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Town Meeting Preview Issue

Town Election Day is Tuesday, March 13. The polls will be open from 8 a.m. until 7 p.m. and will be located at the Town Hall on Clough Hill Road. Town Meeting will be held on Saturday, March 17 beginning at 9 a.m. in the gym at the Elementary School.

The following people are running for office:

Selectman (3-Year Term) — Steven Ives and John Storrs

Moderator (2-Year Term) — Michael LaBonte

Town Clerk (3-Year Term) — Wendy Walsh

Supervisor of the Checklist (6-Year Term) — Dawn Pearl

Planning Board (3-Year Term) — Tom Dow and Henry Huntington

Zoning Board of Adjustment (3-Year Term) — Ned Lizotte

Trustee of the Trust Funds (3-Year Term) — George Saunderson

Library Trustee (3-Year Term) — Molly Ashland

MVHS School District Meeting

The Merrimack Valley School District meeting will be held on Thursday, March 8 in the auditorium at the high school. Voting for school board members is held from 6–7:30 p.m. with school meeting beginning at 7 p.m. This meeting is where you get the opportunity to vote on the school district's budget. The following people are running for school board:

Merrimack Valley School Board (3-Year Term) — Normandie Blake, Webster; Dave Longnecker, Salisbury; Laura Vincent, Loudon; and Roy Merrill, Loudon.

Town Budget Notes

Detailed budget information appears in the Town Report, and will be provided at Town Meeting. The Communications Council is not supporting or opposing any of the proposed changes, but is presenting the following information to highlight changes in the proposed budget that will be discussed and voted upon at Town Meeting.

A more complete discussion of the budget and warrant articles appears on page 24 in the Selectmen's Meeting Minutes dated January 17, 2012. These are the minutes from the first Budget Hearing.

The 2012–2013 proposed operating budget (for July 1, 2012 to June 30, 2013) shows a 2.45% overall decrease from last year. This figure does NOT

include any funds that would be withdrawn from capital reserves or raised through new taxes for any of the articles appearing in the warrant.

The Selectmen have proposed a general 2.5% cost of living increase for town employee wages. Wages in the Selectmen's Office show an increase of 16.62% with Selectmen's wages (#41301) increasing by 10.43%.

The Selectmen's budget includes the following decreases: the printing budget is down 3.33%, office supplies are down 8.33%, and advertising is down 20% for a total decrease in #41309, Selectmen's budget, of 2.72%.

"#41310 Landfill Hydro Study" is down 23.3%.

"#41401 Town Clerk" is increased 1.88%.

"#41403 Elections" is up 41.93% because 2012 is an election year.

"#41503 Assessments/Maps" is down 43.69% with the largest reduction (80%) in the Assessments/Utilities line.

"#41594 Tax Collector" is down .62% overall, except for an increase of 27.27% under Data Processing.

"#41911 Planning Board" shows a 250% increase in its Consultants line to cover costs over the next two years associated with updating the Master

Plan. Most other lines in the Planning Board budget have decreased or remained the same except for postage, which has increased as a result of increased postage rates.

"#41913 Zoning Board" has several sizeable decreases, which in part offsets the 175% increase in postage costs.

"#41951 Cemeteries" shows an increase of 30%, from \$5,000 to \$6,500.

"#45500 Library" shows a 9.79% increase for the Library Director's salary, and an increase of 24.45% for part-time wages. There is also an increase in the building maintenance line to cover a portion of the costs to repair the roof, which is rusting. Trustees reported that they intend to spread these costs over two years to lessen the financial impact. Although there was a lifetime warranty on the metal roof, the original manufacturer has gone out of business, so the warranty can not be honored.

The total proposed operating budget is \$3,97,508, down from last year's approved budget of \$4,095,987.45. Again, this number only reflects the proposed operating budget and does not include any of the costs associated with the various warrant articles. ■

Mary Hardy: One of 20 Outstanding Women You Should Know

Longtime Loudon resident Mary Hardy was selected as one of New Hampshire's 20 Outstanding Women You Should Know.

The 20 Outstanding Women You Should Know contest is in its third year and is sponsored by Hannaford Supermarkets. The contest is run in conjunction with The 97.5 WZID Women's Expo. The Expo, in its 5th year, was held Saturday February 18th at the Center of New Hampshire/Radisson Hotel Expo Center in Manchester.

Mrs. Hardy was nominated by friend and colleague Kathy Veilleux. In her entry Veilleux noted, "Mary is outstanding because in one year's time she has brought our community-service-driven 'Blue Star Projects' from concept through fruition at Bodyworks Karate School. Mary singlehandedly created the program so our students would have an avenue to give back to the local communities." The Bodyworks Karate School Blue Star Projects for 2011 collected over \$4,000 and 5 vehicles full of supplies for local charities including, Friends of Forgotten Children, The Merrimack County SPCA, The New Hampshire Affiliate of The American Cancer Society, and The Loudon Food Pantry.

Hardy was honored at a luncheon for all twenty of the winners in January and at The Women's Expo in February, she received a Hannaford gift card for \$100. Hannaford also made a \$250 donation in her name to The Merrimack County SPCA. Congratulations, Mary! ■



Town of Loudon Office Hours

Selectmen’s Office

PO Box 7837 • 798-4541

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

Town Clerk

PO Box 7837 • 798-4542

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

Planning/Zoning Board

PO Box 7837 • 798-4540

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

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

Tax Collector

PO Box 7844 • 798-4543

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

Police Department: Emergencies: 911

PO Box 7059 • 798-5521

Mon.–Fri.: 8 a.m.–4:00 p.m.

Code Enforcement

PO Box 7059 • 798-5584

Monday–Thursday: 8 a.m.–4:00 p.m.

Fire Department: Emergencies: 911

PO Box 7032 • 798-5612

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

Loudon Elementary School

7039 School Street • 783-4400

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

Transfer Station

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

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

Highway Department

Road Agent: David Rice • 783-4568

Mon.–Fri.: 7 a.m.–3:30 p.m.

Maxfield Public Library

Librarian: Nancy Hendy • 798-5153

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

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

John O. Cate Memorial Van

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

Loudon Food Pantry

30 Chichester Road, Unit D, Loudon

Intake Hours: Monday–Thursday by appointment only.

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

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

LoudonFoodPantry@yahoo.com

Loudon Representatives

Merrimack County — District 6

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

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

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

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

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

Senators — District 07

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

Loudon Ledger Submission Policy

All groups, organizations, individuals, etc. are encouraged to submit articles to the *Loudon Ledger*. Special events, landmark anniversaries or birthdays, “attaboys,” etc. are all welcome.
Please note, however, that the *Ledger* will uphold its mission:

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

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

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

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

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

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“The Loudon Ledger” 2012 Schedule

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

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

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

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

May 2012 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 4/20 **Council Meeting:** Mon. 4/23

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

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

August 2012 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 7/20 **Council Meeting:** Mon. 7/23

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

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

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

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

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Where to Worship in Loudon

Family Bible Church

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

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

Sunday Worship: 9:30 a.m. A blend of hymns & contemporary songs.
Fellowship time following service is provided. Sunday School for ages 4 years–5th grade during worship service. Nursery also Available.
Sunday Evening: Youth Group — For Grades 6–11: 6–7:45 p.m.
Monday: Men’s Fellowship and Prayer 7–8:45 p.m.
Wednesday: Women’s Bible Study, fellowship, and prayer: 9:15 a.m.
Ongoing Evening Adult Bible Studies: call for details



Faith Community Bible Church — Evangelical Free Church of America

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

Sunday Worship Hours:
8:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. (Nursery provided.) • Sunday School Classes 9:30 a.m.–10:30 a.m.
Children’s Church (God’s Garage) for ages 3–grade 3
Ministries:
Youth Group for Grades 6–12: Sunday Evening 6:30 p.m.
Bible Study: Thursday mornings at 9:30 a.m. (3rd Thursday of month meets at noon)
Men’s Ministry/Men of Faith: 2nd and 4th Saturday 7:00 a.m.
Women’s Ministry/LIFT: 2nd Friday at 6:30 p.m. • Senior Ministry/SAGES: 3rd Monday
Small Group Ministry/BRIDGES: Various locations during the week



Landmark Baptist Church

Fundmental, Independent, Biblical, Caring
Pastor Paul J. Clow
103 Chichester Road, Loudon, NH 03307 • 798-3818 • www.landmarkbaptistchurch.info
Sunday School: 9:30 a.m. (Nursery Provided) (New Beginnings Class:
for those interested in the Christian Faith and in Landmark Baptist Church. This is a time for questions and answers about what it means to be a Christian and what we believe here at Landmark!)
Sunday Morning Worship: 10:30 a.m. (Nursery and Children’s Church Provided)
Sunday Evening: 6 p.m. • Master Club: Weds. 6:30–8 p.m. (ages 5–6th grade)
Wednesday Evening Bible Study: 7 p.m. (Nursery Provided. We are studying verse by verse through various books of the Bible.)
Saturday Street Witnessing: 9:30 a.m. • Saturday Youth Group: 7–9 p.m. (Grades 7–12)
We never cancel services for any reason!



Loudon Center Freewill Baptist Church

Clough Hill Road. Mailing address: P.O. Box 7852, Loudon, NH 03307
Member of the American Baptist Churches of VT/NH (Lakes Area Association)
Sunday Worship: 10:00 a.m.



Loudon Congregational Church

Rev. David D. Randlett, III
7018 Church Street, PO Box 7034, Loudon, NH 03307 • 783-9478 • www.loudoncongregational.org
Sunday Worship: 9:30 a.m. (Staffed nursery for infants–pre-K)
Sunday School (all ages): 11:15 a.m. (Sept.–June)
Tuesday and Wednesday Evenings: Regional PrayerWatch Groups and Christian Study Groups (call for details) Loudon Congregational is a member church of the Conservative Congregational Christian Conference (www.cccusa.org).



New Beginnings Church of the Nazarene

33 Staniels Rd, Loudon NH 03307 • Ph: 224-1311 • Office Hours: 9–2, Mon.–Fri.
office.LNBnazarene@gmail.com • www.LNBnazarene.org
Sundays: Sunday School & Adult Bible Studies: 9:15 a.m.
Worship: 10:30 a.m. (Childcare provided for Infants.) Jr. Kids Church (2-year-olds–Kindergarteners.)
Kidsville (Grades 1–4)
Early Evening: House Churches. (Call the church or visit our website for a location near you.)
Tuesdays: Early Youth Group (Grades 5–6). 6:30–8 p.m. Brian & Jill Bollinger: 267-1744
Wednesdays: Youth Group (Grades 7–12). 6:30–8:00 p.m. (Brian Bollinger)
Prayer Gathering: 6 p.m. • Adult Bible Studies: 6:30 p.m.
Other: Once a month will also have events for men, women, adults, and seniors (50+) called OASIS.
Please visit our website or call the church office for details.



SonLight Christian Fellowship

Pastor Thomas Friedrich
Currently meeting at the Loudon American Legion Hall, So. Village Rd.
Mailing address: 55 Wiggins Road, Loudon, NH 03307 • 798-3112 • pastor@sonlightchristian.org
Sunday Worship: 10:30 a.m. First Sunday of Every Month: Communion Service followed by potluck luncheon. Third Sunday of Every Month: Men’s and Women’s Ministry Luncheon following services.



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

Rise Again Outreach Makes Preparations for 4th Annual Gala Silent Auction Fundraiser Event

Rise Again Outreach, a local faith-based charitable outreach organization serving central New Hampshire, will host its 4th Annual Rise Again Outreach Silent Auction Fundraiser event at 6:30 p.m. on March 24, 2012 at New Beginnings Church, 33 Staniels Road, in Loudon.

This event raises operating funds for RAO’s mission of taking donated food, clothing, personal care items, and other services to individuals and families in crisis or poverty. The silent auction has raised more than \$24,000 over the past three years, and grows each year. Local and national businesses and organizations donate hundreds of items — more than 200 — to bid on. These include airline tickets, sports tickets/collectibles, get-away packages, Disney World tickets, family entertainment, dining certificates, live shows, cruises, white-water rafting, golfing, camping weekends, health/beauty certificates, and much more.

Rise Again Outreach’s mission is unique because it takes much-needed food and clothing directly to the points of need in local communities in and around Concord and Manchester and Franklin via a large white school bus that has been outfitted with clothing racks and storage bins. The bus parks in pre-determined neighborhoods and those in need, including homeless people, can simply come to the bus and take whatever they need. Two newly-acquired buses are in the process of being converted into additional “mobile pantries” to extend RAO’s reach into more communities.

Please mark your calendars to attend this silent auction event to help Rise Again Outreach continue its mission of reaching those in need and raising the quality of life for everyone in our communities. If you or your business would like to contribute an auction item (gift certificate, item or service); donate food, clothing or personal care items; make a cash donation; or serve as a volunteer; please contact Bob Pease at 1-800-266-5017 Ext. 709.

About Rise Again Outreach

Rise Again Outreach is a faith-centered organization operating in central New Hampshire. We were established in July 2007 and are an exempt charitable organization under Internal Revenue Code Section 501(c)(3). Our mission is to share God’s love with people who are in crisis or poverty by helping with their temporal and spiritual needs. Programs of Rise Again Outreach are available to all who are in need, regardless of race, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation or religious affiliation. Our method of operating for all of our activities is inspired by the ministry of Jesus, who was sent by God into the world “...not to condemn the world, but to save the world through him” (John 3:16-17). Visit us on the web at www.riseagain-outreach.org. ■

MASTER PLAN UPDATE

The Loudon Planning Board has started the process of updating the Town’s 2001 Master Plan. Part of this update will be a Community Survey. This survey will guide the Board throughout the update process so we encourage everyone to participate. It is anticipated that the survey will be presented in April and will be available in various formats.

Watch for further information and help us in planning the future development of Loudon.

ATTENTION ADVERTISERS!

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

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Recreation Committee Explains Warrant Article 6

By Alicia Grimaldi

The Loudon Recreation Committee wants to make the town's residents aware of an upcoming warrant article during the annual town meeting to be held on, March 17, 2012 at 9 a.m., at the Loudon Elementary School.

Warrant Article #6 proposes to see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$45,000,000 for the purpose of the reconstruction of two tennis courts and basketball court. \$15,000.00 would be withdrawn from the Recreation Maintenance Fund and \$30,000.00 to be raised by taxes.

This article is recommended by the both the Selectmen and the Recreation Committee.

The foundation for the tennis and basketball courts is not sufficient to withstand the extremes of New Hampshire winters. Over time, even though the Town has worked to keep the area usable and safe, the courts have deteriorated significantly. The proposed appropriation of \$45,000 (\$15,000 from the Recreation Maintenance Fund and \$30,000 in new taxes) will provide sufficient funding to reconstruct the foundation for the courts to proper construction specifications and ensure that the tennis and basketball courts will be usable, safe, and enjoyable for years to come. ■



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 20th starting at 5:00 p.m. at the Loudon Elementary School (see D.A.R.E. news for more on this). We appreciate all the support from the residents and businesses!

It seems early, but the race season will be here before we know it. Here are the major race dates:

- 6/15/12:** *Annual Loudon Classic*
- 07/15/12:** *Lexox Industrial Tools 301*
- 09/23/12:** *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 or chief.fiske@loudonpolice.com. ■



Greetings from the Lions Den

Upcoming Events Spring 2012:

- Angels 5k Run & Fitness Walk — May 3, 2012 (contact us below for more information or to help sponsor/volunteer!)
- Pancake Breakfast
- Easter Basket Raffle

Have you ever wanted to be part of something bigger? Have you ever wanted to make a difference in the world? What are you waiting for...why not now?

You probably know about the Loudon Lions Club from local events we've sponsored, maybe you've known a sight or hearing impaired, diabetic, or disabled child who was able to spend a carefree, fun week Camp Pride in the Lakes region (<http://www.camppride.nhlions.org/>), or perhaps even we've been able to assist you or someone you know in the past. But, did you know that the caring reach of Lion's goes around the world? Here is just a sampling of the work the Lions Club International is involved with:

Preventing Blindness, Saving Sight for Millions of People Around the World

For nearly 100 years, our members have worked on projects designed to prevent blindness, restore eyesight and improve eye care for hundreds of millions of people worldwide. Lions volunteer to take part in sight projects that have:

- Helped halt the spread of trachoma in Ethiopia by providing 10 million doses of the sight-saving drug azithromycin annually.
- Prevented serious vision loss for more than 30 million people worldwide.
- Improved eye care for 100 million people by training more than 650,000 eye care professionals and building 315 eye hospitals.
- Distributed more than 147 million treatments for river blindness.
- Provided nearly 8 million cataract surgeries.
- Saved the sight of more than 14 million children by providing eye screenings, glasses and other treatments through Sight for Kids.
- Established or strengthened pediatric eye care centers that have helped more than 120 million children.
- Vaccinated 41 million children in Africa against measles — a leading cause of childhood blindness.

Since 1990, Lions have raised US\$415 million through two SightFirst fundraising campaigns to help provide vision for all.

Lions Work to Improve Sight and Prevent Blindness

Through efforts such as these, Lions have gained worldwide recognition for our work to improve sight and prevent blindness. Our members around the world are also actively involved in:

- Recycling eyeglasses at 17 centers worldwide.
- Supporting Lions Eye Banks that provide eye tissue for sight-saving surgeries.
- Screening the vision of hundreds of thousands of people every year.
- Providing treatment to those at risk of losing their vision.

In 1925, Helen Keller challenged Lions to become "knights of the blind in the crusade against darkness." And we accepted. Today, sight programs remain one of our defining causes.

We also work closely with children causes worldwide:

Lions Services for Children Projects

The problems children face vary in degree from country to country, but the need for health and education services is constant and universal. Lions clubs help address these needs by developing services for children — projects with specific, attainable goals, including:

- Collecting food, clothes or books
- Organizing a vision or hearing screening
- Providing immunizations through a vaccination drive
- Starting a literacy program with a local school, library, community center or Leo club
- Supporting a nutritional program for undernourished children
- Securing wheelchairs for disabled children
- Sending a child with diabetes or physical challenges to a specialized camp

Lions have also constructed hospitals, schools, orphanages and children's centers throughout the world to serve children in need.

And this is just part of the reason why the members of your Loudon Lions Club are proud to be associated with this organization — we make a difference. If you too want to make a difference, we welcome join us. For more information you can contact Casey Scheinler at caseyscheinler@yahoo.com or stop into one of our meetings scheduled the first and third Tuesday of each month at the Maxfield Public Library. You CAN make a difference!

Lions Club Motto: "We Serve." ■

MEET THE CANDIDATES!

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 7 AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE COMMUNITY BUILDING.
THIS IS YOUR CHANCE TO MEET AND QUESTION CANDIDATES FOR
VARIOUS TOWN OFFICES.**

Loudon Recreation Committee News

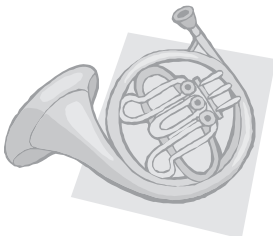
WEEKEND OF WINTRY FUN IN LOUDON???

As of this writing, we are not sure if Winter Carnival or Fishing Derby will be held.... So far there is no snow in the field and ice conditions are questionable.... We hope they do happen and if they do, we will have a wrap-up and photos in the next *Loudon Ledger*.



MUSICIANS LIST IS GROWING!!!!

Forming a concert band to get together and play — looking for musicians of all ages — exceptional middle school musicians through adults to join in the fun! Even if you haven't played in a while, dust off that instrument and tune it up to play. If you are interested please contact Tom Stevens at tomandjenn2002@gmail.com.



MANCHESTER MONARCHS

Sunday, March 11th 3:00 p.m., which is Max's birthday and bound to be fun! Tickets are \$13.75 for adults and \$11 for youth. There is also a \$5 drink, slice of pizza, and chuck-a-puck voucher available. To purchase tickets, see the flyer at www.loudonnh.org in this issue of *The Loudon Ledger* on page 16, contact Alicia Grimaldi at 435-5193 or email affirmhealth@yahoo.com.



TAI CHI

We are working out the details on Tai Chi classes — please check the website for details.

CHILDREN'S SUMMER THEATER CAMP

We have had four years of successful camp and already scheduled Children's Stage Adventures for another week long session of theater camp fun for kids in kindergarten through high school. Save the date of **July 9th–13th** with an amazing performance on Friday night, July 13th. For more information about the Children's Stage Adventures program, visit their website at www.childrenstageadventures.org. The play this year is *The Sword Called Excalibur*. This year the fee for the camp will include performance t-shirt, cast party on Friday, and crafts/games for the "down" times. The flyer for the camp is located on the website www.loudonnh.org.



AMERICAN RED CROSS BABYSITTING COURSE

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



ZUMBA

Don't let the winter cool you off or get you down!! Warm things up, get movin', and try ZUMBA!! Another session is starting soon — don't be left out. Six weeks of Zumba on Monday nights from 7:00–8:00 p.m. at the Loudon Elementary School gymnasium. The dates are: Mondays; March 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th and April 9th & 16th. Cost is \$42 for the full 6-week session. Payment and sign up is the first night of the session. More information is on the website at www.loudonnh.org under what's new or recreation. If you have questions, email Melissa at melissaminery@gmail.com.



In the works....

Loudon Recreation teamed up with Salty Dog Pottery and offered pottery classes during February vacation. We are working on offering some during April as well. Check the website between issues for updates. We are working on putting together the schedule for children's summer swim lessons at Clough Pond. Stay tuned...

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

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

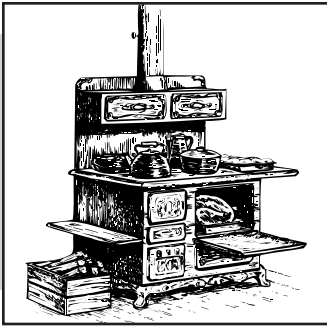
Open Letter From Executive Councilor Dan St. Hilaire

In an open letter to all Towns and Cities in District Two, which includes Loudon, Executive Councilor Daniel St. Hilaire advised that reports on the Executive Council's work as they affect the district are available online at www.nh.gov/council/district2/reports. He also indicated that during the last calendar year, 344 persons had been appointed to various Boards and Commissions serving the State, with 28% of appointees coming from District Two. Anyone interested in serving on one of the more than 300 Boards or Commissions may submit a letter of interest along with a résumé to Jennifer Kuzma in care of the Governor's Office, at the State House, 107 North State Street, Concord, NH 03301. A copy of that correspondence also should be forwarded to Executive Councilor St. Hilaire. ■



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What's Cookin'!

This month: National Peanut Month

Jenn Pfeiffer

May your blessings outnumber
The shamrocks that grow,
And may trouble avoid you
Wherever you go.
— Irish Blessing

March may mean shamrocks, leprechauns, and green beer but March isn't just for the Irish anymore; it's also National Peanut Month...not to be mistaken with November, which is National Peanut Butter Lovers Month. March 1–31 celebrates one of America's favorite foods! Roasted in the shell for a ballpark snack, ground into peanut butter or tossed in a salad or stir-fry, peanuts find their way into everything from breakfast to dessert. National Peanut Month started as National Peanut Week in 1941. It was expanded into a month long celebration in 1974. One serving of peanuts is a good source of protein, Vitamin E, Niacin, Folate, Phosphorus, and Magnesium. Peanuts are naturally cholesterol-free and low in saturated fat. Here are some peanut fun facts to with your friends:

Peanuts are not actually nuts at all! They are legumes, like beans, peas, and lentils.

Americans eat three pounds of peanut butter per person every year. That's about 700 million pounds, or enough to coat the floor of the Grand Canyon!

Peanuts may be a favorite food, but we've found many uses for their shells too! You might find peanut shells in kitty litter, wallboard, fireplace logs, paper, animal feed, and sometimes as fuel for power plants!

Two peanut farmers have been elected President of the United States: Thomas Jefferson and Jimmy Carter.

One acre of peanuts will make 30,000 peanut butter sandwiches.

ORIENTAL PEANUTS — National Peanut Board

- 3 cups dry-roasted, unsalted peanuts
- 2 tablespoons soy sauce
- 1 teaspoon toasted sesame oil
- 1 tablespoon granulated sugar
- 1 tablespoon ground ginger
- 1 tablespoon garlic powder

Preheat oven to 350°F. In a medium bowl, toss peanuts with soy sauce and sesame oil. Combine remaining ingredients in a resealable plastic bag; mix well. Add peanuts and toss gently to coat evenly. Spread peanuts in single layer on a non-stick baking sheet. Bake at 350°F, in center of oven for 7–10 minutes. Remove peanuts from the oven and loosen with a spatula. Cool in pan. Store in tightly covered container.

FESTIVE BEEF BITES WITH PEANUT BOURBON SAUCE — National Peanut Board

- 1-1/2 pounds boneless beef top sirloin or shoulder center steak (ranch steak), cut 3/4 thick
- 1 medium red bell pepper, cut into 1-inch pieces
- 1/2 to 3/4 teaspoon ground black pepper
- Chopped parsley

Sauce

- 3/4 cup whipping cream
- 1/2 cup chunky peanut butter
- 1/2 cup water
- 1/4 cup bourbon or apple cider
- 2 tablespoons soy sauce
- 2 tablespoons molasses
- 2 teaspoons minced garlic
- 1/4 to 1/2 teaspoon crushed red pepper

Soak 24 6-inch bamboo skewers in water 10 minutes; drain. Cut beef steak into 1-inch pieces. Alternately thread 2 beef pieces and 1 bell pepper evenly onto each skewer. Season with black pepper.

Combine sauce ingredients in medium saucepan, stirring until smooth. Bring just to boil. Reduce heat; simmer 12 minutes or until thickened, stirring frequently. Keep warm. Meanwhile, place 1/2 of skewers on rack in broiler pan to surface of beef is 3 to 4 inches from heat. Broil about 6 to 9 minutes for medium rare to medium doneness, turning once. Repeat with remaining skewers. Serve with peanut sauce. Garnish with parsley, if desired.

Cook's Tip: To grill, place 1/2 of skewers on grid over medium heat of gas grill. Grill covered, 6 to 8 minutes for medium rare to medium doneness, turning once. Repeat with remaining skewers.

PEANUT BUTTER GLAZED SQUASH — National Peanut Board

- 1 butternut squash (about 1 pound)
- 1/3 cup packed dark brown sugar
- 1/4 cup dry-roasted peanuts
- 1/2 teaspoon ground cumin
- 1/2 teaspoon ground coriander
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 teaspoon ground ginger
- 1/4 teaspoon ground white pepper
- 1 cup water
- 1 green onion, finely chopped

Cut squash into two halves; remove seeds. Using a vegetable peeler, remove peel from squash; cut into 1-inch cubes. Place in skillet. Sprinkle brown sugar, peanuts and spices over squash. Stir in water. Cook over medium heat, stirring frequently, until squash is tender, but a small amount of liquid remains, about 20 minutes. Stir in green onions.

If desired, sprinkle each serving with an additional peanuts.

NUTTY DUTCH APPLE DESSERT — National Peanut Board

- 4 cups sliced apples (about 1 1/2 pounds of whole apples)
- 1 tablespoon lemon juice
- 3 tablespoons butter
- 1/2 cup granulated sugar
- 3 eggs, separated
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1/2 cup peanut butter
- Chopped peanuts for garnish

Preheat oven to 350°F. Toss apples with lemon juice to coat. Spoon evenly into a greased 1-1/2 quart baking dish. Cover with foil and bake, stirring once, in preheated oven, for about 25 minutes or until apples are tender. In a mixing bowl, cream butter, sugar, egg yolks, and vanilla; then mix in peanut butter. In a separate bowl, beat egg whites until stiff, but do not dry. Fold whites into peanut butter mixture and spread evenly over apples. Bake at 350°F for about 25 minutes or until topping is set. Serve warm with ice cream, sour cream or whipped cream and sprinkle with chopped peanuts.

And of course what would peanuts be with out chocolate...

CHOCOLATE PEANUT BUTTER CROCK POT PUDDING CAKE — National Budget Living

- 1 cup all-purpose flour
- 1/2 cup granulated sugar
- 2 tablespoons unsweetened cocoa
- 1 1/2 teaspoons baking powder
- 1/2 cup milk
- 2 tablespoons vegetable oil
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- 3/4 cup peanut butter flavored pieces
- 3/4 cup sugar
- 1/4 cup unsweetened cocoa
- 2 cups boiling water
- 1/2 cup peanut butter, creamy or chunky

In a mixing bowl, stir together flour, the 1/2 cup sugar, the 2 tablespoons cocoa powder, and baking powder. Add the milk, oil, and vanilla; stir until batter is smooth. Stir in peanut butter pieces. Spread batter evenly in bottom of a greased 3 1/2-4 qt crock pot. In another mixing bowl, combine the 3/4 cup sugar and 1/4 cup cocoa. Stir together boiling water and peanut butter; stir into cocoa mixture. Pour evenly over batter in the slow cooker. Cover and cook on high for 2 to 2 1/2 hours or until toothpick inserted near center of cake comes out clean. Uncover and let cool slightly, about 30 minutes. To serve, spoon warm pudding cake into dessert dishes, and serve with ice cream or whipped topping.

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

William West Earns Rank of Eagle Scout

William West, of Boy Scout Troop 30 Loudon NH, was awarded the rank of Eagle Scout at an Eagle Court of Honor on Saturday January 21st, 2012. William had been approved by the Eagle Review Board on 8/14/2011.

In order to achieve the rank of Eagle, a boy works through the ranks of Boy Scouts and upon reaching the rank of Life, must conduct a service project. The scout must first approach the Eagle Review Board to have the project approved, the project must help a nonprofit community organization. The scout designs the project, raises the necessary funds, organizes the project and leads volunteers to assist in the actual project. The service project is a final test of the boy's leadership abilities. The scout then goes back to the Eagle Review Board to present the process that he went through and to share the outcome of the project. The Eagle Review Board will then decide if the boy has earned the rank of Eagle Scout through demonstrated leadership skills and incorporating the scout law into his daily character.

For his eagle project, William made four team benches for the new LYAA soccer fields. William really wanted to find a way to give back to LYAA as a thank you for the wonderful soccer program that he had participated in since he was in grade school. When he found out that they were making new fields, he thought the benches would be a nice touch so that kids would not have to sit on the ground.

William worked with LYAA as well as Mr. Fred Regan from Merrimack Valley School District to determine their needs and criteria. He worked with a carpenter to get design ideas and then used a CAD program to actually create the design specifications. Special consideration was given to the type of material used to withstand the weather, not be too hot or splinter when sat upon, seat a team, and be "tip" proof.

He held a dance at Loudon Elementary School last April to raise money for the materials. There was actually an extra \$200 of money raised that went to LYAA for future upkeep of the benches. A group of volunteers worked together to make the benches.

Thanks to Loudon Building Supply for selling the materials at cost, Brookside pizza for discounted prices on the pizza sold at the dance, Shaw's and Sam's Club for cash donations used to buy drinks for the dance, and Nazy entertainment for providing DJ services at the dance. Thanks to family, friends, and Troop 30 for the volunteers needed to chaperone the dance and work on the benches. Thanks to Fred Regan from MV for picking up and delivering the benches. A total of 238 hours was spent on the entire project.

William has been in scouts since 2000. He started scouts as a tiger cub with Pack 247 from Loudon. He worked his way through all of the ranks of scouting. As a Webelos Scout, he earned the arrow of light award and earned all of the Webelos Activity pins. As a Boy Scout, William earned 25

merit badges, only 21 are required to qualify to earn the Eagle rank.

William was elected to join the Order of the Arrow, the Honor Society of Scouting. He was the Order of the Arrow Representative for troop 30 and joined the OA brotherhood.

At the Eagle Court of Honor Ceremony, Cub Scout Pack 247 and Boy Scout Troop 30 joined together to put on a top rate ceremony. The Eagle Scout Mentor Pin was awarded to Mr. Paul Gagne, William's Grandfather, for his work in helping William to design and construct the benches. Mr. Gagne is the carpenter that also built the candle centerpiece used in the Eagle Court of Honor Ceremony.

About 80 people attended the ceremony, including Judge Boyle of the NH Circuit Court and President of Daniel Webster Boy Scout Council, Jay Taylor, District Executive of DWC, Representative Gregory Hill, Senator Sanborn, Mr. McLareu and Mr. Shea of Marine Corps League. Special thanks were given to Dr. Brian Blake, Kate Dockham, Dr. Delisi, Ronald Grandmaison, George Klucky, Jeff Higman, Neil Smith, George Hunton, Joe Fitzgerald, Rob Ackerson for all of their of service to scouting and for their help given to William over the years. Special thanks to Dr. Jette, Principal of MVHS, for allowing the use of the auditorium for the Court of Honor and to Mr. Laliberte, Principal of LES, for allowing William to use the gym for the dance.



William West of Boy Scout Troop 30 was recently awarded the rank of Eagle Scout.

William is currently a senior at Merrimack Valley High School. He is an honors student and plans to study engineering in college. He has already been accepted to several colleges and is waiting to hear back from a few more. ■

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American Legion Post 88 News

We have some interesting news this month. We are still trying to make 100% on membership we are close but not quite there. If you know anyone who would like to join or transfer, let a post member know and we will follow up. New membership the first year is on us, if you are a transfer, our dues are \$22.00 a year.

In March we celebrate the founding of the Legion in 1919. March 13 is town elections and March 17 is town meeting day. Vote and attend the town meeting. If you have never been, it could be an experience you could enjoy. At least vote — it is your privilege.

The raffle winners for the last two months:

January 18

\$50.00, D. Bowles; \$25.00, B. Reed; \$10.00, J. Lee; \$10.00, R. Dennis; and \$5.00, D. Silver.

February 15

\$50.00, S. Johnstone; \$25.00, D. Malfait; \$10.00, J. Jones; \$10.00, P. Lane; and \$5.00, R. Dennis. I didn't win either — better luck next month!

Now the interesting news — we have set up a committee to explore the possibility of selling our post home. Reasons: We cannot maintain the building, which will need quite a bit of attention; insurance is a large expense; grounds are in rough shape — these are just a few of our problems. If we can sell we will have the choice of finding a smaller place that would be more economical. The bottom line is the old building is costing us too much. It has been a hard decision to come to, but we have to face reality. We would like to hear any suggestions or ideas on this matter.

I guess this is the story for this month.

Have a safe and good health the rest of Winter. ■

The Legion Family

Discover Wild New Hampshire Day Set For Saturday, April 21, 2012

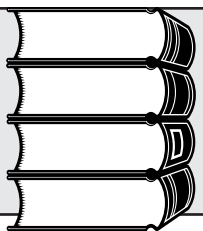
Mark your spring calendars for Discover WILD New Hampshire Day, coming this year on Saturday, April 21. This family-friendly Earth Day event takes place from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on the grounds of the New Hampshire Fish and Game Department at 11 Hazen Drive in Concord, N.H. Admission is free.

Enjoy exhibits presented by dozens of New Hampshire environmental, conservation and outdoor organizations. See live animals, big fish and trained falcons. Participate in archery, casting, and crafts projects for the kids. Explore new trends in recycling, environmental protection and energy-efficient hybrid vehicles. Come Discover WILD New Hampshire with us — connecting you to life outdoors!

Co-sponsored by the New Hampshire Fish and Game Department and the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services, with support from the Wildlife Heritage Foundation of New Hampshire. Watch for details at www.wildnh.com. ■



Seeing big trout and salmon in a real stocking truck is always a highlight of Discover WILD NH Day. NHFG photo.



Maxfield Public Library News



Two Abraham Lincolns celebrate President's Day.

Yoga For Health

Get limber with a fresh round of yoga sessions starting right away. Tuesday classes are at 1:30 p.m. and run from March 6 through May 8. Thursday classes are at 6:30 p.m. and go from March 22 to May 24. Fran Nash always has a full roster and class size is limited to twelve people, so call soon to sign up.

Book Groups

True crime and art history go hand-in-hand in *Priceless*, FBI special agent Robert K. Wittman's account of his detective work in retrieving millions of dollars worth of stolen artworks and historic documents. Join in on the discussion at 7 p.m. on March 15. Newcomers are welcome.

Classic book group will meet at 2:30 p.m. on March 27. Please call the library for the selected title. Following the discussion, participants are invited to read selections from their own creative writing.

Story Time

On March 6, 7, and 8 the children at story time will explore the jungle while listening to *In the Wild* by David Elliot and *Jungle Drums* by Graeme Base. The children will use black paint to accent their crayon jungle creatures in the craft time that follows.

The books for the 13, 14, and 15 of March will be *The True Story of the*

Three Little Pigs by Jon Scieszka and David Ezra Stein's *Interrupting Chicken*. Story timers will have a chance to look at a different point of view of the famous fairy tale: the *Three Little Pigs*.

The children will make their own "boo boo" bunny after listening to *One and Felicity Floo Visits the Zoo* by Kathryn Otoshi and E.S. Redmond on March 20, 21, and 22.

As March ends and the days get a bit longer story time will investigate *What Makes Day and Night* by Franklyn M. Branley and Susan Marie Swanson's *The House in the Night* on the 27 through the 29. The children will use scratchboard to create the night sky.

New Books

Fiction

Card, Orson Scott

Shadows in Flight

Clancy, Tom
Cornwell, Bernard
O'Malley, Daniel
Preston, Douglas

Locked On
Death of Kings
The Rook
Gideon's Corpse
The House of God
Desert Wind

Shem, Samuel

Webb, Betty

Nonfiction

Heald, Bruce

Mount Washington Cog Railway

Hoopes, Aaron

Zen Yoga Daily Warm-Up

Why did the librarian slip and fall on the library floor?

RODUSC
SONW
MCAHR
NOLJ
ULYCK
PIUTL
SRNPG
VEGLRC
EMEDCEBR



Because she was in the
N — — — F — — —
section



February Word Scramble Answers:
FEBRUARY, HUGS, GROUNDHOG, PRESIDENT,
KISS, CUPID, ROSES, SWEETHEART, CHOCOLATE,
RESERVATION
What did the cowboy give his wife on Valentine's Day?
Ugns and Kisses!



Making Valentines at the Library.

Von Tunzelman, Alex *Indian Summer: The Secret History of the
End of an Empire*
Zasio, Robin *The Hoarder in You*

New DVDs

*The Art of Quilting, The Big Year, Doctor Zhivago, The Double,
Drive, Gone with the Wind, The Ides of March, Saratoga Trunk; The
Ten Commandments, The War Tapes, Wild Child*

DVDs For Children

*Anastasia; Eyewitness DVDs – Human Machine, Mammal,
Ocean, Reptile; Lady and the Tramp; Literature-based – Angelina
Ballerina, Arthur, Clifford; Real Wheels; Shark Tale; The Swan
Princess; Tarzan*

Book Sale

What old or new treasures will you ferret out from the tables laden with books at the March 31 book sale? Peruse the selection from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. For email or telephone notifications of upcoming sales, call Fran at 798-5153.

Library Hours

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

Closed for Town Meeting

The library will be closed for Town Meeting on Saturday, March 17. We hope to see you there! ■



Getting "crafty" at the Library after Storytime.

Library Trustees Meeting Minutes — January 9, 2012

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

The meeting was brought to order at 3:40 p.m.

The minutes from the December 5, 2011 Library Trustees' Meeting were reviewed, accepted and signed.

The Library Director indicated that the Library Trustees' Report for the Annual Town Report is due at the Selectmen's office on January 17, 2012. The Trustees will write the report during the week of January 9 and submit it to the Selectmen's Office by January 17. The Library Director stated that she was working on the Library Director's Report.

The Library Director indicated that after thoroughly researching various options and service agreements, the library purchased a new copier to replace the broken copier. This copier has been networked to various in-house computers, this being necessary to scan documents for the purposes of research, reporting, and other uses by both the staff and patrons.

At 4:05 p.m. the Trustees reviewed donations (gifts) made to the library between January and December of 2011. *Sandy Blanchard motioned that the Trustees accept the gifts. Ken Krzewick seconded. All were in favor.*

The Trustees reviewed the Monthly Financial Report. *Ken Krzewick motioned to accept the report. Sandy Blanchard seconded. All were in favor.*

The Trustees reviewed the monthly Library Director's Report, including the following:

Back publications of the *Readers' Guide to Periodical Literature* and *Abridged Readers' Guide to Periodical Literature* are being weeded to make room in the reference area. Online use of EBSCO through the NHSL's subscription offers more extensive access.

Reorganization of the Children's Room has included: extensive weeding of tape and video materials, relocation of books for

third and fourth graders to shelves opposite Circulation Desk, extension of books for middle schoolers to shelves against wall by door to stairwell, and consolidation of materials in puzzle area. More materials suited to toddlers will be added.

Currently on display, from now through the end of February, are watercolor paintings by Loudon artist Will Jarvis. The next work featured will be photography by Tim Jones, also from Loudon.

The Highway Department delivered a barrel of salt to the library.

Concurrent yoga sessions by Fran Nash are starting this week on Tuesday afternoons and Thursday evenings. Class sizes are limited to twelve participants and full to capacity.

Use of our subscription to the New Hampshire Downloadable Books is increasing significantly, especially for ebooks.

The library is organizing a Spring Fever Arts and Crafts Show and Sale for the first weekend in May. Work will be juried.

The Loudon Village Arts group will be taking a field trip in lieu of their February meeting normally held on the first Wednesday of the month.

Prospective designs for main floor door to Children's Room are in progress.

A networked copier/scanner has replaced the defunct copier. Work was done at the same time with fixes to computer problems on the main floor. The server and one of the staff computers at the circulation desk often freeze up with certain programs due to their age.

Annual Reports are due to the Town on January 17, if in written form, January 19 otherwise.

Next book sale will be on February 25.

The Library Director emphasized how successful the yoga classes have been.

The library director provided the Trustees with a report on downloadable books and highlighted the continual increase in activity.

Steve Del Deo provided the Trustees with an update on the library roof. He has

been contacting companies that work with standing seam metal roofs regarding various repair options or replacement.

The Trustees will be completing the By-Laws update during the next few weeks.

The next Library Trustees' Meeting is scheduled for Monday, January 30, at 3:30 p.m.

Steve Del Deo motioned to adjourn. Ken Krzewick seconded. All were in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 5:27 p.m.

*Sandra Blanchard
Kenneth Krzewick
Stephen Del Deo*



Maxfield Public Library Passes!

Passes are available to museums and points of interest around the state for Library borrowers! We suggest reserving in advance either

by phone (798-5153) or in person. Call for details.

CANTERBURY SHAKER VILLAGE

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

CHILDREN'S MUSEUM OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

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

CURRIER MUSEUM OF ART

Each pass entitles the bearer to 2 free admissions.

McAULIFFE-SHEPARD DISCOVERY CENTER

Valid for admission to exhibit halls for 4 people.

MOUNT KEARSARGE INDIAN MUSEUM

Free admissions for 2 guests per day.

MUSEUM OF NEW HAMPSHIRE HISTORY

Unlimited free admission to the Society's museum and free use of the Society's library.

SQUAM LAKES NATURAL SCIENCE CENTER

Free trail admissions for 2 people per day plus 4 additional discounted admissions of \$7 each.

WRIGHT MUSEUM

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



Loudon Boy Scout News

Article and photos by Lee Laughlin (unless otherwise noted)

The Boy Scouts of Pack 247 have been busy!

They kicked off the year with a sleepover at Krazy Kids on Sheep Davis road (Rt. 106) in Pembroke. Thanks to the Latham family for letting the boys of Pack 247 be your first overnight guests! The boys shared pizza, watched a movie, and made the most of their time in the climbing structures and bounce houses. Eventually everyone found a place to rest their heads and the next morning we wrapped the event up with a yummy continental breakfast.

The Pack held it's Annual Pinewood Derby on Saturday, January 28th. A great time was had by all. See the photos for some of the really cool car designs. Congratulations to our top three overall finishers: first place — Hayden Gardener; second place — Jacob Cheney; and third place went to Jackson Mercer. The top three from each Den will compete in the district finals at the end of March.

In early February, we held our annual Blue & Gold Banquet. The Blue & Gold Banquet brings together the Boy Scouting community and it's supporters to celebrate the Boy Scouts of America's birthday. This year's banquet was a potluck dinner and featured the annual cake auction. Boys and their Dad's were charged with creating cakes that represented this year's theme of "Resourcefulness." The money raised by the auction goes to Friends of the Boy Scouts, a fund that allows underprivileged boys to fully participate in scouting. Pack 247 is pleased to announce that this year, we raised \$571 for the Friends of the Boy Scouts. Thank you to everyone for your support.

Den Updates

Bears — Josh Brien

The boys have been working towards their "Sharing Your World with Wildlife" achievement. With assistance from Alec DeCato (Den Chief) and Riley Charron from Pack 247, the Bears have learned about different types of hand tools and how to safely and effectively use specific tools. At our next meeting, they used their new-found knowledge to construct tool boxes and received several new tools to begin their collection. At our third meeting in 2012, the boys combined their knowledge and the tools to construct bird houses.

Tigers — Josh Brien

The Tigers made family photo/memory books to complete with their families. The boys have also been exploring nutrition. They learned about the multiple sources for milk and they've begun learning about the food pyramid including which foods fall into which categories. They are making a poster to demonstrate their knowledge.

Wolves — Kelly & Rob Sedgley

The boys engaged in some good, old-fashioned fun when they worked together as a den to learn the ringer rules and earn the marbles belt loop.

The den also visited Home Depot to make a keepsake box. Thanks to Bernie at Home Depot in Concord for sharing his expertise and his enthusiasm with the boys.

The boys brought their collections to our last meeting in February. Everyone had a great time learning about their friends' collections and we earned an achievement to boot! ■



The Scouts kicked off their year with a sleepover at Krazy Kids in Pembroke. Looks like they had fun! PHOTO BY JULIANA BRIEN



There were several blue and gold cakes at the Blue and Gold Banquet. PHOTO BY LEE LAUGHLIN



Pinewood Derby cars are lined up along with trophies to be given to the winners. PHOTO BY LEE LAUGHLIN



With help from Bernie at Home Depot, the boys built their own keepsake boxes. PHOTO BY LEE LAUGHLIN

**RESTAURANT
REOPENING FOR
THE SEASON
MARCH 16!
Celebrating St.
Patrick's Day**



**Join us for *Friday Night at the Club*, March 16
from 5–9 p.m. to celebrate St. Patrick's Day
with a New England Boiled Dinner!**

Corned Beef and Cabbage with traditional vegetables — \$13.95

Stop in or call 783-3372, ext. 1 to reserve a table at LCC!

A SAMPLING OF THIS YEAR'S MENU ITEMS:

12-ounce Center Cut Sirloin Steak with your choice of potato
and LCC's own onion rings.

Marinated Steak Tips with our hand-cut fries and homemade coleslaw.

Fish & Chips prepared with succulent haddock fillet and our
homemade coleslaw.

Special Deep Fried Ipswich Clams. Our own recipe with LCC's
hand-cut fries and homemade coleslaw.

Delicious Chicken Parmesan and Pasta — so tender you can cut it with a fork!

Pasta and Meatballs with homemade sauce prepared from an old family recipe.

Italian-style premium **Veal Piccata or Veal Parmesan** with pasta.

LCC's Macaroni and Cheese laced with delicious honey-baked ham.

Meat Loaf cooked to perfection with mashed potatoes, gravy, and vegetable.

Yankee Pot Roast with vegetables — delicious and melts in your mouth.

(Menu subject to change)

Our restaurant is open 7 days a week for breakfast, lunch, and dinner.

We are located at 653 Route 106 North in Loudon.



Loudon Girl Scout News

By Lee Laughlin

On Friday February 17th volunteers from all over the Concord area gathered to unload and sort 3103 cases of Girl Scout Cookies.

Are you enjoying your Thin Mints? There's no need to hoard the Samoas you know. There are plenty to go around! Don't forget to try Savannah Smiles the lemon powdered sugar cookie in honor of Girl Scouting's 100th Anniversary.

Girl Scout Cookie sales are in high gear and you will see Loudon Girl Scout troops at booth sales around Concord, at the TD Bank at 106 & 129 and even at Town Meeting. Thank you to everyone for your support. The Girl Scout Cookie sales program gives the girls an opportunity to improve their financial literacy skills while they raise money for community service projects and other activities.

Loudon is now part of a cluster of towns known as Girl Scout Community 226. Community 226 includes Loudon, Concord, Penacook, Pittsfield, Canterbury, and Chichester. This structure has provided the opportunity for girls to participate in a number of events in other towns. We also work together on events. Community 226 held its first combined World Thinking Day event on Saturday, February 4th in Loudon at The Faith Community Bible Church. 60 girls and 20 adults attended the event. Four troops from Loudon worked very hard and put together presentations, information and materials on countries around the world that are part of The World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts (WAGGGS). Another troop from Loudon and three troops from Concord came as "travelers" to view the presentations from around the world. Girls taught the attendees belly dancing from Egypt and the duck dance (chicken dance) from Switzerland. Attendees played games that are popular in Japan and Guyana and we watched a skit from France. Food samples from all the countries were available to try and enjoyed by all. It was a great day of learning and fun.

There is a possibility that Community 226 will be putting together a parade float for the Concord Christmas Parade that is held in November. This is the 100th Birthday of Girl Scouting and we

may celebrate with a birthday float! We will keep you posted with more on that in the future.

It's Not Too Early to be Thinking About Summer

As this rather tame winter winds down, we turn our thoughts to the truly warm weather of spring and summer.

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

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

Brownie Troop 10454

Melissa Robbins, Rebecca Stuart

At our twelfth meeting, we completed the Family Story badge. First the girls had to share a story about their family that the other girls would not know. Then they had to share a holiday family tradition, like a game they play or a food that they make every year. Then their favorite part was making a family story tree. They drew a big tree and made empty circles for their parents, squares for siblings, clouds for aunts and uncles, etc., and filled in the names of all their relatives. Now the fun part was writing a fun fact about each of their family members, like their favorite thing to do, something that happened to them, or a funny nickname. The girls had a great time sharing their family trees full of stories to each other. Then they needed to make a family crest complete with a shield and the colors of their choice, they added their houses, family members, even a lion to complete a symbolic family crest.

The girls' thirteenth meeting was a Christmas party complete with a Secret Santa gift exchange. They painted and decorated clear plastic globe ornaments. Then the big project was making

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fabric frames to put a photo in and give as a gift. They hand sewed buttons onto pieces of holiday inspired fabrics and cut slits in the corners to wrap around a cardboard base to make a fabric covered frame secured by hot glue.

Meeting fourteen was all about cookie sales preparation, completing the Meet My Customers badge. They learned how much they cost per box, reviewed what the types of cookies are they will be selling, and named off their favorites. Then they identified who their customers are and when they would ask them. Then they role played selling cookies at the cookie booths we have scheduled, remembering to thank everyone for their support. They also practiced making change for the purchases. Then they set their cookie sales goals by calculating how much they make per box and how many boxes they would need to sell in order to earn enough money to go to the zoo for an overnight. Look for us at Sam's Club on Sat., March 3rd and here at the TD Bank in Loudon on Sat., March 17th. Thank you to everyone who supports our troop by buying cookies.

Our fifteenth meeting we completed the last part of the painting badge we have been working on...actually doing the painting! We set up a red glass bowl of fruit filled with oranges, apples, grapes, bananas, grapefruit and pears. The girls sketched with pencil the outline of the bowl, fruit, and draped napkin background. Then mixed paint to fill, shade, and highlight their drawn details. They learned about size, proportion, foreground, and background, as well as color gradation, and shadows and did a great job painting their still life paintings.

Our next three meetings were spent working on the annually celebrated event World Thinking Day in which troops choose different countries to research about Girl Scouting in that country and focus on a worldwide theme. This year's theme was environmental conservation issues in the chosen country. Because we have been working on our Wow Water Journey, this year the girls chose Egypt based on their water conservation issues. The troop broke into two teams to focus on the two aspects of the presentation and began writing their scripts based on

their research and sketching out their poster ideas.

At the 17th meeting they wrote their scripts onto note cards and worked on their posters. They used sand, glue, and blue tissue paper to make the desert conditions that surround their only water source, the Nile River, and drew the pyramids and people in their traditional attire. Then they filled their posters with their researched facts. Next we watched a video of a belly dancer performing a routine, so we broke down the movements to learn how to do the belly dance and be able to teach it to the group during our presentation. The girls said it felt awkward at first since it is a new movement and takes a lot of coordination to isolate moving your hips and belly without moving your upper abdomen. The girls found it helpful to put your hands on this area to remind yourself to keep that area still and just move below that. We practiced six movements and choreographed the order we would perform them in.

The girls were really excited about making costumes to wear for belly dancing during their performance so our eighteenth meeting was a special extended meeting where the girls brought pieces of flowy fabric and old dresses to be remade into belly dancing costumes to be worn over bathing suits and leggings for appropriate coverage. The girls designed how they wanted each of their Egyptian gowns to look and cut and sewed them themselves. They even hand sewed additional beads, bells, and adornments for added appeal. Their outfits came out great and were a great addition to their World Thinking Day performance! Special thanks to Debbie Latham and Renee Denoncourt for bringing their sewing machines and helping the girls construct their garments!

Brownie Troop 10955

Sarah Earle, Lynnette LeBlanc and Tammy Bourque

Our troop had a great month learning about the world and just having fun together. We prepared for World Thinking Day by learning fun facts about Switzerland, putting together a silly dance and making chocolate truffles. The troop attended World Thinking

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Day on Feb. 4 and got to teach the other troops what we'd learned as well as getting a taste of other countries and cultures. Our duck dance was a big hit with everyone! Later in the month, the whole troop got to go to Krazy Kids, where we worked on our My Best Self badge and got out lots of energy. We've started working on a pets badge and are looking forward to finishing it this month.



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Troop 12641

Leader: Kathy Fisher
Co-Leader: Jenn Jones

We enjoyed learning about France and their Girl Guides and the girls did a great job presenting a skit about the Revolution at World Thinking Day. We enjoyed the great displays and food. Along our Amuse journey we recently created "Role Model" dolls using pipe cleaners for a body, button for a head and wrapped with yarn for clothing. They all came out unique and are can be posed into the shape of a role the girls can play. We also found magazine ad photos that portray stereotypes and discussed those, leading to our "Speak Out" award where they use their teamwork, creativity and courage to inspire others to speak out too.

Look for us at our upcoming cookie booths and stop by to say hi and support LOUDON GS!

March 3 at TD Bank 9-1 p.m., Fox Pond Plaza; March 10 at Walmart (grocery entrance) 5-8 p.m.; and March 18, Sam's Club 11:30-5 p.m.

Cadette Troop #12356

The Cadette troop just can't believe how quickly time flies! We are deciding on the final take action project for the Breathe Journey. We had a great cookie sale — our troop sold 322 boxes of cookies!!! We had a booth sale at Sam's Club in Concord in February and will be at Town Meeting — please see us for your cookie cravings that day!! Our troop worked very hard on our presentations for World Thinking Day, which was held on Saturday, February 4th. Girls presented information on Japan and Guyana to those who attended the event. They learned quite a bit about

life in those countries and were eager to share what they learned with all. The girls decided on the badges that they will be working on in smaller groups and some have planned trips so they can complete those requirements. One of the badges that everyone will be working on is the New Cuisines badge. We are hoping to put on a dinner

for the residents of The Richard Brown House where the girls can show off some of the new cuisines they will make from around the world. We are also putting the final touches on our plans for the New York City trip and even our end of year camping trip! Thanks for reading what we are up to and check back for more next month. ■

Organic Blueberry Classes

Part I: Growing. Thursday, April 12, 2012. 5:30-8 p.m. at the Hopkinton Town Library, 61 Houston Dr., Contoocook, NH

Part II: Pruning. Saturday, April 14, 2012. 10-11:30 a.m. at Russell Certified Organic, 289 Maple St., Contoocook, NH

This workshop is designed for people who want to start a small orchard business, farmers who want to diversify, and serious home orchardists.

Part I will focus on growing organic blueberries: site selection, soil preparation, fruit varieties and rootstock, fertilization, and pest management. It will be taught by Amy Ouellette, Merrimack County Agriculture Educator, Becky Sideman, Specialist and Associate Professor of Sustainable Horticulture Production and Peter Russell, Certified Organic Grower.

Part II will focus on pruning of blueberry bushes. Taught by Amy Ouellette and Peter Russell, owner of Russell Certified Organic. This workshop is outside, so dress appropriately.

To RSVP, please contact Mary West at 796-2151 or mary.west@unh.edu. In lieu of a registration fee, we will collect donations for NOFA-NH's scholarship fund.

If you require accommodations in order to participate, please contact the Merrimack County UNH Cooperative Extension office by April 9. ■

Directions to the Hopkinton Town Library:

From the south: Take I-93 N to I-89 in Concord. Go North on 89 and take exit 6. Turn right off the end of exit. * This will take you into Contoocook village. Take a left at the Sunoco station. Turn left onto Pine Street which is between the fire station and TDS (the telephone company.) The library is on the right at 61 Houston Drive.

From the North: Take 93 south to Concord. Pick up I-89 N to exit 6 for Contoocook. Take a right at the end of the exit and follow directions above after the asterisk.

Directions to Russell Certified Organic:

Interstate 89, exit 6, that is Maple street. From Concord, go right toward Contoocook village for 3/4 mile. The farm is on the right at 289 Maple.



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Loudon Freedom Soccer Club Posts a Winning Season!



Congratulations to the Loudon Freedom Soccer Club U12A and U14 girls teams for both winning championships in the first session of indoor soccer at Fieldhouse Sports in Bow. Since being formed in August of 2011, the U11 team went undefeated in the Fall Granite State Soccer league while the U14 girls came in a strong second in their division. Both teams made extremely strong showings in the Concord Capital Cup tournament, with the U14's making it to the championship game and the 11's coming in third out of 11 teams. Club President Ron Davis, along with Scott Walton and Scott Hagerty, are trying to bring competitive soccer to the kids of Loudon and surrounding towns. They will be putting a team into the Granite State league for Spring and would like to expand to several teams in the Fall of 2012. Please contact Loudon Freedom SC if you are interested in putting a team in for the Fall season. Tryouts will be this Spring for our Fall teams. Please contact Ron at jarjen@comcast.net if interested in the club and follow us on Facebook under Loudon Freedom SC. ■

Thank you !

Ron Davis
Loudon Freedom SC

Top: 2011 Loudon Freedom Soccer Club at the 2011 Capital Cup. Middle, left: U12A girls team won the championship in their first session of indoor soccer as did (bottom, left) the U14 girls team. Congratulations on a terrific season!



March Senior Health Clinics

Concord Regional VNA will hold a Senior Health Clinics at the VOANNE Senior Housing on March 27 from 9 a.m. until noon. All Senior Health Clinic services are provided for a suggested donation of \$10; however, services are provided regardless of a person's ability to pay. Call (603) 224-4093 or (800) 924-8620, ext. 5815 for an appointment. Call 798-5203 if you need a ride.

March Walk-In Immunization Clinics

Concord Regional VNA is holding the following affordable monthly Walk-in Immunization Clinics for all ages: Monday, March 5, 1-3 p.m. and Tuesday, March 20, 2:30-4:30 p.m.

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

March Walk-In Blood Pressure Clinic

Concord Regional VNA is holding a free monthly Walk-in Blood Pressure Clinic on Friday, March 2, 9:30 - 11 a.m.

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

Children's Dental Clinic on March 16

Concord Regional Visiting Nurse Association, Concord Hospital Family Health Center, and New Hampshire Technical Institute are holding a free dental clinic for children on Friday, March 16.

The clinic is for children ages 3 to 12 years old who live in the greater Concord area and who are income-eligible. Dental services include exams, cleanings, fluoride, and sealants. Pre-registration is required and space is limited. To find out if your child qualifies, call Concord Regional VNA at (603) 224-4093 or (800) 924-8620, ext. 5815. ■

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Special Education Survey Coming Soon

Research shows that parent involvement is a large factor in the educational success of children, especially children participating in special education programs.

At the state and national levels, parent involvement is deemed so important that school districts are evaluated annually on parents' perceptions that the school facilitated parent involvement as a means of improving service and results for children with disabilities.

If your child participates in special education programs, you will receive a survey from the New Hampshire Department of Education (NHDOE) in the mail. The envelope will have "Parent Involvement Survey Enclosed" clearly printed on the front. You may even have already received the survey.

There is one survey for pre-school parents and a separate survey for parents of children in grades kindergarten through twelve. The survey should arrive in your mailbox in mid-March. You can respond by completing and returning the paper survey or complete an identical online version. The deadline to complete the survey is in early May. The details are included in a cover letter from the NH DOE. The cover letter also explains how you can receive support to complete the survey (e.g. language translation).

The completed surveys are returned to Measurement Inc. An independent company based in New York, Measurement Inc. compiles the results and shares the data with the state and the school district usually sometime in the fall. The results are required to be reported publicly. The NH DOE will make the results available on their web site later this year.

For additional information about the survey you can contact Mary Paradise, Administrator of Special Education for the Elementary Schools (603) 753-4891 or Maureen Gross Administrator of Special Education for the Middle and High Schools (603) 753-4311. You can also visit New Hampshire Family Connections at their web site www.nhconnections.org/. ■

Enjoy the Late Winter Outdoors, But "Hike Safe"

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

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

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

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

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

- 1) With the appropriate knowledge and gear;
- 2) Leave your plans with someone else;
- 3) Hiking groups should stick together, and not let themselves become separated;
- 4) Hikers should always be ready to turn back if circumstances, such as changing weather, dictate;

5) Hikers should be ready for emergencies, and, ideally, be set to effect "self rescue"; and

6) Those who know the code should share its lessons with others.

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

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

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

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

Kimberly Wright On Dean's List at Endicott College

Endicott College, Beverly, MA, is pleased to announce the Dean's List students for the Fall Term, 2011. In order to qualify for the Dean's List, a student must obtain a minimum grade point average of 3.5, receive no grades below a "C," and be enrolled in a minimum of 12 credits for the semester.

Kimberly Wright has met those requirements. Ms. Wright is the daughter of Craig Wright of Loudon and Karen Colby of Hillsboro. She is a Freshman majoring in Nursing.

Located in Beverly, MA on 235 acres of oceanfront property, Endicott College offers Doctor, 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 2,300 undergraduate and more than 2,500 adult and graduate students. ■

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D.A.R.E. News

Jason S. Fiske, Instructor

We have started another year of the D.A.R.E. curriculum at the Loudon Elementary School. The students are excited and once again there is great participation from the fifth grade students. I wish to thank the fifth grade teachers, Mr. Satterfield, Ms. LaPlante, and Mrs. Painchaud for all their help in assisting me this year.

Want an inexpensive family night out? The big fundraiser is almost here! **Save the date!** The annual **D.A.R.E. Pizza** night will be held on **Tuesday, March 20th** at the **Loudon Elementary School**. 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. We will be selling tickets starting at 4:30; however, the doors will not be open to the raffle until 5:00 p.m. You do not need to be present at the raffle. A.J. Dukette from 93.3 The Wolf will be here for event once again! 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. ■

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Merrimack Valley School District News

LES PTA News

The Loudon Elementary School PTA is cruising through the school year. The PTA would like to thank Krazy Kids on 106/Sheep Davis Road in Pembroke for their generous donation. The Latham Family of Loudon owns Krazy Kids and they gave the PTA 100 tickets to sell at \$10 apiece (the regular price), BUT, the PTA gets to keep \$5 from each ticket sold! It's a win for all, the PTA raises funds, kids get exercise and parents have a fun, low-cost, safe source of entertainment for their children. One hundred tickets were sold in November and December raising \$500. Another 100 became available in mid February. There might be a handful left. Contact Becky Herrmann at Becky@handcut.com for details.

Sock Hop

The annual PTA Sock Hop will be held Friday March 23rd at the LES Gym. The cost is \$5 per child at the door. Grades K-2 will be cutting it up from 5:30 until 7 p.m. Grades 3-5 will be tripping the light fantastic from 7:30 until 9 p.m. There will be music and LOTS of dancing and even temporary tattoos!! See you there!

Parent volunteers are needed to make this an awesome night for the kids. If you are able to volunteer, please contact a PTA Committee member (info below).

FORE! For the PTA!

Save the date Sunday, June 3rd. The Loudon PTA will be hosting a golf tournament. Information about sponsorships and team sign-ups will be available later in the spring. If you are a local business consider sponsoring a hole! Contact Becky Herrmann at becky@handcut.com, 783-4257 or Cindy Labonte cindylabonte@ymail.com, 568-5089 for more information.

Technology Fund

Thanks to the success of recent events the PTA has created a reserve fund to support technology needs at the school. Your continued support in the form of financial contributions and donations of time will make this project a success.

Like us on Facebook!

The PTA has a Facebook page. You'll find us by searching for Loudon Elementary School PTA. "Like" the page to stay up-to-date on all the latest information on the PTA including upcoming events and volunteer opportunities.

PTA Leadership Team

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Loudon Elementary School Receives Lowe's Grant for \$3,430

Lowe's Charitable and Educational Foundation has awarded a \$3,430.00 Toolbox for Education grant to Loudon Elementary School for the LES Community Garden. Grant funds will be used to purchase a wheelchair-accessible raised bed, fences, and expand the raised bed gardens along School Street.

Students will be able to plant vegetables and herbs for use at school. When school is not in session, food from the garden will be donated to the Loudon Food Pantry. Watch for additional information as the gardens grow.

All K-12 public schools in the United States are eligible for the Toolbox for Education program. More information is available at www.ToolboxforEducation.com.

MVHS NEWS

Greetings from MVHS Guidance!

We hope it has been a productive and successful first semester. As we begin Spring Semester, we'd like to remind students and parents of some importance information and events:

IMPORTANT NEW Course Recovery Deadlines

MVHS has developed and implemented a new procedure regarding course recovery. If a student was not successful in a course, he/she has the option to meet with the teacher and develop a recovery plan for that course to make up for incomplete or inadequate course content. Students must initiate this process within 15 days after the course ends (February 15th, 2012 for first semester).

Attention College Bound Athletes

Are you looking for more info about getting noticed/recruited? What about Athletic Scholarships? Are you curious about the NCAA guidelines for eligibility? There will be a helpful workshop on these topics at Bow High School on March 12th at 7:30.

Seniors

By now everyone should have met with their guidance counselor to discuss post-secondary plans. If anyone still has not decided what they want to do, stop by ASAP and set up an appointment to develop a plan. There are many options open to graduates including college, apprenticeships, certificate programs, and other pathways to rewarding and fulfilling careers.

Juniors and Sophomores who took the PSAT

A reminder to go onto collegeboard.org, create an account if you have not done so, and log into My College Quickstart to get a full score report and look at

any questions you got wrong. This is the best thing you can do to prepare for the SAT!!

Juniors and parents of juniors

You are invited to a college planning overview on Tuesday, March 6th at 6:30 in the high school auditorium. Now is a great time to start giving serious thought and attention to your post high school plans. Topics addressed will include the application process, finding a "good fit" for college, picking a major, the admission process, testing options, and any questions that you have.

ATTN Seniors

The Red Sox Scholarship is now available for you to apply! Please check the MVHS Website Scholarship Page and apply for this \$1000.00 prestigious award. The winner and a guest will also be invited to NH Day at Fenway Park to watch a game (free) and will be honored on the field. Apply today!

Words of Wisdom: "Our attitude toward life determines life's attitude toward us." — Leonard Smith

Upcoming Events:

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| 3/8 | 6:30-7:30 Polls Open to vote for School Board Members. 7 p.m. Annual School District Meeting. MVHS Auditorium |
| 3/12-3/16 | Winter Carnival Week |
| 3/17 | Winter Carnival Dance. 7-11 p.m., MVHS Gym |
| 3/17 | Mid-Term Term 3 |
| 3/26 | Senior Project Community Evening. 5:30-8:30 p.m. |
| 3/27 | SNOW DATE: Senior Project Community Evening. 5:30-8:30 p.m. |
| 3/28 | Senior Project Daytime Presentations. 8-11 a.m. |
| 3/30 | Term 3 Ends ■ |

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Agricultural Commission Meeting Minutes

November 15, 2011 Meeting Minutes

Sat, 01/21/2012 — 11:52 — jbd
Present: Larry Moore, Melissa Moore, Carole Soule, Bruce Dawson, Earl Tuson
There were no minutes to accept from previous meetings.

New Business

Discussion about the \$1000 grant from New England Grass Roots Organization that was awarded to the Commission:

We have to create a “map” of Loudon Farms

Currently there are 16 farms on the old map

19 Farms are listed in the *Loudon Ledger*

We want to create a tri-fold “flyer”
There should be a short description of each farm

We should send a letter to each farm with a list of questions

Farms may be able to provide a logo

We will request \$25 from each farm to be listed. If 20 farms are listed then we will raise \$500 to help with printing and distribution costs.

It was moved by Larry Moore and accepted by Carole Soule that we will hire Corey Szepan as the graphic designer, 848-

4242 corey@coreyszeapan.com who will do a “front cover.” Approved by all.

Printing costs — Melissa to research:
Approximately .40/page for color printing

Approximately .10/page for B/W printing

Paper — 40# weight was a sample we evaluated

Include:

The Town Seal on the front

Farm Name:

Address

Website

Phone

email

15 Word Description

Logo as jpg or png file (check with Corey).

QR Code for farms that provide them.

We should provide a graph about which products are available by each farm and indicate the hours or seasons the product is available or if it is available year round.

Also include a “map” that shows all the listed farms with driving routes.

Third week in March should be the deadline.

The flyer can be given to realtors to give to new residents

Carole will try to get the farm questions in the December *Ledger* — the deadline is

this Friday. The wording for the *Ledger* is: “If you are a farm, the Loudon Agriculture Commission is compiling a map and agricultural tour brochure. For more information, contact: ... who? You can be listed for just \$25.” Make checks payable to “The Town of Loudon,” memo: Loudon Agricultural Commission.”

Larry Moore made a motion to adjourn and Bruce Dawson seconded at 8:55 p.m.

January 11, 2012 Meeting Minutes

Present: Larry Moore, Melissa Moore, Carole Soule, Bruce Dawson, Earl Tuson
Minutes from the November, 2011 meeting were reviewed and accepted.

Today’s meeting started at 7:15 p.m.

Old Business

Brochure Discussion

Cathy Hayes sent request to be included in Brochure with \$25 to Selectmen.

QR codes — if not enough space will not include them.

Melissa received a printing quote from Fed Ex for 6.8/copy 5000/\$735 or .14 per copy

Carole Moved to accept Fed Ex quote for 5,000 double sided — may not need color on the second side, motion passed.

Each member will contact 5–6 farms:

Earl Tuscon:

Lyon Berry Farm, Bill Brown, Meadow Ledge, Moonshine Frm Organics

Carole/Bruce:

Our Place Farm, Pearl, Poppurri Acres, Sanborn Mills, Lianna

Moore

Asnive, B&B, DS Cole, Hilltop Feed, Ledgeview

Email is [loudonag-board@simon.code meta.com](mailto:loudonag-board@simon.code.meta.com)

March 24–25 is Maple Weekend so brochure should be distributed before then and should be ready for the printer by the end of February

The board can approve \$500 payment for graphic designer after the designer (Cory) has generated an invoice.

A PDF version is needed for the Website

New Business

Annual Report for Town Meeting is needed. (See report)

Carole and Bruce attended “Root Skills” workshop sponsored by New England Grassroots Fund (NEGEF). They recommended it to other members if the workshop is offered again

The brochures can be distributed before Maple weekend if we get them before March 1. We can:

- mail the brochures
 - distribute them at Winter Farmers' Markets
 - give to Loudon Realtors
 - Target healthy Living Networks
 - At the race track (Melissa will ask the track gift shop)
- Press releases:
- *Laconia Citizen*
 - *Deerfield Forum*
 - *Manchester Union Leader*

Website — we need an Ag Commission logo — but could use the Town Seal with logo

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m. moved by Earl Tuscon seconded by Carole Soule.

Fishing Quest, Trout In The Classroom, And Exceptional Ecosystems — All In The Latest Issue Of New Hampshire Wildlife Journal

Get on board for an hilarious ride as two fishing-obsessed Granite Staters embark on a quest to “Catch ‘Em All.” *New Hampshire Wildlife Journal* joins the piscatorial pair as they head out onto the ice at the start of a year-long journey in which they aim to catch and eat every legal fish species in New Hampshire — and learn a few of life’s lessons along the way.

Also in the new issue (January/February 2012), catch the buzz of enthusiasm as New Hampshire students learn about science, water quality and conservation by raising trout in their classrooms and releasing them into local waterways. And explore the fascinating contrasts of New Hampshire’s diverse natural communities, from old-growth forest to alpine tundra, in a photo spread adapted from a beautiful new book from the New Hampshire Natural Heritage Bureau.

The *Journal* is the state’s only magazine dedicated to fish and wildlife conservation and recreation. In this issue, you’ll learn to listen for barred owls calling for mates in the winter woods, how small mammals create entire communities beneath the snow (which hopefully will arrive soon!), and where a slope known for a quarter-century as a “lost” ski mountain (Mittersill Ski Area) has been reestablished. In Warden’s Watch, be entertained by the exploits of Fish and Game Conservation Officers as they rescue windswept anglers, apprehend speeding snowmobilers and generally “Take a Bite out of Crime.”

Not a subscriber to *New Hampshire Wildlife Journal*? The magazine is published 6 times a year by the New Hampshire Fish and Game Department. Subscriptions are just \$12 for one year — that’s 40% off the newsstand price — or \$20 for two years. To read sample articles, subscribe or purchase gift subscriptions for the outdoor enthusiasts in your life, visit www.wildnh.com/Wildlife_Journal/WJ_mag.htm. Subscribe by January 30 and we’ll send you the current issue absolutely free! Single issues are available for \$2.95 each from N.H. Fish and Game headquarters, 11 Hazen Drive, Concord, NH 03301.

New Hampshire Wildlife Journal magazine contains no advertising. Subscription revenue helps the New Hampshire Fish and Game Department conserve and manage the state’s fish and wildlife, promote conservation education and create opportunities for outdoor recreation in the Granite State. Visit www.wildnh.com. ■

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Loudon Farms: Buy Locally!

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Maple Ridge Farm
416 Bumfagon Road. Fresh Vegetables, Maple Syrup. 435-8183

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

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

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

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

Our Place Farm
290 Route 129. Goat milk, eggs, naturally-raised pork, grass-fed beef, pasture-raised chicken, meat goats, natural fiber handspun yarn. Stop in afternoons or call ahead. 798-3183

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

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

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

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

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

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

Visit local Sugar Houses on Maple Weekend: March 23 & 24, 2012



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276 Loudon Ridge Rd
Loudon, NH 03307
603-435-7474
MapleRidgeSugarHouse.com

Hours: 9-5 7-days

Maple Ridge Farm is a member of the New Hampshire Farm Bureau Federation.

Blueberry & Raspberry Pruning Workshop

The UNH Cooperative Extension will be holding a Blueberry and Raspberry Pruning workshop at the Pustizzi Fruit Farm, 148 Corn Hill Road, Boscawen, NH 03303 on Saturday, March 31, 2012 from 10 a.m. until Noon.

Amy Ouellette, Merrimack County Agriculture Educator, will present a workshop on pruning blueberries and raspberries with Joe Pustizzi, owner of Pustizzi Fruit Farm in Boscawen. This workshop will be held outside, so please dress for the weather.

Directions: From I-93, take Exit 17 and head west on Route 4 for approximately 5 miles. Bear left at the fork in the road — continuing on Rte 4. Travel approximately half a mile to Corn Hill Road on the left. Pustizzi Fruit Farm is 1.3 miles up Corn Hill Road on the right.

Call Mary at UNH Cooperative Extension to register at 796-2151. There is no registration fee. ■

Basic Goat Production Series

UNH Cooperative Extension will present five classes on Basic Goat Production. You may sign up for one or all classes, to be held on: March 22, March 29, April 4, April 12, and April 19, from 6 to 8 p.m. at the UNH Cooperative Extension office at 315 Daniel Webster Highway, Boscawen, NH. There is a cost of \$40.00 for all 5 sessions or \$10.00 per session, per person.

Pre-enrollment is required, and space is very limited.

For more information on individual sessions or to register, call or email: Mary West, mary.west@unh.edu or Dot Perkins, Dorothy.perkins@unh.edu. UNH Cooperative Extension, Merrimack County, 603-796-2151.

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Making Money Work For You — A Money Management Series

The University of New Hampshire Cooperative Extension is offering a six-part "Making Money Work for You" series on Thursday evenings, March 8, 15, 22, 29; and April 5, and 12th from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. at Concord Hospital, Memorial Building, Conference Room 2, Suite 208, 246 Pleasant Street, Concord, NH Parking in Lot E.

Participants taking this six-week series will analyze their spending habits and learn strategies to reduce their expenses. They will develop a personal spending plan that allows them to live within their means. The series focuses on strategies to increase savings and methods to manage credit and reduce debt to attain everyday financial stability and long term financial security. Marilyn Sullivan, UNH Cooperative Extension Educator in Family and Consumer Resources, is the presenter. The program aims to help people get back to the basics of personal finances. According to Sullivan, many people are looking for simple strategies and basic money management skills to stay in control in these tough economic times. "For example, having an emergency fund to cushion an unexpected financial expense may be a financial goal. A person can rest a little easier, reducing the stress in their life, knowing they can handle a small crisis. Looking at one's current habits and the spending choices that are made are first steps towards achieving those kinds of financial goals."

If you are just starting out, struggling paycheck to paycheck, or looking to manage debt and begin saving, this series may be just what you are looking for! There is a \$15 materials fee per person or couple. Call UNH Cooperative Extension at 796-2151 to register and for more information. A check for \$15 made payable to UNH Cooperative Extension, may be sent to UNH Cooperative Extension, 315 Daniel Webster Highway, Boscawen, NH 03303. Pre-registration is required by March 5th. This series meets a financial fitness requirement for the IDA program sponsored by the New Hampshire Community Loan fund and clients of More Than Wheels.

If special accommodations are required to attend, please call the UNH Cooperative Extension Merrimack County office at least 15 days before the first class. The University of New Hampshire Cooperative Extension is an equal opportunity employer and an educator "Helping You Put Knowledge and Research to Work." For more information on financial management visit our web site at <http://extension.unh.edu/>

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Need A Wildlife Talk? Call On The Fish And Wildlife Stewards!

Does your organization or community group need a speaker on a wildlife topic? Thanks to the support of a federal grant, volunteer Fish and Wildlife Stewards are now available to present free wildlife-related programs to adult groups statewide. These wildlife enthusiasts have been trained by the New Hampshire Fish and Game Department to present public programs to clubs, libraries, conservation groups or any interested organization.

Currently, groups can choose from two presentations: "Black Bear Happenings in New Hampshire" and "Understanding Bobcats in New Hampshire." Another talk about trout habitat in New Hampshire is in the works and will be available in late spring.

Each presentation explores the natural history of our native wildlife, related research and management activities, and the Wildlife and Sport Fish Restoration Program that makes the work possible. Presentations last about 30-45 minutes.

To request a program for your adult organization or group, complete the program request form available at www.wildnh.com/fwstewards and mail to: Fish and Wildlife Stewards Program, N.H. Fish and Game, 11 Hazen Drive, Concord, NH 03301; or email as an attachment to mary.goodyear@wildlife.nh.gov.

For questions about the Fish and Wildlife Stewards Program or the presentations offered, contact Mary Goodyear, a N.H. Fish and Game Wildlife Educator, at 603-271-6649.

The Wildlife Stewards Program was created to help increase public awareness of the federal Sport Fish and Wildlife Restoration programs and the important Fish and Game projects they fund. Now in its 75th year, the Sport Fish and Wildlife Restoration program is funded by your purchase of fishing tackle, firearms, ammunition and motorboat fuels. Learn more at www.wildnh.com/SFWR_program/sfwr_program.htm. ■



Loudon Food Pantry News 14th Annual Feinstein Challenge to Fight Hunger

See What You Can Do To Help!

Each year, Alan Shawn Feinstein divides \$1 million amongst participating hunger agencies like the Loudon Food Pantry in order to inspire the public to donate during the months where we run dangerously low on food and funds.

To be a part of this effort, donate food or funds between March 1st and April 30th and note that it's for the Feinstein Challenge. Without noting your donation, it cannot be included in this challenge.

Year	Funds Collected	Food Collected	Check from Mr. Feinstein
2010	\$1,120.00	\$1,331.00	\$256.00
2011	\$2,256.88	\$1,962.70	\$263.00

Mr. Feinstein's challenge has helped to bring in donations that we would not normally receive during the slow months of March and April.

Also, the more we collect towards this challenge, the bigger the check from Mr. Feinstein.

In 2011 we set a goal of \$5,000. We received \$4,219.58. Not too far off our goal. **Please help us surpass this year's goal of \$5,000.**

Donations can be dropped off or mailed to:

Loudon Food Pantry, 30 Chichester Rd., Unit D, Loudon, NH 03307
(Please make checks out to Loudon Food Pantry)

Participating businesses listed below

Or made through our website at LoudonFoodPantry.org. A separate donate button for the Feinstein Challenge will be available from March 1st through April 30th.

We have collection bins at the following locations. Any donations in these bins will be counted towards the Feinstein Challenge. Any food collection bins will be counted towards the Challenge as well.

Business	Town	Collection Type Accepted
Ivory Rose	Loudon	Food & Funds
Boars Tavern	Loudon	Funds
Care Pharmacy	Epsom	Funds
Evans Expressmart	Epsom	Funds
Red Roof Inn	Loudon	Funds
Speedway Convenience	Loudon	Funds

Check out our website at LoudonFoodPantry.org to see our progress for this challenge. It will be updated daily during March and April.

Please help us to top last year's collections for this challenge. Remember, even small donations can add up quickly so please give whatever you can afford.

New Hampshire Motor Speedway Unexpected Donation

We'd like to thank NH Motor Speedway for their generous donation of over \$2,000.00 dollars. It will definitely go a long way in purchasing needed food and paying our operating expenses.

Everyone, thank you very much for your continued support!

Also, like us on Facebook! ■

Sarah, Sue & Bill

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LYAA: Baseball and Softball

Baseball and Softball

It's that time again...BASEBALL SEASON and — this year in Loudon: SOFTBALL SEASON. The Loudon Youth Athletic Association is gearing up for another fun and exciting season. In this month's *Ledger* you'll find sign up date information as well as a registration form for T-ball, Coach Pitch, Minor, and Major Baseball. If you have questions about the upcoming baseball season please feel free to contact Buzz Barker at bjldbarker@comcast.net.

We are also organizing a Minor and Major Softball Team this year. Loudon Youth Athletic Association is offering a first year rate of \$20 for each girl eligible to play Minor and Major Softball (ages 9–12 yrs. old). If you have questions about softball please feel free to contact Tracy Koufos at tckoufos@msn.com.

Please observe the \$25 late fee, per player, will go into affect beginning Monday March 19th. The last day for sign ups this year will be Saturday, March 24th at Concord Sports Center from 6–7 p.m. On March 24 from 6–7 p.m. at Concord Sports Center will be Baseball Try-Outs for all eligible to play Minors and Majors baseball. All Minor and Major players, regardless of where you played last year, are required to attend the Try Out.

LYAA Board

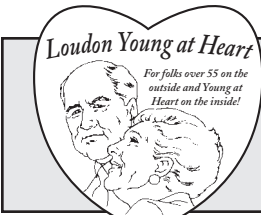
Say hello to our new Board members. We are once again thankful to all the volunteers who help make the Loudon Youth Athletic Association a success. We are all in it for one reason: The kids! Our new Board Members would like to invite you to contact them with questions, suggestions and ways that you too can volunteer. The Board meets on the 4th Thursday of every month at 7 p.m. at Maxfield Library, all are welcome and encouraged to attend!

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Equipment Manager	Mike Carpenter	mcarp411@comcast.net
Field Maintenance Mgrs.	Adam & Gigi Angwin	gnaangwin@comcast.net

We are still looking for volunteers for the following: *Concession Stands Coordinator* — helps organize the concession stands and volunteers working the stand; *Umpire-in-Chief* — helps organize the umpires needed at the Minor and Major Level for Baseball. Please contact a Board member if you feel this is something you could help with or would like more information about.

Stay Connected

There are many ways to know what is happening with LYAA. Visit our website: www.lyaanh.org, contact a Board Member at the above given emails, contact Tracy to be added to our email list, attend a LYAA meeting on the fourth Thursday of the month at 7 p.m. at Maxfield Library, watch for mailings through LES and friend us of Facebook. ■



Loudon Young at Heart

It is a mid-winter treat that many Young at Heart members look forward to. Lunch at Belmont's Food for Thought Cafe has become somewhat of a February tradition for the group.

On Valentine's Day, 36 enjoyed the buffet prepared and served by the students of the Lakes Region Community College Culinary Arts classes. There was Frogmore stew (much better tasting than the name sounds), smothered pork chops, and shrimp pello. The menu also included pecan encrusted catfish, orange sweet potatoes, and seafood risotto. The desserts were nicely decorated Valentine cakes much too delicious-looking to resist.

The March 13 meeting will be held at Charlie's Barn and includes a morning of board games and bingo (with prizes) along with coffee and donuts. The CAP lunch will be served.

For April 10, we are hoping to have someone speak on herb gardening to help get us ready for the growing season.

Young at Heart is open to any Loudon resident age 55 and over who would like the opportunity to socialize, learn from speakers, and enjoy an occasional outing. We meet on the second Tuesday of the month, mostly at Charlie's Barn behind the Town offices. We'd love to have you join us. There are no dues and we do call you to remind you of the meeting once you are on our membership list. ■

LYAA 2012 Baseball Sign-Ups

- Tuesday, March 6, 2012 @ Maxfield Library from 6:00 p.m.–8:00 p.m.
- Thursday, March 8, 2012 @ Maxfield Library from 6:00 p.m.–8:00 p.m.
- Saturday, March 10, 2012 @ Brookside Pizza from 10:30 a.m.–1:00 p.m.
- Saturday, March 17, 2012 @ Brookside Pizza from 10:30 a.m.–1:00 p.m.

It's that time of year again to sign your child up for Baseball! We will be signing children up interested in play T-Ball, Coach Pitch, Minors, Majors Baseball. Contact Tracy Koufos, tckoufos@msn.com or 798-3103, if you have not received a registration form for Minor and Major Softball. Questions about baseball can be directed to Buzz Barker, bjldbarker@comcast.net

Tball, Coach Pitch, Majors and Minors

First Child — \$45 Two Children — \$80 Three Children — \$120

You may also sign-up online by going to the LYAA website (lyaanh.org) and following the link through the Active online registration program or mail your registration with check, made out to LYAA, to PO Box 7816, Loudon, NH 03307. Please complete your online registration and mailings by March 19th to avoid a late fee.

There will be a \$25 late sign-up fee, per child, added to the above registration fee for any child signing up on or after March 19, 2012. The last day for sign-ups will be Saturday, March 24th at The Concord Sports Center from 6–7 p.m., no exceptions.

Minor and Major Try-Outs

Minor and Major try outs will be held Saturday, March 24th from 6–7 p.m. at Concord Sports Center, 2 Whitney Rd, Concord, NH, 224-1655. All minor and major baseball players are required to participate in try-outs.

Volunteers Needed

Contact a Board member by visiting www.lyaanh.org and like us on FACEBOOK. ■

BASEBALL REGISTRATION FORM

Player's Name _____ D/O/B _____

Gender: ____ Age as of May 1, 2012: ____ Current Grade: ____

Mailing Address: _____

Parents Name(s): _____

Home/Cell #: _____ / _____

Parents Name(s): _____

Home/Cell#: _____ / _____

E-Mail address: _____

Check activity registering for:

- ☐ T-Ball (4–6 yr olds)
- ☐ Coach Pitch (6–8 yr olds)
- ☐ Minor Baseball (9–12 yr olds)
- ☐ Major Baseball (9–12 yr olds)
- *see separate form for Minor and Major Softball*

Team or Coach last season: _____

Our Baseball Program is run and maintained by VOLUNTEERS!! We need parent and/or family participation to offer a full program. Please choose one or more of the following volunteer positions:

- ☐ Field Maintenance
- ☐ Coaching. *Experience/Level* _____
- ☐ Umpiring. *Experience* _____
- ☐ Concession Stands
- ☐ Team Mom or Dad

Sponsor: _____

Team Level: _____

I hereby give permission for the above named child to participate in the Loudon Youth Athletic Association (LYAA) recreational baseball program. I agree to assume all risks incidental to participation in this program, including any risk resulting from transportation to or from activities. I further agree to release from liability, LYAA officers, coaches, and officials.

Parent or Guardians signature: _____

OBITUARIES

MARGUERITE GREENE MARSTON

Marguerite, better known to those around her as “Sis,” died suddenly Friday, January 20, 2012, after a brief illness. She was wintering in Texas at the time of her death.

Marguerite lived in Belmont for most of her life. She was a member of the Belmont Baptist Church, The Ladies Circle, and the Belmont Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary. She loved children, and showed it by being a Foster Parent to many, and for numerous years she managed her own child care business out of her home. Baking, cookies, crafts, and knitting were some of her hobbies.

For the past twenty plus years she resided with her husband in Loudon, and enjoyed winters at their home in Texas. They were fortunate to be able to travel extensively throughout the U.S. and Canada prior to her death. She was a member of the Good Sam Club, and participated in many of their Samborees.

Marguerite is predeceased by her first husband, Ralph Greene, and various other family members.

She leaves behind her loving husband, Ralph Marston of 23 years; her three sons, Fred Greene, Nathan Greene, and Daniel Greene; two sisters, Shirley Maxfield and Mary Maxfield; six grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

There will be a memorial service in the Spring.

JANE ANNE BABONIS

Jane Anne (Cain) Babonis, 66, passed away peacefully with her family by her side after a long illness, Monday, January 23, 2012.

Born in Derby, CT August 25, 1945 to Christopher J. and Hazel M. (LaHaye) Cain. She grew up in Connecticut, graduating from Seymour High School. After high school Jane went on to graduate from Valley Academy of Hair Design in Ansonia, CT.

Jane married the love her life Edward P. Babonis May 20, 1967 and in 1975 they moved to Bumfagon Farm in Loudon, living their until the present. Jane was a homemaker, loving wife, mother, and grandmother who had a passion for cooking and enjoyed sharing her creations with family and friends.

Jane is predeceased by her beloved husband of 43 years, Ed Babonis in January 2011 as well as her parents.

Jane is survived by her three children and their spouses; David Babonis and his wife Nevvia of Penacook; Steve Babonis and his wife Cynthia of Loudon; and Marcie Lynne Demers and her husband Bill of Gilmanston; five grandchildren: Dyland, Jordan, Riley, Joseph, and Christopher; her brother and his wife Christopher J. and Patty Cain of Virginia; and several nieces and nephews.

In lieu of flowers memorial contributions can be made to the CRVNA, 30 Pillsbury St., Concord, NH 03301. ■

Frederick E. Hurd

Frederick E. Hurd, 62, died January 24, 2012 peacefully at home after a long illness. He was born in Lynn, MA on August 24, 1949, the son of Donald and Nellie (Marston) Hurd. He was a graduate of Lynn English High School, Class of 1967 and of Norwich University, Class of 1972.

Fred was employed as assistant Vice President by the Northfield Savings Bank in Vermont for over a decade. He was also employed by TransEd Assembly Plant in Brattleboro, VT as plant manager. He ended his career as a Reverse Mortgage Specialist for both Financial Freedom and Bank of America before retiring in 2009.

He held the title of National Association of Securities Dealers and was also licensed for life and health insurance through the state of Massachusetts.

He was very active in the community and state organizations, including Central Vermont Chamber of Commerce, Rotary Club International, Boy Scouts of America and Central Vermont Economic Development Corporation. He was also a member of the Concord Rotary Club.

He enjoyed riding his Harley, cooking gourmet meals, playing guitar and grooming his favorite horse “Stoney.”

He leaves his beloved wife Sandra (Chouinard) of Loudon; his parents Donald & Nellie Hurd of Sun City Center, FL; two daughters, Julia Greene and her husband Thomas of Hudson, and Evelyn Shields and her partner Vanessa Roy of Brighton, MA; two granddaughters, Emma & Nora Greene both of Hudson; a sister, Barbara Calney and her husband Kenneth of Sandy, Utah; brothers-in-law, Conrad Chouinard and his wife Madelyn of Swampscott, MA, and Martin Chouinard and his wife Lisa of Danvers, MA; and several aunts, nieces, nephews and cousins. In addition he leaves two close childhood friends, Dennis Comeau of Revere, MA and Charlie Sabanty of Danvers, MA and longtime friends Frannie McAllan of Denville, NJ and Bob Wechsler of Stowe, VT.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made payable to “In Memory of Frederick Hurd” c/o Merrimack County Savings Bank, PO Box 2826, Concord, NH 03302-9963 to help defray medical expenses. ■

JAMES M. CRUMMEY

James M. Crumme, 55, died Jan. 26, 2012, at Concord Hospital following a courageous battle with cancer. Born in Deerfield, he has been a resident of Loudon for the past 3 years, previously living in Hopkinton. He was the son of John and Helen (England) Crumme. He graduated from Raymond High School in 1974. Jim had been employed for more than 30 years with the NH Department of Transportation. Following his retirement from the state he was self employed in several different ventures including construction, maple syrup production, and landscaping. He also worked for the past 7 years with French and Rising Funeral Home.

Jim had a gift for working the land and raising animals of all types. He was an avid motorsports fan and participated in racing at various tracks.

He is survived by two children, Stephanie Crumme Nichols of Deerfield and Michael J. Crumme of Lancaster, two step-daughters, Brittany Dow of Stockholm, NJ and Kelsey Dow of Boscawen, companion Gayle Baird of Loudon, five siblings: Carolyn Lavoie, Elena Sly, John Crumme, David Crumme, and Sharon Ridley, and a grandson, Shayne Holmes.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to The Jimmy Fund, 10 Brookline Place West, 6th Floor, Brookline, MA 02445-7295. ■



Home Projects to Complete Before You Put Your House On The Market

By Jack Prendiville
Century 21 Thompson Real Estate

The goal of every home seller is to sell his or her home as efficiently as possible for the highest price. Every seller should clean and stage their home for potential buyers, but see below for what projects should be completed before you put your home on the market.

1. If it's broke, fix it — This is crucial in the selling process. Repair the broken cabinet or loose railing before buyers view your home. Damage detracts from your home and may make buyers question what you have not maintained.

2. Shades of grey — Interior paint is inexpensive and revitalizes a space. Covering scratches or wear and tear with fresh neutral paint is aesthetically pleasing and even creates that “new home” look and smell.

3. Floored — Transform your space by refinishing wood floors, updating tile or professionally cleaning any carpeting.

4. First impressions — Consider replacing your front door, as there is an investment that often pays for itself in the final price of your home.

5. Subtle accents — Fixtures and hardware, such as cabinet knobs, faucets, light fixtures, and door handles can be relatively inexpensive and done without a professional.

6. Clear View — Upgrading old windows throughout a home makes a big difference both inside and out.

7. Keep up the façade — Garage doors often account for a large percentage of a home's façade. Similar to the front door, homeowners who upgrade or update their garage doors may see a good return on their investment. ■

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Selectmen's Meeting Minutes — January 17, 2012

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

Also present: Deputy Fire Chief Rick Wright, Fire Chief Dick Wright, Police Chief Bob Fiske, Stan Prescott from the Planning Board, Dave Powelson from the Zoning Board, Janice Morin from the Police Department and Dave Rice, Road Agent.

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

Selectman Bowles moved to accept the Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, January 3, 2012 as written; seconded by Selectman Krieger. All were in favor. Motion carries.

Chairman Ives opened the Board of Permit.

Chief Fiske asked about the Growth Management Ordinance, it is his understanding that it is going to expire in the next couple of months. Selectmen Bowles agreed that they are letting it expire. He explained that the law doesn't allow for it to go on forever. Stan Prescott explained that they decided that it is the right time to let it expire as no houses are being built. Mr. Prescott stated that the ordinance can always be instituted again. Chief Fiske asked about the 2% limit that has always been in zoning. Mr. Prescott said that by letting this ordinance expire there will be no limit, he asked Chief Fiske how many permits were given out last year and so far this year. Chief Fiske said eight last year and none this year. Chief Fiske said that he has to come up with the number of permits to give out each year. Mr. Prescott stated that there won't be a number because when this expires there will not be a limit.

Chief Fiske said that the issue of underground utilities and overhead utilities at the Merrill construction site was brought to his attention by Selectman Bowles. Chief Fiske stated that he researched it and in his opinion it needs to be underground. He explained that the four lot subdivision was done in October of 2003, the amendment that made underground utilities on dead-end roads a requirement happened in December of 2003. Chief Fiske explained that due to 674:39 no substantial activity took place within 24 months of the subdivision approval so the development lost its 5-year exemption. Mr. Prescott stated that in his opinion the Planning Board would want the utilities to be underground. Selectmen Bowles stated that because of the timing and the fact that Mr. Merrill would have to dig up the Red Roof Inn septic lines etc. he doesn't have a problem with the overhead utilities in this instance. Selectman Bowles stated that there is a road plan for the subdivision and it doesn't say the utilities have to be underground.

Selectman Krieger asked if because of the rules and regulations is there anyway Mr. Merrill can come before one of the Boards and get that overturned? Mr. Prescott stated that his understanding that what Chief Fiske is saying is that the subdivision is null and void because there hasn't been substantial completion. Mr. Powelson stated that the intent of the law is to protect a subdivision owner from getting an approval and then the next week the Planning Board changing the regulations. Selectman Krieger said it sounds like the Chief is saying that with this new rule or regulation is that Mr. Merrill is supposed to bury the lines. Mr. Prescott stated that there are two different subjects one being whether there is a subdivision or it has lapsed. Mr. Prescott said they would discuss it at the Planning Board meeting Thursday and come up with a decision.

Chairman Ives explained that Steve Roy on Country Hill Road has a wood business that he's been running for years. A neighbor has an attorney involved and is claiming that Mr. Roy is running a business without a permit and wants him shut down. Selectmen Bowles said that Mr. Roy has been running his operation since 1994 and there was a concrete business run from that location before that. It was decided that they would ask Donna to write a letter to Mr. Roy and Mr. Bouley and ask them to attend the next Zoning Board meeting.

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

The Board met with Police Chief Bob Fiske.

Chief Fiske submitted a copy of a check received from the Department of Justice for town ordinance fines.

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

The Board met with Road Agent Dave Rice.

Mr. Rice stated that everything is going good, everything is repaired for now.

The Board met with Fire Chief Dick Wright.

Chief Wright stated that Rick Wright is back as Deputy Chief. Chairman Ives said the office will prepare an appointment paper for Deputy Wright.

Chief Wright said he has been working on the budget.

Chairman Ives asked Chief Fiske what he wants to do about the Emergency Management Team since his co-chair was the former Fire Chief. Chairman Ives suggested that since Chief Wright is the interim Fire Chief that Chief Fiske continues as the sole Chairman until a new Fire Chief is hired.

The Board began their review of weekly correspondence.

The Board received a memo from Fire Chief Dick Wright regarding the appointment of Rick Wright to Deputy Chief.

The Board received a copy of a letter from Town Counsel regarding Fortier.

The Board received a NH DOT memo regarding Biennial Inspection of Municipally Owned Bridges.

The Board received a copy of a letter from the NH Highway Safety Agency regarding the Annual Highway Safety Program

The Board received an email from Donna White regarding cistern easements.

The Board received a copy of an email from Deb Kardaseski requesting approval to put warrant articles in the *Ledger*.

The Board received a copy of letter from NH Dept. of State regarding Use of video cameras in the polling place.

The Board received a copy of an email from Scott Vaughan from Kase Printing regarding Town Report Bids.

The Board received an e-mail asking if the Girl Scout's can sell cookies at Town Meeting. The Girl Scout's will have to check with Mike Labonte.

The Board received an invitation to attend an Eagle Court of Honor for William West.

The Board received past due ambulance bills for review. *Selectman Krieger made a motion to send the following ambulance bills to collection: account #50358 in the amount of \$491.00 and account #50328 in the amount of \$823.80; account #6799 in the amount of \$699.20 and account #46375 in the amount of \$531.90 seconded by Selectman Bowles. All in favor. Motion carried.*

The Board received the ESMI Self-report for October, November & December 2011.

The Board received a letter from Northeast Resource Recovery Association for their review.

The Board received a copy of Legislative Bulletin #04.

The Board received a copy of an email regarding a public hearing for SB 326-FN-L.

The Board received a copy of the Capital Improvements Program FY-2011/12 to FY-2016/17

The Board received miscellaneous correspondence.

Chairman Ives stated that their regular scheduled Tuesday, January 24, 2012 meeting is being rescheduled to Wednesday, January 25, 2012 at 6:00 p.m. due to the Merrimack Valley School District Meeting on January 24, 2012 at 7:00 p.m.

Chairman Ives stated that the second budget hearing will be held on Wednesday, February 8, 2012 at 6:00 p.m.

Chairman Ives stated that the Planning Board will be holding a public hearing for zoning amendment changes on Thursday, January 19, 2012 at 6:00 p.m.

Chairman Ives stated that being 7:00 p.m. they will move right into the budget hearing.

Chairman Ives stated that after the Board reviewed the entire budget they discussed cost of living adjustments (COLA) and decided on 2.5% for both full and part-time employees.

Chairman Ives stated they would review the budget, revenues and then the warrant articles.

Chairman Ives explained that the Selectmen's Office Wages wage is increased 16.62% due to them hiring an assistant now that Jean is part-time.

Chairman Ives stated that the lines for printing, office supplies, office equipment computer updates & supplies and advertising have all been decreased and the dues/seminar line has been increased by 5.26%.

Overall Selectmen's budget is down 2.72%.

The Landfill testing line is down 23.30% because the Board has hired a new testing firm and they have said they don't need to do as much testing.

The Historical Society and Conservation Commission are level funded, no changes.

Town Clerk wages/salaries are up 2.5%, the rest of the Town Clerk budget staying the same as last year so the town clerk budget is up a total of 1.88%.

Election budget for printing, postage and other election expenses is up because of the state and presidential elections, total budget up 41.93%.

Trustees of the Trust Funds budget is level funded.

Town Auditor no increase.

Assessment/Maps budget is down 43.69% because they did some big assessments this year that won't be done again next year.

Tax Collector budget, wages/salaries went up 2.5%, data processing went up due to equipment they need to buy. Telephone, postage and registry of deeds lines were all were decreased. The Tax Collector budget total was increased 0.62%.

Treasurer salaries increased 2.5% everything else level funded.

Selectmen Legal fee's level funded.

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FICA is up 4.36% and NH Retirement is up 9.46%.

Planning Board wages up 6.04% due to a merit raise for Donna. Planning Board Consultant went up 250% to redo the Master Plan. Postage and CNHRPC went up. Data processing, office supplies, seminars, and advertising were all decreased. The total budget was increased by 8.30%.

Zoning Board wages up 6.04% for Donna. Postage was increased to more accurately show the postage used by the office. Data processing, printing, office supplies, seminars and advertising were all decreased. The total budget was increased 1.81%.

Town Buildings, gas, building expenses, repairs all decreased. Electricity and street lighting were increased due to an anticipated rate increase. The total budget was decreased by 1.50%.

Town Cemeteries budget was increased by 30%.

Employee Benefits – Health & Dental insurance decreased by 3.71%, workers compensation decreased by 6.67%, unemployment increased 6.90%. Total budget decreased by 3.44%.

Police wages and salaries increased by 2.50%. Prosecution increased by 3.00%, electricity and lights increased 7%, everything else level funded with a total budget increase of 1.94%.

Special Events — Chairman Ives explained that this like a revolving fund. It's for things like track details we bill them and it goes through here. Because the expenses have been cut down there, the budget has been cut 12.08%.

Health department wages are up 2.52%, everything else is level funded.

Visiting Nurse is level funded.

Ambulance wages are up 2.51% everything else level funded.

Fire Chief salary is up 2.50%. Chairman Ives explained that the money was left in that line so when they hire a new Chief they have the money to pay him. Dispatch, telephone, medical expenses, electricity equipment maintenance all increased. Building maintenance and truck maintenance have been decreased. Everything else level funded. Total budget is down 3.03%. Roy Merrill expressed his concern that the decreases are in maintenance. Selectmen Bowles said that they looked carefully at those lines and what they have been spending and decided those lines could be cut.

Compliance wages are up 2.50%, everything else is level funded.

Emergency management is level funded.

Forest Fire wages are up 2.53%, everything else is level funded.

Highway wages are up 2.50%. Shop supplies/tools, parts & tires, gas & oil, are all increased. Telephone, signs, parts-grader, parts-sander, parts-tractor, excavator maintenance, Repairs-grader, repairs-sanders, repairs-small equipment, building repairs, were all decreased. Total budget decreased by 2.40%.

Block Grant road maintenance line is down 51.77%.

Solid Waste/Landfill wages are up 2.51%. Heat and fuel are increased. Tractor repair committee expenses, tipping fees and electronics disposal are decreased. Total budget is down 1.30%.

Animal control budget is level funded.

Community Action Program and J.O. Cate Van Operating Expenses lines are level funded.

Welfare aid for fuel is up 80% and welfare aid for rent is down 25%.

Recreation program swim lesson wages and lifeguard wages are both decreased. Park Maintenance is increased by 7.69%. Total budget is decreased 2.28%.

Library Director salary is increased 9.79%, Children's librarian salary is increased 5.50%, part time wages is increased 24.45%, FICA/medicare, electricity, fuel, postage, building maintenance, elevator maintenance passes, supplies and technology have all been increased. NH Retirement and telephone have been decreased. The total budget is up 12.33%. Selectmen Ives stated that they met with the Trustees twice, they aren't completely happy with the budget but they would present it to the town and do support it.

Patriotic Purposes and Loudon Old Home Day are level funded.

Economic Development is level funded.

Contingency fund and Loudon Communications Council are both level funded.

Payments to Capital Reserves have not been added in yet.

Proposed 2012 Warrant Articles.

Selectman Bowles explained that the first two articles will be the results of the voting for Town Officers and the Zoning Amendments.

Selectmen Bowles read Articles 3–6:

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

Selectman Bowles stated that engine 2 was on the docket to be replaced last year, it didn't pass. The plan this year is to replace engine 2 and the heavy rescue truck with this one truck.

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

Selectman Bowles explained that the body on this truck is falling apart so they want to try a stainless steel body. They hope that the body will last and when the truck is traded they can take this body and put it on the next truck. Selectmen Bowles stated that they don't want to pull the money out of a capital reserve fund because that will effect when the next truck needs to be purchased.

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

Selectman Bowles explained that both of these roads are in serious need.

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

Selectman Bowles explained that the recreation committee has been asking for a few years for the tennis courts to be redone. They have been patched however they need to be completely ground up, compacted, graveled, repaved and the lines repainted. He explained that there is a little money in the Homer Labonte fund that will be used to repaint the lines and fix the fence.

Selectman Krieger read Articles 7–10:

ARTICLE 7: To see if the Town will vote to adopt the provisions of RSA 41:14-a to give the Board of Selectmen authority to

acquire or sell land, buildings, or both; provided, however, they shall first submit any such proposed acquisition or sale to the Planning Board and to the Conservation Commission for review and recommendation by those bodies. If adopted, the provisions shall remain in effect until specifically rescinded by the Town at any duly warned meeting. The Selectmen recommend this article.

Selectman Bowles explained that the reason for this is because the town is starting to build quite a Capital Reserve Fund for a Town Office building and they need to start looking at purchasing a piece of property. Selectman Bowles explained that this article goes hand in hand with Article 8.

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

Selectman Krieger explained that the way the Capital Reserve Fund was established it doesn't allow for the funds to be spent on land.

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

Fire Department Apparatus Capital Reserve Fund \$100,000

Highway Department Capital Reserve Fund \$50,000

Bridge Capital Reserve Fund \$20,000
Recreational Facility Maintenance Trust Capital Reserve Fund \$2,000

Library Collection Maintenance Capital Reserve Fund \$7,000

Roadway Improvements Capital Reserve Fund \$100,000

J.O. Cate Memorial Van Capital Reserve Fund \$2,500

Ambulance/Rescue Equipment Capital Reserve Fund \$40,000

Conservation Commission Land Capital Reserve Fund \$30,000

Town Office Building Capital Reserve Fund \$100,000

(Majority vote required) The Selectmen recommend this article.

Selectman Bowles stated that they added \$1,000.00 to the Recreational Facility Maintenance Trust Capital Reserve Fund.

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

Transfer Station Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund \$30,000

Septage Lagoon Expendable Trust Fund \$10,000

Highway Road Grader Expendable Trust Fund \$60,000

(Majority vote required) The Selectmen recommend this article.

Selectman Krieger stated that they reduced the Transfer Station Maintenance Expendable Trust fund by \$10,000.00

Selectman Bowles read:

ARTICLE 11: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of

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

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

Chairman Ives reviewed the 2012-13 Revenues.

Property Taxes 1987 – increased 18.51%.

Land Use Tax 1990 Int & Costs – increased 19.61%

Yield Tax decreased 4.76%

Cobra – level funded.

Commercial Hauler Tonnage Fees – includes Commercial Hauler Tonnage Fees, Fire Special Events, Police Special Events, Police Witness Fees, and Ambulance Service Revenue. Chief Fiske questioned the amounts in the Police Special events line. The Selectmen will look into this.

Building Permits – level funded. Chief Fiske questioned the revenue amount; he didn't think the number was high enough.

Motor Vehicle Permits – increased 1.88%.

Dog Licenses – level funded.

Marriage License- level funded.

Bus Lic Permits & Filing Fees

Rooms & Meals Taxes – increased 18.75%.

Block Grants – decreased 16.66%.

Forest Land – decreased 2.45%.

PD Restitution – decreased 15.27%.

Landfill Septage – increased 20.09%.

Sale of Town Property – level funded.

Interest on Dep. – level funded.

Parking fines – increased 33.33%.

Insurance Damage Reimb. – level funded

Transfer from solid waste bond – increased 40.00%

Withdrawals from CRF – Fire – decreased 100%.

Revenue Total decreased 7.67%.

Selectman Bowles moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:35 p.m.; seconded by Selectman Krieger. All were in favor. Meeting adjourned.

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Selectmen's Meeting Minutes — January 25, 2012

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

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

Selectman Bowles moved to accept the Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, January 17, 2012 as written; seconded by Selectman Krieger. All were in favor. Motion carries.

Selectman Bowles made a motion to appoint Richard D. Wright of Loudon to the position of Loudon Fire Department Deputy Chief to take effect immediately. Seconded by Selectman Krieger. All were in favor. Motion carries. The Board thanks Mr. Wright for coming back to the department.

The Board began their review of weekly correspondence.

The Board received a copy of a CD from the previous night's school meeting to keep on file.

The Board received a copy of a letter from Attorneys Backus, Meyer & Branch, LLP regarding Bonnie Theriault.

The Board received a copy of a letter from Town Counsel regarding the Roy Merrill properties.

The Board received a copy of the public notice regarding the Filing of Candidacy for the Town of Loudon.

The Board received a copy of the expenditure report for their review.

The Board received a copy of legal correspondence from town counsel regarding NeuroRestorative on Hemlock Hill. The Board will discuss this at the next Board of Permit meeting to be sure all the Boards understand it and then there will be a public hearing at the next Planning Board meeting.

The Board received a copy of an email forwarded from the Planning Office regarding NeuroRestorative on Hemlock Hill.

The Board received a copy of the draft Articles for the Annual Town Report for their review and approval.

The Board received a memo from Office Manager Jean Lee regarding pending items: the Board will meet with Jim Dymont next Tuesday if it's convenient for him, Selectman Bowles is still working on the cemetery bids and they will talk to the Treasurer about year to date revenues for the next budget hearing.

The Board received the ESMI Host Community Fee calculation for the 4th Qtr 2011.

The Board received a request from Steve Roy for a copy of legal correspondence. The Board stated that he can have a copy of the complaint.

The Board received a copy of a letter from Michael Harris. The office mailed Mr. Harris an abatement form.

The Board received a past due ambulance bill for review. *Selectman Krieger made a motion to send the following ambulance bill to collection: account #50726 in the amount of \$582.30 seconded by Selectman Bowles. All in favor. Motion carried.*

The Board received a copy of a letter from Wheelabrator regarding Tipping Floor Rules and Procedures. The Board will have a copy forwarded to Steve Bennett to be kept in the truck.

The Board received a copy of Legislative Bulletin #05 for their review.

The Board received copies of the draft January Planning Board Minutes for their review.

The Board received the Zoning Ordinance Public Hearing Minutes for their review.

The Board received a copy of a letter from a scholarship recipient.

The Board received a copy of a letter from Comcast.

The Board received a copy of an email from Irwin Motors regarding the State Contract for 2012.

The Board received the Governor and Executive Council meeting minutes from Wednesday, January 11, 2012 for their review.

The Board received an email from NRRa regarding the Annual compost Bin Sale.

The Board reviewed miscellaneous correspondence.

The Board met with Sara Wagner and Gus Beldin from the Loudon Lions Club.

Ms. Wagner explained that the International Lion's Club is trying to get over a million trees planted all over the world. The Loudon Lions Club would like to donate 3–5 trees to the Town of Loudon in the spring. Ms. Wagner explained that the trees would be likely be seedling fir trees, they would be coming from the state nursery in Boscawen and picked up the first or second week in April. She would like to see them planted on Sunday afternoon, April 22 since that is Earth Day. Ms. Wagner stated that they would invite someone from the *Ledger* to attend. Chairman Ives stated that they would gladly accept the donation of the trees; they'll just need to decide the best location for them. Ms. Wagner will follow up in mid March with the Board as far as the location.

Ms. Wagner told the Board about the 7th Angels 5K Road Race & Fitness Walk on Thursday, May 3, 2012 at 6:15. The Race/Walk is run each year by MVSD

seniors and coordinated by the Lions Club. Last year they raised enough money for two \$1,000.00 scholarships. She stated that they would like to see the town more involved and invited the Board to attend. Ms. Wagner will remind the Board as the event gets closer.

Roy Merrill suggested that the Board talk to the Fire Chief about changing the warrant article before the next meeting, amending it to take the \$420,000.00 and put it towards a ladder truck, change the Capital Reserve Fund so they can buy a ladder truck instead. Mr. Merrill stated that the town's people voted last year to make that pumper truck go longer and buy a ladder truck. Chairman Ives stated that he hears the suggestion but he would be sticking by the Fire Chief and his recommendation and let the town decide what they want to do. Selectman Bowles stated he is still looking into it. Selectman Krieger said he needs more information from the Fire Chief and will talk to him.

Selectman Bowles moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:54 p.m.; seconded by Selectman Krieger. All were in favor. Meeting adjourned.

LOUDON BOARD OF SELECTMEN

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Selectmen's Meeting Minutes — January 31, 2012

Chairman Ives called the Meeting to order at 6:25 p.m. in order to go into executive session. Present: Chairman Ives, Selectman Bowles, Selectman Krieger and Office Assistant Bonnie Theriault. *Selectman Bowles made a motion to go into executive session. Seconded by Selectman Krieger. Roll call vote: Selectman Krieger – yes, Selectman Bowles – yes and Chairman Ives – yes. All were in favor. Motion carries.* *Selectman Bowles made a motion to come out of executive session at 6:36 p.m. Seconded by Selectman Krieger. Roll call vote: Selectman Krieger – yes, Selectman Bowles – yes and Chairman Ives – yes. All were in favor. Motion carries.* Chairman Ives stated that the purpose of the executive session was to discuss a payroll issue with a town employee.

Chairman Ives called the regular meeting to order at 6:36 p.m.

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

Also present were Police Chief Bob Fiske and Fire Chief Dick Wright.

The Board met with Jim Dymont from the American Legion. Mr. Dymont explained that they have set up a committee for the building and he introduced Jim Timmins, Commander Joseph Piroso and Tom Schneider who will be tonight's spokesperson. Mr. Schneider explained that they are in the exploratory phase for the future of the building. He said they have spoken to a few real estate people and are exploring the option of private sale. They're wondering if the town has any potential interest in the property. Chairman Ives stated that the idea has been kicked around for years because of the parking, the proximity to the rec field and the possibility of a new town office. Chairman Ives asked what figure they are looking at. Mr. Schneider said they are looking at around the tax assessment; one

real estate person suggested right around the assessment should be the goal. Selectmen Krieger asked what the assessment is. Mr. Dymont stated it is \$319,000.00; the land is valued at \$88,000.00. Chairman Ives stated that speaking for himself he wouldn't be behind spending \$300,000.00 because in his opinion the building would have to be torn down. Mr. Bowles agreed that the building is of no value to the town. Chairman Ives stated that if it was just \$88–90,000.00 for the land then maybe they could do some talking, but he doesn't want them to feel obligated to give the town a great deal. Mr. Schneider said that there is a mutual interest as it is part of the American Legion's Constitution to help support the local community. He said that they need to take care of both the best interests of the Town of Loudon and the American Legion and if an offer came in for around \$319,000.00 it would be hard to pass up. Chairman Ives stated that there would be no hard feelings if they could get that kind of money. Selectman Bowles said that it is a very valuable piece of property for the community. Chairman Ives asked about the timeframe that they're looking at. Mr. Dymont said that's up to the Town. Chairman Ives stated that it's really too late to vote on anything at town meeting this year but there could be a discussion. Selectmen Bowles stated that if they could come to terms they could do something for next year. Selectmen Krieger stated that it would be a nice location and for that reason they're definitely interested. Mr. Dymont stated that the building is not on the historic register fortunately. Selectmen Bowles said they can ask the moderator if they can have a brief discussion at town meeting and get a feel from the town. Mr. Dymont said that the Legion would be interested in leasing an office in the building if the town buys it. Mr. Dymont asked if

the Selectmen think there would be problems with the town if they tore the building down. Chairman Ives said that when it is torn down, they could do it in a way that they could reuse pieces of it or maybe it could be moved but it wouldn't work for a Town Office.

The Board met with Police Chief Bob Fiske.

Selectmen Krieger stated that there was a reported house fire yesterday; he stated that the response from the town was awesome, the police department got there first and it was handled really well and shows a real dedication to the town. Chairman Ives stated that the town has good police, fire and highway departments.

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

The Board met with Fire Chief Dick Wright.

Chief Wright stated that everyone seems to be happy and everything is going well within the department.

Chief Wright said that Collin Grinnell just passed the EMT test.

Chief Wright said that he is still working on the apparatus problem.

The Board asked if Chief Wright has heard from MRI. Chief Wright said no but he thinks they might think there is not much point in submitting a big report now. Chief Wright stated that he told them he'd like to know if there are any main points that he needs to be aware of.

The Board met with Bob Landry who submitted a letter regarding the Crowley Road bond. Selectman Bowles explained that they will be forwarding the letters and Ms. Crowley's check to Town Counsel, who will file with the court and put a hold on the check so that the residents and Ms. Crowley can present their case. Selectmen Bowles

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Selectmen's Meeting Minutes — February 7, 2012

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

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

Selectman Bowles moved to accept the Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, January 31, 2012 as written; seconded by Selectman Krieger. All were in favor. Motion carries.

The Board met with Dave Rice.

Mr. Rice said that they had to put new springs on the front of one of the older trucks.

Mr. Rice stated that they have been busy cutting brush and filling potholes with gravel.

Mr. Rice said that everything else is going good.

Chairman Ives asked if it would be a good idea to sweep some of the sand off the middle of the roads now to get a head start. Mr. Rice said they need a new bristle and it probably wouldn't save any time.

Selectman Bowles stated that if the weather holds and they have time the ram on the compactor needs to be done.

Chairman Ives asked Mr. Rice to review the CNHRPC traffic count list and let the office know if he'd like any particular roads added to the list.

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

The Board began their review of weekly correspondence.

The Board received a confidential letter.

The Board received a letter from town counsel regarding Roy and Bouley. Selectman Bowles will talk to Mr. Roy.

The Board received copies of a memo and Budget Reports for review and approval from Jean Lee. Chairman Ives stated there were no changes to the budget. Chairman Ives stated that he figured the approximate cost per \$1,000.00 for the Warrant Articles. Article #4 \$21,700.00 for the stainless steel body would cost approx. \$.04, Article #5 \$41,500.00 for paving — \$.07, Article #6 \$30,000.00 for the tennis and basketball courts — \$.05, Article #9 \$451,000.00 for Capital Reserve Funds — \$.85, Selectman Bowles stated that they would have to continue to remind the town how important it is to save. Article #10 \$100,000.00 to be deposited into the expendable trust fund for the transfer station, septic and highway grader — \$.18.

The Board received a copy of the Agricultural Commission article for Town Report for review and approval. The Board said the deadline has passed but they would see if it can still be put into the report.

The Board received a memo from Jean Lee regarding costs associated with full time employment. Chairman Ives stated that they will keep the numbers the same as they are.

The Board received a copy of letter sent out to daytime parking permit holders.

The Board received a copy of letter from NHDOT regarding the Beanstalk.

The Board received a copy of memo from Chief Wright regarding certification documents.

The Board received a copy of the NH Charitable Foundation letter regarding the

Loudon Veteran's War Memorial/Monument Maintenance Fund.

The Board received a copy of letter from CNHRPC regarding traffic counts.

The Board received a copy of the Concord Regional Solid Waste Cooperative Co-op Agreement.

The Board received a letter from US Bankruptcy Court.

The Board received copies of the CNHRPC Newsletter.

The Board received a copy of the CNHRPC 2010 Census Community Profile.

The Board received copies of Legislative Bulletin #07.

The Board received a copy of a letter from Congressman Bass' office stating that he will hold Public Hours from 10:00–11:00 a.m. on March 5, 2012 at the Loudon Town Office.

The Board reviewed miscellaneous correspondence.

The Board reminded the public that the Merrimack Valley School District annual meeting is March 8, 2012 — polls open at 6:00 pm for school board member election and the annual meeting begins at 7:00 p.m.

Selectman Bowles moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:06 p.m.; seconded by Selectman Krieger. All were in favor. Meeting adjourned.

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stated that the town is done because it's a private road. Mr. Landry stated that in his letter he is asking the town for assistance in forming a road association. Chairman Ives said that they could probably facilitate a meeting with the residents and that maybe Ned Lizotte and Paul Lehouiller from the Hardy Road Association would explain their association.

Selectman Krieger moved to accept the Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, January 25, 2012 as written; seconded by Selectman Bowles. All were in favor. Motion carries.

The Board began their review of weekly correspondence.

The Board received a memo concerning reducing the amount of money on a warrant article for the Conservation Commission.

The Board received a memo from Bonnie as a member of the Joint Loss Management Committee regarding mold at the library.

The Board received Town Report Material to review and approval.

The Board received copies of a letter from Town Counsel regarding Crowley and the Ledges.

The Board received copies of letters from residents of Greenview Drive regarding the road bond.

The Board received a copy of an email that they received from Town Counsel last Thursday.

The Board received a copy of a workshop notice from LGC on Playground Maintenance; they asked that it be forwarded to Alicia Grimaldi.

The Board received a Notice of Traffic Impact Study meeting Feb. 9th regarding the Beanstalk Store project.

The Board received notices of Compliance from DES regarding Capitol Fire and Loudon Village Store.

The Board received copies of emails from Chief Fiske and a letter of intent from NHMS.

The Board received copies of a check for the Highway Block Grant from the State of NH.

The Board received past due ambulance bills for review. *Selectman Krieger made a motion to send the following ambulance bills to collection: account #48355 in the amount of \$524.39, account #50993 in the amount of \$566.30, account #49908 in the amount of \$572.70 and account #45837 in the amount of \$722.20 seconded by Selectman Bowles. All in favor. Motion carried.*

The Board received copies of the Draft Joint Loss Management Committee meeting minutes from Thursday, January 26, 2012.

The Board received copies of the Draft January 26, 2012 Zoning Board Minutes.

The Board received copies of Legislative Bulletin #06.

The Board received copies of the Wednesday, January 25, 2012 Governor and Executive Council meeting minutes

The Board reviewed miscellaneous correspondence.

Selectman Bowles made a motion to pay the interim Fire Chief Richard Wright the amount of \$500.00 per month retroactive to January 1, 2012 and take the funds from the Fire Chief Salary budget line 01-42200-100-110. Seconded by Selectman Krieger. Selectman Krieger commented that this probably isn't enough for the amount of time the Chief is putting in over there, but this is a good token and a thank you for everything the Chief is doing. Selectman Bowles and Chairman Ives agreed. All were in favor. Motion carries.

Selectman Krieger moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:52 p.m.; seconded by Selectman Bowles. All were in favor. Meeting adjourned.

LOUDON BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Steven R. Ives, Chairman

Dustin J. Bowles, Selectman

Robert P. Krieger, Selectman

Planning Board Minutes — January 19, 2012

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

Attendance:

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

Alternate Jeff Green was appointed as a voting member in the absence of Steve Jackson.

Julie Robinson represented the Conservation Commission.

Bob Fiske represented the Code Enforcement Department.

Discussion:

Hemlock Hill residence — Chairman Dow introduced Lisa Saba from Neuro-Restorative. Mr. Dow informed those in the audience that this was an informational

meeting only as there is no application being considered. He stated that all residents of the Hemlock Hill area were notified by mail of this meeting. He asked that the discussion be kept orderly, with everyone being given the courtesy of speaking and being heard. Ms. Saba stated that she is the New England director for Neuro-Restorative and was present to discuss the use of a residence on Hemlock Hill Drive. She explained that there are three older men, all of whom have suffered brain injury, living at the three-bedroom home. Ms. Saba said her agency strives to maintain a home-like atmosphere for those that are challenged due to a traumatic brain injury. She said they are putting an ADA compliant ramp at the front of the home and a deck at

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the rear of the home, keeping in mind the residential character of the neighborhood. Ms. Saba explained that 24-hour assistance is provided within the residence every day. This is not live-in staff; they work in rotating shifts to provide 24/7/365 support. Residents are unable to drive and are transported by staff to doctor visits, local hospitals and therapy clinics and participate in local educational and cultural opportunities as much as possible. Ms. Saba noted that the residents all lived in a residential community before their injury and it has been found that they are best suited by doing their rehabilitation in a residential setting.

Chairman Dow opened the discussion to questions from the public. Several residents had questions and voiced concerns about this type of facility being in their neighborhood. Ms. Saba and Board members responded. Ms. Saba invited all in attendance to stop by the residence to meet the residents. The Board will discuss the matter at another time and determine if there is need for a public hearing. Chairman Dow closed this portion of the meeting shortly after 8:00 p.m. in order to move on to the scheduled agenda.

Acceptance of Minutes:

December 15, 2011 Meeting — Henry Huntington moved to accept the minutes as written; seconded by Bob Cole. All were in favor.

Old Business:

#11-14, Loudon-Penguin Real Estate Holdings — Minor Site Development, in the C/I District, Map 49, Lot 115. Abutter James Rhoads was present. Jeff Green recused himself from this matter. It was noted that the applicant has been before the Zoning Board and received their approvals. Tom Moore moved to accept the application as complete and move to public hearing; seconded by Bob Cole. All were in favor.

Matt Moore represented the applicants. He stated that they have met with the Conservation Commission and have incorporated the changes requested by the Commission. They also met with the Zoning Board and have received the necessary approvals. He pointed out that they have moved the new fuel island slightly so that the island and pad are not within the 75' wetland buffer. Mr. Moore also pointed out

the grass buffer area along the outer edge of the parking lot. He said he added a catch basin northwest of the island. Mr. Moore explained the Snout structure that will be used in the basin. He said that this basin is to catch everything from the water shed of the corner of the building and island area. Stan Prescott said that the finish grade of the catch basin should be on the plan. Mr. Moore said that he spoke with the owners after meeting with the Conservation Commission and they would prefer to use pavers in the parking lot. He said the area is protected with the catch basin.

Mr. Moore said that they have eliminated the drive-thru between the two buildings (store and Rhoads). He pointed out the lane for the drive-thru to the window and how traffic would exit out to the right, circling back to the road. He said the signage for this area is on the traffic control plan. Mr. Moore said the area between the two buildings will not be paved. He showed the turning radius plan, noting that it will not interfere with the parking spaces.

Tom Dow asked if the current entrance will stay. Mr. Moore said that it will and there will be two handicapped parking spaces in that area. Stan Prescott asked about unloading of trucks where the storage is near the drive-thru window. The owners said that trucks park away from the building and bring orders in on hand carts. There was brief discussion about the traffic flow. Julie Robinson said that everything that was discussed with the Conservation Commission has been addressed and she thanked the applicants.

Architect Mark Stewart handed out building plans. He said that there will be a 12' addition on the back instead of what was on the original plan. This allows the drive-thru and turn-around to be at the rear of the building. Mr. Stewart said that there may be a sandwich shop coming into the space where the deli is located. Tom Dow asked about landscaping. Mr. Stewart said it is a tough area, noting that the grassy area at the front is in the State's right-of-way. He said the area at the back of the store is currently vegetated. Dustin Bowles asked if they would still have enough room to do everything planned if the State moves the lane over. Matt Moore said they have planned accordingly.

Tom Moore asked about lighting under the fuel canopy. Mr. Stewart said it would be LED lighting designed by the canopy

company. He said there will be downward lights at the entries. Tom Dow asked if they have to go to the State for the gas tanks. Mr. Stewart said that they do. Tom Moore asked if there would be new power lines over the canopy. Mr. Stewart said they will be underground.

Hearing no questions from the public, Chairman Dow closed the hearing to the public and opened it to the Board only. Mr. Dow said that he likes the change with the drive-thru. Stan Prescott said he would like to see the siding and colors being used. Henry Huntington said the Board wants to keep the rural vision and he would like a clearer picture of what the building would look like. Mr. Stewart said the building will be tasteful. He said they would prefer not to come back to another meeting. He said he will be getting plans to Code Enforcement and the Fire Department and could include some to the Planning Board. Initially Mr. Stewart said that there would be clapboards on the building other than the rear where they would use metal. After discussion it was agreed that clapboard siding would be used on the entire building. They were asked to keep colors toned down.

The applicants were asked to provide the following: a) letter from Fire Department; b) signage details; c) lighting — catalog cut; d) fix elevation of catch basin on the detail sheet and drainage plan; e) fix the numbering of parking spaces; f) add a note about meeting parking space requirements/not expanding more than 25%; and g) clapboard siding to be used everywhere. Stan Prescott made a motion to continue the application to the meeting of February 16, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. in the Community Building; seconded by Henry Huntington. All were in favor. There will be no further notification.

Jeff Green returned to the Board.

New Business:

#12-01, New England Flower Farms and Henry & Sharon Huntington — Lot Line Adjustment, in the RR District, Map 6, Lots 1, 3, & 21. Abutter Wes Jones was present. Henry Huntington recused himself from this matter. Tim Bernier of TF Bernier, Inc. represented the applicants.

Mr. Bernier showed a plan of the three existing lots, two in the name of New England Flower Farms (Lots 1 & 3) and one in the name of Henry and Sharon Huntington (Lot 21). He explained that the proposal is to take nine acres from Lot 3 and add it to Lot 21. Mr. Bernier said that the back land of Lot 3 would be added to Lot 1, leaving the farm with forty acres. No new lots are being created. He said the piece being added to Lot 21 is a wetland area and has no access from, or any use to, the farm. Mr. Bernier pointed out a common access easement at the Chichester side of the parcels. The easement allows access to the main lot (Lot 3). Mr. Bernier stated that they will be going to the Zoning Board next week for a variance on lot coverage. He said the permitted coverage is 10% and they will be at 18% with the newly adjusted lot size because there are so many buildings and greenhouses. He said impervious coverage is permitted up to 20% and they will have 28%.

Wes Jones asked if the 50' strip at the Chichester side of the parcels is enough for a road. Mr. Bernier explained that the strip gives the back land frontage. Stan Prescott said the plans need to have a note of the lines being abandoned. Mr. Bernier said he will show the whole parcel on the final plans; they just finished the survey. There was discussion of the parcel coverage and acreage that has been used in expansions in the past. Henry Huntington pointed out that the bulk of the structures are greenhouses, not commercial buildings.

Tom Moore made a motion to continue the application to February 16, 2012 at

7:00 p.m. in the Community Building; seconded by Jeff Green. All were in favor. There will be no further notification.

Henry Huntington returned to the Board. **#12-02, Eric & Michelle Woodman and Joseph Bonollo — Lot Line Adjustment, in the RR District, Map 11, Lots 47 & 19.** Mr. Bonollo was present. Jeff Green recused himself from the Board as he represents the applicants.

Mr. Green stated that they have to go to the Zoning Board for a variance for reduced frontage. He gave an overview of the lot line adjustment that was approved two years ago in order to make the Woodman lot conforming for the construction of a house. He said there has been a problem with releasing the Bonollo piece through the bank so Mr. Woodman did a deed to reverse that section of the lot line adjustment. This created additional confusion thus this plan to return the lots back to their original configuration. Mr. Green pointed out that the Bonollo lot will be exactly as it was before the 2009 lot line adjustment. The Woodman lot will end up with 24.66' of road frontage and that is the reason for going to the ZBA.

Mr. Green said he is hoping for a conditional approval pending the ZBA approval so that Mr. Woodman can proceed with the bank process. He explained that there is a deeded easement over the Bonollo property/driveway to the Woodman lot in the back. Mr. Green said there was no road frontage before the previous lot line adjustment so this plan would still be an improvement as the Woodman lot would now have the 25' strip that he purchased as part of the first lot line adjustment. Tom Moore said the plan is not bad and does clean up a mess. Dustin Bowles made a motion to continue the application to February 16, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. in the Community Building; seconded by Stan Prescott. All were in favor. There will be no further notification.

Jeff Green returned to the Board.

Board Discussion:

Frank Merrill — Mr. Merrill said that he was sent to the Board from the recent Board of Permit meeting. Bob Fiske said that the question of underground power had come up so some research was done. He said the subdivision involved was approved in October 2003 and the Land Development Regulations were updated in December 2003. With that update the requirement for utilities on dead-end streets was that they are to be underground. Mr. Fiske referred to RSA 674:39 that addresses substantial completion being required within 24 months and there being a five-year window for exemption from changes to regulations. He said no substantial work was completed in that timeframe.

Bob Cole asked if the lots had been sold. Mr. Merrill said they had and that he bought his in 2004. Mr. Cole said it is alright if there is no development for years if the lots are sold. Stan Prescott said the subdivision was substantially completed as the road was in and the lots were sold. There was brief discussion about the intent of the RSA. Mr. Prescott said there is nothing on the subdivision plans showing utilities aboveground or underground. He said underground utilities were not required at the time of the subdivision approval.

Mr. Merrill said he came in and got a site plan approval and has put up the building. He now needs power for the building, noting that he is not the sub-divider. Mr. Merrill said the cost of underground power for his two lots would be \$62,000 whereas aboveground would cost \$4,800. Jeff Green stated that it would be common for the underground power for all lots to be done at one time and it is not right for Mr. Merrill to




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

ROLL CALL

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

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

Regular Hearing — Roy Merrill made a motion to approve the minutes of December 22, 2011 as presented; seconded by Howard Pearl. All were in favor.

DISCUSSION

Steve Roy — Chairman Powelson stated that Mr. Roy was asked to attend this meeting to discuss a complaint about him doing wood processing on his property. He advised

that a decision would not be made at this meeting as the complaint came through an attorney but the matter would be taken under advisement. Mr. Roy gave a timeline of when he bought the property for the purpose of wood cutting from Al Brock who had a concrete business at the same location. Mr. Roy explained the location of the property on Country Hill Road, stating that he has 17½ acres. He said this started as a hobby for his sons and has grown from there. Mr. Roy explained that he works full-time and does the wood on the side. He presented a sketch of this parcel to the Board for their review. Mr. Roy said he does not feel they are intruding on the neighbor at all. He said they do not have a processor but do everything by hand. Mr. Roy said the complaint lists equipment that they do not have, clarifying that they use saws, a splitter, tractors, and a con-

veyor. He spoke about ongoing matters with the neighbor, including the neighbor pulling boundary pins after Jeff Green surveyed the property. Mr. Roy presented Board members with a document that outlined the timeline of events with the property and the neighbor. He said there has been an ongoing business there since the '70s and Mr. Bouley has been there since 1984.

Roy Merrill said there has been a business there for a long time and if anything is needed it might be a change of use. George Saunderson suggested that it might be better to table this matter until the Board has some solid direction from the Town's attorney. Mr. Roy stated that he had no problem when Mr. Bouley asked for a reduced setback in 2004. Mr. Roy's son noted that others in town do wood processing with more equipment than his family and those do not have permits. After further discussion Chairman Powelson stated that the Board will speak with the attorney and get back to Mr. Roy.

PUBLIC HEARING

Application #Z11-13, David & Louise Osborne — Variance for Reduced Acreage. The applicant was not present.

Application #Z12-01, Jason Canney — Special Exception to revise conditions, C/I District, Map 20, Lot 58, Route 106 and Wales Bridge Road. Abutter Matt Smith and property owner Mike Milligan were present.

Mr. Canney stated that it has been almost two years since he was originally approved to operate at this location. He said he has done as asked by the town and has limited his business to service only the cars sold from his lot. Mr. Canney said the purpose of this application is to amend that condition. He said he has had a lot of people ask for service and he has had to send them elsewhere. He noted that there have been two other auto service businesses approved in town since his and neither of those have such restrictions. Mr. Canney said he feels people should be able to use who they want.

Ned Lizotte said that Mr. Canney agreed to cooperate with Matt Smith with regard to sharing business. Mr. Canney said he felt pressured at that time to agree in order to get the approval. Mr. Lizotte said he is concerned about changing conditions.

Chairman Powelson went through the points of the application with Mr. Canney. Ned Lizotte asked Mr. Canney about sending business out to others in town. Mr. Canney explained that he does inspections and general maintenance but does not do engines, transmissions, or body work. He said he would still send those out to others.

Abutter Matt Smith of the Loudon Garage said that he has not seen any business from Mr. Canney. He stated that things are tight enough and he feels this would hurt his business. Mr. Smith said he has sent customers over to look at cars on Mr. Canney's lot but feels Mr. Canney did not hold up his end. He presented a list of shops in town, saying that the town needs to take a look at how many there are and stop adding more. Howard Pearl asked Mr. Smith how he feels this would hurt his business if Mr. Canney is not sending people to him now. Mr. Smith said that Mr. Canney's location is more visible and he feels Mr. Canney has enough to do with sales and warranty work. Mr. Pearl asked how many other auto sales businesses there are in town. It was stated that Stash sells cars and there are several individuals who sell out of their homes. Mr. Pearl explained that the Board has to look at the Zoning Ordinance and go with what is allowed. Mr. Canney said he feels no business should be limited if they choose to work harder and earn more.

Ned Lizotte said that when Mr. Canney first came in it was about balancing reciprocal competition. Howard Pearl said if it was balanced then both parties would be able to do it all, noting that Mr. Smith has a dealer license and could sell cars if he chose. Mr. Lizotte said he does not like to see appli-

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have to absorb the cost of underground for all of the lots in the subdivision. Mr. Merrill said there is nothing on the plan that says it has to be underground. Henry Huntington said that Mr. Merrill is trying to clean up the mess that has been created with this subdivision over the years. Board members agreed that aboveground power could be used. Stan Prescott moved that Frank Merrill be allowed to install power poles on the road behind Red Roof Inn from Stanleys Road/Z-1 to the Concord line; seconded by Dustin Bowles. All were in favor.

Master Plan survey — Because of the length of this meeting it was agreed to postpone work on the survey until another time. Tom Dow said he thinks Loudon's survey is the best of the ones reviewed and would only need a few changes. Stan Prescott suggested that it should have some land use questions added.

Report of the ZBA:

There is a variance for reduced acreage for David Osborne, a variance for reduced

frontage for Eric Woodman, and a variance for reduced coverage area for New England Flower Farms on the agenda this month.

Report of the Board of Permit:

Stan Prescott reported that the following were discussed at this month's Board of Permit: a) utilities on access road behind Red Roof Inn; b) Growth Management Ordinance — Bob Fiske had thought the 2% limit on building permits would stay, however the entire GMO lapses; c) concern of a resident on Country Hill Road about a neighbor doing wood processing at a residential property. The business owner will be referred to the ZBA.

Adjournment:

A motion to adjourn at 10:28 p.m. was made by Stan Prescott; seconded by Tom Moore. All were in favor.

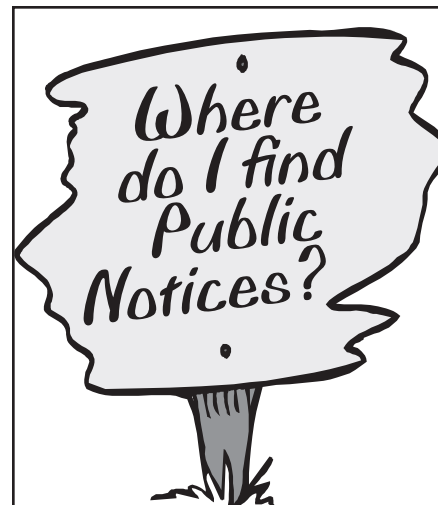
Submitted by,
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cants come back for changes. Mr. Pearl stated that things change for everyone and again spoke about true balance being both parties being able to do it all. Discussion continued.

Chairman Powelson reviewed the points of the application with the Board. On point #2, George Saunderson said he thinks the Board should not get into limiting a business. Jim Venne said he thinks an approval could be detrimental to another business but not the neighborhood. Roy Merrill said it is a tough situation and that he likes Mr. Smith but also cannot fault Mr. Canney for trying to do the right thing. He said things have changed and asking for this change is Mr. Canney's right. Mr. Merrill said Mr. Canney has followed the process. Howard Pearl asked if the Board would deny someone who came in with another lot because there are too many of the same business. George Saunderson said that things do change and Mr. Canney has seen a need. He said they cannot keep the town exactly as it was 5, 10, 15 years ago. Jim Venne asked if Mr. Canney would be willing to compromise and not advertise the full service. Howard Pearl stated that whatever is decided is nothing against either party. Mr. Canney said he does not feel he should be restricted on advertising. Mike Milligan said that they spoke with Mr. Smith before the first application so things would be amicable. He said Mr. Smith then came into that meeting to block the approval so he and Mr. Canney made the concession per the Board. He said it should be about who is available and who people want to do their work. Earl Tuson asked if competition is injurious or detrimental to a neighborhood. Mr. Pearl said he would hope not. The majority of the members felt that point #2 was satisfied.

The remaining points of the application were reviewed. Earl Tuson said he would think there would be an increase in traffic if there is an increase in business. Howard Pearl said that the square footage of the building and number of parking spaces are as required. Ned Lizotte noted that the volume of traffic was addressed with the first application. *Howard Pearl made a motion to approve the application as presented; seconded by George Saunderson. A roll vote was taken: Howard Pearl — yes; Roy Merrill — yes; Dave Powelson — yes; Ned Lizotte — no; George Saunderson — yes. Yes — 4, No — 1. Majority vote — APPROVED*

Application #Z12-02, Eric & Michelle Woodman — Variance for Reduced Frontage, RR District, Map 11, Lot 47, Chichester Road. There were no abutters present. Jeff Green of JL Green Enterprises represented the applicants. Mr. Green explained that there has been an existing auto repair business on this lot for many years and that the applicant came in to do a house on the lot. He said a lot line adjustment was done in 2009 and that there was no road frontage for this lot before that adjustment. Mr. Green said they tried to meet the acreage and create the required 50' of frontage for a building lot. He explained

that the bank will not release a 50' piece of the Bonollo property that was part of the lot line adjustment so they have had to do a second lot line adjustment to reverse parts of the one done in 2009. He said this will leave 24.66' of frontage on the Woodman lot.

Roy Merrill said the house never should have been built if the transfer had not been settled. Mr. Green explained that the problem came up when Mr. Woodman went to refinance. He said Mr. Bonollo's bank will not release the strip, noting that the mortgage has been sold from bank to bank. Mr. Green said the abutting lots are all under-sized so there is no option to get more frontage. Mr. Merrill said these need to be treated more carefully and nothing should be done until all releases are in place. Mr. Green explained the process and the changes that have occurred because of the economy. He said the Bonollo lot would be as it was before the 2009 lot line adjustment. Dave Powelson clarified that the access will remain as it is with a deeded easement over the Bonollo driveway. He said the lot gains 24.66' of frontage and this might make the situation better, clearing up any issues with deeds.

Chairman Powelson went through the points of the application with Mr. Green. Ned Lizotte clarified that things have been alright since 2009 until trying to do the bank process and they are now trying to correct the situation. Steve Ives asked if the business will continue on the same property as the house. Mr. Green said both were correct. Roy Merrill said the family owned both lots and sold the front lot, creating their own problem. Mr. Green explained the ownership of the lots, noting that Howard Woodman owned this lot until 2009. He explained that they applied for a variance when adding the house to the property and he reviewed the reason for the confusion with the transfer.

Ned Lizotte moved to approve the variance as presented; seconded by Howard Pearl. Jim Venne said this would seem to be the only solution. It was stated that due diligence was done on the part of the applicant. A roll vote was taken: Howard Pearl — yes; Roy Merrill — yes; David Powelson — yes; Ned Lizotte — yes; George Saunderson — yes. Unanimous — APPROVED

Application #Z12-03, New England Flower Farms — Variance for Coverage Area, RR District, Map 6, Lot 3, Pleasant Street. Abutter Wes Jones was present. Applicant Henry Huntington was present. Tim Bernier of TF Bernier, Inc. represented the applicants. Mr. Bernier noted that there was a typographical error on the application. The total impermeable coverage should be 25.8% not 28.5% as listed. Mr. Bernier stated that 10% building coverage is tough with this parcel due to the number of buildings. He explained the lot line adjustment that is before the Planning Board. Mr. Bernier said the applicants are doing some estate planning and there will be no change to the business or any visible changes. He pointed out that there are no lot density limits in the AFP district and that the limits in the RR district make things a little tough.

Mr. Bernier went through the points of the application. He stated that the overall density is the same; there will just be new lot lines. Dave Powelson noted that the total acreage will not change for the combined three lots. He asked what the plans might be for the open land. Henry Huntington said they want to manage the land and timber. Roy Merrill asked why they are not leaving more with the front lot. Mr. Bernier explained how many acres would be needed to meet the requirements. Mr. Huntington pointed out that the back land is not conducive to expanding. Mr. Merrill stated that Planning Board approvals for any expansions at this location were based on the size of the lot. Mr. Bernier said that 10% for buildings is tough to meet. Mr. Merrill said that runoff is an issue. Mr. Huntington stated that there will still be forty acres for runoff.

Howard Pearl asked where there is a hardship. Mr. Huntington stated that the family is growing and there are business changes. He said they are simply managing the properties and business. Mr. Pearl said that all approvals have been based on the full 97 acres for coverage percentage. He said to lessen that is going against those requirements and approvals. Mr. Pearl said the same rules were in place at the time of those approvals. He said a variance requires hardship.

Wes Jones asked about the purpose of the percentage of coverage. Roy Merrill said refers to impermeable surface. Henry Huntington asked why zoning puts 20% coverage in the Village district, none in the AFP district, and 25% in Commercial. Earl Tuson said it relates to building coverage and it was probably felt that it would work right in the RR zone. He said this parcel is RR but is not the typical RR use. Howard Pearl said the applicants are creating their own hardship. He said the future use of the

land could be a question, noting that he understands estate planning but has the concern of creating a problem. Wes Jones said he would think they would want to keep it consistent.

Tim Bernier pointed out that an Alteration of Terrain, with two ponds, was done with the last expansion. Roy Merrill said that the clustering of buildings and impervious area on a large parcel is not restricted but it is not necessarily right. Howard Pearl stated that it comes down to no hardship until making the swap of ownership. Mr. Huntington said that the problem is the zoning. Tim Bernier spoke with Mr. Huntington about doing an easement. Steve Ives said it is not necessarily a bad zoning rule but this is a different situation. Wes Jones said if they are looking at changing the zoning he would ask that they look at the effect on the water table as the concentration of buildings may affect that. There was discussion of possible options.

Howard Pearl made a motion to table the application until February 23, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. in the Community Building; seconded by Roy Merrill. All were in favor. There will be no further notification.

BOARD DISCUSSION

Anonymous letter — Chairman Powelson read a letter that was dropped off at the window of the Selectmen's office. The letter addressed a matter relative to The Villages. The Board members agreed that the author should address this directly with The Villages.

ADJOURNMENT

Howard Pearl made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:18 p.m.; seconded by George Saunderson. All were in favor.

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4 Fishing Derby “Bad Weather Date”	5 6pm•Conservation Commission @ Com. Bldg. 6:30pm•Happy Hill 4H @ Legion	6 10:30am•Storytime @ Library 5pm•Library Trustees 6:30pm•Selectmen's Meeting @ Com. Bldg. 6–8pm•LYAA Baseball Signups @ Library 7pm•Lions Club @ Library	7 2pm•Storytime @ Library 2–4pm•Open Workshop for Artists @ Library/\$5 7pm•Sit 'n Stitch @ Library 7pm•Village Arts Group @ Library 7pm•Historical Society 7pm•MEET THE CANDIDATES @ Com. Bldg.	8 10:30am•Storytime @ Library 6–8pm•LYAA Baseball Signups @ Library 6:30pm•Freedom Hill Coop @ Library 6:30–7:30pm•Voting at MVSD School District Meeting 7pm•MVSD School District Meeting @ MVHS Auditorium	9	10 10:30am–1pm•LYAA Baseball Signups @ Brookside Pizza
11 DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS 7pm•Monarch's Game with Loudon Recreation	12 TOWN ELECTION DAY. 8am–7pm @ Town Hall 7pm•Loudon Fire Dept. Assn. Meeting 7:15pm•MVSD School Board Meeting @ Penacook Elementary School	13 10:30am•Storytime @ Library 10am•Young at Heart @ Com. Bldg. Game Day 6:30pm•Selectmen's Meeting @ Com. Bldg.	14 2pm•Storytime @ Library 2–4pm•Open Workshop for Artists @ Library/\$10 6:30pm•Girl Scout Volunteers @ LES 7pm•Sit 'n Stitch @ Library 7pm•Book Group @ Library	15 10:30am•Storytime @ Library 7pm•Planning Board @ Com. Bldg.	16 LOUDON LEDGER DEADLINE FOR APRIL 2012 ISSUE	17 TOWN MEETING DAY. 9am @ LES ST. PATRICK'S DAY LIBRARY CLOSED 10:30am–1pm•LYAA Baseball Signups @ Brookside Pizza 7–11pm•Winter Carnival Dance @ MVHS
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18	19 6:30pm•Communications Council @ LES	20 FIRST DAY OF SPRING! 10:30am•Storytime @ Library 5pm•DARE PIZZA NIGHT @ LES 6:30pm•Selectmen's Meeting @ Com. Bldg. 7pm•Lions Club @ Library	21 2pm•Storytime @ Library 2–4pm•Open Workshop for Artists @ Library/\$10 7pm•Sit 'n Stitch @ Library 7pm•Legion & Auxilliary	22 10:30am•Storytime @ Library 7pm•Zoning Board @ Com. Bldg. 7pm•F/NF Book Group @ Library 7pm•LYAA @ Library	23 Sock Hop @ LES: 5:30–7pm•Grades K–2; 7:30–9pm•Grades 3–5	24 MAPLE WEEKEND 9–3:30•American Red Cross Babysitting Course @ Com. Bldg.
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