman's *Right Outside my Window*. Each child will leave with a hand picked bouquet of daffodils to brighten up their rooms.

On March 30th, 31st, and April 1st, with Easter just around the corner, the children will listen to *Pooh's Easter Egg Hunt* by Isabel Gaines and *Mog and Bunny* by Judith Kerr. After fashioning some bunny glasses, the children will go on the annual Easter egg hunt through the library shelves. Remember to bring your baskets!

### NEW BOOKS

#### Fiction

Atherton, Nancy	<i>Aunt Dimity Down Under</i>
Blake, Sarah	<i>The Postmistress</i>
Charyn, Jerome	<i>The Secret Life of Emily Dickinson</i>
Dai, Sijie	<i>Once on a Moonless Night</i>
McBride, Susan	<i>The Cougar Club</i>
Morris, Bob	<i>Baja Florida</i>
Stanley, Kelli	<i>City of Dragons</i>
White, Jenny	<i>The Winter Thief</i>

#### Nonfiction

Aulette, Ken	<i>Googled</i>
Brandt, Anthony	<i>The Man Who Ate His Boots</i>
Henderson, Mark	<i>100 Most Important Science Ideas</i>
Keegan, John	<i>The American Civil War</i>
Lovell, Mary S.	<i>The Sound of Wings: The Life of Amelia Earhart</i>
Potter, Christopher	<i>You Are Here: A Portable History of the Universe</i>
Shapiro, Dani	<i>Devotion</i>
Smith, Rick	<i>Slow Death by Rubber Duck</i>

### NEW DVDs

*Amelia, Coco before Chanel, Emma, For the Love of Grace, Love Happens, The September Issue, Staten Island, The Time Traveler's Wife*



## Loudon Police Department News

By Robert N. Fiske, Chief of Police

Currently we are working on the upcoming D.A.R.E. Pizza Night which will be held on March 16th starting at 5:00 p.m. at the Loudon Elementary School (see D.A.R.E. news for more on this). We are also starting to organize for the annual Bicycle Safety Class which will be tentatively held in April or May. Look for more information in the next issue of the Ledger.

In addition to these projects, we sponsor Loudon Boy Scout Troop #30 through the Loudon Police Association. The boys placed 4th at the recent Klondike Derby held here at the Recreation Field in Loudon. Congratulations!!

The 2010 major race schedule is as follows:

06/13/10	98th Annual Loudon Classic
06/27/10	Lexox Industrial Tools 301
09/19/10	Sylvania 300

We thank the residents for their continued support of the Loudon Police Department. As always, if you have any comments or suggestions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 798-5521 or via e-mail at [loudonpd@loudonpolice.com](mailto:loudonpd@loudonpolice.com) or [chief.fiske@loudonpolice.com](mailto:chief.fiske@loudonpolice.com). ■

### ART CLUB

Artists who draw and paint, do graphic art, or photograph can now meet at the library to find support from fellow artists. Meetings will include sharing completed works or those still in progress and planning workshops. Guest speakers will be invited to discuss relevant topics. The group will also take part in organizing upcoming library shows. Artists interested in displaying their work or joining the group may call Nancy Hendy at 798-5153.


### "CUT THE CARBON" PROGRAM

Want to save money and increase your home's energy efficiency? Stop by the library to check out a Kill-A-Watt meter and see what surprises await you when you plug in the device and calculate its energy cost.

Approved by Gov. Lynch in August 2009, the "Cut the Carbon" program allows patrons of libraries around the state a chance to find out how they can save on their electric bill. For example: lots of people watch DVDs on their game systems, but they would actually save money using a regular DVD player!


The library has several meters available for library patrons to check out for one week at a time. Each device comes with instructions and worksheets to help calculate the energy cost for every appliance tested.

So whether you're trying to reduce your carbon footprint or to put a little change back in your pocket, come check out a Kill-A-Watt meter and see how you can make a difference.




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GROUNDHOG, FEBRUARY, VACATION, HEART,  
PRESIDENT, MOVIES



What month has 28 days?  
ALL OF THEM!



## Fun With Crafts at the Maxfield Public Library!

These youngsters enjoy making crafts related to the day's story at Storytime, held three times a week at the Library.



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### BOOK GROUP

After spending *The Summer of 1787 with the Founding Fathers*, book group has decided to check into what the ladies were doing while the male delegates were holed up in Philadelphia for months working out the details of the Constitution. Up for discussion on March 25th, at 7 p.m., is *Founding Mothers* by Cokie Roberts who is described as having "an ear for juicy quotes" from wives, sisters, mothers, and daughters of the esteemed men. Newcomers are always welcome to join the group.

### LIBRARY HOURS

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

**THE LIBRARY WILL BE CLOSED SATURDAY, MARCH 13TH FOR TOWN MEETING.** We hope to see you there! ■



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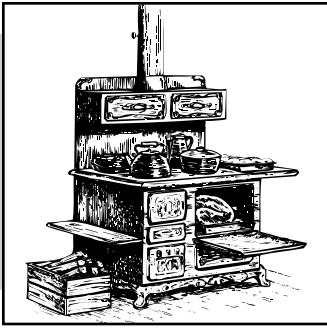
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# What's Cookin'!

## This month: Bake Sale Favorites

By Jennifer Pfeifer

The Easter Bunny will be arriving soon and that means the **Annual Easter Egg Hunt at Loudon Elementary School at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, March 27, 2010.** The LES PTA will also be holding a bake sale, with all proceedings benefiting the students at LES. If you would like to donate an item to be sold please contact me for information, or if you would like some tasty treats please stop by and show your support. You may want to try one of the following recipes to donate or for your own holiday celebrations. I hope to see you there.

*My Mom has always preferred Blondie's to Brownies. Don't get me wrong, my love for chocolate definitely comes from her!*

### Blond Brownies (aka Blondie's)

- 1 cup margarine
- 2¼ cups packed brown sugar
- 4 eggs
- 2½ cups sifted flour
- 2½ teaspoons Baking Powder
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- 1 12 oz. package semi-sweet chocolate chips
- 1 cup chopped walnuts

Melt margarine in saucepan. Add brown sugar and blend well. Remove from heat and cool. Add eggs and dry ingredients. Add vanilla, chocolate chips and walnuts. Stir until combined.

Spread in greased 15"x10"x1" jelly roll pan.

Bake at 350 degrees for 30 to 35 minutes. Cool and cut into squares.

*Thank you to Lee Laughlin for her "adapted" Congo Bar recipe. Congo Bars (a.k.a. 7 Layer Bars) are one of my all time favorite bar recipes. Lee, "made an attempt at a healthier version and was thrilled with the results." I can't wait to make them!*

### Lee's Congo Bars

- 1 stick butter
- 2 cups graham cracker crumbs
- 2 cups shredded coconut
- 1 cup chopped walnuts
- 1 cup slivered almonds
- 1 cups semi-sweet chocolate chips
- 1/2 cup dried cranberries
- 1/2 cup dried apricots
- 1 can (the small one) sweetened condensed milk
- 1 6 oz. Vanilla or Honey Greek Yogurt. I used Chobani

Preheat oven to 350. While oven is preheating, melt the stick of butter in a 9x13 pan, taking care not to burn it. When you take it out, swish the butter around to grease the sides of the pan.

Pour in graham cracker crumbs and mix well with butter. Press down to make an even crust.

Layer rest of ingredients in: coconut, nuts, dried fruit, chocolate chips.

Mix together sweetened condensed milk and yogurt and pour over other ingredients.

Bake at 350 for 30 minutes or until golden brown.

*Tips on cutting:* I cool them on stove top and then put them in the fridge overnight to harden. Take them out the next morning and let them soften for a hour or so — much easier to cut!

*Another favorite of mine is lemon. Yes, I have a lot of favorites, and when it comes to lemon, the more lemony the better!*

### Sinful Lemon Cream Cheese Cookies

- 1 cup butter (two sticks)
- 3 ounces of cream cheese
- 1 cup of sugar
- 1 egg yolk
- 1/2 tsp. lemon juice
- 1 tsp. MINIMUM finely grated fresh lemon peel. (The more the better — I've put in as much as 4 tsp., but I like them very lemony.)
- 1½ cups sifted white flour

- 1/2 tsp salt
- 1 cup finely chopped white chocolate

Preheat oven to 350. Cream butter, cream cheese, and sugar together until smooth. Add egg yolk, lemon juice and peel. Beat mixture until light. Add flour and salt when combined add white chocolate.

Scoop a generous 2 tablespoon ball and push flat. Or chill, roll into an inch diameter log and slice.

Bake at 350 for approximately 15 minutes, or until edges are lightly browned, but cookie itself is still light.

Let cool on a rack.

*Whole pies, cakes, and breads are a great addition to a bake sale. Sold whole they can be popular for a family looking for a special after-dinner dessert.*

### Orange Marmalade Bread

- 3 cups sifted all-purpose flour
- 1 tablespoon baking powder
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 teaspoon baking soda
- 1 16 oz. jar of orange marmalade
- 1 egg, beaten
- 3/4 cup orange juice
- 1/4 cup canola oil
- 1 cup chopped walnuts

Mix together flour, baking powder, salt, and soda. Reserve 1/4 cup of the marmalade. Combine remaining 1¼ cups marmalade, the beaten egg, orange juice, and oil; add to flour mixture, stirring just until mixture is moistened. Stir in chopped nuts.

Turn batter into a greased 9"x5"x3" loaf pan. Bake at 350° for about 1 hour, or until a wooden pick or cake tester inserted in center comes out clean.

Transfer from loaf pan to a baking sheet. Spread reserved marmalade over top of loaf and return to oven for a minute or two, until glazed. Cool on cake rack.

\*Raspberry Jam is a perfect substitute for the marmalade.

*If you like chocolate cream pie this might be your new favorite. It doesn't need to be refrigerated, but it does taste delicious cold.*

### Baked Chocolate Pie

- 1 unbaked pie shell
- 1/2 stick butter, melted
- 3/4 cup sugar
- 3 heaping Tlbs cocoa powder
- 2 eggs
- 1 can sweetened condensed milk

Mix ingredients well and pour in unbaked pie shell. Bake at 350 for 30–35 minutes. When cooled, serve with dollop of whipped cream or whipped topping.

**Next Month: Surprise Month!** I am open to suggestions and can be contacted at [jtpfeifer@comcast.net](mailto:jtpfeifer@comcast.net) or 783-8986. ■

## 2010 MAPLE WEEKEND! March 27–28.

Tour local sap houses and see how much work goes into making liquid gold: maple syrup!!!

Sample delicious maple treats and stock up on this seasonal favorite.



## D.A.R.E. NEWS

*By Corporal Jason S. Fiske, Instructor*

We are on our way to another successful year of D.A.R.E. curriculum. The students are attentive and there is great participation from the fifth grade students. I wish to thank the fifth grade teachers, Mrs. Painchaud, Mr. Satterfield and Mrs. Covill for all their help in assisting me this year.

The big fundraiser is almost here! Tuesday, March 16th will be the annual D.A.R.E. Pizza night. We will be holding the event at the Loudon Elementary School and will be utilizing both the cafeteria and gym. Dinner will be served from 5 p.m.–6:30 p.m. The dinner includes a slice of pizza, salad, dessert and a beverage for \$3.00. Additional slices may be purchased for \$1.00 a slice. The famous raffle

will begin at 6:30 sharp. Tickets can be purchased for 3/\$1.00 or 20/\$5.00. There will be no advance ticket sales and you do not need to be present at the raffle. Andy Mack from 93.3 The Wolf will be here for event! Don't miss the fun!

This is our major fundraiser for the D.A.R.E. program. We appreciate the outpouring of support from our local businesses and residents. This program continues to be a success with the continued support from the community.

If you are interested in donating an item or have any questions, please contact Chief Fiske, Janice Morin or myself at 798-5521 or you may e-mail us at [loudonpd@loudonpolice.com](mailto:loudonpd@loudonpolice.com). ■

# 2010 DARE PIZZA NIGHT



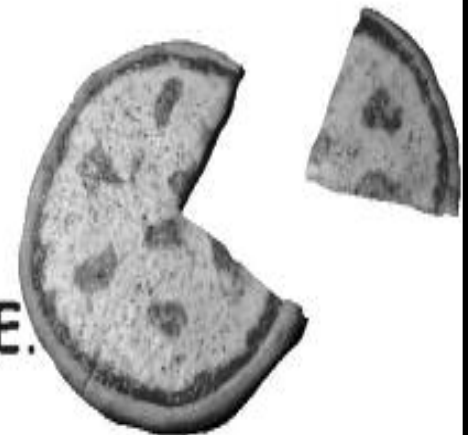
**WHEN:** TUESDAY, MARCH 16, 2010  
**WHERE:** LOUDON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL  
**TIME:** Dinner served 5 - 6:30 p.m.  
 (includes Pizza, salad, dessert & beverage  
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 FOLLOWING DINNER**  
**COST:** \$3.00 Dinner Ticket



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## Loudon Girl Scout News

The Loudon Service Unit is working to bring together the Girl Scouts in Loudon to share time with one another, allowing the older and younger girls to meet each other and form friendships that will allow them to feel connected to each other in our community. The next event we are looking forward to is the World Thinking Day Celebration. World Thinking day was designed so there would be a special day when Girl Scouts and Girl Guides all around the world think of each other and give thanks and appreciation to their "sister" Girl Guides and Girl Scouts. This year the theme is "together we can end extreme poverty and hunger." Due to the great needs in Haiti, and the additional devastation since the earthquake, we have chosen to use this event to learn more about the country, the Girl Guides in Haiti, and how we can make a positive difference even in small ways. On March 5th we will have a celebration where we will learn about Haiti and some of the incredible ways the Girl Guides of Haiti give back to their community. We will be assembling boxes to meet the needs of the children in Haiti in a very real way. We will be accepting donations of small toys and games, puzzles, crayons and coloring books and more. These donations will be assembled together with cards and well wishes to be delivered to Haiti in partnership with a local church that currently provides care in Haiti. We will also be putting together a clothing drive and accepting gently used shoes, backpacks and clothing which we will also send along. It will be a very memorable event sure to bring the girls an awareness of the power of working together as a team and the joy of working towards a cause.

Girl Scouts cookies arrived in Loudon on Valentines' Day. We unloaded more than 550 cases of cookies, checked them for quality, sorted them by troop and repacked them in to each cookie manager's car in only one hour

and forty-five minutes. By the time you read this, there will only be a few days left to get your Girl Scout Cookies in 2010. Thanks to everyone who bought a box for your support. The proceeds from the sale of Girl Scout Cookies support troop activities and community service projects. They also help our Girl Scout Council (Girl Scouts of the Green and White Mountains) provide activities and camps that help girls in New Hampshire and Vermont develop their individual interests and leadership skills.

Girl Scouting in Loudon would not be what it is without the volunteers that work so hard to make each meeting and event such a success! The girls have been truly blessed this year with a terrific group of volunteers who give 100% to bring new ideas, games, fun and learning opportunities to the girls. Thank you all for your help! I would like to also encourage anyone in the community who may have an opportunity for community service to contact me, as we are always looking for ways to give back within our own community.

Have a great month,  
*Jessalynn Geerdes-Lakowicz*  
Service Unit Manager  
Loudon Service Unit, Girl Scouts of  
the Green and White Mountains.

*Girl Scouts builds girls of courage, confidence, and character, who make the world a better place. For more information about the Loudon Girl Scouts, or to share your community service ideas or interests please contact Jessalynn Geerdes-Lakowicz, Service Unit Manager at 783-0218*

### Daisy Troop #10955

*Tracy Koufos, Kellie Goble & Tammy Bourque*

The daisies got their Make the World a Better Place petal, and the Be Responsible for What I Say and Do

petal. These were the last two petals that the second year daisies needed to complete their flowers! Congratulations to all of them! Next, we are going to start working on earning our Be a Sister to Every Girl Scout petal.

### Brownie Troop #10454

*Julie Segien, Karen Thurber*

Last month, The Brownies Journey on with the Magical Elf and three girls by Learning the colors of the rainbow, making a rainbow with two tools and learning the water cycle. We studied the differences with clean and dirty water, plus

- How small creatures and plants have a home in the wetlands
- The girls watched how hot water then dissolved their hot Cocoa
- And lastly a watery treat with grapes and apples where each girl guessed on the percentage of water in the fruits.

Moving along in our Journey. The brownies last activity was to realize how little clean water this is in the world, especially in third world countries. To get a better idea the brownie tied pretend babies onto themselves and carried water on their head. Plus using as little as a bucket full of clean water to start of with. The girls continued to do household chores and knowing the order of the chores in order to make the water last. Troop 10454 looks forward to many more adventures.

### Brownie Troop #10045

*Kathleen Fisher, Jennifer Maguire, Kimberley Lowell*

Thanks to our wonderful curator, Michelle York, our troop got an informative tour of the Loudon Historical Society on January 18th. The girls and leaders were impressed with the variety of items on display. We learned a lot about historic Loudon, which helped us, earn our "I love N.H." try-it. If you haven't checked them out...its worth the trip. The girls are also busy planning an outdoor activity as a requirement for our "Operation Snowflake" badge. They chose a Winter Olympic theme and have come up with some great ideas. During the month of March you can support us by purchasing cookies at the following locations: 3/6 & 3/12 at Walmart (Garden entrance) and 3/14 at Town Meeting. Thanks to family, friends and community members we sold over 1400 boxes of cookies this year! Great Job Brownies!

### Junior Troop # 12083

We've wrapped up our Stress Less Badge, where we learned the importance of managing time and minimizing stress. We also discussed different ways to relive stress and even made Stress

Less boxes filled with items that can reduce stress and make us feel more relaxed such as photos, cartoons, or poems. In February we began work on our Pets badge, which brought us to CAVES, Capital Area Veterinary Emergency Service, in Concord. While at CAVES, we learned how to interact and care for sick animals and how animal illnesses impact our community. We also had an opportunity to discuss different career paths in veterinary medicine. Special thanks go to Liz Therrien from CAVES for her time and expertise. We are still wrapping up our cookie sales and looking forward to the World Thinking Day Celebration in early March.

### Junior Troop #12641

*Amanda Masse, Jessalynn Geerdes-Lakowicz, Cecile Merrill & Michele Paquette*

The girls are working on Art in the Home badge and created their "dream rooms." As you can imagine we had some pretty creative ideas for decorating. They had a great time decorating Valentine cookies for loved ones and learned about frosting, how to color it and how to pipe it on using pastry bags. The girls also created floral arrangements for the badge. We are planning a trip to Salty Dog Pottery in Barnstead, NH to make coil pots and learn all about the process of pottery making for our ceramics and clay badge. We are excited to participate in Loudon Service Unit event for World Thinking Day in March. In April we are going to the Seacoast Science Center and in May going rock climbing. Kate and Sidney from our troop went to Build-A-Bear and built a bear to donate to Loudon Rescue Squad. They will give this bear to a child who is in a traumatic situation for some comfort — great job girls!! Thanks for reading about our group!

### Cadette Troop #12356

*Advisors: Samantha French & Amanda Masse*

We learned all about defending ourselves at a Self Defense workshop. It was a great lesson and we encourage women of all ages to make sure they know to stay aware of their surroundings and don't be a victim. We met with Michele and David Holbrook of Michele's Sweet Shoppe. We learned all about how they make their Totally Awesome Gourmet Popcorn and sampled two tasty batches — pizza and caramel (YUMMY!!!). Thank you to Mr. & Mrs. Holbrook for sharing information about their business and being such great role models for entrepreneurs. We are looking for ways to help in our community. Please let us know if you know anyone that has needs that our group can help out with!! ■



*Troop 10045 took a tour on the Loudon Historical Society.*



*Troop 10045 models their favorite outerwear fashions.*



*Junior Troop 12641 has fun.*



*Kate and Sidney created a Build-a-Bear to donate to Loudon Rescue.*



*Cadette Troop 12356 took a self defense class.*



*Investiture Ceremony.*



*Junior Troop 12083 visits CAVES.*



*Cadette Troop 12356 visited Michele's Sweet Shoppe.*



*The cookies have arrived!*



## Loudon Boy Scout and Cub Scout News

### Boy Scout Troop 247 News

Happy Birthday to the Boy Scouts of America! On February 8, 1910 the organization, which celebrates its 100th Anniversary this year, was incorporated in Washington, D.C. The 2010 Wannalancit Klondike Derby was a great success thanks to many folks:

Loudon Police and Fire Departments, Plourde Sand and Gravel, Johnson Septic, Home Depot, All-Pro, Robbins Auto Parts, and J. Decato and Sons. Results can be seen at: <http://nhscouting.org/openrosters/ViewOrgPageLink.asp?LinkKey=15063&orgkey=1804>

The patrol's sled was a classic, made out of hand-cut staves lashed together with scouting skill. Our Scouts did well on February 6, 2010 at the Recreation Field with sled shelter building, fire building and cooking with venison, first-aid skills. There were 30 patrols and over 200 Scouts. Our adult leaders put in countless hours and the special activities for the 30+ Webelos Scouts organized by Crew 247 went well. About 50 adults were on hand and a good and safe time was had by all.

Over February break, the troop went camping and really needed their shelter building skills while sleeping in one for two nights! See you Saturday at Town Meeting. ■

### Pinewood Derby Results for the Wolf Deb of Loudon Cub Scouts 247

Deane Henderson came in first for his Den and first overall for the whole Cub Scout Pack!

Brian Latham came in second place for the Den.

Cameron Spinney came in third place for the Den.

Jacob Coulombe won "Best Nautical Themed Car."

Deane, Brian, and Cameron will be going on to the Wannalancit District Pinewood Derby at Gilford Middle High School in April.

Good luck boys!

*Mike Henderson Leader*

### Annual Easter Egg Hunt!

**Saturday, March 27  
10 a.m.  
at the  
Loudon Elementary  
School**



*Pictured Boy Scouts: Cullen Rodrigue (SPL), Alec Decato (PL), Ryan Hoar, Chance Smith, and Riley Charron Scout leaders not picture: Mr. Ed Dempsey (ASM), Mr. John Decato (ASM,) and Mr. Scott J. Rodrigue (SM).*





# NH Department of Safety Boating Education Classes

Call 267-7256 or (888) 254-2125 (Monday through Friday 8:15 AM–4:15 PM)  
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The Department of Safety, Boating Education recently scheduled additional boating safety courses for the upcoming months. There is a \$30.00 non-refundable fee per person for the class and because of the limited seating pre-registration is required. Call (603) 267-7256 or (888) 254-2125 to pre-register. Seating is still available in the following courses:

## ONE FULL-DAY SESSION (Saturday)

03/06/10	9:00 AM–4:30 PM	Keene Fish and Game	Keene
03/13/10	9:00 AM–4:30 PM	St. Joseph's Hospital	Nashua
03/27/10	9:00 AM–4:30 PM	Department of Safety	Concord
03/27/10	9:00 AM–4:30 PM	Londonderry Police Department	Londonderry
03/27/10	9:00 AM–4:30 PM	Portsmouth Urban Forestry Center	Portsmouth
03/27/10	9:00 AM–4:30 PM	St. Joseph's Hospital	Nashua
03/27/10	9:00 AM–4:30 PM	Windham Fire Department	Windham
04/03/10	9:00 AM–4:30 PM	Keene Fish and Game	Keene
04/03/10	9:00 AM–4:30 PM	Moultonborough Police Department	Moultonborough
04/10/10	9:00 AM–4:30 PM	Bedford Police Department	Bedford
04/10/10	9:00 AM–4:30 PM	Department of Safety	Concord
04/10/10	9:00 AM–4:30 PM	Portsmouth Urban Forestry Center	Portsmouth
04/10/10	9:00 AM–4:30 PM	St. Joseph's Hospital	Nashua
04/10/10	9:00 AM–4:30 PM	Windham Fire Department	Windham
04/17/10	9:00 AM–4:30 PM	Bedford Police Department	Bedford
04/17/10	9:00 AM–4:30 PM	Department of Safety	Concord
04/17/10	9:00 AM–4:30 PM	Keene Fish and Game	Keene
04/17/10	9:00 AM–4:30 PM	Ossipee Town Hall	Ossipee
04/17/10	9:00 AM–4:30 PM	Portsmouth Urban Forestry Center	Portsmouth
04/17/10	9:00 AM–4:30 PM	Seabrook Fire Department	Seabrook
04/17/10	9:00 AM–4:30 PM	St. Joseph's Hospital	Nashua
04/17/10	9:00 AM–4:30 PM	Windham Fire Department	Windham
04/24/10	9:00 AM–4:30 PM	Department of Safety	Concord
04/24/10	9:00 AM–4:30 PM	Londonderry Police Department	Londonderry
04/24/10	9:00 AM–4:30 PM	Moultonborough Police Department	Moultonborough
04/24/10	9:00 AM–4:30 PM	Plaistow Library	Plaistow
04/24/10	9:00 AM–4:30 PM	Portsmouth Urban Forestry Center	Portsmouth
04/24/10	9:00 AM–4:30 PM	St. Joseph's Hospital	Nashua
04/24/10	9:00 AM–4:30 PM	Windham Fire Department	Windham
04/25/10	9:00 AM–4:30 PM	Department of Safety	Concord

## TWO-DAY SESSION (weeknights)

03/15/10 and 03/17/10	6:00 PM–9:30 PM	Dover High School	Dover
03/15/10 and 03/17/10	6:00 PM–9:30 PM	Seabrook Fire Department	Seabrook
03/15/10 and 03/17/10	6:00 PM–9:30 PM	West Running Brook Middle School	Derry
03/23/10 and 03/24/10	6:00 PM–9:30 PM	Lakes Regional General Hospital	Laconia
03/29/10 and 03/31/10	6:00 PM–9:30 PM	Milford Police Department	Milford
03/29/10 and 03/31/10	6:00 PM–9:30 PM	West Running Brook Middle School	Derry
04/05/10 and 04/07/10	6:00 PM–9:30 PM	Milford Police Department	Milford
04/05/10 and 04/07/10	6:00 PM–9:30 PM	West Running Brook Middle School	Derry
04/12/10 and 04/14/10	6:00 PM–9:30 PM	Lakes Regional General Hospital	Laconia
04/19/10 and 04/20/10	6:00 PM–9:30 PM	Lakes Regional General Hospital	Laconia
04/19/10 and 04/21/10	6:00 PM–9:30 PM	Dover High School	Dover
04/19/10 and 04/21/10	6:00 PM–9:30 PM	West Running Brook Middle School	Derry
04/26/10 and 04/28/10	6:00 PM–9:30 PM	Milford Police Department	Milford



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# Merrimack Valley School District News

## Elementary School

### Kindergarten Registration

Children who will be 5 years old by Sept. 30, 2010 are eligible to register for kindergarten at Loudon Elementary School for the 2010–2011 school year. Please contact Mrs. Muzzey at 783-4400 for further information. There will be a parent night on April 8th at 6:30 p.m. and the screenings will be held on April 16 and 19.

Children who will turn 6 by September 30, 2010 are eligible for first grade. Mrs. Muzzey should be contacted to begin the registration process for first grade.

## Middle School

Congratulations to the following students who have been accepted into the Southwest District Music Festival in May.

**CHORUS:** Aliza Cilley, Sarah Cowan, Morgan Kenney, Chris Fall, Kevin Crutchfield and Claire Guimont.

**BAND:** Johnathin Bailey, Jordyn Brown, Sam Trott, Courtney O'Keefe, Cassidy Huckins.

The library held a Book Swap & Sale for the two weeks prior to February vacation. The students enjoyed swapping "old" books from home for "new" books or buying books for the low price of .25 cents. Participants in all the Reading Programs who have continued to read books were invited to the library for a Valentine treat! Reading does bring rewards!

6th graders will be heading to Squam Lake Science Center on 3/2, 3, 4.

3rd quarter progress reports will go home on 3/3/2010.

Chess club will run every Monday and Thursday during the month of March. See Mr. Kimball in room 204 for more details.

MVMS Bee Club — Enrollment is open, see Mr. Cavender in room 113 for a permission slip.

8th Grade Parent Night on 3/10/2010 at the HS

PTO Meeting 3/17/2010 6:30 in the MS Library

Safe Routes to School — If you live within the walk zone please complete the parent survey found on the MS website.

Combined Middle and High School Band Concert 3/11/2010 7pm @ the HS

Combined Middle and High School Chorus Concert 3/18/10 7pm @ the HS

Middle School Academic Showcase Night will be held on 3/25/2010.

### Merrimack Valley Middle School National Honor Society

The Merrimack Valley Middle School held the annual induction ceremony for The National Junior Honor Society on January 21st.

New inductees were Sydney Rollins, Logan Kenney, Cassidy Huckins, **Danny Dockham**, Alexandra Singh, **Charlie Wright**, **Andrew Smith**, **Emily Masse**, Christian Chandler and Haley Puntin. These new members joined current members **Meghan Booker**, **Sarah Cowan**, Lily Davis, **Megan Elkins**, Brittany Fisher, Mikayla Godfrey, Autumn Hoyt, Hannah John, Brooks Kimball, **Haley Parent**, Andrew Pieck and Olivia Thurber.

Eight members of the MVMS National Junior Honor Society are from Loudon!

Congratulations to all members of the National Junior Honor Society. Membership is based on scholarship, leadership, service, character and citizenship. Your accomplishments and continued commitment to improving yourself and the lives of others are valued and appreciated.



*Merrimack Valley Middle School National Junior Honor Society members.*

## High School

### Loudon Elementary School PTA Mildred Lampron Memorial Book Award Application

The Loudon Elementary School PTA is sponsoring a book award to a Loudon student for \$750 in honor of Mildred P. Lampron. Mrs. Lampron was a full time teacher for over 30 years, 25 of them in Loudon at the Elementary School. Educating children was such an important part of her life that even after her retirement she spent a majority of her days at schools substituting and tutoring which she continued to do for another 10-15 years. She was an active community member and believed that the education of children was one of the greatest rewards in life. The Loudon Elementary

School PTA honors Mrs. Lampron each year with this award.

To be eligible for this award, a student must be a graduating senior, a Loudon resident, and entering any 2- or 4-year college in the field of Education. The scholarship will be awarded based on community service, academic achievement, and extracurricular participation.

Applications must be completed and returned to the MVHS Guidance Department or Julie Barker, 472 Lower Ridge Road, Loudon, NH 03307 by April 30, 2010. The award will be presented at Senior Awards Night. Copies of the application are available on the Loudon website [www.loudon.org](http://www.loudon.org), at the MVHS Guidance Department and the Maxfield Public Library in Loudon. ■

## Loudon Historical Society News

The Loudon Historical Society is looking to expand our collection of photos regarding Loudon businesses, both past and present. We are looking for donations of original photos or the opportunity to make digital copies of the originals, with information about the subjects written down. We would be happy to accept photos via e-mail as this would make it even easier to add to our growing database. If you or someone you know would like to donate a photo then you can e-mail it to me directly, or come to the LHS on the first Wednesday of any month at 7 p.m. during our general meeting and we will make a copy. If needed we can also make appointments to copy photos, or e-mail me and I can pick up a donated original. Please spread the word to your favorite local businesses.

### Upcoming Program

The Loudon Historical Society and the NH Humanities Council are proud to present-Glenn Knoblock, discussing:

#### New Hampshire Cemeteries and Gravestones

Rubbings, photographs, and slides illustrate the rich variety of gravestones to be found in our own neighborhoods, but they also tell long-forgotten stories of such historical events as the Great Awakening, the Throat Distemper epidemic, and the American Revolution. Find out more about these deeply personal works of art and the craftsmen who carved them. Learn how to read these stone "pages" that give insight into the vast genealogical book of New Hampshire.

**Date:** March 17, 2010

**Time:** 7:00 p.m.

**Where:** Charlies Barn 29S.Village Road

**Contact:** Michele York: 783-4129 or Cynthia Babonis: [cbabonis@gmail.com](mailto:cbabonis@gmail.com) ■

## New Hampshire — and Loudon — Celebrate Maple Weekend

On March 27 and 28 New Hampshire will be celebrating Maple Weekend. There are many maple operations in Loudon, both big and small, so take advantage of their Open Houses to see and learn about the process of making that natural sweetener: maple syrup. It provides a wonderful family activity and a way to teach the younger generation about an annual spring ritual.

Open Houses are individual by operation and activities so check with your local producer, watch for signs or go to the N.H. Maple Producers web site [www.nhmapleproducers.com](http://www.nhmapleproducers.com). You can experience the sights and aromas and learn about the process of making maple syrup. Perhaps the kids can get to tap a tree or help collect sap. There will be demonstrations, free samples and in some cases animals to pet or view. A large variety of maple products will be on sale for you to take home and enjoy. So plan on coming out March 27 and 28 to a Maple Open House near you. You will be warmly welcomed. ■

## Happy Hills 4-H

By Brannigan McNeil

Emily Blain, Katelyn Leonard, Erin Barrett and Rachael Howell of Happy Hills 4-H Club participated in the State 4-H Quiz Bowl competition on a team with other Merrimack County 4-Hers. Quiz Bowl competition is a horse trivia challenge where a team of 4 compete against another team of 4. A series of questions are asked and answered by the 4-H members and points are accumulated individually and by team.

Merrimack County had 2 Senior Teams, 1 team placed 6th overall and the other placed 4th overall. Emily Blain of Happy Hills placed 5th individually out of all the Senior participants.

Merrimack County also had 2 Junior competitors which placed 5th overall. These competitors were coached by Stacey McNeil and Mala Duclos.

The Merrimack County Novice Quiz Bowl Team competed at Farm and Forest. The Happy Hills 4-H members included on that team were Courtney Duclos, Brannigan McNeil, Brittany Leonard, and Caitie Barrett. The Novice Quiz Bowl Team has a non-competitive experience, which there is no score taken and allows the kids to get comfortable with playing the game and be in that atmosphere. This team was also coached by Mala Duclos and Stacey McNeil. It was a fun day and everyone had a good time. ■

## MVHS Equestrian Team

By Stacey J. McNeil

The Merrimack Valley High School Equestrian Team has been practicing with their horses every Saturday morning at Majestic Meadow Stable on Sanborn Rd in Concord. The group is practicing patterns, speed and pairs competitions. Their qualifying competitions are held at Wakewood Farm in Plymouth NH. The dates are April 11th, 25th and May 9th. The State Finals are May 23rd place is tbd. The team consists of the following students, Kaitlin Ryan (Loudon), Danielle Varrill (Loudon), Angela Davidson (Loudon), Briana Milligan (Loudon), Katelyn Leonard (Loudon), Rebecca Sylveria (Loudon), Kate Fife (Salisbury), Shauntee Currier (Salisbury), Nichi Hoar (Boscawen), Taryn Galliher (Boscawen) and Coach Stacey McNeil (Loudon).

All the members of the team would like to thank several people that have assisted in raising money for the team or donating to the team : The Merrimack Valley High School Equestrian Team Booster Club members Andrea Galliher, Victoria Leonard and Karen Currier for assisting with all the fundraising for the team to cover all of their expenses. Eastern Propane and Oil for their donation of items. 4 McNeil Enterprises LLC for their new jackets and Nutrena Corporation.

If anyone has any questions or would like more information on how to support the High School Equestrian Team you can contact Stacey McNeil at 603-234-0514 or contact the Merrimack Valley High School Athletic Department at 603-753-4311. ■

## Concord Hospital Trust Announces a New Scholarship Fund

The Concord Hospital Trust, the fundraising arm of Concord Hospital, announces the Concord Hospital Trust Scholarship Fund for nursing and allied health students.

The Concord Hospital Trust Scholarship Fund, part of the Trust's endowments, is a grouping of smaller scholarships established by previous donors that, with probate approval, were merged into one fund. Many of the scholarships were established to support the Concord Hospital School of Nursing that closed in 1989. These donors sought to inspire and enable students to pursue careers in the nursing and allied healthcare professions to enrich their lives, while ensuring the continued availability of quality health care to the greater Concord community.

The Concord Hospital Trust scholarship committee, a volunteer subcommittee of the Trust's stewardship committee, has developed scholarship eligibility guidelines and will make decisions on fund awards.

The volunteer subcommittee, chaired by Harriet Resnicoff, MSW, includes Alan Blake, director of communications at New Hampshire Technical Institute; Helen Hamilton, Concord Hospital volunteer; Rebecca Hoey, employment manager of human resources at Concord Hospital; Caryl Lajoie, RN, occupational health nurse at Concord Hospital and former instructor at the Concord Hospital School of Nursing; Stan Lloyd, guidance counselor at Concord High School; Agnes Shaw, RN, director of education services at Concord Hospital; and Jill Wilson, archivist at Concord Hospital.

For more information about the scholarship fund, the eligibility requirements, or to apply, visit [www.ch-trust.org](http://www.ch-trust.org) or contact the Concord Hospital Trust Office of Philanthropy at (603) 225-2711, ext. 3076. ■

## N.H. Fish & Game Department Seeks Hunter Education Instructors

Are you an avid outdoorsman or woman? Are you comfortable working in a team environment, helping young and old learn new knowledge and skills? If the answer is yes and you're willing to invest 10–20 hours of your time each year to bring the love of the outdoors to a new generation, why not think about becoming a volunteer Hunter Education instructor! The New Hampshire Fish and Game Department is looking for energetic people to join the 500+ volunteer instructors who have been helping teach Hunter Education in New Hampshire since 1948.

Far from being just a "safety" course, Hunter Education emphasizes core hunting ethics and safe practices, responsible gun handling and knowledge of firearms and ammunition. Participants take part in a supervised live-fire exercise, putting these core competencies into practice. Students also learn about wildlife identification, conservation and the role of the hunter in wildlife management. In addition, Conservation Officers from the Fish and Game Department provide expert advice on N.H. hunting rules and regulations as part of the class. The course culminates in a written examination and practical Field Day test in which participants demonstrate their new knowledge and skills.

The Bowhunter Education course also covers the core concepts of ethics, wildlife conservation, identification and management, but emphasizes bowhunting safety, archery equipment, tree-stand safety and proper shot placement. Becoming a volunteer Hunter or Bowhunter Education instructor takes an investment of your time and energy, but your efforts are well supported by the Hunter Education Office.

Prerequisites for becoming a certified instructor are:

- a) Complete an instructor application (hunter or bowhunter) and criminal records release form, and submit to the Hunter Education Office (forms can be downloaded from [http://www.huntnh.com/Hunting/hunter\\_ed.htm](http://www.huntnh.com/Hunting/hunter_ed.htm));
- b) Complete the basic course as a student (hunter or bowhunter education);
- c) Be 18 years of age or older;
- d) Be free of misdemeanor or felony convictions, or Fish and Game violations, within the past 7 years.

Once the application process is completed, attend one of the following training workshops coming up this spring (each session is one day, from 9:00 a.m. to 5 p.m.):

- April 24, 2010. Bowhunter Ed: Fish and Game Headquarters, 11 Hazen Drive, Concord N.H.
- May 8, 2010. Hunter Ed: Owl Brook Hunter Education Center, Holderness N.H.
- May 22, 2010. Bowhunter Ed: Owl Brook Hunter Education Center, Holderness N.H.
- June 5, 2010. Hunter Ed: Fish and Game Region 1 Office, Lancaster N.H.

"Training for new instructors is intensive and hands-on, but will prepare you for instructing the Hunter and Bowhunter Education courses in a way that will make learning fun, easy and rewarding for your students," said Pete Davison, Hunter Education Coordinator for N.H. Fish and Game. "As an instructor, you will be eligible for discounts at various retailers, awards and prizes at our annual recognition banquet, and professional development opportunities like CPR training and First Aid certification. The Hunter Education program depends on our volunteer instructors, and we hope to add you to the ranks."

Hunter Education in New Hampshire is funded in by federal Wildlife Restoration Funds, a user-pay, user-benefit program. ■

Old Home Day — Already???

We know it seems awfully soon to be seeing Old Home Day forms, but the Committee begins working on the program book early in the year! If you or your business would like to advertise in this year’s book, please take the time to fill out one of the forms below and return it with a check to the Old Home Day Committee, PO Box 7050, Loudon, NH 03307. The “Citizen of the Year” form appears at right — please start thinking about a suitable candidate for this year. Old Home Day is Saturday, August 14, 2010. See you there! ■

Dear Loudon Business Owner,

The 2010 Loudon Old Home Day Association is writing to ask for your financial support to help make Loudon’s only community-wide event a success again this year. Old Home Day will be Saturday, August 14, 2010 and promises to have something for everyone! After you read our letter, please take a few moments to look over the supporter levels listed below and choose your level of support. Attach your ad copy along with the bottom portion of this letter, a check payable to LOHD, and return to the Old Home Day Committee, PO Box 7050, Loudon, NH 03307. **Your ad and payment must be received by June 1, 2010 in order for your ad to appear in this year’s book.**

The Loudon Old Home Day committee has two goals: first — to create a day of fun and community pride, and second — to promote our many local businesses. While we are proud of our volunteers and their efforts, our goals can’t be met without your help.

The Old Home Day Committee thanks you in advance for your generous donation and we look forward to seeing you at our 2010 Old Home Day celebration.

Please consider supporting this worthwhile community event and respond today!

**Contact information:** Irene Dow — 798-3872    Janice Sinclair — 798-3158  
Kim Bean — 231-5396    Susan Gelineas — 783-9272

2010 BUSINESS SUPPORTER AD AND DONATION INFORMATION

(Please return this portion with your ad copy and payment.)

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

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Please circle one:

\$ 25.00      Business Card Ad (5”w x 1-7/8”h)

\$ 50.00      Half Page Ad (5”w x 3-3/4”h)

\$100.00      Full Page Ad (5”w x 7-1/2”h)

AD COPY AND PAYMENT DUE BY JUNE 1, 2010

IN ORDER TO APPEAR IN THIS YEAR’S BOOK.

Dear Loudon Resident,

As the temperature begins to rise, the Old Home Day committee is already planning for this year’s annual event, scheduled for Saturday, August 14th. The unseen details, both large and small, are in the early stages. We need your support!

Have you ever attended what has come to be known as Loudon’s biggest one-day community event? This fun day offers something for everyone: a parade, crafts, baking contest, games, horse-shoe tournament, tractor pull, a barbecue dinner, and plenty of entertainment. Let’s not forget the fireworks!

As part of our activity guide and supporter directory, we have an individual supporter page for Loudon residents to show their support for this awesome event.

Would you consider a donation of \$10.00 or more, and add your name to our growing list of supporters? Please take the time to complete the bottom portion of this page and return it with your check, made payable to the Loudon Old Home Day Association (LOHDA), PO Box 7050, Loudon, NH 03307. **The deadline for making our list in the book is June 15, anything received after that date will be included on a poster at the Old Home Day Booth.** We appreciate your assistance in meeting that date. We are always looking for new members to help in the planning stages, or just at the Old Home Day booth, so won’t you consider joining us?

Thank you in advance for your support. Please come and join us on Saturday, August 14th and enjoy Loudon Old Home Day 2010 with a friend.

2010 INDIVIDUAL LOHD SUPPORTER

(Please return this portion with your donation)

Name(s) (as you would like it to appear): \_\_\_\_\_

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Amount of donation: \_\_\_\_\_

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Thank you for your generous support of Loudon Old Home Day.

We hope to see you there!

Citizen of the Year  
Nomination Form

The Loudon Old Home Day Committee is seeking your help in determining the Citizen of the Year. This person will serve as grand marshal for this year’s event. We would very much like for you and/or your organization to choose a worthy recipient for this year’s “Citizen of the Year” award. A special selection committee will then take all of the candidates nominated, see if they fit the criteria, and use this information to choose this year’s “Citizen of the Year.” This person would then become the grand marshal at the August 14, 2009 Loudon Old Home Day event.

Please return your nomination to any committee member or mail to Loudon Old Home Day Association, PO Box 7050, Loudon, NH 03307 as soon as possible, but not later than June 15, 2010. Our committee was very proud of our 2009 selection of Bea Moore. Please use the criteria included to help you with this year’s nomination.

Thank you for your help.  
LOHD Committee

CITIZEN OF THE YEAR CRITERIA

1. Must have been a Loudon citizen no less than 3 years.
2. Must be of good character and a volunteer of the community. Reasons for the nomination may not include the person’s job description.
3. A nomination must be by written application, from an individual or organization of Loudon and the application must list a brief background of the nominee, including names of organization he/she is a member of, or has been a member of.
4. Applications must be received by the selection committee (to be chosen on a yearly basis, as necessary) no later than the designated date chosen for that particular year.

A member of the LOHD committee, accompanied by a written letter will notify the person chosen by the committee. The person chosen has the option to decline, and the selection committee would choose an alternate.

CITIZEN OF THE YEAR APPLICATION

Nominee: \_\_\_\_\_

Person or Organization submitting: \_\_\_\_\_

List people (including yourself) making this decision:

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_
5. \_\_\_\_\_

Nominee has lived in Loudon \_\_\_\_\_ years.

Nominee has volunteered on committees and organizations (please list).

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_
5. \_\_\_\_\_
6. \_\_\_\_\_

Please write a brief summary why you have chosen this particular person. Attach extra sheets as necessary.

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Date requested by the LOHD committee: June 15, 2010

Date submitted: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature (Group representative): \_\_\_\_\_

*Please note: Since, in many cases, this person may not know of his/her nomination, confidentiality is essential. The committee will announce its decision publicly or by newspaper article.*



## PTA Hosts Sock Hop and Other Events

### Sock Hop

On Friday February 12th, the PTA hosted a sock hop at LES. There was an early session for grades K through 2 and a separate session for grades 3 to 5. 150 kids enjoyed dancing and merriment with their friends and the PTA raised \$800 to fund future fieldtrips, scholarships and other school activities. Thanks go to David Graham (assisted by his wife Sharon) for great music! Thanks also to our sock judges, Julie Barker, Mr. Larry & Mr. Lenny. Lastly, thanks to all the PTA volunteers and parent chaperones, this event wouldn't have happened without your help!

### Annual Easter Egg Hunt

The PTA will hold its annual Easter Egg Hunt Saturday March 27th at 10:00 am at LES. This year there will also be a Bake Sale and the PTA will be collecting items for local food banks. This year's hunt promises to be full of fun and excitement as the children hunt for eggs full of goodies. New this year, there will also be two hidden notes one for each age group). The child that locates the note will win a special basket of goodies. Watch your children's folder for details as well as a request for candy donations. If you are interested in helping, please contact Jenn Pfeifer at [jtpfeifer@comcast.net](mailto:jtpfeifer@comcast.net).

### Spring Cleanup

The PTA will be hosting a spring clean up of the school grounds on Saturday, May 8th. Come show your LES pride and join us! Further details will be available closer to the event.

### NECAP Results Available

You should have received your child's NECAP (New England Assessment Program) results in the mail. If you have any questions about the results, please contact Tom Lalibertie at 603-783-4400.

### Congratulations!

The PTA would like to extend its warmest congratulations to LES Grade 5 Teacher Dawn Covill. Mrs. Covill and her husband welcomed a baby boy named Hayden Daniel earlier this year.

### March Meeting Change

The PTA will meet on Thursday March 11th, in order to accommodate the Merrimack Valley School District Annual Meeting. We welcome new members at any time.

### Please Attend School District's Annual Meeting

The PTA would also like to take this opportunity to encourage everyone to attend the district's annual meeting. The meeting takes place Thursday, March 4th at the Merrimack Valley High School in Pennacook. If you'd like to preview the warrant article ahead of time, a copy is posted in the Town Office. ■



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## Loudon Recreation Committee News

Loudon Recreation Committee's Winter Carnival was held in February and in the next issue we will share winners of contests as well as photos of the day. Another session of the Olympic Style Archery was held in February and early March. We hope that all participants enjoyed the program. Please remember to fill out an event evaluation form located on the website [www.loudonnh.org](http://www.loudonnh.org) under Recreation to share your thoughts of an event or program — that helps us to plan.

Joan Gregoire will be offering six weeks of beginners and an easy intermediate **Line Dancing class** in March on the 2nd, 9th, 16th, 30th, and April 6th. All classes will be held at Loudon Elementary School. For more information and to register, see the flyer at [www.loudonnh.org](http://www.loudonnh.org) or call Kim Therrien at 435-6266.

**Snow Tubing Event** at Gunstock will be held on Friday, March 5th from 6–8 p.m. flyer is on the website.

For those who want to think about warmer weather and even summer...and for those who like to plan ahead...Children's Stage Adventures and Loudon Recreation Committee will again offer the **Children's Summer Theater Camp**. We are in the process of finalizing the details but right now it looks like August 9–13 will be the week. We will also be planning the **summer swim lesson** program at Clough Pond. There will be two sessions (two weeks each) and dates will be advertised as soon as they are set. Also look forward to some great **Summer Fun Nights** this year. If you have suggestions, we would love to hear them!!!

Be sure to check the website [www.loudonnh.org](http://www.loudonnh.org) between issues of *The Loudon Ledger* for additional events or program opportunities. Thank you for your continued support!

If you are interested in all that we do for recreation programming here in Loudon and would like to be placed on our email contact list or have additional ideas to share please contact Alicia at 435-5193 or by email at [affirmhealth@yahoo.com](mailto:affirmhealth@yahoo.com). The Loudon Recreation Committee usually meets once a month on the fourth Wednesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. at the Maxfield Public Library, join us if you are interested! We hope to see you there!! ■



The February 9 meeting of Loudon Young at Heart was an outing to Food for Thought Cafe in Belmont for lunch. Forty members and two guests were greeted by Patrick Hall, who is the Program Coordinator of the Culinary Arts/Restaurant Management Program of Lakes Region Community College. He spoke about the growth of the program and mentioned that our meal was going to be prepared by the second-year culinary arts students, with the wait staff being first-year restaurant management students.

And what a meal they prepared! It started with two delicious soups and two choices of salad. The entrees included two chicken dishes, a beef dish, and shrimp in rice. Everyone agreed it was a very delicious meal! Then there was the rush for the dessert table — especially the chocolate layer cake. Also featured were an apple cake and pinwheel sugar cookies. No one went home hungry.

The March 9 meeting will be held at Charlie's Barn where there will be games and socializing over coffee and donuts. This will be followed by lunch from CAP. Any Loudon senior is welcome to join us at 10:00 a.m. ■

## Jarad Cunha Accepted to Study Abroad Program

Endicott College, is pleased to announce that Jarad Cunha, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Cunha, has been accepted to spend the Spring 2010 semester studying abroad.

Jarad is currently a junior majoring in Graphic Design. He will be studying at Australearn in Massey, New Zealand during Spring 2010.

Students may elect to satisfy their degree requirement at overseas colleges and universities where Endicott has collaborative relationships. While abroad, students take courses that count toward their Endicott degrees.

Located in Beverly, MA on 231 acres of oceanfront property, Endicott College offers Master and Bachelor degree programs in the professional and liberal arts. Founded in 1939, Endicott provides an education built upon a combination of theory and practice, which is tested through internships and work experience. Studying at the Beverly campus, regionally, and internationally are approximately 2,200 undergraduate and more than 2,000 adult and graduate students. ■



### Senior Health Clinics

Concord Regional Visiting Nurse Association is offering a Senior Health Clinics on **Tuesday, March 23 from 9 a.m. until noon at the Richard Brown House Senior Housing**. All Senior Health Clinic services are \$10. Blood pressure checks are free. To make an appointment or for more information call Concord Regional Visiting Nurse Association's Senior Health Program at 224-4093 or 800-924-8620, extension 4830. If you need a ride, please call 798-5203.

### Walk-In Immunization Clinics

Concord Regional Visiting Nurse Association is offering the following affordable monthly walk-in Immunization Clinic for all ages:

Monday March 1, 2010 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.  
Tuesday March 16, 2010 2:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Immunization Clinics are held at St. Paul's Episcopal Church Outreach Center, 21 Centre Street, Concord. A fee of \$5.00 is requested per child (under 18). Adult vaccination costs vary by the cost of the individual vaccines. Children must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. Please bring an immunization record with you. For more information call Concord Regional Visiting Nurse Association Community Health Services at 224-4093 or 800-924-8620, extension 5815.

### Walk-In Blood Pressure Clinics

Concord Regional Visiting Nurse Association is offering the following FREE monthly walk-in Blood Pressure Clinics:

Wed., Mar. 3, 10 a.m. to Noon Hannaford's Pharmacy, Ft. Eddy Rd., Concord  
Fri., Mar. 5, 9–11 a.m. West Street Ward House, Concord  
Wed., Mar. 10, 10:30–11:30 a.m. White Rock Senior Living Community, Wellness Office 6 Bow Center Rd., Bow

Concord Regional Visiting Nurse Association offers blood pressure screenings in the areas that it serves. Blood pressure screenings are a good way for individuals to track their blood pressure for upcoming visits to their physician. Blood pressure screenings are free of charge. For more information call Concord Regional Visiting Nurse Association at 224-4093 or 800-924-8620.

## Concord Regional VNA Offers Morning Grief Support Group

Concord Regional Visiting Nurse Association will offer a free Friday morning adult grief support group beginning March 5 and ending April 23 in Concord. Trained grief support facilitators will provide an opportunity for support and education to adults who have suffered a recent loss. Group size is limited and pre-registration is required. Please call (603) 224-4093 extension 2826 or email [crvnainfo@crvna.org](mailto:crvnainfo@crvna.org). ■

### Concord Brain Injury Support Group

#### March 16th Meeting

**Location: Granite State Independent Living  
21 Chenell Dr., Concord, NH**

**Time: 6:30-8:00 pm**

**Facilitators: Jan Perkins & Pat Winski**

**For Information Contact:  
Jan, 796-2823 or Pat, 463-3035**

**Deadline for the April issue  
of *The Loudon Ledger*.  
Friday, March 19, 2009**

# Loudon Farms: Buy Locally!

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

## Maple Ridge Farm

268 Loudon Ridge Road  
Fresh Vegetables, Maple Syrup  
436-8183

## Meadow Ledge Farm

612 Route 129  
Peaches, Corn, Apples, Country Store  
798-5860

## Ramsay's Farm Stand

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

## Red Manse Farm

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

## Windswept Maples

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

## Miles Smith Farm

56 Whitehouse Road  
Locally raised beef, individual cuts and sides  
M, Tue, Th 4–9 p.m. W, Sat 8–1 p.m.  
[www.milessmithfarm.com](http://www.milessmithfarm.com)  
783 5159

## Hill Top Feeds

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

## Sanborn Mills Farm

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## These Do-It-Yourself Improvements Help Sellers Maximize Sales Price

By Jack Prendiville  
Century 21 Thompson Real Estate  
jprendiville@c21nh.com

Wondering what home improvements will benefit you the most when you sell your home? HomeGain.com, a Web site that provides home value estimates recently released a list of the top 12 do-it-yourself improvements that cost under \$5,000 and benefit sellers the most when they go to sell their homes.

The list is based upon the responses of nearly 1,000 real estate agents nationwide. According to the HomeGain survey, the top five home improvements that agents recommend to sellers, based on cost and return on investment (from highest to lowest ROI), are.

- **Cleaning and de-cluttering** (\$200 cost/\$1,700 price increase/872% ROI)
- **Home staging** (\$300 cost/\$1,780 price increase/586% ROI)
- **Lightening and brightening** (\$230 cost/\$1,300 price increase/572% ROI)
- **Landscaping** (\$320 cost/1,200 price increase/473% ROI)
- **Repairing plumbing** (\$385 cost/1,250 price increase/327% ROI)

Cleaning and de-cluttering always rank near the top of suggested home improvement for sellers. In fact 99 percent of real estate agents recommend that their clients do so, HomeGain says. And it's easy to see why — for a cost of about \$200, cleaning and de-cluttering add an average of \$1,700 to a home's sale price and 872% return on investment.

"Many Realtors agree, especially in a buyer's market, that sellers who make these recommended home improvements often get their homes sold faster and at higher prices," says Louis Cammarosano, a general manager at HomeGain.

Rounding out the top 12 of the list of projects: Updating electrical; replacing or shampooing of carpets; painting interior walls; repairing damaged floors; updating the kitchen; painting the exterior; and updating bathrooms. ■

## Theme Benefit Supports Concord Hospital Family Health Centers

Concord Hospital's 21st Annual Theme Benefit, "Destination Paradise," is on Saturday, April 10 from 7 p.m. to midnight at N.H. National Guard Armory in Concord. Proceeds from the event benefit patients of Concord Hospital's Family Health Centers in Concord and Hillsboro-Deering.

The Annual Theme Benefit Planning Committee, led by co-chairs Katy McGrath Fritch and Steve Fritch of Charter Trust Company, is already hard at work preparing for an evening of fun and excitement. Entertainment, dining, dancing, and a silent auction ensure there is something fun for everyone.

"The Family Health Centers established in 1995 serve such an important role in our community by ensuring access to primary, dental, and behavioral health services, regardless of whether a person can pay for care," Fritch said. "With our current economy and the number of people with no health insurance increasing, the Family Health Centers' role becomes even more critical."

"By attending the Annual Theme Benefit, participants support much-needed services from experienced, caring, and compassionate healthcare providers at the Family Health Centers," Fritch said.

Tickets are available for \$100 per person. A limited number of tickets are available and advanced reservations are required. To purchase tickets, call Concord Hospital Trust-Office of Philanthropy at (603) 225-2711, ext. 3076 or visit [www.ch-trust.org](http://www.ch-trust.org). ■

## MVSD School Board Meeting Minutes — January 11, 2010

### 1. ROLL CALL AND CALL TO ORDER:

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

### Board Members present:

Mark Hutchins, Caroletta Alicea, Normandie Blake, Lorrie Carey, Audrey Carter, Troy Cowan, Thomas Godfrey (arrived at 7:18 p.m.), David Longnecker, Craig Saltmarsh, Laura Vincent

### Administrators Present:

Superintendent Mike Martin; Assistant Superintendent Chris Barry; Business Administrator Robin Heins; Human Resources Manager Kathleen Boucher; Principals Mike Jette, Mary Estee, Sandy Davis, Tracy Murch, Linda McAllister, Tom Laliberte; Assistant Principals Pam Hill, Pat Severance; Assistant Principals for Special Education Maureen Gross, Mary Paradise; MVLC Administrator Paulette Fitzgerald; Facilities Director Fred Reagan

### Others Present:

Millie Pike, BES Teacher; Miguel Guzmán, Exchange Student

### 2. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS:

*Motion by Normandie Blake, second by Craig Saltmarsh, to approve the December 14, 2009 meeting minutes (pages 1–5 in the packet) as presented. Motion passed unanimously.*

### 3. FINANCIAL REPORT:

Robin Heins reviewed the NOTES FOR FINANCIAL STATEMENT (page 6 in the packet) and reported that most of the overages will be covered by the IDEA grant which was just received. Robin also reported that all is going well. The board discussed the increase of costs associated with unemployment. *Motion by Normandie Blake, second by Craig Saltmarsh, to approve the financial report. Motion passed unanimously.*

### 4. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

Millie Pike, BES Teacher, expressed her comments and concerns supporting bringing back the international exchange student program. The chairman advised that this subject would be discussed later during tonight's meeting.

### 5. GOOD NEWS:

Mike Martin reported that he will be in Concord later this week attending a ceremony to recognize Mike Jette as NH High School Principal of the year. David Longnecker discussed the differences in the processes for selecting High School Principal of the Year and Superintendent of the Year. Mike Martin also reported on some of the other good news items included in the packet (pages 21–34). The building principals reported on their good news items included in the packet. Fred Reagan reviewed and clarified some of the information in the press release included in the

packet (pages 32–34) regarding MVSD's high performance heating system.

### 6. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

#### POLICY COMMITTEE:

Chris Barry reported on the December 7, 2009 Policy Committee meeting (minutes on pages 35–38 in the packet). Included in the packet for a second read is Policy JFABB (International Students). *Motion by Troy Cowan, second by Normandie Blake, to approve Policy JFABB as presented. After a brief discussion, the motion passed unanimously.*

*The next Policy Committee meeting is scheduled for Monday, January 25, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. at the SAU office. Chris Barry reviewed the agenda items for the next meeting.*

#### TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE:

Normandie Blake reported on the December 29, 2009 Transportation Committee meeting (minutes on page 39 in the packet). Dee reported that the committee voted to recommend approving a new bus stop at 85 Wellington Lane in Loudon. *Motion by Thomas Godfrey, second by Normandie Blake, to approve a new bus stop at 85 Wellington Lane in Loudon. Motion passed unanimously.*

#### OTHER:

*The next Finance Committee meeting is scheduled for Monday, January 25, 2010 at 5:30 p.m. at the SAU office.*

*The next Curriculum Committee meetings are scheduled for Monday, February 1, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. at the SAU office, Monday, February 8, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. at the high school and Monday, February 15, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. at the SAU office.*

*The next Long Range Plan Committee meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 1, 2010 at 5:00 p.m. at the SAU office.*

### 7. OLD BUSINESS:

#### HOMELESS UPDATE:

Chris Barry reported on the homeless information included in the packet (page 40).

#### COMMUNITY PRIDE LINK:

Chris Barry reported that the second draft of the January/February issue of The Community Pride Link is in the packet (pages 41–42) for the board to review and discuss. The board reviewed and discussed the issue.

#### IB STEERING COMMITTEE:

Chris Barry reported on the December 17, 2009 and January 7, 2010 Steering Committee for Improvement (IB) meetings (minutes on pages 43–44 in the packet).

*The next Steering Committee for Improvement (IB) Committee meeting is scheduled for Thursday, January 14, 2010 at 7:45 a.m. at the SAU office.*

#### DASHBOARD FOLLOW-UP:

Mike Martin discussed various Dashboard Data models included in the packet (pages 45–48).

**Deadline for the April issue  
of The Loudon Ledger:  
Friday, March 19, 2010**

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**DRAFT 2010-2011 SCHOOL CALENDAR:**

The board reviewed the proposed 2010-2011 School Calendar on page 49 in the packet. Also included in the packet (pages 50-51) for the board to review is a draft of Concord School District's 2010-2011 School Calendar and a suggested 2010-2011 School Calendar from NHDOE. *Motion by Normandie Blake, second by Caroletta Alicea, to approve the 2010-2011 School Calendar as presented. After a brief discussion, the motion passed unanimously.*

**PROPOSED 2010-2011 BUDGET:**

Not ready for this item at this time.

**OTHER:**

None

**8. NEW BUSINESS:****MIDDLE SCHOOL FIELD TRIP (OVERNIGHT):**

Request received from Ray Carpenter, MVMS Guidance Counselor, for an overnight field trip into the White Mountains. *Motion by Normandie Blake, second by Lorrie Carey, to approve the request. Motion passed unanimously.*

**SABBATICALS & INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS:**

Mike Martin reviewed last year's recommendation that the school board not approve sabbatical leaves and international students for the 2009-2010 school year. He stated that he would also be making a recommendation for this year and asked board members to contact him with concerns and suggestions. The board discussed costs associated with international students.

**OTHER:**

None

**9. MANIFESTS/JOURNAL ENTRIES TO SIGN:**

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

**10. BOARD CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:**

None

**11. ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:**

None

**12. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:**

Mike Martin reported on a new law which requires an Annual Fire Inspection Report.

Break at 8:35 p.m.

*Motion by Normandie Blake, second by Lorrie Carey, to go into non-public session in accordance with RSA 91 A:3II to discuss personnel at 8:52 p.m. Motion passed.*

*Roll Call: Mark Hutchins, Caroletta Alicea, Normandie Blake, Lorrie Carey, Audrey Carter, Troy Cowan, Thomas Godfrey, David Longnecker, Craig Saltmarsh, Laura Vincent*

**13. SEE NON-PUBLIC SESSION MINUTES.**

*Motion by Craig Saltmarsh, second by Thomas Godfrey, to go out of non-public session at 10:30 p.m. Motion passed.*

*Motion by Normandie Blake, second by Laura Vincent, to recess at 10:30 p.m. and to reconvene immediately following the Public Hearing on January 26, 2010. Motion passed unanimously.*

**14. MEETING RECESSED AT 10:30 P.M.**

*Respectfully submitted,  
Sally Welch  
Clerk*

**MERRIMACK VALLEY SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES PUBLIC SESSION — January 26, 2010**

**Roll Call and Call to Order:** The meeting held at Merrimack Valley High School was reconvened (from the recessed meeting of January 11, 2010) by Chairman Mark Hutchins at 7:45 p.m.

**Board members present:** Mark Hutchins, Caroletta Alicea, Normandie Blake, Lorrie Carey, Audrey Carter, Troy Cowan, Thomas Godfrey, David Longnecker, Will Renauld, Craig Saltmarsh, Laura Vincent

**Administrators present:** Superintendent Mike Martin; Assistant Superintendent Chris Barry; Business Administrator Robin Heins; Human Resources Manager Kathleen Boucher; Principals Mike Jette, Mary Estee, Tracy Murch, Tom Laliberte, Linda McAllister, Assistant Principal for Special Education Mary Paradise; Assistant Principals Pat Severance, Pam Hill

**Others present:** None

The board briefly discussed the Public Hearing. *Motion by Craig Saltmarsh, second by Lorrie Carey, to approve the budget (thirty four million, eight hundred fifty thousand, eight hundred seven-five dollars, \$34,850,875) and the warrant as presented at the Public Hearing. Motion passed unanimously.*

The board discussed choosing a moderator at the Annual Meeting.

*Motion by Troy Cowan, second by Will Renauld, to adjourn. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.*

*Respectfully submitted,  
Sally Welch  
Clerk*

**MERRIMACK VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT PUBLIC HEARING BUDGET — January 26, 2010**

**Board Members Present:** Mark Hutchins, Caroletta Alicea, Normandie Blake, Lorrie Carey, Audrey Carter, Troy Cowan, Thomas Godfrey, David Longnecker, Will Renauld, Craig Saltmarsh, Laura Vincent

**Administrators Present:** Superintendent Mike Martin; Assistant Superintendent Chris Barry; Business Administrator Robin Heins; Human Resources Manager Kathleen Boucher; Facilities Director Fred Reagan; Principals Mike Jette, Mary Estee, Tracy Murch, Tom Laliberte, Linda McAllister, Sandy Davis; Assistant Principals for Special Education Maureen Gross, Mary Paradise; Assistant Principals Pat Severance, Pam Hill; MVLC Administrator Paulette Auger Fitzgerald

**Others Present:** Don Pfundstein, Legal Counsel. Approximately eight people from the public were present.

Chairman Mark Hutchins opened the Public Hearing at 7:00 p.m.

Chairman Hutchins began by summarizing Articles I, II, III, IV & V on the draft Warrant on pages ten and eleven in the information packet.

Chairman Hutchins introduced Troy Cowan to discuss Article VI. Troy began by discussing some of the goals of the Finance Committee during budget preparation. The board's primary goal is to present a budget with 0% increase that doesn't negatively impact the quality of education in the district. Troy reviewed the detailed breakdown of the budget on pages two through eight in the information packet. After the review of the budget, Troy Cowan, along with other School Board members, Superintendent Mike Martin and other District Administrators, answered questions and addressed comments from the floor.

Chairman Hutchins introduced Audrey Carter to discuss Article VII. Audrey reported on the one-year agreement with MVEA.

Chairman Hutchins continued by reviewing Articles VIII, IX & X.

Wendy Follansbee, Penacook resident, expressed concern regarding losing the reading tutors at Penacook Elementary

School. She asked the board to keep them in mind.

With no further questions or comments from the public, Chairman Hutchins closed the Public Hearing at 7:32 p.m.

*Respectfully submitted,  
Sally Welch  
Clerk*

**Conservation Commission Meeting Minutes — January 13, 2010**

Meeting called to order at 6:00 p.m.

*Attending:* Julie Robinson, Bill Gabler, Dan Geiger, Bob Butler

*Also in attendance:* Rob Buzzell, Paulie Touzin

Commission members reviewed the status of the changes to the town zoning regulations.

Chairman Robinson provided an update on the recent meeting of the Planning Board.

- The approval for NHMS to host "Snowdeo" on a one year trial basis
- Developer Joe Bowie presented plans for a 47 lot cluster development off of Bumfagon Rd. Issues regarding failure to adequately delineate wetlands and others were identified with the plan. Mr. Bowie acknowledged the issues and will return with a revised plan.
- A proposal was made to modify the plans for the facility on Staniels Rd. from rental units to condominium model.

Rob provided an update on the status of his efforts to audit all conservation property in the town, and to enhance/update the files on those properties.

- He has begun creating files for all town owned properties and inspected several, with those audits documented in the new files
- There are some issues remaining trying to find all the deeds for town properties. He will continue to research the cases, with the goal of obtaining deeds and complete documentation on all of the properties.

Dan and Julie reported on the recent site visit to the Piper Hill property where there was a question of the proposed driveway crossing a buffer zone. They reported that the visit showed that the situation was acceptable.

The issue of wetlands buffer at the Villages was discussed. This issue is still under review, but it appears that the contract between the town and the developer has not been enforced regarding the required 150' setback. This is an issue that needs to be addressed, resolved and reworked before the appropriate setback signage can be posted by Rob.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

*Submitted Bill Gabler  
Secretary*

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## Agricultural Commission Meeting Minutes — January 11, 2010

**Next Meetings:** Monday, February 8th, 2010, Loudon Community Building/Charlie's Barn, 7:00 PM

Monday, March 8th, 2010, Loudon Community Building/Charlie's Barn, 7:00 PM

Monday, April 12th, 2010, Loudon Community Building/Charlie's Barn, 7:00 PM

**Board Members:** Carole Soule, Bruce Dawson, Earl Tuson, Melissa Moore

**Attendees:** Allen Barton

### Minutes:

1. Minutes of Dec. 14, 2009 were accepted as written.

2. Earl Tuson sent suggestions to the Loudon Planning Board to consider a zoning ordinance regarding access through wetland buffers for farm activities. The Zoning Board has suggested alternative wording. If the wording in 301.6.4 as proposed by the Zoning Board is not accepted by the Conservation Commission, its omission will be amenable to this board. *It was moved to accept wording changes as discussed by Bruce Dawson; seconded by Carole Soule. All in favor.*

3. Earl has responded to Nada Haddad confirming that Loudon has an Ag Commission.

4. The 4th weekend in March is NH Maple Weekend. Melissa Moore will send information to include in the *Loudon Ledger*. Many Loudon producers are open to visitors. This listing will be publicized in the *Ledger*. *Moved by Carole; seconded by Bruce. All in favor.*

5. It was agreed that notification of the Farmer's Market at Cole Gardens would be sent to the *Loudon Ledger*.

6. Carole will research a Mini-Grant for Marketing Activities. It was agreed that the application would request funds for a Self-Guided Ag tour that could be posted on a website. *Moved by Melissa, seconded by Bruce. All in favor.*

7. It was agreed Carole would investigate a Loudon Agriculture booth at Loudon Old Home Day.

8. In order to demonstrate the website Bruce will check to see if WiFi is available in the Community Building. If not, then we could hold a meeting at the Library so that Bruce can train the board in the website use and maintenance.

9. It was agreed to recruit a speaker for the March 8th meeting to discuss Farm Energy Conservation.

11. High Tunnel EQUIP funding is available through USDA-NRCS.

12. Meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

**Mark Your Calendar: Winter Farmer's Market! March 27  
10 a.m.–2 p.m. at Cole Gardens, Loudon Road, Concord.**

## Maxfield Public Library Trustees Meeting Minutes — Jan. 5, 2010

*In attendance:* Trustees Sandy Blanchard, Sue Kowalski and Debbie Kardaseski, Library Director Nancy Hendy, Alternates Marilyn Sylvester and Ken Krzewick, and town resident Laura Vincent.

Minutes from the December 1, 2009 regular meeting and the December 1, 2009 executive session were read and approved.

**Financial Report:** Nancy reported that she will most likely draw from the Equipment Repair Line to cover the overrun in the Technology Line. It is already over budget and the \$700 fee for the audiobook subscription is pending. The Reconciliation Detail was reviewed and initialed by trustees.

### Director's Report:

The library will offer a **Summer Reading Program** for adults in conjunction with the State Library. The theme is "*Water Your Mind — Read!*"

A **fine arts club** will be meeting monthly on a Thursday night. One of their projects is to put together a group show to be held in the meeting room.

We are booking **juried art displays** for the remainder of the year. *A jury needs to be selected.*

**Ken Krzewick's artwork** is on display this month and features watercolor and oil paintings of New England landscapes. An artist's reception will be held on Jan. 30 from noon to 2 p.m. Volunteers Laura Vincent and Ginny Merrill will assist.

One of the **new public computers** was defective and had to be sent back to the factory for a replacement which will be installed on Jan. 8.

Walkway **snow removal** is going well with Adrian and/or his co-worker.

The **oil burner/furnace annual service contract** is up for renewal. Nancy reported that she got a quote from a competitor that proved to be higher per unit than Irving and did not include 24/7 coverage.

Our next **book sale** will be on Jan. 23. We continue to encourage book sale attendees to have their names added to our e-mail or phone notification list.

*Nancy indicated that a couple light fixtures need repairing. Also, the local 4-H chapter will be using the meeting room, further filling meeting room time slots.*

### Children's Librarian's Report:

December 17th, Concord Headstart joined us for story time (with Kelly Parisey). There were 14 children and 4 adults, in addition to our regular attendees.

December 23rd, a library user made a donation to be used towards a special program for children during February or April vacation.

December 29th and 30th, movie days for vacation week. There were 21 children and 11 adults in attendance.

Story time numbers for December: 112 children and 85 adults.

### Old Business:

There was discussion of whether to include employee benefits in the 2010–2011 budget. It was decided that doing so would help the library's cash flow but would make the budget's bottom line higher by \$15,000. The board decided not pursue the change for the coming fiscal year but to look into communicating with the Selectmen during the next fiscal year to make the change in the 2011–2012 budget.

There was discussion of the meeting the board had with the selectmen about the budget. Sandy questioned if we should have agreed to the Selectmen's proposal to put in half of the increase asked for in the Part Time Wages line (\$45,112 rather than \$52,425). There was discussion about whether the trustees communicated the need for the increase well enough. Ken pointed out that it needs to be made clear that the increase is in hours and not pay. The board decided to prepare clearer arguments for the first budget hearing on January 19th. The trustees will have statistics indicating increased demand of library services and descriptions of clerk duties. It will also be pointed out that clerks only make \$11.25 per hour (pages make \$9.00) and because they are part-time workers they do not cost the town expensive employee benefits. It was also indicated the trustees need to clarify the shift of \$5000 from the Fuel line to Part Time Wages made in July to cover opening Thursday evenings.

An article was submitted to the *Ledger* for the January issue highlighting increased library usage. It was decided to do more work on the pie chart and submit for the February issue. Debbie offered to write another article for the February issue describing the library's position.

**Roofing Update.** Debbie reported that she searched through town files looking for an invoice but found they were all billed from the contractor so there was nothing under Rodd Roofing. Sandy will continue to communicate with the new roofing company.

### New Business:

Nancy asked that the board review the Meeting Room Use Policy. A weight loss group had requested to use the meeting room but, after doing some research, Nancy found there is a commercial aspect to the group. Sandy asked the trustees to look over the current policy and be prepared to discuss it at the next meeting.

Sandy and Nancy will start working on the articles for the Town Report, due January 19th.

Sandy announced that the filing period for elected offices is January 20–29. Debbie, who is filling the last year of Greg Silva's term, said she did not intend to run.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 2, 2010, 5:00 p.m.

*Sandra Blanchard  
Susan Kowalski  
Deborah Kardaseski*

## Selectmen's Meeting Minutes — January 12, 2010

**PRESENT:** Selectmen Bowles, Maxfield, and Ives. Also present Police Chief/Code Enforcement Officer Bob Fiske, Planning Board Vice-Chair Stanley Prescott, and ZBA Chair David Powelson.

Chairman Bowles called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M.

*Selectman Maxfield moved to approve the Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, January 5, 2010 as presented. Seconded by Selectman Ives. All in favor. Motion carried.*

Chairman Bowles opened the Board of Permit meeting.

Mr. Fiske presented a hawkers and peddlers application for the Loudon Recreation Committee, submitted by Chair Alicia Grimaldi. The application is to conduct raffles, with proceeds to be deposited into the Recreation Revolving Fund. The drawings will be held at the Recreation Committee's Winter Carnival in February. Mr. Fiske said since this is a town event he would expect the Selectmen to waive the application fee. The Board was in agreement and the permit was approved.

Mr. Fiske presented the Board with a report on building permits. Mr. Fiske asked the Board for input on the process for handling the unused permits carried over at the end of the year. Mr. Prescott said the number of carry-over permits are available for

the following year. If unused, the carry over permits (from 2009) are deleted from the total number of unused permits at the end of the current year (2010). If at the end of 2009 there were 11 unused permits, then at the end of 2010 there were 22 unused permits, the first 11 from 2009 would be deleted, leaving only 11 permits to be carried over from 2010 to 2011. Chairman Bowles said at no time is the number to exceed 25% of the total for any given year. Mr. Fiske asked why consideration was given to using the surplus. Selectman Ives said the current growth management ordinance will lapse on April 30, 2010 unless the zoning amendment which will appear on the warrant for March 2010 Town Meeting is passed. Discussion ensued on the growth management ordinance.

Mr. Fiske said he wanted to discuss signs and specifically temporary banners. Mr. Fiske referred to page 53 of the Zoning Ordinance. Mr. Fiske suggested limiting the number of banners allowed. Chairman Bowles asked if limiting the number would be in violation of the ordinance. Mr. Fiske said the ordinance reads "reasonable."

Mr. Fiske advised those present he received the revised FEMA flood rate maps today.

**Selectmen — cont. from 22**

Mr. Fiske said he wanted to state for the record, he has heard there may be overnight camping for the snow bowl event at NHMS. All concurred this has been stated in the Planning Board approvals that overnight camping would not be allowed. Mr. Prescott said he will address this at the next Planning Board meeting. Chairman Bowles closed the Board of Permit meeting.

The Board met with Police Chief/Code Enforcement Officer Bob Fiske.

Chairman Bowles stated for the record one pistol permit was signed for approval.

Mr. Fiske advised the Board he has been asked to meet with Commissioner Barthelmes of the Department of Safety to discuss the security aspects of the 2010 racing season at NH Motor Speedway. Chairman Bowles asked that Chief Fiske keep the Board posted on the discussion.

Chairman Bowles discussed the letter received from Chief Fiske relative to the traffic security at certain intersections for the Snow Bowl event. Chief Fiske said the crossing locations had been recommended by Kim Bean, President of the NH Sno Shakers snowmobile club. Selectman Ives

asked if the officers are on duty to be available to other locations in town if needed. Chief Fiske said the officers will be assigned to the track and the track will be billed for this service.

The Board began their review of weekly correspondence.

The Board received version #2 of the proposed budget for fiscal year 2010–2011 for review.

The Board received information on the petition submitted by Pastor Jeff Owen. One petitioner is not a registered voter, and one petitioner failed to sign the petition. Without the signature there are not enough registered voters on the petition to accept it. Pastor Owen will be notified so that he may obtain the needed signature before the February 3rd deadline.

The Board discussed proposed warrant articles. One article will be for road improvement on Lower Ridge Road and another article will be to change the method of compensation for the town clerk position, changing it from fee based compensation to a salaried position. The Selectmen will discuss this with the Town Clerk's office. Chairman Bowles said he feels this should go to the taxpayers to decide.

The Board received correspondence from Attorney Bart Mayer on Greenview Drive. Selectman Maxfield reviewed the hearing he attended on Monday relative to this litigation.

The Board received a proposal from Debbie K Graphics to layout the 2009 Town Report for a fee of \$900.00. This would include all proofs, corrections, and a final camera ready file to send to the printer. Selectman Ives explained the pre-press work included in the bid that was awarded to Kase Printing included a fee of \$60.00 per hour. He said he discussed the time Deb felt would be involved with this process, and was comfortable with the proposal from Deb K. Selectman Ives said he discussed this information with Chairman Bowles and the decision was made to accept this proposal. *Selectman Ives moved to accept the proposal from Debbie K Graphics to complete the layout of the 2009 Town Report for a fee of \$900.00. Second by Selectman Maxfield.* Selectman Maxfield asked if Selectman Ives had any figures on what Evans Printing charged for this process. Selectman Ives said Deb told him she charged Evans Printing \$60.00 per hour for this work. He said he believes Evans then charged the

town \$80.00 per hour for the layout. *All in favor. Motion carried.*

The Board received a copy of a letter sent to Bob Fiske from the Department of Safety on the grant closeout for the 2006 Critical Infrastructure Protection Plan grant.

The Board received ESMI compliance reports for October, November, and December.

The Board received copies of the ZBA site visit minutes and the Zoning workshop minutes for review.

The Board received four past due ambulance bills for review. *Selectman Ives moved to send the following past due ambulance bills to collection: Account #44767 in the amount of \$150.00, Account #44419 in the amount of \$600.80, Account #43343 in the amount of \$569.10, and Account #17831 in the amount of \$52.30. Second by Selectman Maxfield.* *All in favor. Motion carried.*

The Board received NHMA Legislative Bulletin #3 for review.

*Selectman Ives moved to adjourn at 7:51 P.M. Second by Selectman Maxfield.* *All in favor. Motion carried.*

**LOUDON BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

*Dustin J. Bowles, Chairman  
Roger A. Maxfield, Selectman  
Steven R. Ives, Selectman*

**Selectmen's Meeting Minutes — January 19, 2010**

PRESENT: Selectmen Bowles, Maxfield, and Ives.

Chairman Bowles called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M.

*Selectman Maxfield moved to approve the Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, January 12, 2010 as presented. Second by Selectman Ives.* *All in favor. Motion carried.*

Chairman Bowles stated for the record three pistol permits were approved for signature.

The Board began their review of weekly correspondence.

The Board received several items to be added to their budget books.

The Board reviewed an article from District 2 Councilor Shea for submission in the annual town report. The Selectmen made the decision to not include this article in the report.

The Board received a letter from MDP Realty Associates expressing an interest in purchasing town owned land on Foster Road. After consideration of this request the Board decided they are not interested in selling this parcel. A letter will be drafted to MDP with the Board's decision.

The Selectmen received a copy of the pilot agreement payment from Loudon VOA Senior Housing for the 2009 tax year in the amount of \$11,895.00.

The Board received a copy of a memo sent from Code Enforcement Officer Bob Fiske to the Planning Board regarding overnight parking for the February Snow Bowl event scheduled for NH Motor Speedway.

The Board received a copy of an administrative order from Department of Environmental Services on the Sanborn Dam breach that took place in December.

The Board received notification of programming changes to be initiated by Comcast in February.

The Board was provided with a copy of the notice concerning an H1N1 clinic to be held at the Loudon Fire Department on January 26th.

The Board received an abutter notice relative to an application for special exception which will be heard by the Zoning Board of Adjustment on January 28.

The Board received the approved November minutes of the J.O. Cate Van Committee.

The Board received notification on the availability of Highway Safety Grants for the coming fiscal year.

The Board noted receipt of draft articles for the annual town report for their review and approval.

Chairman Bowles opened the public hearing on the proposed budget and warrant articles for fiscal year 2010–2011 at 7:00 P.M.

Chairman Bowles said the Board will go through the proposed budget line by line. He stated the Board had met with the Department Heads to review their budget requests. He also stated the Board did not meet with individual committees, which as a general rule they don't. He also said most all budget requests were level funded over the current fiscal year which will end June 30, 2010.

Chairman Bowles began by reviewing the Selectmen's budget. He stated the Board did not approve any Cost of Living Allowance for town employees this year. He explained the 53 pay week that falls during the fiscal year July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011. He stated the increases in the salary lines are attributed only to this 53 pay week issue which must be budgeted for.

Chairman Bowles stated the appropriations for Landfill Testing, Historical Society, and Conservation Commission all remain level funded over the current fiscal year. The Town Clerk's budget requests are level funded with the exception of office supplies, which was increased to cover the cost of printer cartridges and supplies. Postage was also increased by \$100.00.

Chairman Bowles reviewed the budget for elections, which has been increased due to the additional state elections that will be held during the fiscal year.

Chairman Bowles said there was no increase in the Trustees of the Trust Funds budget request.

The Town Auditor's appropriation was increased to cover the costs associated with new reporting requirements.

Tax map preparation remains level funded. However, the appropriation for assess-

ments has been increased to cover the costs for a town wide statistical update and sales ratio analysis which is due to be completed by April 1, 2011. The Board also discussed the assessment of NH Motor Speedway and how this will be addressed during the town wide update. The appropriation for assessment of public utilities has also increased by \$500.00. As an offset, the Board reduced the appropriation for engineering fees by \$500.00.

The tax collector's budget requests remained mostly level funded as well as the treasurer's.

Steve Jakubowski questioned the NH Retirement System line and the decrease projected. The Board explained the Library will now show the employer contribution for the Library employees in their operating budget, therefore this move reduced the town's contribution.

Chairman Bowles said both the Planning Board and Zoning Board budgets show some decreases in expenditures. He noted all departments have tried to be very conservative in their requests for funding.

Chairman Bowles reviewed the budget requests for the government buildings. He noted overall the total budget for government buildings is down by 36.01%. Chairman Bowles noted the appropriation for cemetery maintenance has been reduced by 28.57% as funding that was designated for repairs has been removed. The repairs were completed and the budget can be reduced to only what is needed for maintenance.

Chairman Bowles addressed employee benefits, which are up 2.19% overall, mostly attributed to expected increased costs in health and dental insurance.

Chairman Bowles reviewed the budget for the police department. The appropriation for tires has been increased to cover projected increased costs.

Chairman Bowles reviewed the special events budget. He noted there is also offsetting revenue for this section.

Chairman Bowles explained the reduction in the Concord Regional Visiting Nurses appropriation. He noted the town

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

- **Town Office**
- **Maxfield Public Library**
- **Beanstalk Store**
- **Ivory Rose/USPS**
- **Transfer Station**
- **Web Site**



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received notification they would not be seeking any funding at this time. He said the Board decided to keep the line open with \$500.00 budgeted should an emergency arise.

Chairman Bowles reviewed the ambulance and fire department budget. He asked Fire Chief Jeff Burr to explain the equipment testing increase. Chief Burr said in several instances the testing had been conducted while the equipment was still under warranty. Now the warranty is expired, the town must cover the cost of the required testing procedures. Selectman Ives noted there are reductions in other lines to offset this increase. Chairman Bowles stated the overall fire department budget is reduced by 1.45%. Compliance budget is up 1.87%. Chairman Bowles noted Fire Chief Jeff Burr and Police Chief Bob Fiske serve as co-directors of emergency management. This budget is reduced by 25%. The forest fire budget remained level funded.

Chairman Bowles stated the highway department has seen an overall decrease of 1.96%. Jeff Burr asked if there was any way to increase the building maintenance line to allow for additional insulation to be installed at the Highway garage. Discussion ensued with no changes being made at this time.

The Board reviewed the Highway Block Grant monies. Deb Kardaseski questioned the increase when last year's budget was \$174,502. Chairman Bowles explained the increase/decrease is calculated on the adopted budget vs. the proposed budget. The revised budget amount may include additional monies received or encumbered funds from a prior year. Chairman Bowles noted the solid waste budget has an increase in the tipping fees. He also stated the Selectmen, together with the Solid Waste/Recycling Committee are trying to increase awareness of the need to recycle more trash. Chairman Bowles noted that the J.O. Cate Van Committee and Loudon Communications Council, as well as Welfare and Recreation show little or no increase.

Chairman Bowles advised those present that the Selectmen had met with the Library Trustees and had reached a compromise on their request to increase the part-time wage line. Deb Kardaseski asked to speak on the Library budget. Ms. Kardaseski stated the Trustees would like to have the original amount requested for the part-time wage line reinstated. This amount is \$52,425.00. The Selectmen had compromised on \$45,100. Deb said she has additional information she would like to read into the record. Selectman Maxfield said he felt the compromise had been reached reluctantly and the Board should reinstate the original request of \$52,425.00 and let the people decide at town meeting. *A Look at the Library Budget by Debbie Kardaseski, Library Trustee*

*The Maxfield Public Library celebrated its one-hundredth birthday this year. Those years have seen tremendous growth both in the town of Loudon and in the Library itself.*

*In recent years, the Library has faced difficult questions during town meeting. As one of those often asking questions about "library best practices," I now find myself in position of being able to provide some answers. I know we all would like to foster a better understanding of what the Library needs in order to better serve the citizens, and ease some of the strong emotions that have surrounded library issues through the past few years.*

*Here are some facts and figures that may help.*

*Prior to the 2008–2009 fiscal year, the library was open 40 hours per week. In*

*March of 2008, the library budget was cut by 30% on the floor of town meeting.*

*As a result of the 30% reduction, beginning July 1, 2008, hours of operation were cut back to 30 hours per week. Free-to-the-public museum passes were cut back, some magazine and newspaper subscriptions were eliminated, fewer books were purchased, and technology updates, including the purchase of more public computers, were postponed. Part-time staff hours were reduced by 46%. With staffing required on two floors, three staff members need to be available to the public when the library is open.*

*With the exception of staff hours, the operating budget for Fiscal Year 2009–2010 saw all items in the budget returned to at least the levels of 2007–2008, with some increases. And staffing remained an issue as that budget line continued to be cut from what the Trustees requested. Consequently, the Library was still unable to be open for 40 hours.*

*In the meantime, the economy turned sour. Traditionally, libraries have always provided for people who couldn't afford to buy the books or magazines they need for themselves and their children or to own computers or to get help finding information or services. As the economic situation nationwide continued to deteriorate, more and more people in Loudon have found themselves in that category of need.*

*People who'd lost their jobs began turning to the Library for things they could no longer afford — things such as newspapers and computers to help them in their job search. And things like books and magazines for pleasure and work-related needs, movies and music for free stay-at-home entertainment, and library passes to area museums and science centers for affordable family outings.*

*The past year has seen an increase in circulation of 15%. Over 31,000 items were borrowed. That means 31,000 items went out the door. Staff had to check out 31,000 items and then check them back in. When an item comes back in, it is checked for damage. If damaged, calls need to be made to the borrower to arrange for replacement or repair cost reimbursement. Staff must keep track of when items are due back — and then make calls, often more than once, to remind the borrowers their items are past due. Once a book, movie, magazine, etc. is returned it must be checked back in and then returned to the shelf in the proper place. All of this takes time and requires attention to detail. If a book is shelved in the wrong place, for all intents and purposes, it is now lost.*

*Much of the work needing to be done in the library must be done by someone who is reliable and conscientious. While the Library has been able to contain some staff costs by using volunteers, the amount of skill volunteers bring to the job can vary enormously. Paid staff has also proven to be more reliable, as volunteers sometimes may not come to work when they say they will. In order to ensure that the Library can serve the citizens effectively and efficiently, the Library must rely most heavily on paid staff. In the midst of the economic downturn and circulation upturn, the Library Trustees took another look at their budget this past fall and determined they could open the Library another four hours per week by using some of the Fuel Oil money. That figure had been based on the previous year's high cost of fuel. The cost had dropped since the budget had been approved at Town Meeting. The Trustees knew they would have to watch the budget closely, as unforeseen circumstances, such as furnace problems or higher-than-anticipated utility costs, might mean having to cut the hours of*

*operation back again. In order to achieve and maintain an appropriate level of staffing to keep the Library open 40 hours per week in the months to come, the Trustees need sufficient, predictable funding levels for staffing.*

*This year, the Trustees are asking for an increase in the part-time wages line of their budget. This increase is not to give the current staff a raise — the Trustees are giving no raises this year — it will allow the Library to bring staffing back to the level it should be given the heavy use the Library is getting. Staff is needed to assist patrons — helping them find things, answering their questions, checking items in and out, and shelving items. Sometimes, patrons who are not computer savvy won't even try to use one of the six public access computers, so within reasonable limits staff will sit and do research with them. This staff person is now tied up and unavailable should someone else need help.*

*Clerks are paid \$11.25 per hour; pages are paid \$9.00 per hour. Part-time employees are not entitled to benefits thereby saving those costs. Clerks and pages answer phones, give help at public computers and copier machines, send faxes for the public, check out materials, process new books and DVDs, etc. (protective covers, spine labels, barcodes), keep statistical reports as required by the State Library, research reference questions, help run and prepare programs, track down overdue items with calls and mailed notices, sign up new borrowers and keep up-to-date borrower records, maintain lists of requested materials and reserve lists, draft flyers and bulletins, notify patrons when books come in, and more. The part-time wage line increase would allow the library to have three people available per hour when the library is open.*

*Hopefully this information has answered some of your questions. If you have more questions and want more information, you are welcome to contact the Library Director or any of the Trustees directly. The Library Trustees meet the first Tuesday of each month at 5:00 p.m. and the public is welcome to attend these meetings. Ms. Kardaseski stated if the budget request was returned to the original amount of \$52,425 the Library could be open 40 hours per week. She said that not counting the FICA and Medicare, which has been transferred from the town budget to the library budget and with the \$52,000 back in, this budget, is 1% less than the 2007–2008 budget. Selectman Maxfield asked about the transfer of the FICA/Medicare line. It was explained the auditor had recommended this transfer to accurately reflect the total operational costs of the library. Selectman Ives said Ms. Kardaseski did not bring out any new information. He said this information was presented to the Board during their meeting with the Trustees. Selectman Ives said he felt there had been an agreement reached, and now he feels the Board is being blindsided. He asked Ms. Kardaseski if money had been given out in the form of gift cards at Christmas time. Ms. Kardaseski said yes.*

Selectman Ives asked the amount given. Ms. Kardaseski stated \$350.00 from the Trust Funds. Selectman Ives asked if this was a Christmas bonus for all the employees. Ms. Kardaseski said yes it was. Selectman Ives said he is sure no one in the fire department, the police department, or the highway department received Christmas bonuses. Ms. Kardaseski said she agreed with Selectman Ives. Selectman Ives repeated that he does not like to be blindsided, so he is going to vote no on the request to reinstate the part time wages to \$52,425. He said he is going to stay with what was agreed to. Chairman Bowles recognized Trustee Sandra Blanchard. Ms. Blanchard said when the Trustees met with the Selectmen, it was stated the part time wages had been restored. She said then when it was discussed there seemed to be a misunderstanding. Chairman Bowles said the Board agreed to reinstate half of the request or \$7,300 to a total of \$45,100. Chairman Bowles said he was under the understanding everyone agreed to this compromise, with this proposal going to the budget hearing and also to town meeting. Chairman Bowles said this new request has taken the wind out of his sails tonight. Ms. Blanchard said during the meeting with the Selectmen the Trustees were asked if there was a way the Library could be open 40 hours. Chairman Bowles said the Board had asked if the \$52,425 would get the hours back to 40 hours per week. He said at that time the Trustees said no. Ms. Blanchard said if the original amount could be reinstated then the Library could be open 40 hours per week. Chairman Bowles said the reason for having the workshops and meetings so the budgets could be worked out. If the Trustees want anything more, they will have to take it to Town Meeting and ask for the people to approve any further increase. Chairman Bowles said the Selectmen had agreed to meet half way. Selectman Maxfield said he felt the purpose of the budget hearing is to get input. He said if the Trustees want to make a new proposal then they have the right to do so. He said he doesn't feel there is that big of a difference between the \$45,100 and the \$52,425 requested. Selectman Ives and Chairman Bowles said they were going to stand by the agreement reached during the budget review with the Trustees. Chairman Bowles said he is willing to present what is currently proposed (\$45,100) and if the Trustees want more then they can propose the change at town meeting. Brenda Pearl asked if the Trustees could provide the percent of increase from the current amount budgeted for 2009–2010 to the proposed for 2010–2011. Brenda also asked about the gift cards and how they were distributed. Sandra Blanchard said the total given out was \$335.00, ranging from \$20 to \$35, one \$50, and one \$75 gift cards. Ms. Blanchard said the Trustees have given these cards traditionally, and they do it because the library wages are extremely low compared to other town employees. She said the Trustees do this as a thank you to all

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the employees for their hard work. Mrs. Pearl asked if all employees receive one, full time and part time. Ms. Blanchard said yes. Chairman Bowles said the Selectmen do not have any control over this procedure. Roy Merrill said he felt the Library budget should remain as it is presented tonight and let the people get to the Library during stated business hours. Chairman Bowles recognized Bob Bottcher from the audience. Mr. Bottcher asked about the cleaning service line in the Library budget, which is \$6,600. He asked about volunteers doing the cleaning if they are bringing in more part time help. Chairman Bowles said he wanted to assure everyone the Selectmen went through all the budgets line by line and made cuts where they could. Steve Jakubowski said he feels the Trustees should stay with the agreement that was reached during the budget review. If they want to propose an increase at town meeting, then do it then. Chairman Bowles asked for an acknowledgement from the Trustees that the budget proposed tonight will go to town meeting and if they want to ask for an increase in the part time wage line the Trustees will present this request to the voters at Town Meeting. Chairman Bowles recognized Ken Krzewick from the audience. Mr. Krzewick asked why the original request of the Trustees could not be added to the proposed budget tonight. Chairman Bowles said the final decision on the budget that is adopted to go to Town Meeting rests with the Selectmen. He said during the meeting with the Trustees a compromise had been agreed on. If the Trustees now want to go back to their original request they will need to take this request to town meeting. Mr. Krzewick asked how the Trustees would get this information out to the people. Chairman Bowles said the Trustees have many options available to them to get the information out to the voters, including the use of computers. Chairman Bowles said he did not feel it was the Selectmen's responsibility to do this, especially since two of the Selectmen do not support the change. Mr. Krzewick said he does feel there was a misunderstanding on what the Trustees were asking for. Chairman Bowles said he doesn't agree. He said he was clear in asking for the compromise and he asked each Trustee individually whether they agreed with the compromise. Selectman Maxfield said he was the one who asked for the compromise and the Trustees agreed, even if reluctantly. Deb Kardaseski said she wanted to clarify the increase was for \$14,725.00 and the compromise was for \$7,300. Chairman Bowles said the budget the Selectmen are going to propose for the Library will show a 14.54% increase over last year.

Chairman Bowles went on to review the remaining portions of the budget, all of which remain level funded over last year.

Chairman Bowles said the Board had reviewed payments to the Capital Reserve Funds and decided to leave these at level

funding. Sandra Blanchard asked if there was a way to tell how much money is in the capital reserve fund for the town office building. Selectman Maxfield said the Selectmen do have that figure, which is \$560,547.00. He said another \$100,000 will be deposited June 30. Deb Kardaseski asked about the status of the grader. Chairman Bowles said repairs have been made, and they are trying to keep it running as long as possible. Brenda Pearl asked for a clarification on raises for town office employees. She asked if anyone in the town office is receiving a raise. The Selectmen replied no, there are no raises this year.

Selectman Maxfield reviewed the proposed estimated revenues for fiscal year 2010–2011. Fire Jeff Burr asked the Board if monies received for reports provided to insurance companies could be broken out and identified as fire department income. Deb Kardaseski questioned the insurance reimbursement line, which is estimated to be \$15,000 for the coming year. The Board said this represents the employee portion of the health insurance costs. Ms. Kardaseski asked if the employees will be contributing more towards this expense in the coming year. The Board said this would be the case. Chip Cochran asked if the Board could provide the percentage of property taxes collected. Selectman Maxfield said the Tax Collector has told the Board collections have been consistent. Chairman Bowles said with escrow accounts, a good portion of taxes received come directly from the mortgage companies.

Selectman Ives stated there are two warrant articles to go before town meeting. The first is to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$150,000.00 for the purpose of shimming and paving Lower Ridge Road from Sleeper's Bridge to Loudon Ridge Road. \$45,000.00 to be withdrawn from the Roadway Improvement Capital Reserve Fund and the balance to be raised by taxes. This will affect the tax rate by 19 cents per \$1,000 value. The Selectmen recommend this article. Selectman Ives said the Board is trying to continue maintenance on the roads in town. He said the Board tries to pick at least one road per year that needs to be repaved. Janice Morin asked about using impact fees for these projects. Chairman Bowles said the fees cannot be used for road maintenance, only for road improvements. He said the Board has projects scheduled for this year that impact fees will be used.

Selectman Ives read the following article: To see if the Town will vote to change the method of compensation for the Town Clerk from fees to salary. Compensation for the Town Clerk shall be in the range of \$24,000.00 to \$26,000.00 annually, depending upon education, experience, qualifications, and certification. In order to qualify for the compensation, the Town Clerk will work, and the office at the Town Offices will be open to the public, a minimum of twenty-six (26) hours, including one week-day evening. The Board of Selectmen will be responsible for determining the appropri-

ate level of compensation. All fees collected by the Town Clerk will be credited to the General Fund as Town revenue. This article will not affect the tax rate. The Selectmen recommend this article. Selectman Ives said currently the Town Clerk is paid on a fee basis only. The question was raised on who is responsible for setting the duties and compensation for the Town Clerk. Chairman Bowles said the voters will decide on how the clerk is compensated. Mr. Jakubowski said he thought the voters were the ones to decide on the amount of compensation. Selectman Ives said the voters will determine the range, but the Selectmen will determine the actual amount, based on qualifications, as they do with other town employees. Janice Morin asked what happens to the Town Clerk fees appropriation line if this article passes. Chairman Bowles said he thinks this line will be amended to

reflect the amount voted in the article, but they will have to check on this to be sure. Deb Kardaseski said the line for the Town Clerk Fees is listed for \$33,000.00. Chairman Bowles said yes it does, and if the warrant article passes the \$33,000.00 would be deleted, and a line for the salary would be inserted. Selectman Maxfield stated the current Deputy Town Clerk served in that position in Walpole for a few years and is very qualified to assume the Town Clerk's position.

*Selectman Ives moved to adjourn at 8:44 P.M. Second by Selectman Maxfield. All in favor. Motion carried.*

**LOUDON BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

Dustin J. Bowles, Chairman  
Roger A. Maxfield, Selectman  
Steven R. Ives, Selectman

## Selectmen's Meeting Minutes — January 26, 2010

Present: Selectmen Bowles, Maxfield, and Ives. Also present Police Chief/Code Enforcement Officer Bob Fiske.

Chairman Bowles called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M.

*Selectman Ives moved to approve the Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, January 19, 2010 as presented. Second by Selectman Maxfield. All in favor. Motion carried.*

The Board met with Police Chief/Code Enforcement Officer Bob Fiske.

Mr. Fiske provided the annual business permit for NH Motor Speedway for signa-

ture. Discussion ensued on the issuance of the permit.

Chairman Bowles stated for the record two pistol permits were approved for signature.

Mr. Fiske presented the Board with two re-nominations for Health Officer. *Selectman Maxfield moved to appoint Robert N. Fiske as Health Officer for the Town of Loudon for a period of two years, and also to appoint Janice J. Morin to the position of Deputy Health Officer for the Town of*

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Loudon for a period of two years. Second by Selectman Ives. Selectman Ives noted the re-appointment will begin with the expiration of their current terms. All in favor. Motion carried.

Mr. Fiske provided a copy of the Fish & Game permit for the Sno Bowl event at NH Motor Speedway.

Mr. Fiske said he has also been contacted by the track to reduce the number of officers to be stationed at the designated intersections during the Sno Bowl event at NH Motor Speedway. Mr. Fiske said he advised the track officials he would not reduce the number of officers to be assigned as this is what was agreed to on the approvals from the Planning Board. Chairman Bowles said he agreed, but would leave it up to Mr. Fiske's discretion if the estimated crowd was less than anticipated. Mr. Fiske discussed the overnight parking issue that was addressed by the Planning Board on January 21. Selectman Ives advised Mr. Fiske the Planning Board clarified the overnight parking would be allowed for competitors only, and there would be no spectator overnight parking. All overnight parking will be in a fenced in area with security personnel present.

Mr. Fiske advised the Board he had met with Commissioner Barthelmes to discuss the security issues for the 2010 racing season. He said there is another meeting scheduled for next week.

Mr. Fiske said he wanted to discuss the budget meeting with the Selectmen in December. He said he left the meeting under the impression he would have the opportunity to meet with the Selectmen prior to the public hearing on the budget, which was held last week. Chairman Bowles said he would take full responsibility for this second meeting not happening. He said the time crept up on the Board and they did not arrange a second meeting with any of the Department Heads relative to the proposed budget for 2010–2011. Mr. Fiske asked if the Board had any further information on

how the budget was going to play out in regards to the COLA for town employees and the medical insurance issue. Chairman Bowles said the Board is anticipating the town will be able to hold the current medical and dental plan as is in place now. Selectman Ives asked if Mr. Fiske was asking about the cost to the employees. Mr. Fiske said he would like to know if the employees will be required to pay more toward their insurance costs. Chairman Bowles said he could not say either way because the final numbers are not available yet. He said the Board is going to try to do everything possible to not have the cost to employees increase. Mr. Fiske said if the cost to the employees did increase would there be any further consideration given to a cost of living allowance amount. Selectman Maxfield said he did not think so. Chairman Bowles said the Board had agreed there would be no COLA this budget year. Selectman Maxfield said he had spoken with the Merrimack Valley School District office today. He said the school district budget is down 1.5%. He also said the school district employees will not be receiving a COLA this year. Selectman Ives said the Board realizes the employees do not want to regress from where they are now. Mr. Fiske said he had reviewed the budget reports from last week. He asked if the Board had included the contractual 2.5% increase in his salary lines. The Board said no, there wasn't any salary increases figured in except for the 53rd pay week due to how the check dates fall during the fiscal year. Chairman Bowles explained that Bob Fiske and Jeff Burr are salary, but paid weekly, therefore the 53rd week needed to be budgeted. Mr. Fiske stated for the record then, the 2.5% is not included. The Board concurred. Selectman Maxfield said to be specific the Board did not discuss it or vote yes or no. Chairman Bowles and Selectman Ives said it was not discussed. Chairman Bowles asked Mr. Fiske if he was asking to have the 2.5% increase included in the proposed budget? Mr. Fiske said he did not want to be a party to the contractual agreement being a

discrepancy on his part that it was not discussed. He said it is in there and he felt he needed to bring it forward. He said he is not declining the 2.5% either. The Board assured Mr. Fiske this was in no way a reflection in his work performance. Chairman Bowles said the fact there is no COLA included does not reflect on any of the employees. He said the Board felt given the economy there was no way they could include a raise in this year's budget. The Selectmen said once all the figures are in for the insurance costs, if changes are needed, an employee meeting will be held to review any changes that will take place.

The Board discussed the culvert issue on Country Hill Road.

The Board began their review of weekly correspondence.

The Board received expenditure reports for review.

The Board received a copy of a pie chart prepared by Deborah Kardaseski reflecting a breakdown of the proposed budget for 2010–2011. Selectman Maxfield said he would have preferred a graph chart instead of a pie chart.

The Board noted receipt of town report articles to review and approve prior to the printing deadline.

The Board received a petition warrant article for inclusion in the warrant. The signatures have been verified as registered voters and the required number of 25 has been met. Selectman Maxfield read the article. "To see if the Town will vote to approve the following resolution to be forwarded to our

State Representative(s), our State Senator, the Speaker of the House and the Senate President. Resolved: The citizens of New Hampshire should be allowed to vote on an amendment to the New Hampshire Constitution that defines "marriage." By Petition. This article will be forwarded to town counsel for his review and opinion.

The Board was given a printout of the account for other revenues-local sources, which is where the accident report revenues from the Fire Department are posted. Chairman Bowles said to date there are three receipts received of \$15.00 each. The Board agreed they will not separate fire department income to a separate line in the budget at this time.

The Board received correspondence from town counsel regarding the Greenview Drive litigation.

The Board noted receipt of a thank you card from the family of Nathan Taylor.

The Board received a memo from Fire Chief Jeff Burr regarding the Sewalls Falls Bridge in Concord. Chief Burr has instructed all personnel to not cross this bridge with any apparatus from the Town of Loudon.

The Board received issue #5 of the NHMA Legislative Bulletin for review.

Selectman Maxfield moved to adjourn at 7:24 P.M. Second by Selectman Ives. All in favor. Motion carried.

**LOUDON BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

Dustin J. Bowles, Chairman

Roger A. Maxfield, Selectman

Steven R. Ives, Selectman

## Selectmen's Meeting Minutes — February 2, 2010

**PRESENT:** Selectmen Bowles, Maxfield, and Ives. Also present Road Agent David Rice, Fire Chief Jeff Burr, and Planning/Zoning Administrative Assistant Donna White.

Chairman Bowles called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M.

Selectman Maxfield moved to approve the Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, January 26, 2010 as presented. Second by Selectman Ives. All in favor. Motion carried.

Chairman Bowles stated for the record two pistol permits were approved for signature.

The Board met with Planning/Zoning Administrative Assistant Donna White.

Donna said she wanted to discuss her Tuesday hours with the Selectmen. She said she would like to change her hours to 8:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M. instead of taking the two hour break between 4:00 and 6:00 P.M. She said she rarely has anyone coming into the office during the later evening hours and this would still allow the office to be open late one night per week. The Board gave their approval for this change and asked that Donna post the change and put an article in *The Ledger* so the residents will be aware.

The Board met with Road Agent David Rice.

Mr. Rice said things have been going pretty well, with few breakdowns. He said the exception was at the Town Office parking lot where the spreader didn't shut off. He said he will do some clean-up of the excess salt.

Mr. Rice provided a breakdown of the uniform rental costs he has been working on. Mr. Rice said he had received notification of an increase in uniform costs so he approached the company to negotiate a better price. He said the initial cost to provide uniforms for two hires this past year is what

caused his budget to go over. Selectman Ives asked how the uniforms hold up. Mr. Rice said they wear well and if the uniform wears out, the company replaces them at no additional cost. Mr. Rice asked if the Selectmen wanted to sign the contract or if they want him to sign it. Selectman Maxfield asked who signed it before. Mr. Rice said the Road Agent. The Board authorized Mr. Rice to sign the contract. Chairman Bowles questioned the math but on final review, it was confirmed there was enough appropriated to cover this cost.

Mr. Rice advised the Board during the heavy rains there was a wash out of a ditch on Upper City Road. He said he had contracted with Mike LaBonte to get some fill up there. He said he hasn't received a bill from Mike yet but wanted the Board to know what had taken place. Discussion ensued on a water problem at the end of School Street. Mr. Rice said he will plan to work on this issue in the spring. Selectman Ives asked about Country Hill Road. Mr. Rice said he had spoken with the property owner. He said the piece under the driveway is freezing up, and technically is not the town's problem. Mr. Rice said he plans on doing more work in the spring to rectify this situation.

The Board met with Fire Chief Jeff Burr.

Chief Burr said he wanted to address the minutes from January 19 and the discussion of revenues for the fire department. He reviewed other line items that have small amounts and he would like to see the income generated from the Fire Department specified. The Board said they will check into this.

Chief Burr said he attended a meeting at Department of Safety with Chief Fiske and the Commissioner of Safety. Selectman Ives

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asked if those present were receptive to the discussions. Chief Burr said there has to be review and homework done to reach a solution. Chairman Bowles said he had spoken with Governor Lynch and requested these discussions take place during the winter to be prepared for the racing season. Governor Lynch created a task force to address these issues.

Chairman Bowles asked Chief Burr about the memo regarding pending items on surplus equipment and the town safe at the safety building. Chief Burr has asked about shipping surplus equipment, which can no longer be used by the town, to third world countries. The Board concurred Chief Burr can pursue this issue. Chairman Bowles said as far as the safe goes, as soon as winter is over it will be moved. He said the Board needs to find a place to put it.

Chief Burr said the hydrant at the dam in the Village is frozen and is not operational. He said he will investigate how this can be fixed.

*Selectman Ives moved to appoint Christopher N. Elphick as a part-time patrolman for the Town of Loudon effective February 2, 2010. Second by Selectman Maxfield. All in favor. Motion carried.*

Chief Burr said he had one more thing to bring to the Board's attention. During the fire alarm activation last week at the Community Building it was noted the insulation in the utility room is in disrepair and needs to be replaced to keep the pipes from freezing. Chairman Bowles said he will follow up on this.

The Board began their review of weekly correspondence.

Chairman Bowles noted receipt of the cover for the town report and two additional articles for approval. The articles are for the

Old Home Day Committee and the Agricultural Commission report. The Board concurred the articles looked good. Selectman Ives said he likes to see articles that are informative and positive.

The Board received the approvals from Department of Revenue Administration and Attorney Bart Mayer on the wording for the Warrant Articles.

The Board received correspondence from Michael Harris.

The Board received an email from The Louis Berger Group with regards to providing a file to Department of Environmental Services of photos taken of the Wiggins Road project. Ms. Houston is just informing the Board of this request in case they have objections.

The Board received information from Stoney Ridge Environmental on services they provide. This will be kept on file for future use.

The Board received past due ambulance bills for review. *Selectman Ives moved to forward the following past due ambulance bills to collection, Account #44285 in the amount of \$605.10 and Account # 10232 in the amount of \$485.10. Second by Selectman Maxfield. All in favor. Motion carried.*

The Board received the January 28 ZBA minutes for review.

The Board received the December property transfers for review.

The Board noted receipt of the NHMA Legislative Bulletin #6 for review.

*Selectman Ives moved to adjourn at 7:35 P.M. Second by Selectman Maxfield. All in favor. Motion carried.*

**LOUDON BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

*Dustin J. Bowles, Chairman*

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*Steven R. Ives, Selectman*

**NEW PLANNING/ZONING OFFICE HOURS:  
MONDAY THROUGH THURSDAY 8 A.M.—4 P.M. OPEN TUESDAY EVENINGS UNTIL 7 P.M.**

**Planning Board Meeting Minutes — January 21, 2010**

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

**Attendance:**

Chairman Tom Dow, Steve Jackson, Tom Moore, Vice Chairman Stan Prescott, Alternate Jeff Green, and Ex-Officio Steve Ives

Gary Tasker, Henry Huntington, and Bob Ordway were absent. Jeff Green was appointed as a voting member for this meeting.

Julie Robinson represented the Conservation Commission and John Reese represented the Fire Department.

**Continuation of Zoning Amendment Public Hearing:**

Chairman Dow re-opened the public hearing that was continued from January 13, 2010. He explained that the Board approved Zoning Amendments 2010-1 through 2010-5 for the ballot at that meeting. Discussion on Zoning Amendment 2010-6 was continued to this meeting so that additional research and language revisions could be done. The chairman read Zoning Amendment 2010-6. Zoning Board Chairman Dave Powelson stated that the main wording of the new proposed S 301.6.4 has been in the Zoning Ordinance for a long time and seems to conflict with S 301.4 which mentions pesticides. He said by allowing the uses of S 301.4 under S 301.6.4 the ordinance becomes more consistent. Julie Robinson and Earl Tuson both agree with the new wording proposed by Mr. Powelson. (S 301.6.4 No pesticides or fertilizers shall be used within the entire natural wetland buffer, except for uses allowed in S 301.4.) Mr. Tuson pointed out that there is no reason to refer to S 301.5 as initially proposed because none of those uses would involve pesticides. He said the reference to Best Management Practices in S 301.4 addresses most concerns. Tom Dow said that State laws address this and he is not sure it is the Board's place to be regulating pesticides. Steve Jackson noted that the language change is making the ordinance consistent. Julie Robinson said leaving it as just S 301.4 gives guidelines to the average homeowner. She said there are many regulations that oversee the use of pesticides and she feels this change makes it more succinct and clear. It was agreed to drop the reference to S 301.5 from the original draft. *Steve Jackson made a motion to move Zoning Amendment 2010-6 to the ballot as*

*revised; seconded by Stan Prescott. All were in favor.*

**Acceptance of Minutes:**

*December 17, 2009 Regular Meeting —* There was a question on discussion of camping during the Sno-Bowl to be held at NHMS in February. The tapes of the December meeting will be reviewed. *Stan Prescott made a motion that the Board not act on the December 17, 2009 minutes until the February meeting in order to clear up the question on overnight camping; seconded by Steve Ives.* Tom Moore said that it is important to figure out what was discussed and whether it was fan or competitor camping. Tom Dow said it was his recollection that it was camping in general. *All were in favor.*

*January 6, 2010 Zoning Workshop —* *Steve Jackson made a motion to accept the minutes as written; seconded by Tom Moore. All were in favor.*

*January 13, 2010 Zoning Amendment Public Hearing —* *Tom Moore noted that he would like a change made on page 2, last paragraph, where it reads 'Tom Moore said that the guideline came through as 20%.' He said he believes he said 'the guideline came through as a minimum of 20%.' Jeff Green made a motion to accept the minutes as revised by Tom Moore; seconded by Steve Ives. All were in favor.*

**Old Business:**

*#09-22, New Hampshire Motor Speedway — Amended Site Plan, Located on Route 106 in the C/R District, Map 61, Lot 9 and Map 51, Lot 18.* Steve Jackson recused himself from this matter.

Chairman Dow gave an overview of the project and the location of the lots. Cindy Balcius of Stoney Ridge Environmental and John Zudell and Jerry Gappens of NHMS spoke about the project. Ms. Balcius noted that a site walk was done in the fall to review the major drainage project that was done on the infield. During that visit this area formerly referred to as L Lot was also viewed. Ms. Balcius explained that it became apparent during the process that they never came in for review of the work. She stated that a before and after plan has been done and went over the plans with the Board. She explained that some material was taken from the slopes. Ms. Balcius said that 1.6" of rain fell on August 11, 2009 and in that hour they had runoff from all the slopes. She explained the effect of the rain

due to the lack of drainage. Nobis Engineering did a new drainage design and an amended Alteration of Terrain permit application. As a result, a new infiltration basin was created in this area.

Tom Dow asked about the grade of the slopes. John Zudell said they are 2:1. There was discussion of what is permitted for slopes. The regulations were reviewed. Stan Prescott noted that the slopes are not against any abutting properties and that is where the regulations would come into play. Tom Dow said that the access is so much better and this is a great improvement to the area. He noted that the quarry was a huge liability and it is better that it is filled in. Mr. Dow said that the work improved the usability of the area, the changes are for the better, and a nice area has been created through this work. He said the drainage is working well, noting that the area would previously flood and create a mess. Stan Prescott read from S 302.4 of the Zoning Ordinance. It was agreed that there was no question that this was done to enhance safety. Mr. Prescott said that the work would qualify under S 302.3 C of the Zoning Ordinance. Tom Moore read from S 302.1 about the purpose of the Steep Slope District, noting that none of the concerns listed apply in this instance. John Zudell noted that the slopes are the same as seen along highways. Mr. Prescott said the Board is looking at all the angles to be fair to all. Steve Ives said this work would appear to be a permitted use under S 302.3, outdoor recreation.

Chairman Dow read a request for a waiver for submitting engineering details for parking areas. *Steve Ives made a motion to grant the waiver; seconded by Jeff Green.* Stan Prescott said there has been mention of Lots 8 and 9. He asked if there are others involved since there are several numbers on the plans. John Zudell explained the numbering system being implemented for the different lots on the property. He said S8 and S9 were previously referred to as the L Lot. Mr. Prescott suggested that this be written on the plan as Parking Lot S9. Mike Labonte pointed out that some would have complaints if there was camping in the lot if it is labeled as a parking lot. There was lengthy discussion on how best to label the lots so there is no confusion as to their use. It was agreed to mark the plan as "camping/parking" or make this reference in the notes. *All were in favor.*

Chairman Dow read a request for a waiver for the Site Specific Soils Map. Jeff Green said that he sees no reason to have to go through the work for this project. *Jeff Green made a motion to grant the waiver; seconded by Steve Ives. All were in favor.*

Tom Dow asked that S8 be added to the plan title so that both lots are noted. Tom Moore asked if all areas should be designated as camping/parking. Tom Dow said that a note was going to be added. Tom Moore pointed out that the plan refers to parking under the notes section. It was agreed that

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the plans will be marked with "Lot" references (example: Lot S8, Lot S9) rather than designation of parking/camping. *Stan Prescott made a motion to approve the amended site plan with the following changes: 1) lot labeling; 2) title block reference; 3) note #4 reference to lot labels; seconded by Tom Moore. All were in favor.*

Steve Jackson returned to the table.

**Sno-Bowl at NHMS** — Chairman Dow informed Mr. Zudell and Mr. Gappens that it has come to the attention of some that competitors are planning to camp at the track during the weekend of the Sno-Bowl. He said that the Board had said in discussion that there would be no camping and that they were thinking spectators. Mr. Dow said that competitors typically camp with their sleds and stay with them. He said this would be in a fenced area. Mr. Dow said this came up at the recent Board of Permit meeting and he has since talked with Bob Fiske about the matter. Chairman Dow stated that Mr. Fiske has no problem with this as long as it is alright with the Planning Board. He said this just needs to be clarified and that there would be no general public camping. Jerry Gappens explained that the traveling teams would camp in a secured area, noting their concern of theft if at hotels. John Zudell noted that the competitors would equal less than 1% of summer campers. Jerry Gappens said that he wants to clarify that they are not selling or promoting camping for this event. There was discussion of what was discussed at the last meeting. Chairman Dow said he would put something together for Code Enforcement if all were in agreement. The Board agreed.

**#09-23, BDJ Real Estate, LLC — Condominium Conversion/Subdivision, Located on Staniels Road in the C/I District, Map 1, Lot 58.** Jeff Green stepped down from the Board. Mr. Green of JL Green Enterprises represented the applicant. Chairman Dow explained that Mr. Bollinger, the applicant, recently passed away. He stated that he had Donna get a letter from Mr. Bollinger's attorney for the record; he read the letter to the Board.

Jeff Green reviewed what has been done with the conversion to this point; the first thing done was a review of the condo documents by the town's attorney. He explained that Mr. Bollinger's attorney made changes to the documents based on that review. Donna handed out a summary of the changes that were made. Mr. Green pointed out on the plans that he has labeled the limited common areas. He explained that each unit will have two spaces designated for their unit. All other spaces will be considered common area. Mr. Green showed the calculation of parking spaces in a table on the plan; these were taken from the approved site plan. He said each unit will have one space at the front of the building and one at the rear. Mr. Green went over the parking calculations and explained how each unit is figured.

Steve Ives asked about heat in the storage areas and what would happen if someone made that area into all office space. He asked who would police that. Mr. Green explained that a change of use has to go before the Board as outlined in the condo documents. The Board reviewed a floor plan for the building. Mr. Green said this would be recorded as an as-built with the condominium subdivision plan.

Steve Jackson referred to a note on the plan about the paving of the parking lot. He read from Section 13.4.9 e of the Land Development Regulations. Mr. Green explained that he has to show what is actually there at the time of the plan. He said this is based on the site plan. There was discussion of conveyance and possession of the units and site plan completion. Mr. Green said that the parking area will be paved before Certificates of Occupancy will be issued.

Chairman Dow closed the hearing to the public and opened it to the Board only. *Tom Moore made a motion to approve the condominium subdivision plan; seconded by Steve Jackson. All were in favor.*

Jeff Green returned to the table.

**New Business:****Board Discussion:**

Stan Prescott stated the he attended a site walk on Piper Hill Road (Map 22, Lot 48) with the ZBA and Conservation Commission. He said there is a request to allow the driveway in the setback because of a wetland. Mr. Prescott said that he felt the request was reasonable. The Board is all set with the request and this will be conveyed to the ZBA.

**Report of the ZBA:**

Donna reported that there are three applications before the ZBA this month. There is a special exception for reduced setbacks due to wetlands and there are two special exceptions for reduced setbacks and a used auto sales business at another property.

**Report of the Board of Permit:**

Stan Prescott reported that the following items were on the agenda:

Hawkers and peddlers permit for the Recreation Committee to sell raffle tickets  
NHMS — no camping  
Banners — limit two per business  
FEMA flood maps approved

**Other:**

**Villages at Loudon** — Julie Robinson asked if the findings of the site walk went to town counsel. The chairman asked if she had talked with Dan Geiger as he was at the site walk. Mrs. Robinson said that Mr. Geiger thought the matter had to go to town counsel. Chairman Dow gave an overview of the discussion at the site walk.

**Memory Lane** — Julie Robinson said that Rob Buzzell went to mark the common area of the open space subdivision and found that no bounds have been marked. Steve Jackson said that the corners of the lots have been done. There was discussion on how to measure to locate the rear of the lots and define the open space.

**Adjournment:**

*A motion to adjourn at 8:40 p.m. was made by Tom Moore; seconded by Stan Prescott. All were in favor.*

*Respectfully submitted,*

Donna White  
Administrative Assistant

*(Administrative Assistant's Note: In a review of the tapes of the December 17, 2009 meeting I did not find any discussion of camping during the Sno-Bowl event. In a review of the tapes of the November 19, 2009 meeting where there was discussion only (no formal application/public hearing) about the Sno-Bowl I found brief conversation about camping in general.)*

## Zoning Board Meeting Minutes — January 28, 2010

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

**ROLL CALL**

The following members were present: Chairman Dave Powelson, Vice Chairman Ned Lizotte, Roy Merrill, Howard Pearl, George Saunderson, and Alternate Jim Venne

**ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES**

**Regular Hearing** — Roy Merrill made a motion to approve the minutes of December 28, 2009; seconded by Ned Lizotte. All were in favor.

**Site Visit** — George Saunderson made a motion to approve the minutes of a site visit done on January 9, 2010; seconded by Roy Merrill. All were in favor.

**DISCUSSIONS**

**Joe Bohi, building permit extension** — Mr. Bohi submitted a letter requesting an extension of building permit #09-17. Mr. Bohi said he believes the permit was issued in late January 2009. Roy Merrill said he

does not see any reason not to approve the extension as several others have been granted due to economic changes. Ned Lizotte said it seems the economy will be this way for a while and he feels this is a reasonable request. *Roy Merrill made a motion to grant approval for a one year extension; seconded by Ned Lizotte. All were in favor.*

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

**#09-22, Brenda Clark — Special Exception for Reduced Setback, Map 22, Lot 48.** Abutters were notified; none were present. Chairman Powelson explained that a site visit was done earlier in the month and he gave an overview of the project and request. Ms. Clark submitted a follow-up letter and drawing with the specific setback reduction outlined. The request is to reduce the side setback to the north from 30' to 5' by the wetland. Ms. Clark explained that the proposed driveway would be moved over away from the boundary as it got further into the property and beyond the wetland area.

Chairman Powelson went through the points of the application with Ms. Clark. The application was amended to include Section 301.5 because of the wetland. There were no questions from the Board and no questions from the public. The chairman closed the hearing; the Board took up the matter for deliberation.

*Howard Pearl made a motion to reduce the side setback from 30' to 5' in order to go around the wetland; with the driveway to curve back in when appropriate based on the drawing submitted; seconded by Ned Lizotte. A roll vote was taken: George Saunderson — Yes; Ned Lizotte — Yes; Dave Powelson — Yes; Roy Merrill — Yes; Howard Pearl — Yes. Unanimous — PASSED.*

**#Z10-1 & #Z10-2, Michael Milligan — Special Exception for Reduced Setbacks & Special Exception for Used Auto Sales, Map 20, Lot 58.** Abutters Ron Lane (for his parents) and Matt Smith (MSPS Realty) were present. Howard Pearl noted that the answers on both applications appear to be

the same; he suggested that they be heard together and voted separately. Tim Bernier represented the applicant. It was stated that Jay Canney would be operating the facility if approved.

Mr. Bernier explained that one of the requests is to permit retail sales of used cars. He showed the location and frontages on the three roads (Route 106, South Village, and Wales Bridge). Because this is in the C/I District there is a 100' front setback required for buildings. Mr. Bernier stated that the setback requirement really restricts the buildable area of the lot. He said they are requesting reductions as follows: Route 106 side to 60' and South Village Road side to 30'. Mr. Bernier said it is 80' from the Wales Bridge Road side to the building. Mr. Bernier pointed out that the right-of-way line is 100' from the edge of the Route 106 pavement. Given that fact, the building would then be 160' back from Route 106. He explained that the State has drainage in

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the right-of-way of South Village Road and the closest edge of pavement is 43'. Mr. Bernier pointed out that the building is 80' from the boundary so this would make it approximately 110' from the pavement. He noted that the parcel has a boundary with the residential zone so there would be a 60' setback required in that area. Mr. Bernier said they are asking that the 60' buffer be reduced to the standard 30' in this case. He pointed out that the residence is quite a distance away and that there is an existing tree line in that area. Mr. Bernier stated that they meet the requirements for parking.

Mr. Bernier explained that retail sales are a permitted use in the C/I district. He said the request for a special exception is for vehicle repair on the vehicles to be sold. This would include such things as brakes, exhaust systems, and other repairs needed to make the car saleable. Mr. Bernier said they would not necessarily be open to the public as that is not the intent of the use.

Dave Powelson asked for a building description. Mr. Milligan said it would be 35' x 55' with two overhead doors on the Wales Bridge end, one overhead door on the Dunkin Donuts side, and the office facing Route 106. There was discussion of the roof pitch, the height of the building, and that vinyl siding would be used on the building.

Howard Pearl asked if their intent is to repair cars to sell only; not to advertise for repairs. Mr. Milligan explained that they have to have a 1200 sf building in order to be licensed by the State. Mr. Canney said that is the requirement in order to do State stickers and 20-day plates. George Saunderson asked the applicant if he would be upset if the Board attached a stipulation that they can only work on cars owned to sell. He said they would have to come back to the Board if that changed. Mr. Canney said that he would be in agreement with a stipulation. He noted that he would want to be able to work on a car that was sold there if it has an issue and the buyer comes back with it.

Ned Lizotte asked about lighting. Mr. Milligan said it would be down lighting, something similar to Dunkin Donuts, so that it would not shine onto abutting properties. Mr. Lizotte asked about hours of operation. Mr. Canney said they would be 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., six days a week. Ron Lane asked if the intersection is currently lit. Ned Lizotte said that there is lighting at the intersection. Mr. Lane pointed out that the owner would want the property lit for security.

Chairman Powelson went through the application with Mr. Bernier. There was discussion of the trees and growth currently on the lot. Mr. Lane noted that the visibility from 106 will not be that good and that the State will not allow any more trees to be cut. Roy Merrill asked if there is any access left between Dunkin Donuts and this lot. Mr. Lane explained that his family used to own the parcel and there was an access because there was only a curb cut where Dunkin Donuts is located. He said that access is now blocked.

Chairman Powelson asked if there were any questions from the Board. There were none. He asked if there were any abutters who wished to speak in favor of the applications. Ron Lane said that he is in favor. He said his personal experience with the applicant has been that Mr. Milligan does good work and he feels this would be a good addition to the area. Mr. Lane said that Mr. Milligan runs a class operation and he knows Mr. Canney's work and reputation. Ned Lizotte asked Mr. Smith what services he offers at his business on the other side of Route 106. Mr. Smith said he does complete auto repair. He said he has been assured by the applicant and Mr. Canney that this proposal is not a complete repair operation that would cut into his business. Mr. Lizotte said it seems to be a good fit. Mr. Smith said there are seven shops in town but no auto sales other than junk to salvage yards.

The chairman asked if there was anyone who wished to speak against the applications. There was not. He asked if the Board felt that a site visit should be done. Roy Merrill said this parcel can be seen when going by and he did not feel a site visit was necessary. George Saunderson said that he would agree, noting that there were no neighbors in attendance with concerns. Mr. Merrill said that the Planning Board would handle other issues discussed tonight; the only concern tonight is the setbacks. Howard Pearl said the use seems to fit the lot well.

Chairman Powelson closed the hearing; the board took up the matter for deliberation. He gave an overview of application #Z10-1 for reduced setbacks. Roy Merrill made a motion to approve application #Z10-1 with the following conditions: front setback reduced from 100' to 60'; side setback reduced from 100' to 30'; and the residential buffer reduced from 60' to 30'; seconded by Ned Lizotte. A roll vote was taken: George Saunderson — Yes; Ned Lizotte — Yes; Dave Powelson — Yes; Roy Merrill — Yes; Howard Pearl — Yes. Unanimous — PASSED.

The chairman gave an overview of application #Z10-2 for used auto sales. Ned Lizotte said that he would want to put a stipulation of hours on the approval. He asked if 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. was agreeable. Howard Pearl asked if 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. would be more reasonable. Mr. Canney said either would be fine. Mr. Lizotte asked if it should be Monday through Saturday. Mr. Pearl noted that there is no one here to speak against the application and he did not feel there is any reason to restrict Sundays. There was discussion of hours. Howard Pearl clarified that repairs would only be done on vehicles sold on the lot. Ron Lane asked what would happen if Mr. Canney wanted to service those cars after being sold. The board was alright with that. Howard Pearl made a motion to approve the application with the following conditions: 1) hours of operation to be 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. 2) can only service cars that are to be or have been sold from this lot; seconded by Ned Lizotte. A roll vote was taken: George

Saunderson — Yes; Ned Lizotte — Yes; Dave Powelson — Yes; Roy Merrill — Yes; Howard Pearl — Yes. Unanimous — PASSED.

**BOARD DISCUSSION**

Jim Venne asked if the format of the application for special exceptions is mandated by law. He said some of the questions are redundant and many do not apply to most situations. The chairman explained that the questions are set up by the criteria in the Zoning Ordinance and he thought the standard comes from the State. Mr. Venne

suggested that this be looked at to see if they can be simplified for the applicant and the Board. Donna will research the matter.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Howard Pearl made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:07 p.m.; seconded by Ned Lizotte. All were in favor.

Respectfully submitted,  
Donna White  
Administrative Assistant


## Deadline for the April issue of The Loudon Ledger: Friday, March 19, 2010

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	<b>1</b> 6:30pm•Happy Hill 4-H @ American Legion	<b>2</b> 10:30am•Storytime @ Library 5pm•Library Trustees 6:30pm•Selectmen's Meeting @ Com. Bldg. 7pm•Lions Club @ Library Rec. Com. Line Dancing Lessons Begin	<b>3</b> 2pm•Storytime @ Library 6pm•Conservation Com. @ Com. Bldg. 7pm•Historical Society	<b>4</b> 10:30am•Storytime @ Library 6:30pm•Boy Scout Troop 247 @ Legion 7pm•Boy Scout Venturing Crew 247 @ Legion  7pm•MVSD SCHOOL MEETING @ MVHS  	<b>5</b> 6–8pm•Rec. Com. Snow Tubing @ Gunstock Mountain	<b>6</b>
<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> 7pm•Agricultural Com. @ Com. Bldg. 7:15pm•MVSD School Board Mtg. @ Penacook Elementary 8pm•Loudon Fire Dept. Meeting	<b>9</b> 8am–7pm•VOTE FOR TOWN OFFICIALS @ TOWN HALL, CLOUGH HILL ROAD 10am•Young at Heart @ Com. Bldg. 10:30am•Storytime @ Library 6:30pm•Selectmen's Meeting/Board of Permit @ Com. Bldg.  	<b>10</b> 2pm•Storytime @ Library 6pm•Conservation Commission @ Com. Bldg. 6:30pm•Girl Scout Volunteers @ LES	<b>11</b> 10:30am•Storytime @ Library 6:30pm•Boy Scout Troop 247 @ Legion 6:30pm•PTA @ LES 7pm•Boy Scout Venturing Crew 247 @ Legion 7pm•Grades 6–12 Choral Concert @ MVHS	<b>12</b> RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE @ MVHS	<b>13</b> 9am•TOWN MEETING @ ELEMENTARY SCHOOL  
<b>14</b> DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS: SET CLOCKS AHEAD 1 HOUR  	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> 10:30am•Storytime @ Library 5pm•DARE PIZZA NIGHT 5:30–7pm•Ninth Grade Transition Informational Mtg. @ Elementary School 6:30pm•Selectmen's Meeting @ Com. Bldg. 7pm•Lions Club @ Library	<b>17</b> ST. PATRICK'S DAY 2pm•Storytime @ Library 7pm•Legion & Auxilliary 7PM•"NH Cemeteries & Gravestones" @ Com. Bldg.  	<b>18</b> 10:30am•Storytime @ Library 6:30pm•Boy Scout Troop 247 @ Legion 7pm•Boy Scout Venturing Crew 247 @ Legion 7pm•Planning Board @ Com. Bldg. 7pm•Grades 6–12 Band Concert @ MVHS	<b>19</b> LOUDON LEDGER DEADLINE FOR APRIL 2010 ISSUE	<b>20</b> FIRST DAY OF SPRING! 7–10pm•MVHS Spring Formal  
WINTER CARNIVAL WEEK AT MVHS						
<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> 6:30pm•Communications Council @ Elementary School — Note change of meeting site	<b>23</b> 9–12•VNA Senior Health Clinic @ Richard Brown House 10:30am•Movietime @ Library "Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs" 6:30pm•Selectmen's Meeting/Work Session @ Com. Bldg. 7pm•LYAA @ Library	<b>24</b> 2pm•Movietime @ Library "Night at the Museum: Battle of the Smithsonian" 6:30pm•Rec. Com. @ Library	<b>25</b> 10–2•Open Craft-time @ Library 2pm•JO Cate Van @ Van Garage 7pm•Zoning Board @ Com. Bldg. 7pm•Book Group @ Library	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> MAPLE WEEKEND  10am•Easter Egg Hunt @ Elementary School 10–2•Farmers Market @ Cole Gardens, Concord 12–2pm•Artist's Reception for Frank Moulin @ Maxfield Public Library
<b>28</b> MAPLE WEEKEND  	<b>29</b> 5:30–8:30pm•Spring Project Com. Evening @ MVHS	<b>30</b> FIRST DAY OF PASSOVER  10:30am•Storytime @ Library 6:30pm•Selectmen's Meeting @ Com. Bldg.  	<b>31</b> 2pm•Storytime @ Library  MVHS Senior Project Daytime Presentation	<b>4/1</b> 10:30am•Storytime @ Library 6:30pm•Boy Scout Troop 247 @ Legion 7pm•Boy Scout Venturing Crew 247 @ Legion	<b>4/2</b>	<b>4/3</b>

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# Countryside Realty Listings



**PITTSFIELD. NEW PRICE.** Brand new 3 bdrm 1.75 bath New Construction on 1.29 acres in cul-de-sac neighborhood. Great location. Spacious floor plan and customized design options. Countertops, cabinets, flooring, window coverings and light fixtures are all there for you to explore. **\$179,900.** MLS# 2797298



**WEBSTER.** Spectacular views of Mt Kearsarge, Mt Sunapee and Ragged Mtn from this 2-3 bdrm 1 bath rustic log home on 2.97 acres. Property adjacent to US Govt land with miles of trails for x-country skiing or snowmobiling. 16x25 barn with 1 car garage. Eat-in kitchen. Full finished walk-out bsmt. 2 woodstoves and electric heat. Sit back and take in the views from the deck of this great home. **\$229,000.** MLS #2797318



**LOUDON.** Beautifully maintained 3 bdrm, 1 bath Ranch on 2.02 acres surrounded by stone walls and views. Easy home to heat with 3 sources of heat: gas, woodstove, and electric. 2-car garage with automatic garage door openers, built-in cabinets, and work bench, additional park for RV or boat on side of garage. 20x16 drive-thru barn with underground electricity and metal roof. Full walk-out finished bsmt, plumbed and ready for 2nd bath. **\$238,900** MLS #2799237



**LOUDON.** Charm and character throughout this absolutely gorgeous restored historic 3,360 sq ft 4 bdrm, 2.5 bath Colonial on 9.90 acres with open fields and views of Oak Hill. Brick and granite hearths, 3 fireplaces, 1 wood stove and 1 propane stove. In ground pool w/ diving board. 76x160 barn and a 3 car garage. Beautiful wide pine floors throughout. Spacious kitchen with island and family room. Add'l acreage avail. **\$399,900** MLS #2766297



**LOUDON.** Construction has already been started. Energy Star Certified. 2-bedroom, 1-bath, 26'x36' expansion Cape on 2.8 acres. Second floor left unfinished. Lots of design options available — bring your imagination! Choose your flooring, countertops, cabinets, and all the finishing touches. Full unfinished walk-out basement. Tons of upgrades available including geothermal heating and cooling. Dormers pictured are not included in the price. Complete with 4-bedroom septic. **\$209,900** MLS #2802257



**LOUDON.** New construction 3-bedroom, 1-bath Raised Ranch with 2-car garage under on 2.01 acres. One thing we've learned is homebuyers want choices! This builder offers wonderful spacious floor plans and customized design options. Countertops, cabinets, flooring, window coverings, and light fixtures are all there for you to explore. **\$239,900** MLS #2789006



**LOUDON. NEW PRICE.** Privately located off main road 4 bdrm 1 bath Cape blt in 1990 on 2.70 acres. Walking distance to Clough Pond, public beach and boat dock. New maintenance free metal roof with 120 yr transferrable warranty. New top of the line fuel efficient pellet stove. Lg bay window in liv rm. Lg mstr bdrm with walk-in closet. 2nd floor den is plumbed for a 2nd bath. Water/radon treatment system. New wood laminate flooring in liv rm. Newly remodeled bath. **\$209,900** MLS #2797757



**LOUDON. NEW LISTING.** Pride of ownership shows in this 3 bdrm 2 full bath double wide mobile home in friendly Freedom Hill Coop. New flooring, all rooms freshly painted, updated kitchen with new countertops, added a 12x20 deck on front and 10x10 deck on side. Master bdrm with bath, fenced yard and lg utility shed with elec. **\$84,900.** MLS #2815578



**LOUDON.** Handyman Special! House in need of some work. 2-bedroom, 3/4-bath Ranch on 2 acres. Updated kitchen, gas range, roof 5 years new, heating system 6 years new. Gas and oil heat, forced hot air. Nice large bay window in the front of the house. **\$149,900** MLS #2800609



**NORTHFIELD.** Very functional floor plan in this 3 bdrm 2 bath Cape on 2.45 acres blt in '88. Sits back off road, nice private setting. Attached 2 car garage w/ auto open and storage above. Two bdrms and full bath on 1st floor and mstr bdrm w/ lg mstr bath on 2nd. Huge jetted tub in mstr bath. Oil heat, fireplace w/ woodstove insert in liv rm and gas stove in bsmt. Central vacuum. Lg deck and screened porch off back and sm deck off mstr bdrm. Light and bright kitchen with island/bkfst bar. Skylights in liv rm to let in the natural light. Full unfin walk-out bsmt. **\$259,900** MLS #2810458



**CONCORD.** Spacious 3 bdrm Cape on 3.26 acres. 2nd floor needs some finishing. Wood laminate flooring in living room, den off liv rm with sliding glass door leading to back deck. Roomy kitchen open to formal dining rm, no kitchen appliances. 2 car garage. 3/4 bath on 1st fl, full bath on 2nd. **\$249,900** MLS #2807702



**LOUDON.** New Listing! Brand new 26'x36' Log Home with three bedrooms plus a loft and 2.5 baths on 2.43 acres. Superior craftsmanship with custom touches in this beautiful warm and cozy, easy-to-maintain log home. **\$239,900**



**BOSCAWEN.** Energy Star Certified new construction 3 bdrm 2.5 bath 26x36 Colonial on 2.82 acres. Nice quiet country setting. Spacious floor plan with customized design options. Pick your countertops, cabinets, flooring, light fixtures and colors. Energy Star rated low-E argon filled thermal pane glass windows, 200 amp electrical, high efficiency gas boiler, 50 gallon hot water storage tank, two heat zones, drilled well, 1500 gallon private septic, fire suppression sprinkler system and much more. **\$252,700** MLS #2799867



**CHICHESTER.** Beautiful 3 bdrm 2.5 bath Colonial on 5+ wooded ac located on a dead end rd. Many upgrades, recently fin fam rm and computer rm with closet in bsmt, pine floor in din rm, tiled baths w/pedestal sinks, mudroom between house and 2 car garage, wood laminate floor in huge mstr bdrm, french doors from brkfst nook to deck and more! **\$279,900** MLS #2800531



**PITTSFIELD. NEW LISTING.** Great potential on this 5 country acres of land, excellent horse property with 2 stall barn w/elec, new floor and roof. 2 bd 1 ba open concept single wide mobile home w/addition. Easy to heat w/woodstove in liv rm. Propane heat also with updated furnace. Nice private location bounded by a Class VI rd that leads to extensive riding trails. **\$109,000** MLS #2814193



**CONCORD. NEW LISTING.** Clean as a whistle 4 bdrm 2 full bath 26x34 Cape on .23 acres blt in 1998. City water, city sewer and natural gas. Beautiful formal dining rm with hardwood flooring. Spacious bdrms, huge master bdrm with his/her closets and a 1st floor bdrm. All appliances convey, including washer and dryer. Oak kitchen cabinets, gas range, garbage disposal. Full unfin bsmt. Ready for immediate occupancy, turn key. **\$224,900** MLS #2817329



**BOW. NEW PRICE.** Executive 4,101 sq ft Raised Ranch with luxury in-law apt and 3 car attached garage on 2.25 acres. Family rm with fireplace. Central air in in-law apt. Separate elec. and heat. Full finished walk-out bsmt. Inground pool for those hot summer days to come. Deck overlooking pond. New roof, siding, windows, furnace, flooring, kitchen and more. **\$249,900** MLS #2766281

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